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## TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT

COMMITTEES HAVE LOCKED HORNS ON PROPOSITION.

The Differences Arise Over the Degree of Territorial Form of Government to be Established—Legislation Hinges on Triumph.

Special to the Ardmoreite.

Washington, Jan. 17.—The committee on territories and the committee on Indian affairs of the house have locked horns upon the proposition of creating a territorial form of government for Indian Territory. The difference arises over the degree of territorial form of government which should be established. The committee on territories will report favorably the bill introduced by Representative Moon, creating a full fledged territorial government. This is already a foregone conclusion. The sub-committee, which has charge of the bill will report it back to the full committee within the next week with a favorable recommendation. The bill, as it will be reported from the committee on territories will provide for the appointment of a governor by the president who will have full executive authority, the appointment of a secretary of state, a treasurer, auditor and superintendent of public instruction, and creating a legislature, to consist of two houses, styled, respectively, the senate and house of representatives, to be elected by qualified voters in the territory.

Provisions for general elections is made and for the qualification of electors. Rules and regulations governing the legislative assembly are also defined by the bill, together with the boundary of senatorial and legislative districts. A full judiciary is created, and the territory is given representation in the National congress by a delegate to be elected by a majority of the qualified voters.

The members of the committee on Indian affairs, who have a thorough knowledge of existing conditions in Indian Territory are opposed to the bill favored by the committee on Territories for many reasons. The most important objections that they have is that it will have the way to the creation of two states out of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, secondly, because it will disturb existing conditions in Indian Territory, as that territory is not now ready for the establishment of a full-fledged territorial form of government.

The leading members of the committee on Indian affairs believe that they have a remedy which will cure existing evils complained of in the Territory in a bill introduced by Congressman Curtis, provided for a limited territorial form of government. That bill authorizes the appointment of a governor by the president, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, a secretary of state, and gives the Territory representation in the National congress through a delegate to be duly elected by the people. The governor under the Curtis bill, will be "superintendent of Indian affairs" in the Territory and also ex officio chairman of the Dawes commission. He will have full executive authority in all matters pertaining to the Territory, but his appointment and the exercise of authority conferred upon him would not interfere in any way, with existing tribal conditions. The various nations could continue in existence until the time of their dissolution, under their treaties, six years later. Their tribal taxes could be continued the same as now, and the rights which they now exercise, under treaty provisions would not be infringed upon.

The enactment of this law could not be used as a pretext, later on, for the creation of a separate State out of Indian Territory, as would be the result should the Moon bill be enacted into a law.

It is evident that there will be a clash between the members of the two committees when the subject comes up for consideration on the floor of the house. The leading members of the committee on Indian affairs will then present to the house the evil effects which would follow the enactment of the Moon bill, and the members of the committee are in a much better position to throw light upon the subject and advise the house

than the members of the committee on Territories, for the reason that the leading members of the committee have devoted from five to ten years to studying conditions in the Territory and endeavoring to solve the vexatious problems which have been presented to congress year after year for disposition.

It seems probable that the discussion may result in the adoption of the Curtis bill as a substitute for the Moon bill when the question reaches a vote in the house. This would pave the way for the early enactment of the Curtis bill and thus give to the people of the Indian Territory a governor, secretary of state, and a delegate to congress. It is the general opinion of the senate end of the capital that such a plan, as is contained in the Curtis bill, would meet with little or no opposition at that end of the national capital. Legislation for Indian Territory, therefore, seems to hinge upon the triumph of the house committee on Indian affairs over the committee on Territories in the passage of bills presented.

## PASSED A FORGED CHECK.

Experience of a Young Oklahoma Farmer—Fleeced Out of \$90.

The Times-Journal is authority for the story of another innocent young man who has been hounded by a dapper looking fellow boarded a Choctaw passenger train at the depot in this city and took his seat at the side of an innocent appearing young man who looked as though he needed a little experience. The "dudish" man became engaged in conversation with his country friend, telling him, among other things that he had a check in his possession for \$300 on a Chickasha bank. Continuing, he stated that he could not identify himself until he got to Chickasha and that he needed \$100 until then. Again resuming the conversation, he said to the farmer: "If you will let me have \$100 I will allow you permission to hold the check, and will pay you \$10 commission. The trade was made and the farmer produced \$90 and took the check. The "dudish" man excused himself saying he wanted to speak to his sister in another car. After he had gone the farmer took out the check and was inspecting it but was later informed that it was a forgery. He went to look for the "dudish" man, who had escaped from the rear of the train.

## INFERNAL MACHINE IN MAIL.

Exploded When Struck by Stamp and Injures a Clerk.

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 18.—J. W. Martin, a postoffice clerk, was injured today by an explosion of a package of powder, nitro-glycerine, or an infernal machine. He was stamping letters and packages, and a package addressed to a hardware house here exploded when struck with the stamp. It bore the name of a New York smokeless powder concern.

The inferior of the parcel showed a tin box in which the explosive had been packed.

The local hardware firm disclaims having ordered such a package, or having been notified of its shipment.

The postal authorities have begun an investigation. Arrests may follow.

## INDIAN ALLOTMENTS PATENTED.

Kiowa, Comanche and Wichita Headrights Being Given Out Now.

Anadarko, O. T., Jan. 18.—The patents (some 2700 in number) for the Apache, Kiowa and Comanche allotments have been received from Washington and are being given out to the Indians. Patents for all of the "headrights" are included in the above. One patent is issued to each individual who received allotments.

Many grading outfits are camped along the proposed route of the Enid & Anadarko railroad, waiting for word to begin work. The road will go to Sugar Creek from Anadarko and cross the South Canadian near Bridgeport and will fill in the gap between Anadarko and Enid. It is a part of the line to Lawton from Anadarko.

A choice stock of men's furnishing goods is being slaughtered at cost. Come early and buy.  
16-1f. ED RINGER.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in the Gorman building. Sunday school 10 a. m. Sunday service 11 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting 7:30 p. m.

## MORE TALK OF PEACE.

Our Committee in Brussels Will Again Try to Arrange Convention.

Brussels, Jan. 18.—Advises received here state that the executive committee of the South African republics at a recent meeting at the Hague, unanimously decided to approach England with a view of arranging peace. A number of the committee said if the demand for unconditional surrender was withdrawn there would be peace before the end of the month. It was further stated that the Dutch premier who had returned from London where he had been sounding the British authorities with regard to the re-establishment of peace, was assured on high authority that careful consideration would be given to any peace proposals.

## Boers Must Sue for Peace.

London, Jan. 18.—In the house of lords today Earl Spencer deprecated the government's policy of unconditional surrender as the only terms for a settlement of the Boer war. He queried the government with regard to its intentions for the settlement of the war. Salisbury replying, said: "When the Boers sue for peace we will tell them the terms but until they do so the less we have to say about the matter the better."

## No Peace Overtures Yet.

London, Jan. 18.—Lord Roseberry in the house of lords this afternoon asked the government if there had been any peace overtures made to the Boer executive in Europe lately. Lord Salisbury replied that none had been made.

## TO RANSOM MISS STONE.

The Money Is Being Carried to the Bulgarian Frontier.

New York, Jan. 18.—Gargolou, the chief dagoman of the American legation in Constantinople, and the Rev. Dr. Peet, secretary of the American mission, have left Serres for the Bulgarian frontier, taking the ransom with them, in the hope of soon securing the release of Miss Stone and Mine Tsilka, cables the Salonica, Macedonia, correspondent of the World.

## Judge Bradford Appointed.

Hon. V. W. Grubbs as president of the southern board of industrial education met Judge Bradford of Ardmore in Gainesville today and finding him very much interested in the industrial education movement in Texas and the south appointed him special representative of the board to organize the

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work in Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.—Gainesville Messenger.

## WORLD'S FAIR POSTPONED.

Exposition May Not Be Held Until 1904 to Insure a Greater Event.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The Louisiana Purchase Exposition which was to have been held in St. Louis in 1903, may not take place until 1904. This fact was practically conceded by ex-Governor Francis, president of the Exposition company, and Adolph Busch, the financial agent of the company, at the White House today.

Since arriving here and conferring with the foreign representatives Governor Francis and Mr. Busch have come to the conclusion that unless the exposition is postponed for a year, the exposition will not be able to secure the elaborate foreign exhibits which are desired.

"In 1903 we can make the exposition as great as any ever given," said Governor Francis "but if we postpone it a year, it will surpass anything in the exposition line, ever attempted. We can get ready in 1903, but it is questionable whether we can secure what we want from abroad by that time."

## Carried Home.

Yesterday Mr. Lawrence Bowlin of Ravia, who was so badly hurt here by a horse and wagon running over him about a week ago, was able to be removed and his friends carried him home.

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