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MONG GOOD INDIANS NOW

HARJO, WHO KILLED HIS FATHER, RETURNS AND SHOTS

Another Indian, Who Dies, and His Brother Says "You Are My Prisoner"—Care for the Wounded Man—Other Matters.

Wewoka, I. T., Nov. 6.—Lewis Harjo died this morning in the United States jail here from the effects of a bullet hole through his lung. Harjo was a full blood Seminole, was a bad Indian who shot and killed his father a few weeks ago near Mecony because the latter refused to go to his old home and then shot another Indian in the leg. A number of Seminoles then started out to run him, and coming on him Tuesday morning, they undertook to arrest him, but he unsling his gun and was about to use it, when his own brother shot him. They put the wounded man in a wagon and hauled him to Wewoka and delivered him to Marshal Leo E. Bennett. Dr. C. P. Linn examined his wound and pronounced it fatal.

United States court is in session, with Judge Raymond on the bench and a large number of Indian Territory attorneys present. Prosecuting Attorney Wm. M. Mellette is on hand and is rushing things. Marshal Bennett brought over fifty-six prisoners from Muskogee for trial. Among them are six murderers and the rest are felons. It is not likely that the civil docket will be reached this term. This is the first term of court here since the organization of the new western district and consequently many new faces are present and the town is crowded.

Among the attorneys attending are Hon. Mm. Cravens of Fort Smith, T. A. Lorin and Col. Crisp of Muskogee, Judge Thomas and A. S. McKennon, formerly a member of the Dawes commission, but now attorney for the Seminole nation. Much interest is taken in the forthcoming townsite sale and

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the Jennings Bros. are receiving hundreds of inquiries about it daily. The citizens generally are highly pleased over the election of Cross as delegate from Oklahoma.

FLYNN CONCEDES IT.

Says Cross is Elected and Statehood is Defeated.

Guthrie, Ok., Nov. 6.—Last evening Dennis Flynn announced to several republican leaders that he concedes the election of Cross. He stated openly that Cross had undoubtedly defeated McGuire, and says the omnibus statehood bill will be turned down by the senate as a punishment for electing Cross.

NO CLAIMANT FOR BODY.

Casey, the Dead Outlaw, Apparently Had No Friends.

The body of Bert Casey, the outlaw who was shot by Deputy Marshal Hudson Monday, still lies at the Patterson undertaking establishment, no one having claimed the body.

John Pottoms of Bridgeport, and Bud Griffin of Cordell, positively identified Casey as the man who escaped from them last March. Others who have seen the body are positive that the body is Casey and the identification seems complete.

Bert Casey was about 21 years old, from information gained at the marshal's office. He was about 5 feet 10 inches in height and weighed 150 pounds. The belongings of the dead outlaw, including the four horses, guns, and other paraphernalia, have been ordered shipped from Enid to Kingfisher.

Large crowds have reviewed the remains and many of the callers are people from out of the city who, out of curiosity wished to see the man who had terrorized portions of the Territory for a number of years.

The reward of \$5,000 will be divided between Hudson and Hockett as soon as the identification is completed.

The body of Sims, the other outlaw, is in charge of the sheriff of Blaine county, for further identification. Sims was known to be a desperado, though not as bad as Casey. If no friends of Casey and Sims ask for the bodies the government will have to bear the expense of burial.—Guthrie Leader.

THE CATTLE MEN INSIST

DON'T LIKE TO LET LOOSE PUBLIC LAND GRAFT.

Ignore Law and Order—Secretary Hitchcock and Department of Justice Determined to Protect Settlers—Official Report.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 6.—Mr. Hitchcock, secretary of the interior, has been making a systematic and persistent campaign for several years against the syndicates that have been trying to defraud the homesteaders and settlers of their rights. He has determined to put an end to the frauds by which cattle barons and land speculators have been securing possession and control of vast tracts of the public domain. Record of the past year shows that in the Indian Territory, New Mexico, Nebraska, California, Washington, Oregon and Wyoming thousands of fraudulent entries have been made by representatives of these syndicates, for the evident purpose of protecting the cattle barons in their unlawful possession of the grazing lands. Mr. Hitchcock has broken the game up pretty well in the Indian Territory, although a syndicate of Texas cattle men is still in the possession of a good deal of grazing land for which the Indian owners are not receiving proper compensation.

Some of the schemes worked by the syndicate and their agents are exposed in the annual report of the commissioner of the general land office made public today. Commenting upon the plans for fraud that were discovered in Arkansas, the report says:

"During the fiscal year ten convictions have been secured for frauds committed in connection with soldiers' additional assignments executed in Arkansas. A great systematic conspiracy for the purpose of defrauding the government in these cases was discovered to be in existence during the latter part of 1901 in this state, which has been completely broken up and the guilty parties sentenced to periods of imprisonment in the United States penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, ranging from three years down, together with the imposition of fines.

"In the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan many applications have been suspended and rejected which are found to be clearly fraudulent. As yet, however, no convictions have been secured against the guilty parties. Although the district attorneys in these states have several cases pending for trial, and no doubt, some of them will be successful."

The report shows that the cattle men still insist upon the retention of their fences in the public domain, ignoring the law and the orders of the president and secretary of the interior for the immediate removal of these obstructions. The order for this was given last April but was extended to July 1 upon the plea of the cattle men and their promise to remove the fences upon that date. Fences have been removed during the year from 24,564 acres of the public domain, and the promises secured from cattlemen to remove nearly 4,000,000 acres. The report of an inspector on duty in Nebraska is incorporated in the report of the commissioner. This states that nearly the entire public lands of Nebraska are under fence by cattle men and that efforts are being made by them to secure some color of title from the government. This is accomplished by what is known as the "hobo filings." Hired employees of the cattle companies have filed upon thousands and thousands of acres of land now under fence, and there is no secret of their plan to sell these holdings as soon as the title can be secured, to the cattle companies. The report says:

"The persons who pay for these entries expect to hold them by having a hearing applied for if claim is suspended, and to appeal from the local officers to the commissioner, and from your office to the secretary, and thus run it along for several years if possible—holding the land and range meantime—pending final decision. Of course, they file in all kinds of names, and possibly two or three times under disguise. Thousands upon thousands of such entries have been made in these states within the past two or three years—especially since the fence agitation came up. The homestead law is a dead letter, absolutely no attention is paid to it."

The commissioner urges increased appropriations for inspectors and agents for the department in order that investigations into these fraudulent entries may be made more thoroughly and promptly.

A little over 5,000,000 acres of land were certified and patented to railroads during the year under the land grants made by congress to aid in the construction of railroads. During the season the interior department allowed 1,197,000 sheep to enter eight of the reservations for specified periods, the grazing to be confined to specified areas, and 459,137 head of cattle and horses to graze in thirty-eight of the reservations.

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Men Held at El Reno Object to Quarters and Seek New Fields. El Reno, Ok., Nov. 6.—At some time between sundown on last evening and the break of day five prisoners escaped from the county jail at El Reno, and have departed for the Sunny South, or some unknown more congenial clime. They did their work well and smoothly. Some person had allipped a little steel saw and a brace of six-shooters to them and with the first they sawed their way to liberty and with the latter held the other prisoners quiet. They used the saw first in removing the bar in the rear of their cells and then on a bar at one of the windows in the north end of the jail. The rest was easy.

FIVE PRISONERS ESCAPE.

The escaped are:

Wheeler, under arrest on a charge of rape.

Prewitt, charged with burglary.

Craig, felonious assault; shooting at Officers Robare and Stoneman.

Irwin and Grady, two men arrested for burr-ry at Yukon.

The little steel saw with which they did their work was perhaps eight or ten inches in length and very sharp. It had no handle and the user of it had wrapped a piece of bandana handkerchief around it, which not only served as a handle, but also deadened or muffled the sound made by the grating of the teeth. The bars had been sawed at one end only, and were easily removed afterwards. A reward of \$25 has been offered for the capture of all the escaped except Wheeler, and he has had a price of \$50 hung over his head. It is understood that they took the train south from here that night, but it is not definitely known.

Sheriff Cosby and some deputies are in pursuit.

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