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### DEFRAUDING INDIANS.

**MEMBERS OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE BRING SUIT AGAINST DAWES COMMISSION AS**

Conspirators and Charges Secretary Hitchcock With Misuse of Power—The Suit Is to Recover \$1,600,000 Damages—Other News.

Washington, Sept. 30.—Another important chapter has been written in the great Indian Territory scandals. The new chapter is revealed in a suit filed today by Richard C. Adams, a member of the Delaware, who has an office in Washington. The action is brought in the court of claims against the United States and on behalf of the Delaware Indians to recover \$1,600,000 in damages and reimbursements of sums of money the Indians have been compelled unjustly and unlawfully to expend to protect their lands and property because of the neglect and failure of the United States to serve and keep its treaty obligations with the Delaware.

The petition charges conspiracy to defraud and names members of the Dawes Commission as conspirators to cheat the Delaware tribe. Secretary Hitchcock is also charged with an improper use of his office as secretary of the interior.

The petitioners charge that Thomas Bixby, Thomas G. Needles, Clifton Breckinridge and William E. Stanley, members of, and constituting the commission to the Five Civilized tribes, otherwise known as the Dawes commission, have become largely interested in certain land and trust companies and corporations in the Indian Territory, organized for the purpose of dealing in Indian lands and leases, and that the said individuals and companies and corporations are desirous of availing themselves of the valuable oil producing land of the petitioners.

Nevada, Cal., Oct. 2.—Marion A. F. Muller, also known to criminal hunters by several other names, who escaped from the county jail at Truckee some time Tuesday night, has not yet been captured. He made his escape by sawing two of the bars of his cell with an ordinary case knife.

The prisoner was arrested last week on a charge of forgery. At the preliminary hearing Monday he was bound over to appear in the superior court for trial. The forgery was committed at Summit on Tuesday night of last week. Muller secured the pocketbook of a section hand named A. F. Miller. A check was contained in it and Muller made it fit his own name by pencil strokes. After signing it he had it cashed.

Muller was confined in a cell with James Creegan, the notorious forger who was with Becker, the "prince of forgers," in the famous Crocker-Woolworth bank forgery. Creegan was too big to get through the opening through which Muller escaped. He will be kept to answer for forgeries committed in Winnemucca, Nev. Muller was to have been brought to Nevada City and lodged in the county jail pending his trial, and McCreegan was to have gone with him for safe keeping.

Portland, Oct. 4.—Jumping stark naked from a window of the St. Vincent's hospital, John Peterson, temporarily insane, tried to enter a number of houses in North Portland, early yesterday morning, and in doing so scared a dozen people almost out of their senses.

When he leaped from the high first-story window, Peterson fell face downward upon sharp rocks and cut a deep gash in his temple. With blood streaming from this wound, his ghastly appearance and his naked condition were enough to frighten any man of ordinary bravery into a faint. After the policeman of the North Portland beats had been upon his trail for nearly an hour, he was captured in the terminal grounds, over a mile away from the hospital.

Tim J. Concannon, the grocer of Thurman street, got the worst scare. Hearing a noise in the store part of his building, he investigated. Opening a door leading into the store, he was almost knocked down by

the naked form of Peterson, who, yelling loudly, rushed at him and out into the night.

Mr. Concannon could hardly believe his senses, but he recovered sufficiently to telephone to the police station. The message of Mr. Concannon that an insane burglar, stripped of all clothing, had broken into his store on Thurman near Twenty-fourth came close upon other messages from persons all the way from Johnson street to Thurman. Sometimes it was simply a crazy man who fled past the pedestrian, again it was a daring burglar, who tried to enter buildings, particularly residences.

The patrol wagon, with Driver Isaacs and Sergeant Hogaboom, went out to bring in the insane man when he should be captured. All the patrolmen of the North Portland beats were on the lookout, but Peterson, in deadly fear of the spirits who he said were trying to kill him at the hospital, was on the run constantly.

A few minutes after he made the hair of Mr. Concannon rise upon his scalp, Peterson appeared before the firemen of the Pintech gas works in the terminal yards. Out of the night there had come an apparition which made the men think they had encountered a devil fresh from Hades.

"Gimme a shirt and a pair of socks," demanded Peterson.

Seeing that he was insane, the fireman made no delay in stripping off his own shirt and handing it over to Peterson. He was too scared to raise a protest.

The patrol wagon following upon the wandering trail of Peterson came upon him in the gas works. He was speedily placed in the wagon and taken to the station, where the hospital attendant, already aware that Peterson had escaped, was notified to come and get him if there was a cell where he could be safely confined. With his wound still bleeding, and dressed in a shirt and socks borrowed perforce, and an old pair of trousers picked up by the way, Peterson went back to the evil spirits in the hospital. He was suffering from a fever and had become temporarily insane.

New York, Oct. 3.—Mrs. John Beam, of Mitchellville, New York, 65 years old, has given birth to twins. Her daughter, who lived in the neighboring township, presented her husband with twins about the same hour. Before congratulations were finished Mrs. Beam's granddaughter sent word that she had just become the mother of two healthy children.

Boise, Ida., Oct. 2.—According to returns received in New York by General J. L. Weaver, the dredge he has constructed near Grand View, on the Snake River, saves \$23.58 from each yard. He made a trial run and took the malgams from 54 yards to New York, where he had it retorted and analyzed. He writes that he got a return showing the saving to have been \$7.35 in gold a yard, \$1.30 in silver and \$14.93 in platinum, a total of \$23.58. The dredge is what is known as the Bennett Pattern, designed on the theory that the gravels are filled with gold in the form of impalpable powder. In passing through the machine the gold has about 60 opportunities to come into contact with plates covered with quicksilver. Panning tests show about 30 cents a yard in these gravels.

The figures of this clean-up from the amalgamator have caused some excitement among those interested, but most mining men are confident that some mistake has been made.

Guthrie, O. T., Oct. 3.—Three white boys, Morris, Malloy and Quiness aged fifteen to seventeen, were arrested last night for outraging and murdering a thirteen year-old Bohemian girl, Mary Prekosh. All the boys are members of prominent families. Morris confessed to the horrible crime. The girl was caught while passing through the woods and repeatedly abused.

After releasing her, the boys were afraid that she would inform on them and decided to murder her. They ran and overtook her and cut her throat from ear to ear. The body was found by her father within an hour after the murder covered with grass and weeds. The people are so aroused that the boys may be lynched.

### OHIO MOB IS FOILED

**THREE MEN CAUSE RIOT AND NARROWLY ESCAPE LYNCHING.**

Officer and Two of the Offenders Fatally Shot—Spiveys Stir Up the Town—One of the Spiveys Hanged Three Times.

Oxford, O., Oct. 2.—Five men were seriously injured and one narrowly escaped lynching several times as the result of last evening's riot at this place.

Three brothers by the name of Spivey were visiting Edward Richardson, of Billingsville, Ind., just across the state line from Oxford. The three came to attend the annual street fair and farmers' exposition. The town was filled with strangers when these three men began carousing in a saloon. They pulled their revolvers on the bartender, who ejected them, and they proceeded to raise more trouble in other saloons. When Marshal Woodruff undertook to arrest them he was mortally shot. A fusillade of shots at the crowd followed. Deputy Marshal Manrod was shot twice when he took the place of his chief. During this fusillade in the street, Ernest Jotter, while returning from his school to his boarding house, was struck in the abdomen by a stray bullet, and he is now in a critical condition.

After the shooting the three men ran in different directions, with crowds after each, and each was hit in the head by stones thrown by those pursuing them. Louis Spivey was shot by a citizen. The excitement was intense when the three men were finally lodged in jail after running a mile from the scene of the shooting.

The crowds that had been pursuing the three men in different directions finally concentrated about the jail and battered down the doors and took Joseph Spivey out to lynch him. There possibly never was such an experience of any one as his in the hands of a mob. He was hauled from place to place with a rope about his neck and swung up three different times, and yet escaped with his life. In their haste the mob did not pinion his arms or his legs, and he managed to use them so as to prevent strangulation the first time he was hung. Another time he was let down so that he might write a farewell letter to his wife and children, and at another time some one cut the rope. Before the mob finally succeeded in hanging him until dead the officers grabbed him and rushed him off to the city prison, where the mob was held at bay for some time, and finally order was secured enough for speeches to be made by Mayor Flannigan, Rev. Thomas J. Potter and the brother of Marshall Woodruff. While the speeches were being delivered the officers spirited the Spivey boys into the cellar of the jail and thence out through a coal chute and made their escape with them to the Butler county jail at Hamilton, O., a distance of 15 miles. The mob finding then it had been beaten, dispersed, and the village was quiet during the latter part of the night.

This village with its three large institutions of learning, is noted for its culture and order, but it was the scene over a year ago of the lynching of Henry Corber, a negro, for the murder of Mrs. Horner, and a striking feature of the attempted lynching last night was the part taken by the negroes, who protested every time the rope was slackened and Joseph Spivey was let down to say his prayers, write to his wife and children or for any other purpose of mercy. Some of the negroes raised quite a disturbance while proclaiming that if the man had been a negro he would surely have been lynched in the first place without any one giving heed to his appeals.

The mob was without a leader at any time, but still it would not have been foiled but for the appeals of Woodruff's brothers to let the law take its course. The physicians attending the Spivey brothers, two of the five men injured in the riot last evening report both today in a serious condition. Louis, who was shot by citizens who were assisting the of-

ficers, is in such a serious condition that the physicians cannot probe any further for the bullet. Joseph Spivey, who may recover, presents a horrible appearance. Both ears are torn and his neck is raw and swollen from the effects of the rope, while his face is also disfigured. His most serious injury is a scalp wound which was caused by being hit with a stone.

Hamilton, Ohio, Oct. 2.—The Spivey brothers who are in jail here, confessed today that they had been in shooting scrapes before, having served terms in the penitentiary at Frankfort for shooting to kill. They ascribe the whole trouble at Oxford to their drinking. Joseph Spivey when asked today for his nearest of kin, replied that Deputy Sheriff Brannon was his best friend. Brannon is the officer who broke through the crowd and cut the rope the last time Spivey was strung up last night. Deputy Brannon is highly commended for his bravery and judgment in preventing lynching.

New Orleans, Oct. 3.—Jack O'Neal, formerly of Syracuse, New York, and for some time manager of the Orange, Texas Tribune, suicided today at the St. Charles hotel. When he went to Texas several months ago he fell in love at first sight with an estimable girl Miss Maud Renfrau, who returned the affection. The girl's father a few days ago, at the point of a pistol forced him to marry her. O'Neal's wife and family are in Syracuse. O'Neal who had kept the secret, attempted to explain to Renfrau, who would not listen. He then took his illegal wife to her home, immediately after the wedding, made a business excuse to be absent a few days. He came here and wrote a full explanation to his own father and to Miss Renfrau and then shot himself.

San Francisco, Oct. 3.—The Security Trust Company has filed suit in the United States court to foreclose a second mortgage on the property of the United States Ship-Building Company, the face value of the mortgage being \$10,000,000. The Union Works, which the mortgage covers, is the property of the ship building trust.

The mercantile Trust Company of New York brought suit on their mortgage of \$16,000,000 several weeks ago, and this is the second foreclosure involving the Union. The property was formerly owned by Irving M. and H. M. Scott.

At Philomath.

Born Sept 27th to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick William Mittelstadt, a son.

Mr. Rosenbraugh has accepted a position in the Brownsville public schools.

Philomath College opened last week with a good attendance and prospects for a successful school year. Mrs. O. V. White has been elected to the chair of music and Miss Tressa McDonald, languages.

Hop picking is over in this neighborhood and prune picking well advanced, but pickers are so scarce that all the prunes will not be saved.

Bishop Barkley was a Philomath visitor last week. He comes on business connected with the college.

A representative of the Salem Statesman was here this week getting items for the forthcoming Willamette advertising number of the Statesman.

The town is full of students that are here to attend college.

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