#### CORE OFFERED BIG BRIBE

Statement in Senate by Member from Oklahoma Causes Sensation.

RELATES TO M'MURRAY CONTRACT

Fifty Thousand Dollars Price for Not Opposing Their Approval-Names Are Not Menfloned.

WasHINGTON, June E.-Senator Gore the fortune in attorney's fees claimed by J. F. McMurry of Oklahoma, for services rendered to the Choctaw and Chickasaw

nations to land and townsite cases. The charge created a sensation in the senate, which later extended to the house. The latter body in consequence sent back

to conference the general deficiency bill, which carried an item relating to contracts between the lud ans and their attorneys. As the result of the denouement, Senator Gore finally involved a member of the member of the house committee on Indian property safeguarded. affairs, two former senators-one from Nebraska and the other from Kansas, whose

names were not made public in debate. In response to a suggestion by Senator Bailey that he should name the senate Mr. Gore demurred, but declared that he would welcome an investigation of the charges so that the whole matter might be brought out before a body which would It is not improbable that such an investigation will be ordered.

Senate Slow to Comprehend.

fully aroused to the seriousness of the fused to approve it." charges he made. His first effort was in nnection to the conference report on the deficiency bill, which had been preand by individual members of these tribes with their attorneys unless the contracts were approved by congress.

This provision was in accordance with a said, would aggregate \$3,000,000, and which Mr. Gore complained had not been earned

The conference report had been adopted would be worth a single dollar for it." by the senate when Mr. Gore entered the chamber. He announced that he had been informed that the senate had receded from congress of tribal agreements, but Mr.

properly safeguarded. Mr. Gore accepted the explanation, but said if the contracts were to be recognized, Mr. McMurry would receive \$300,000 \$20,860,000 the ultimate amount that would C. Warner; "Eradication of the White It was in this connection that he first accrue to McMurry and those associated Plague," by Dr. H. F. Ratte, and "Rural declared that improper influence had been with him under the 10 per cent contract. Fraternal and Social Organization," by exerted by a representative of Mr. Mo-Murry in an effort to defeat the provision logical survey estimate, and is exclusive

"Conceived in Corruption." Characterizing the McMurry claims as having been "conceived in corruption," Mr. Gore said he had been approached by an outsider who desired to interest him in the

McMurry claims. Later Mr. Gore examined the provision as agreed upon in conference. He lost no filme in returning to the senate chamber, where he moved to reconsider the vote by which the conference report had been adopted. The presiding officer informed ed out of the possession of the senate. Mr. Gore then moved to recall the report, but Mr. Gallinger moved to lay this motion upon the table, which was done.

Addressing the senate on a question of personal privilege, the Oklahoma senator amplified his charges that corrupt methods gated coal lands by Oklahoma. had been attempted to defeat the senate provision concerning the Indian contracts. Mr. Gore explained that on May 4 last \$10,000,000 for the lands. he had offered a resolution similar in terms to the amendment he had placed in the deficiency bill in the senate, and that alt had been referred to the committee on Indian affairs.

On the following day Senator Hughes had been directed to make a favorable report on the resolution, he said.

Improper Offer Made. "On May 6th," exclaimed Mr. Gore, "a

man came to me with an improper suggestion. He was a representative of Mr. Me-Murry, a resident of my home town, and had been my friend in a time of need. He assured me it would be to my financial interest if I could call on the senator from Colorado and advise him not to report the resolution. There was a suggestion that \$25,000 or \$50,000 would be available if the contracts were not prohibited. And I am informed that a similar proposition was made yesterday to a member of the house of representatives."

Mr. Gore also charged that "an ex-senator from Nebraska and an ex-senator from Kansas are interested in these large contracts," and declared that a large lobby was maintained in Washington in that interest. He said he felt in honor bound to continue these efforts "to prevent this steal from those defenseless Indians in Oklahoma.

He declared that if the contracts were ever carried into effect it must be "done with the full knowledge that whether or not there had actually been corruption, it had been attempted."

Learning that the house had not yer acted upon the conference report, Mr. Core hastened to the other chamber, where he told friends of the efforts alleged to broken. have been made to corrupt members. When R. L. Carter, conductor; left ankle the conference report was brought up in the house, Representative Murphy of Misacurt, called attention to the situation. He arm dislocated.

W. G. Brown, Ottawa, Fil.; seft leg cut declared that an attorney had been "lobbying" in the capitol for a long time in the interest of legislation which would validate his contracts with Indians.

"Name the attorney," demanded several inj. F. McMurry," replied Mr. Murphy The attorney was said to be seated in the

gallery at the time. Agreement Rejected.

The house almost unanimously rejected

the conference agreement. When the action of the house was reparted to the senate, Mr. Hale moved that and passenger No. 14, bound for St. Louis, the senate further insist upon its amend- hurried to the wreck. ments to the bill and asked for a further

Mr. Gore re-entered the chamber at this o'clock. juncture and obtaining recognition, reiterated his protest against the provision inserted in conference.

Another sensation was created when he will die. declared that the "friend in need had told him during the conversation of May 6 that member of this senate, a member of the Indian affairs committee and a member of the house committee on Indian affairs, Milwaukee, Illinois Central, Burlington and were interested in these contracts."

Mr. Gore said he had just seen Mr. Tawney, one of the house conferees, and fusal of the companies to accede to a had asked him who had suggested the higher scale of wages. The men claim provision which was substituted for the they are being paid an average of \$1.65 per

original senate amendment. "And Mr. Tawney named the very same the twin cities are being paid an average of

tracts," exclaimed the Okiahoma senator. "I understand that this member of the PROCRAM FOR CONSERVATION house and Mr. McMurry practically liv ogether in the same hotel in this city Senators looked agnast at the disclosures made by the Oklahoma member. The charges, which had been mild at first, oiled up in such an alarming manner tha even the rush of the last day of the ses ion was not sufficient to minimize the

to give vent to his feelings, exclaimed Names Withheld. "I think the senator from Oklahoma owes it to himself and to the senate to give the

name of the senator who was reported to him as being interested in these contracts." of Oklahoma disclosed in the senate yester- Mr. Gore declined, however, to mention day what he interpreted as an effort to bribe any names, but said he hoped there would him in connection with legislation affecting be an investigation of the whole matter in the month has up to the present received the course of which he might make the dis-

It is known that Mr. Gore mentioned to the reason that they should be brought out n a congressional inquiry.

The bill was then returned to conference, Mr. Gore had prepared a resolution providing for an investigation, but he withheld it upon assurance being given by Mr. Hale senate committee on Indian affairs, a that the interests of the Indians would be

It was brought out in the speech by Representative Murphy that the McMurry of the first day will be by Hon. Don M. firm would receive 10 per cent of the tribal Farnsworth, secretary of the Association nder the term of their contracts with the member of the Indian affairs committee, Indians in the event these contracts were ment to the Commercial Centers," and who C. V. McLaughlin Re-elected Director

According to Representatives Madden of Illinois and Carter of Oklahoma, there are "Interests Mutual to Minnesota and the 450,000 acres of coal lands in Oklahoma worth Dakotas. Other speakers at this meeting be suthorized to deal with his allegations. \$150,000,000, of which the attorneys would get will be Prof. Larsen of the state agricultural Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen this \$16,000,000 under the existing contracts. Mr. Carter said a similar contract had been disapproved by President Roosevell and that Mr. Gore was compelled to address the low "they had come to President Taft and senate three times before that body was he and the secretary of the interior had re-

Calls it Big Steal.

"This is one of the biggest steals ever atsented by Senator Hale. As passed by the Mr. Murphy. After naming Mr. McMurray A. A. Brigham of the state school of agrisenate, that measure contained an amend- as the man who had been trying to put the culture. ment which would nullify contracts made alleged scheme through, he said McMurray the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations had been ably assisted by Cecil Lyon, chairman of the great republican committee of Texas and national republican committeeman from that state."

"These gentlemen," continued Mr. Murresolution introduced by Mr. Gore on May phy, "have traveled over the Indian Terlast. It was designed to prevent Mr. ritory and have procured contracts from McMurry from obtaining fees which, it is the individual indians. You are giving to these men who are holding these contracts from \$3,000,000 to \$16,000,000, and presumably more, and they had done nothing that

provision is "ten thousand times worse" than existing laws, which requires the ap- tion of Soil Moisture," and Prof. N. E. the amendment requiring the approval by proval of tribal contracts by the president Hansen on "Northern Plants for Northern and the secretary of the interior, but gives Prairies." The evening session will be

This, said Mr. Murphy, is under the georequiring congressional action on the con- of the percentage they would get from the pine lands, which are reserved from allot-

> LAW FIRM DISSOLVED YEAR AGO McMurray Centered Efforts Mostly to

Indian Law Practice.
M'ALESTER, Okl., June 24.—The firm of McMurry, Mansfield & Cornish, of which J. F. McMurry was a member, was dissolved about a year ago. Since that time McMurry has devoted himself largely to Indian law practice. He was a candidate

for delegate to the last national convention but was defeated in the state convention. During the Oklahoma constitutional convention a commission was appointed by William H. Murray, president of the convention, with authority to investigate the advisability of the purchase of the segre-

The hearing continued several days and at that time there were informal offers of

About a year ago the Choctaw council, presided over by Green McCurtain, chief of the Choctow nation, adopted a resolution offering to sell the tribal property. which consisted in part of the coal lands, to the government for \$60,000,000.

Melvin Cornish, former partner of Mc-Murry, is in Manitou, Colo., and George Mansfield, another member of the old firm. is in Rogers, Ark.

#### Wabash Train Runs Into Ditch, Twenty-Five Hurt

Passenger Cars Leave Track Near Percy, Ia., and Later Are Crushed by Fast Freight.

DES MOINES, June 25 .- Twenty-five people were injured, two perhaps fatally, in a passenger derailment and rear end collision on the Wabash railroad near Percy at 8:30 tonight. The wreck was caused by water which had undermined the track. The engine and three cars ran into the ditch, but the rear car was left on the track. The passengers in the rear car had not had time to recover from their fright when a fast freight struck it, knocking it from the track.

The seriously injured: C. J. Riley, Moberly, fireman on passenger; hurt internally, may die. E. L. McAtee, Moberly, mail clerk; jaw

crushed. Julia Lenon, Little Rock, Ark.; ankle and

off at ankle. L. W. Matthews, ankle and knee broken. Mrs. L. E. Warner, knee dislocated.

Gertrude Wilson, Centerville, Ia., knee broken. Wallace Fletcher, Moberly, Mo., injured internally.

Mrs. L. Butler, Peoria, Ill., badly bruised. The wreck came without a moment's warning. The train was going at a fortymile clip, when the engine suddenly toppled into the ditch, followed by the three cars. Notice was at once sent to Des Moines

The injured weer transferred to the relief train, which reached Des Moines at 1:15

Ambulances took the injured to Mercy hospital. It is believed that W. G. Brown of Ottawa, Ill., and C. J. Riley of Moberly

Men at Dubuque Out. DUBUQUE, Ia., June % .- (Special.)-The freight handlers, checking clerks in the Chicago Great Western freight houses in Dubuque are out as the result of the reday, while similar employes in Chicago and representative who was mentioned to me on \$2.25 per day and up. They ask an average May 6 as being interested in these con- of \$2.00 a day.

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NOTABLE

ceruine interest displayed. The chamber New Capitol Will Be Dedicated on was filled when Senator Bailey, the first Afternoon of Second Day of Session-Long List of Subjects to Be Discussed.

PIERRE, S. D., June 25.-(Special.)-The he conservation meeting here the last of Power," by State Engineer S. H. Lea. come but will bring their wives with them. some of his colleagues the names of persons This list does not include the whole state. Coe L Crawford for the second session involved in his charges, but said that he did as acceptances are yet coming. Enough Robert L. Slagol of the State Agricultural not care to have them appear in debate for have responded to assure representation college for the third session, Prof. Gault

> est representation to the meeting. The program which has been arranged is 'The Importance of Agricultural Developis followed by Hon. George Welch, commissioner of immigration of Minnesota, on

Good Roads and Dry Farming.

roted to talks on good roads by Hon. J. W. Parmiey, "Dry Farming" by A. J. McCain, 'Relations of the Home to the School" by

The address of the morning of the second day will be by Governor A. O. Eberhart of Minnesota; Prof. Perisho of the university on "Artesian Waters," Mrs. Anna Sim- Miss Florence Starr, who has been asso-Prof. Cook of the Spearfish normal on has tendered her resignation. Miss Starr, "Horticulture."

be dedicated with an address by Governor ment school at Peking. She will have Vessey and by Rev. A. D. Storms of Iowa charge of a class of young men of royal Agricultural college.

Mr. Gore contends that the conference Helen Peabody of Sioux Falls, on "Science be sent to this country to complete their in the Home;" Dr. Stoner on "Conserva-Hale explained that the matter had been them no authority over individual con- taken by "Agriculture in the Public Schools," by William F. Howe of the De-Mr. Murphy, who was once an attorney partment of Agriculture, Washington; for the Creek Indians, tonight figured at "Horticultural Development," by Hon. H.

Hon. Charles Hoyt, master of the state

The last day's speakers will be President W. Campbell of the state fair, on "Our Committee in Charge of Big Meeting Agricultural Fairs;" Prof. C. Willis of Brookings, on "A Permanent Agriculture," "The Influence of the Press in the Dovelpment of the State, by W. F. Baperoft. SPEAKERS president of the State Press association, and "From Range to Fame in Western South Dakota," by Mark C. Rich of Fall River county.

At the last session Hon. M. F. Greeley will talk on "Our Duty to the New Settler," Prof. Robertson of the State Agricultural college on "Utilization of Our Building Material." and Henry Nelll, secretary of the Dakota Millers, on "Made in emmittee in charge of the preparations for Dakota," and "Development of Water

An address for the presising officer of acceptances of more than 500 delegates, each meeting is expected, the officers bemany of them saying they will not only ing ex-Governor C. N. Herreid of Aberdeen for the first meeting; ex-Governor from every county in the state, and some of the State university at the fourth segof the counties in the central portion will sion, Judge C. S. Whiting of the supreme carry home with them the silver cup which court at the evening session of the second the Board of Trade of this city has secured day, ex-Governor Andrew E. Lee for the to be donated to the county bringing the first session of the last day and ex-Governor S. H. Elrod for the last session. The program will be interspersed with practically complete, but subject to any music and entertainment of different necessary changes. The principal address classes will be provided for the visitors who come to attend the session

#### property of the Choctaws and Chickasaws of Commerce, Chicago, who will speak on OMAHAN ON FIREMAN'S BOARD

of Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

ST. PAUL, June 25.-The Brotherhood of college and State Engineer Samuel H. Lea. afternoon decided to hold its next convention at Mobile Ala. on the first Monday in June, 1913.

officers by electing the following to the play. Miss Struble is a member of the Pi board of directors: H. O. Teat, Atlanta, Beta Phi sorority at Iowa and graduates Mrs. Josephine Anderson and "Conservation Barr, San Antonio, Tex.; Arthur Lovell, tempted to be put through congress," said of South Dakota's Best Product" by Dr. Logansport, Ind.; George K. Wark, Toronto. Ont.; John Cochran, St. Paul, and C. V. McLaughlin, Omaha.

Miss Starr Goes to Peking.

MITCHELL, S. D., June 25 .- (Special.)mons on "The Home," Prof. Fulton of the clated with the faculty of Dakota Wes-School of Mines on "Ore Deposits" and leyan university for the last fifteen years, in the early fall will leave for China to At the afternoon session the capitol will accept a position as a teacher in a governrank to prepare them in the early steps of Following the dedication will be Miss an American education and later they will education.

> Heat Victim Hangs Himself. MASON CITY, Ia., June 25 .- (Special Telegram.)-Due to intense heat, Theodore Koerber was picked up today seemingly deranged. An hour later he hanged himself in jail. His home was in Mankato.

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> Student Drowns at Mitchell. MITCHELL, S. D., June 25 .- (Special.)and 60 years of age. Charles A. Desgrove, a university student, vas drowned in the Milwaukee pond, a half mile east of the city Wednesday night. Ir omnany with two friends he went in bathng and was alone in the water before the others and the supposition is that he stepped into a hole and not being able to swim drowned. The body was recovered by the companions within five minutes after ward, but life was extinct. The young man returned during the day from a trip out to Cascade, Colo., where he attended a conference of the Young Men's Christian association, and this morning he intended to leave for his home at Fairbury, Ill. The body was taken Thursday evening back to his home and were accompanied by Prof. C. V. Gilliland.

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#### House Conferees Win Struggle for Reclamation Act

Provision Authorizes Issuance of \$20,-000,000 Worth of Certificates for Completion of Work.

WASHINGTON, June 24-The house conferees won their fight for the house provision in the bill authorizing the issuance of \$20,000,000 worth of certificates of indebtedness for the completion of existing reclamation projects, on which it is proposed to spend the money as raised. They made the concessions, however, that the provision should be modified so that the power of approving projects should rest upon the president alone. The house provision would have required the approval also of the army engineers.

The senate opposed turning over to army engineers the question of examining and approving projects, on the ground that many of the projects had been developed to a point where they must be continued according to the triginal plans or all of the money already invested would be lost. An effort to reconcile the differences was made at the White House today, when the president had the conferees to lunchcon. He proposed that the question of naving the projects examined by the army engineers be left to the discretion of the executive, and the senate conferees were

willing to accept this suggestion. The matter was not settled, however, until after another conference at the capstill further concessions by the senate conferees. After considerable debate the senate accepted the conference report.

Auto Victim Dead. WATERLOO, In., June 55-(Special Teletim of an automobile accident Wednesday, dled last night. He leaves a widow and five children. He was a prominent citisen GIRL WHO WILL NOW PRACTICE AT THE BAR



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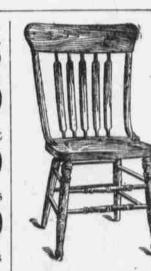
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