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CHEROKEE TRIBAL FUNDS PUBLISHED BY HASTINGS

TAHLEQUAH, Okla., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—W. W. Hastings, Cherokee national attorney, in a letter from Washington, enclosed the following statement of the Cherokee tribal funds to date

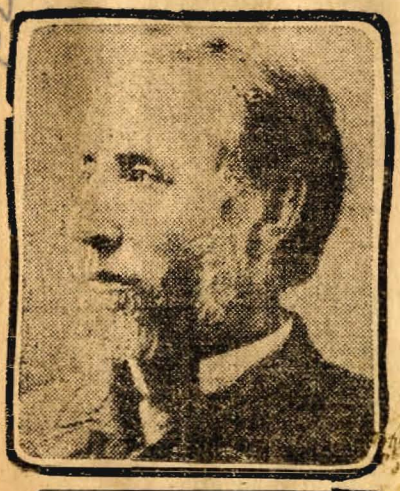
Balance of funds in United States treasury, belonging to the Cherokee nation, Oklahoma, October 25, 1913:

Cherokee national fund...	$137,656.01
Interest on Cherokee national fund	996.69
Cherokee Outlet fund....	28,332,54
Interest on Cherokee orphan fund	15,850.98
Cherokee school fund....	271,212.05
Interest on Cherokee school fund	81,071.44
Cherokee royalties, grazing etc.	56,437.58
Cherokee town lots	2,978.06
Cherokee unallotted lands	17,828.78
	$562,364.13

Amount deposited in bonded Oklahoma banks under the provisions of act of March 3, 1911 (36 Stat. L1,058-1070):

From unallotted land sales	166,628.70
From town lot sales.....	100,000.00
	$266,628.70
Grand total	$828,992.13

FOR THIRTY YEARS HE WAS MEMBER OF U. S. SENATE



SHELBY M. CULLOM,
Ex-senator from Illinois, who died in Washington this afternoon, at the age of 85 years.

ARKANSAS LAW STILL GOOD.

Wilson, Okla., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Contracts made under the Arkansas laws that were in force in old Indian Territory prior to statehood are still governed by these, was the holding of District Judge Russell at Ardmore in a suit for possession of land. The Arkansas laws hold that peaceful occupation of land for seven years gives possession, whereas the Oklahoma laws require fifteen years.

The suit for possession in this case was not started for nine years and is held to be a too tardy procedure. The decision is considered highly important by attorneys in that it will keep down many old claims.

WHITE MAN'S WAY BEATS THE INDIAN WAY COURT HOLDS

District Judge deGraffenried decided yesterday that a marriage performed after the customs of a "white man" has more standing in court than the old Cherokee ceremony, and as a result Peter Washington will receive the estate of his deceased wife Lizzie, amounting to about $20,000.

Lem Hildebrand, another Indian, claimed that he "just took" Lizzie in 1888 and that Washington, who married her in 1904, "stole her from him."

Attorney W. P. Z. German represented Washington.

THE AMERICAN HERITAGE.

More than a hundred years ago America fought a long war for the right to self government. Two generations later they fought another war over the perpetuation of that government. Five years ago they entered on another armed struggle to protect their democracy from foreign aggression.

Will they turn this government, so created and defended, to the professional politicians by a perfunctory straight party vote today? Or will they accept their responsibility by taking their voting seriously? By casting their ballot, in every case, as they believe the interest of the nation requires?

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