

at the National Hotel. J. J. McAlester was elected President of the meeting. After a full discussion of the townsite features of the bill, a committee was appointed to draft an amendment embodying the sense of the meeting. The committee was composed of J. F. McMurray, of South McAlester, Dr. Wolverton and S. T. Bledsoe, of Ardmore, Judge Stewart, of South McAlester, and P. W. Thompson, of Tahlequah.

This committee has been at work and yesterday agreed upon an amendment, which is in substance as follows: "That the land upon which any town is located shall be purchased from the Indians at such a price as may be agreed upon between the towns and Indians; that the chief executive officer of any town so purchased shall plat the towns; that such plat shall be approved, by, and filed with the Secretary of the Interior, that upon filing of the plat with the Secretary of the Interior, the chief executive officer of the town, shall appoint an officer who, with the chief executive officer, shall appraise the lots separate and apart from any improvements that may be on the same, at such a relative value as the present value of the lot bears to the purchase