

Okmulgee, I. T., Oct. 13, 1902.

Hon. Green McCurten,
Principal Chief Choctaw Nation,
Tuskahoma, I. T.

Dear Sir:

You were notified some time ago of the Scout McAlister Convention, on the 15th instant. The Creek Council has passed a set of resolutions appointing five representatives and their Chief to meet the Chiefs and some of the leading citizens of the Five Nations at that time. It is my earnest desire to meet you and the other chiefs at that time, as I regard it of the greatest importance that our nation take positive action in regard to their political future, so as to prevent their being embraced in any state to be organized by act of Congress this winter. It is desirable to make a strong effort to maintain the identity of the country embraced within the territory of the Five Civilized Nations, and a State embracing our territory would better subserve our interests than to be annexed to Oklahoma, either piece-meal or as a whole. Therefore, I believe it would be better for us to propose a plan reaching Statehood, at this meeting, and thereby maintain our identity.

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Executive Office,

Muskogee Nation.

B. Borter, Principal Chief.

The Cherokee and Seminole Chiefs have agreed to attend the Convention, and I trust you will be with us at that time.

Respectfully,

B. Borter
Prin. Chief.

P. S. I congratulate you upon the pacific adjustment of the contest for the Chieftaincy.

Respectfully,

B. Borter

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Mr Wilburn Addams,
Gowan, I. T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of Dec. 1, 1902, I desire to say that the land office will open, on Feb. 3, 1903, at Atoka, I. T.; and Every Choctaw citizen who is the head of a family is required to go to the land office in person.

As to your second inquiry, I desire to say that the Government is to continue, under the Atoka Agreement, until March 4, 1906, at which time our tribal government will cease to exist.

As to your third inquiry about the coal land, the Supplementary Agreement provided that the coal land be segregated within six months and sold within three years, from the ratification of the supplementary agreement.; and the proceeds of this coal land will be divided, pro rata among the Choctaws and Chickasaws, when the tribal government ceases. This together with the proceeds of the sale of town lots, will amount to quite a snug sum of money, which properly taken care of, should provide for the welfare of each Choctaw and Chickasaw.

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Yours truly,

Principal Chief C.N.

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Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief C.N.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your communication of the 6th inst., and I endorse your action in requesting Henry Ansley, Secretary of the Five Tribes Convention, at Eufaula, on Nov. 28, 1902, to forward to Senator Quay a certified copy of the resolutions passed at that convention, in order that the same may be presented to the Senate as a resolution from our Nations touching the question of statehood with the Territories of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico. At the extraordinary session of our Council, just adjourned, the resolutions passed by that convention were adopted, and the purpose of said convention heartily commended. I hope that we may be able to stem the tide, and secure to the Indians, thereby, their just rights in the premises.

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Yours truly,

Principal Chief C.N.