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## STILL ANOTHER ENTERPRISE.

The Creek Citizen's Realty Bank and Trust Co. Will Soon Start Business.

The Creek Citizens' Realty Bank and Trust Co. is a new enterprise for Muskogee. All the stockholders, directors and officers of this institution are colored people.

The capital stock of this institution is \$50,000, \$30,000 of which is paid in, and the location is one of the new brick houses on the east side of North Second street.

This is perhaps the only institution of its kind in the United States—that is a concern that does a regular banking business, in which all those interested are colored people.

Articles of incorporation have been prepared, and the doors will be opened for business by the first of next month. The intention was to open sooner but owing to the floods, the furniture and fixings failed to arrive.

The directors of the institution are as follows: A. G. W. Sango, P. R. Caesar, W. A. Rentie, George K. Davidson, S. E. McIntosh, Lincoln Oliver and David Dickson.

The following will be the officers of the bank, having been elected by the board of directors:

A. G. W. Sango, president.  
P. R. Caesar, vice-president.  
George K. Davidson, secretary.

W. A. Rentie, cashier and treasurer.  
There are many well to do colored people in Muskogee and surrounding country, and there is no doubt but what the Creek Citizens' Realty Bank and Trust Co., will do a good business.—  
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## Freedman Sale Held Valid.

An interesting and important case came to an abrupt conclusion yesterday in the office of the Indian Agent when Nanie Yokley, freedman, was informed that having sold her allotment she could not secure aid of the agency in regaining possession. The land in question had been sold and a warrantee deed given, and a non citizen in possession. The allottee filed a complaint and asked to have the alleged intruder removed under the provisions of the Creek treaty. When the case came up for trial yesterday, the party in possession claimed that the allottee having sold the land and the deed being on record the matter has passed out of the jurisdiction of the agent. On producing a certified copy of the deed, Mr. Bennett, chief clerk in charge of the department of intruder after conferring with the agent notified the allottee that the agency would take no action in the matter, the sale having relieved the Government of further responsibility.

The case is important, in as much as it established a precedent and goes to show that the department recognizes the sale of freedman land as bona fide, and will not interfere with the right of possession after the land has been deeded by the allottee.

## Cullings From Exchanges

The movement of so many Negroes from all over, every part of the South, leaving idle many fields and plantations tell a story stronger than we can hope to get in any sort of periodical. The Negro loves the South, but the limited exercise of his rights, the continual reign of the spirit of slavery has caused him to turn his back upon the South and to her will never return.—Item.

Very little religiously moral strength need be expected from our churches and pulpits while the principal services is money-getting. Anyway, what will it profit us if we get all the money and lose the souls.—Item.

Lawyer Cummings, a Negro attorney of Boston, has been selected to make one of the speeches at the National Republican Convention at Chicago, at which time President Theodore Roosevelt will be nominated as the republican candidate for president of the United States. Mr. Cummings is said to be one of the finest speakers in the United States.

Notwithstanding the World's Fair in St. Louis is unpopular with the Negroes in that city a good many Negroes from other sections of the Commonwealth are pouring in to see what is what.

The Negro who comes into the Territory with no higher motives than to rove around and commit assaults upon women is not only on the "down grade" but is preaching "another gospel" and ought to be dealt with in great haste.

We will never buy your dry goods,  
We don't like you any more.  
You'll be sorry when you see us  
Trading at some other store,  
You can't sell us any ribbons,  
Four-in-hands or other fad,  
We will never trade at your store  
If you don't give us your "ad"

A pretty octo-room of New York has, it is claimed, "warmed up" to a rich manufacturer for \$750,000. That's money too.

## BOY'S ESSAY ON SOLOMON

"King Solomon was a man who lived many years ago and in the country that he governed he was the whole push. He was an awful wize man, and one day two women came to him, each one holding onto the leg of a baby, nearly pulling the poor thing into, each one claiming it. And King Solomon wasn't in a very good humor and said: 'Why couldn't the brat have been twins and saved all this bother.' And then he called for his sword and was going to cut the baby in two and give each woman a piece of it, when the one who was the real mother of the baby said: 'Stop, Solomon, stay thy hand. Let old hog have it. If I can't have a whole baby I won't have none.' Then King Solomon told her to take the baby home and wash its face, for he knew it was hers and he told the other one to go to chase herself. King Solomon built Solomon's Temple and is the father of all the Masons. He had seven hundred wives and three hundred lady friends, and that is the reason there are so many Masons in the world. My papa says Solomon was a warm member and I think he was hot stuff myself. That's all I know about King Solomon."

## OIL REFINERY WILL BE ERECTED

Messrs Hatton and Hopkins of Buffalo Decide to Erect Refinery.

An oil refinery for Muskogee is practically assured. It will be one of the largest and most valuable industries in the city, as contemplated by the Hatton-Hopkins company, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Messrs. Hatton and Hopkins of Buffalo, have been here since yesterday morning looking over the local field and figuring on the prospects for a refinery. Late this morning they decided that they would construct one here and soon afterward obtained a ten days option on a twenty-five acre tract of land just north of the city limits. These gentlemen are oil men of many years experience and almost unlimited backing and the industry which they will give Muskogee will be one of the best possible things for the town, which we can not thank the Chamber of Commerce and C. N. Haskell too much for getting them interested in the Muskogee field.

It has been supposed that the Standard Oil company would not construct its proposed large tanks here if a refinery was built. W. F. Gates, the Standard representative, is not in the city this afternoon, so that it is impossible to detail the action of his corporation in this matter.

## Summer

### Excursion - Bulletin

ST. LOUIS—Very low rates all season.  
COLORADO—Very low rates all summer. Through sleeper service.  
CHICAGO—Very low rate all summer.  
GREAT LAKE RESORTS—Very low rates all summer.  
ATLANTIC CITY—One fare plus \$2.00 round trip. July 9-10.  
INDIANAPOLIS—One fare plus \$2.25 round trip. June 26-27.  
ST. JOE—One fare plus 2.00 round trip. June 28-30.  
CINCINNATI—One fare plus 2.25 round trip. July 15-17.  
WEST BADEN AND FRENCH LICK SPRINGS—One fare plus \$2.00 round trip. July 25-29.  
LOUISVILLE—One fare plus \$2.25 round trip.



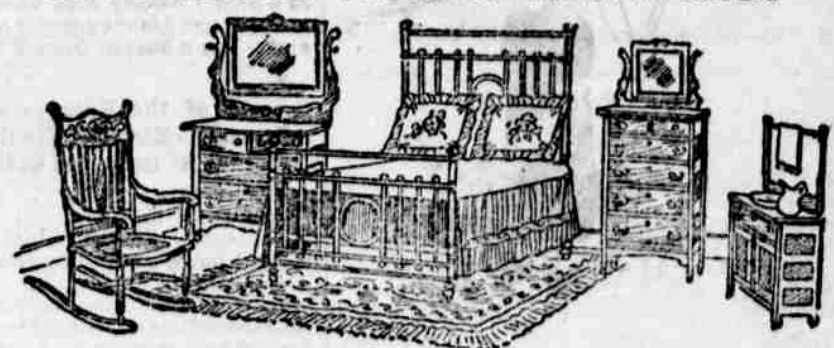
For full information call on your nearest ticket agent.

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