APACHE UPRISING!

RED SLEEVES BURNS OUT SETTLEMENTS!!

CUTS OFF SUPPLY ROUTES TO SILVER TOWN!!

CHIRICAHUA WAR CHIEF FOLLOWS THROUGH WITH THREATS!

RENEWED HOSTILITIES HINTED AT FOR MONTHS

THE PEACE SHATTERED

THE ANIMAS LINE VIOLATED BY SETTLERS

"WERKS OF TALKS AND NEGOTIATION WASTED" COUNCILMAN SAYS.

TOWN MILITIA BEING FORMED

The news came as a shock to the teeth for those who have been working to keep the peace these many years. But yesterday word arrived that Red Sleeves followed through on his threats of reprisal and sent his warriors across the Animas River to hit settlements throughout the region.

The attacks were well planned and premeditated. The telegraph line between Ranco Bisarel was cut before dawn yesterday. Four men working the relay station 30 miles north of the town were brutally murdered and the station burned to the ground. The first of many to die.

With communication cut off at least four bands of Apaches-Chiricahua made early morning attacks against white settlements up and down the river. Perhaps more. Red news is still coming in and more is expected.

CHIRICAHUA WAR CHIEF

Ben Langton, stage driver for the M&LSC reported his stage along with four passengers was intercepted near the Little Bend south of Silvertown by Red Sleeves men. The team was stolen, the stage shoved into a gorge and the passengers forced to continue on foot.

"We were spared thank god," Ben Langton later reported at the Harking Saloon in Muskegie. His hands trembling as he swallowed one of many drinks bought for his sake by the concerned crowd that had gathered around him at the bar to hear him tell his story.

"They wanted us deliver a message. Red Sleeves wants to be heard. They told us that it was the settlers who broke the treaty. That there would be more blood to come."

Ben further reported that he was told by Red Sleeves's braves that no stages or supply wagons would be permitted to pass along the Old Spanish Trail between Silver Town and Ranco Bisarel.

Putting the livelihood of Muskegie as well as Lazarus at stake.

Ben had hardly barely finished his tale when news arrived the small settlement at Horcon Crossing had been burned out and over thirty of its inhabitants slaughtered.

On the heels of that news quickly came reports that the Crooked Y Ranch near Sangros Canyon had been attacked.

ANIMAS VIGILANCE LEAGUE MOUNTING UP TO ESCORT SHIPMENTS

Jack Hender the self-proclaimed "Captain" of the AVL was quick to announce he and his men would be escorting shipments from Ranco Bisarel and Lazarus north to Muskegie.

Last fall's gold strikes on the Little Sandy and Hefter's Rock and fortunes seekers new territory. Drifting west of the Animas River defying the treaty and heightening tension between the Apaches and the settlements.

In November a delegation was dispatched to Durango to negotiate new terms with Red Sleeves and loosen his grip on the territory. His half tight grip on for nearly a decade.

"Those Texans did history a great disservice when they ran the Chiricahua out of the Republic and west of the Rio Grande," says Mayor Gallagher of Lazarus.

"Halligan was part of the Lazarus-Muskegie delegation who met with the war chief in late November in hopes of easing tensions."

"We didn't want to hear anything we had to say. Only thing that came out of that meeting were threats."

Tensions between the settlements along the Animas and the Apache because increasingly strained after gold and silver were found in Chiricahua territory. Despite laws on crossing the river, law enforcement officials have been unable to stem the tide.

"We'll make sure the beef and other provisions keep coming until more help arrives."

That help could be slow in coming. It is now believed last month's rumors of an impending attack on Rosa De Gallion seventy miles to the South West was a ploy by Red Sleeves to lure the men of the Texican War out of the region.

The military unit was dispatched to Rosa De Gallion to bolster its defenses after the Apache chief hinted the town would be the first to suffer the consequences should the treaty stage (there in November be broken).

NEW GOLD STRIKES CAME WITH A TERRIBLE PRICE!
CABIN FOR SALE

Attention J.D. Fowler have arrived in area. Await further instructions. have taken lodgings in Grand hotel. Please contact me immediately. I must be at the Sheriff’s office.


With news of the Apache Uprising we hope the Sheriff and his men had sense enough to return to Latarus. We anxiously await further word and will report his whereabouts as soon as we hear something - Aaron Critcher

GUN BRAWL IN BLACK HORSE ENDS WITH SIX DEAD - FOUR WOUNDED!

There’s an old saying among those who first settled the San Juans. “Nothing worth eating will ever grow along the Little Sandy and nothing good will ever come out of Black Horse.”

The words rang a little truer today when news arrived of yet another gun brawl in the streets of the two horse town. This writer would like to know what they put in the whiskey down there. This is the fourth shooting this month. By my count the 12th person killed.

Details are sketchy but it looks like our old friend Jake Wingo is still in the region. Jake and his boys were ran out of Muskeegie last October after running crooked tables and various schemes to cheat good citizens of their hard earned money.

He was given a tar and feather as a Christmas gift as well as a few bruised ribs.

Well now we can add murder to his list of crimes. Apparently the folk of Black Horse didn’t take kindly to a game of dice he was running and called him on it.

When the smoke cleared six men lay dead (three being members of Jake’s gang). Jake himself somehow managed to slip loose during the shoot out. A $200 dollar reward is being offered for his head.

NO BRAG! NO BRAG!
I wish to state to the consuming public that you buy at the store of E Z K I E L S E E G A R
FINEST GOODS AT THE LOWEST PRICE IN MUSKEEGEE
ZEKE’S GENERAL STORE

FARO DEALER WANTED
MUST HAVE OWN KIT
LYNCHED ON SALOON IN Lazorus is looking for an experienced Faro Dealer. Must be honest and still tempered. Cheats and Confidence Men need not respond to this advertisement. Terms need to be negotiated. See Proprietor.

Huckbert-McGovern Wedding Held
Porter Cain Huckbert and Lasa McGovern were wed Saturday in a ceremony conducted by Pastor Adam Biles at the First Baptist Church of Muskeegue. The service was simple. Yet elegant. The groom were a black wool tailored suit and the bride wore a silk brocade dress imported from French Orleans. In attendance were the groom’s aunt and uncle, Dave and Kelly Ann Huckbert, as well as the bride’s family. The bride’s father, real estate owner of the Bar House Ranch, Silas McGovern, gave her away. A reception was held at the Bar House Saloon, and was indeed a fine affair. Among the notables in attendance were Judge Sidell Wallace and bank president J. Edward Mass.

Community Rally to Help Fire Victims
Just one week after the horrible fire that swept through the home of Rutherford and Maritsa Hobart, the couple and their boy, Antonio, are back at home safe and sound.

The whole town, it seems, rallied behind the unfortunate family, rebuilding the domicile from the ground up. Timber was donated by Ernest Suter, and a quilt raffle was held to raise money.

Mr. Hobart had this to say about the support shown by the community. “It was overwhelming. We didn’t know what to do. Thanks to the folk of Muskeegue, we will be able to carry on with our lives.”

Hobart, the town butcher, was especially grateful to his neighbors that he announced he is providing beef for next month’s Town Picnic.

I’m going to have the boys put up four or five spits and we’re going to turn some ribs dripping with sauce. No one will leave hungry. Our way of saying thanks.”

Mrs. Hobart stood up in church Sunday morning and opened the shawl saying, “Thank You all, and thank God for sparing our lives.”

Just when this writer was beginning to lose faith in Muskeegue one good deed has given her cause for renewed hope.
A Call to Action for all Good Citizens!!

A terrible pestilence has plagued our fair town for far too long, and, many good citizens believe it is past time for action. Last night's shooting is a prime example.

This reporter joins them in calling for a referendum to stop the sortied happenings in Four Corners—namely the business of peddling flesh and drunkenness. "This is not the sort of element we want our town to be known for," said Dick Robertson at an emergency town meeting held at the church, speaking of this problem.

It is obvious, to anyone with any sense of civic responsibility, that this section of town needs to be cleaned up, with the harshest of penalties. Otherwise, Muskeegie is doomed to become nothing more than a den of iniquity.

There have been reports of brawling, petty larceny, public drunkenness and worse taking place within the areas of Drake, Fillmore, Bryce and Main Streets.

Just last week a man was shot in a dispute over the payment of one of these "ladies", right in the middle of Main Street! It is only by God's grace that some poor innocent child or other citizen hasn't been seriously injured in any of these incidents. It is only a matter of time before such a tragedy befalls us, if we fail to act swiftly.

If these business proprietors cannot keep their establishments from being a nuisance, or danger to the town, we citizens must step in.-Barbara Ann McIntosh

TWO SLAIN ON FOUR CORNERS
AFTER GUNS ARE DRAWN.

Gunsmoke once again rolled down the intersection of Drake and Main as two drunks arsadsed to drawing pistols to settle an argument. According to witnesses Thomas "The Nail" Byron and Garret "Arizona" McLovens were playing FARO at the Bucking Tiger Saloon when words were exchanged.

"Tommy was running the coffin for the Faro board," explained Juan Esparzo. "He'd been pulling the cork pretty hard -- he yanked some good color from his claim yesterday and was celebrating. He lost his card count. Cost Arizona his bet. The man was rightly upset."

When Byron refused to cover McLovens's bet insults were hurled, the two men began to shove and tussle. To soothe the hard feelings the House offered to cover the bet. McLovens however refused to let the matter drop. He felt slighted by the insults and demanded an apology. When no came the argument spilled out on to the street.

Witneses claim it was McLovens who first fired and fired two shots -- both of which missed. Byron then followed suit and returned fire -- also missing.

On the next volley both men fired at the same time. Byron took a bullet to the neck and dropped dead on the spot.

McLovens was struck in the belly. He writhed in pain on the street while Doc was summoned. He had expired by the time help arrived.

McLovens was a known drifter. Pulling odd jobs in Muskeegie, Lazarus and Silvertown. Usually moving on as trouble found him -- which was frequent.

Byron owned a claim north of town. It is said he was a native of Michigan.

BARGAINS!

Horses, Oxen, Mules
Sturdy animals. Bred and trained in viscosity. You would be hard pressed to find animals of this quality anywhere else west of the Rio Grande.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

TO ANYONE WHO WORE THE BLUE

All horses are saddle trained.
We also sell Wagons.
Will consider trades.
We do NOT accept MORMON DOLLARS.

TELEGRAPH LINE

DOWN -- NO IMMEDIATE REPAIRS EXPECTED

Martin Vance of the Muskeegie Telegraph Branch has informed the Herald that there are no immediate plans to repair the line to Lazarus.

"I don't in good conscience send my men out with the Apache on the warpath as they are," he said. "We all remember what happened to Clem Birch and then Saunders boys last summer. They never did find in the pieces to Clem. Until I have some assurance of safety for my men the wire will remain down."

Vance's extreme caution isn't sitting well with local businessmen.

"The situation is unacceptable," writes Tom Horvins of the Muskeegie Bank. "The Telegraph Company has been insisting a dollar per word for sending wires. It's outrageous. But we tolerated their demands because we were told the money goes toward maintaining the wire and paying the men who suffer the risk while going about their jobs. Well we've been ponging up to cover that risk. Now it's time for them to saddle some of it and get those wires back up."

A conspicuous "Closed till Further Notice" sign now hangs on in the window of the telegraph office.
SIGN-MAKER FALLS TO HIS DEATH

QUINTARD LOY ONE OF MUSKEEGIE’S FIRST BUSINESSMEN

UNEXPECTED GUST OF WIND BLAMED FOR TRAGIC MISHAP

BROTHER MAX LOY DETERMINE TO CARRY ON OPERATION

DATE/TI/HTpropose/HTto ON/HTAND/HTAFTER/HTTHIS sell/HTat/HTMuskeegie and vicinity the
LOT/HT1205/HTBryce/HTStreet FOR CASH!

Blades, Holsters, Cartridge Belts

JOHN JACHOS

First/HTPresbyterian./HT services/HTare/HTset/HTfor/HTtomorrow/HTmorning/HTat/HTten/HTa.m.

injuries./HTQuintard/HTdied/HTat/HTFour/HTforty-seven/HTp.m./HTFuneral

initial/HThope/HTof/HTrecovery/HTit/HTwas/HTfound/HThe/HThad/HTinternal

place/HTwhere/HTa/HTdoctor/HTwas/HTquickly/HTsummoned./HTDespite/HTsome

involved/HTin/HTa/HTshooting/HTmishap/HTa/HTfew/HTyears/HTago/HTthat/HTleft/HThim

ed/HTthe/HTmural/HTon/HTthe/HTwall/HTof/HTthe/HTGrey/HTMare/HTSaloon./HTQuint/HTwas

places/HTas/HTfar/HTaway/HTas/HTSilvertown/HTand/HTLazarus./HTHe/HTalso/HTpaint-

the/HTchurch./HTHis/HTBrother/HTMax/HTarrived/HTin/HTMuskeegie/HTto/HThelp

area/HTwere/HTheavily/HTinvolved/HTin/HTcommunity/HTaffairs/HTas/HTwell/HTas

the/HTfirst/HTgold/HTstrikes./HTThe/HTLoys,/HTnatives/HTof/HTthe/HTHouston

respected/HTbusinessman/HTwas/HTone/HTof/HTMuskeegie’s/HTfirst/HTsettlers

Feed/HTbuilding./HTKnown/HTas/HTQuint/HTto/HTfamily/HTand/HTfriends/HTthe/HTwell

his/HTdeath/HTyesterday/HTafter/HTa/HTgust/HTof/HTwind/HTcaught/HTthe/HTsign/HThe

trial/HTage./HT

man’s/HTgenius/HTin/HTthis/HTindus-

the/HTwonders/HTof/HTthe/HTmodern

ROEBLING/HTstates/HTthat/HTit/HTis

Architect/HT John/HT Augustus

length/HT once/HT completed.

will/HTbe/HTover/HT1500/HTfeet/HTin

City’s/HT East/HT River.

a/HTbridge/HTspanning/HTNew/HTYork

BRIDGE

in/HTa/HTphotograph/HTtaken/HTin/HTAugust/HT1867.

QUINTARD LOY (right) with brother, Max in a photograph taken in August 1857.

Local sign maker and entrepreneur, Quintard Loy fell to his
death yesterday after a gust of wind caught the sign he
was affixing to the rooff of the McFarland Library Stable and
feed building. Known as Quint to family and friends the well
respected businessman was one of Muskeegie’s first settlers
arriving with his wife Alice and three children weeks after the
first gold strike. The Loys, natives of the Houston area were
heavily involved in community affairs as well as
the church. His Brother Max arrived in Muskeegie to help
with the business in 1855.

Quint’s signage can be seen everywhere in town as well as
places as far away as Silvertown and Lazarus. He also paint-
ed the mural on the wall of the Grey Mare Saloon. Quint was
involved in a shooting mishap a few years ago that left him
with a noticeable limp. But he never let his injury slow him
down.

After his fall, Quint was carried to the Widow Malloy’s
place where a doctor was quickly summoned. Despite some
initial hopes of recovery it was found he had internal
injuries. Quintard died at Four forty-seven p.m. Funeral
services are set for tomorrow morning at ten a.m.

Donations for the the Loy family are being accepted at the
First Presbyterian.

YANKEES BOAST "WORLD’S LARGEST BRIDGE IN NEW YORK!!"

Construction has begun on a bridge spanning New York
City’s East River. Connecting the boroughs of
Brooklyn and Manhattan, it will be over 1500 feet
in length once completed. Architect John Augustus
Roebling states that it is
destined to become one of
the wonders of the modern
world and a tribute to
man’s genius in this indus-
trial age.

CHEW ON THIS

Ben Miller just back from
Houston brought with him a
strange new sensation
that’s become all the talk
back east.

In an effort to displace
the nasty habit of tobacco
chewing, merchants in the
Great Republic of Texas are
now peddling “chewing
gun.” Reportedly this hygienic
substance dispenses with
the need to spit fouly as
well. This editor sampled
the gum and wholeheartedly
welcomes its immediate and
widespread adoption.

LAW SUIT FILED AGAINST LAND COMPANY

Judge Matter has agreed to hear a civil case filed in
Muskeegie last month by a group of East investors.
The complaint charges that the McCabe-Langdon Land
Company of Muskeegie over sold lots it made available
in Lazarus.

Some lots were sold numerous
times according to the
suit. Other lots were yanked
from the original buyer and
then resold to higher bid-
ders.

"It was a simple clerical
error," reports, Edwin Miles, clerk at the McCabe-
Langdon Muskeegie Office. "We tried to resolve all
issues before it went this far. Some people just
weren’t’ interested in rea-
sonably taking responsibility for this unfortunate matter
were sacked long before this case was.”

The case was scheduled for
Monday next. The current
situation with the Apache
will undoubtedly delay
things.

HAVE THE BRITS GONE PLUM MAD?

Word reaches us that the
Jennings’ Peddler’s Vase
Company has sold a bill of
goods to the good citizens
of England and installed the
first known pay toilet
outside the Royal Exchange
in London. The price is one
penny.

Yes, in merry old England
one must now PAY for the
privilege of relieving oneself.
Not only is this a crime against
nature but it makes one appreciate
the freedoms we all too often
take for granted.

Good Readers if you hap-
pen to be of the Unhur-press
ation, I propose that had
our forefathers not’taken
a bold stand in 1776, it
might be the last we had in
such an outrageous manner.
Give me liberty to pee or
I’ll give you a tea.

I have a two dollar gold
piece in my desk drawer
and I will make a wager.
The first man who erases a
property west of the Great
Mississippi will be soon be
the NEXT occupant of that
place we call Root Hill.