

Legislative Indian Affairs

July 12, 1946

Mr. Charles B. Whiteday
Salina, Oklahoma

Dear Charlie:

I am just in receipt of your letter of July 9th, and a copy of your letter of the same date to Senator Moore endorsing the proposed measure prepared by our good friend, Mr. O. K. Chandler of Miami.

I thank you very much for your interest and for your letter, and I assure you that I am deeply concerned about this matter.

I hope to be home as soon as Congress adjourns, and I want to see and have a visit with you and some of the other boys at Salina at which time I shall discuss this matter in detail with you.

With all good wishes and sincere appreciation for the results of the primary election, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

George B. Schwabe, M/C.

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Salina, Okla., ~~June~~ *July 9* 1946

Hon. Geo. B. Schwabe
Member of Congress
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Schwabe:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which I am writing
Mr. E. H. Moore in the Senate. You will see what it says.
I am strong for this bill and I think all the Indians will be
for it too. I am writing you because O. K. said to write you
and Senator Moore if the bill suited me. It just suits me
fine. I don't think you should worry about July 2. You will win.

Very truly,

Charles Whiteday
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Salina, Oklahoma, July 9, 1946.

Hon. E. H. Moore,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

By mail today I received a copy of the Indian Settlement Bill with the Indians from my friend O. K. Chandler. He sent me a copy of his letter to you regarding said bill.

My wife and I have read this bill carefully and his letter about it. I am enrolled as seven-eighths Indian and my wife one-eighth. All of my brothers and sisters are enrolled as full bloods. But no matter how we are enrolled the government does nothing for us. As Indians we have nothing to do with it (the government) and they have nothing to do with us.

What the Indian bureau gets for protecting us is clear profit to the bureau; we cost them absolutely nothing. I cant see why Congress gives money to that bureau for doing things it fails to do or try to do.

Now, as I read this bill, it will do away with the Indian Bureau and make final settlement with the Indians--giving them what belongs to them---that will clean up the whole mess. For that reason I am strictly for the bill, am writing you at Mr. Chandler's suggestion after a careful study of the bill. I approve it and hope you will lend us your efforts.

Sincerely

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