

delegation spent several days in Chicago and several days in Washington, D.C., during the months of March and April 1946, performing work in connection with the promotion of the said proposed enrollment legislation.

A draft of a proposed bill which had been prepared by the Bureau of Indian Affairs was finally presented to Congressman Holmes for introduction, who, on April 17, 1946, introduced H.R. 6165, and it was referred to the House Committee on Indian Affairs for consideration.

These delegates visited me at the Senate Committee's office, in the Senate Office Building, during the first days of April 1946. The said delegation discussed with me proposed legislation which it wished to have introduced in the Senate. Senator Mitchell was persuaded to introduce such a bill (S. 2152) on May 4, 1946, entitled:

"Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to pay salary and expenses of the chairman, Secretary, and interpreter of the Yakima Tribal Council and other committees appointed by said Yakima Tribal Council, and official delegates of the Yakima Tribe, and for other purposes."

These delegates at no time during our conversation and discussions mentioned or referred to the fact that they were in Washington for the purpose of promoting the so-called Enrollment Bill. However, after their departure, under date of April 4, 1956, a telegram addressed to me from Kenneth R. L. Simmons, Minneapolis, Minnesota, reading as follows:

"Kindly help my good friends the Yakima Tribal Delegation introduce their enrollment bill through Congressman Holmes and Senator Magnuson in the House and Senate. * * *"

There is no record of Senator Magnuson ever introducing any "Enrollment Bill".

The Yakima Tribe consummated their contract with Kenneth R. L. Simmons as tribal attorney, on February 7, 1946.

Mr. Simmons took no part in the promotion of the so-called "enrollment bill" while his tenure as tribal attorney existed.

Under date of April 26, 1946, I received from Mr. Simmons a letter relative to the legislation embodied in said S. 2152, copy of which is as follows:

SIMMONS & ALLAN,
LAWYERS,
Billings, Mont., April 26, 1946.

Mr. A. A. GROBUD,
Attorney, Senate Indian Affairs Committee,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. GROBUD: The Yakima tribal delegates conferred with me here in Billings yesterday and advised me of the many kind considerations given them by you on their recent trip to Washington, D.C. As their tribal attorney, I want to now express my appreciation to you for your thoughtfulness.

They are very much interested in a bill which you assured them would be introduced by Senator Hugh Mitchell of the State of Washington, providing, among other things, for funds for tribal delegates to cover travel expenses and allow salaries for such delegates when on duty on and off the reservation. Has this bill been drafted and introduced in either the Senate or the House? I shall appreciate your full advice. Whatever I can do to aid in the matter kindly let me know.

Sincerely yours,

KENNETH R. L. SIMMONS,
Yakima Tribal Attorney.

On or about July 1, 1946, I discussed the legislative situation concerning Indians with the Chairman of the Committee who, among other things, stated that this late of the Session, when there are no bills on the calendar which are ready for consideration, that it was his judgment that there would be no further hearings by the Committee during the last Session of the 79th Congress; that it would be all right for me to proceed and take my vacation at any time. Guided by the said conversation with the Chairman, I left Washington shortly after July 1, 1946, and remained in Montana during the remaining days of July and most part of the month of August, returning to Washington during the month of September 1946.

During my sojourn in Montana, I visited with Mr. Kenneth R. L. Simmons, at Billings, Montana, who then was the "Tribal" attorney for the Yakima Tribal Council. During the course of our conversation I asked Mr. Simmons to explain