Isparhecher Collection

**Isparhecher (1828–1902). Printed material, 1884–1908. .25 foot.**
Indian chief. Typescripts of letters (1891–1898); speeches (1884–1898); editorials (1896–1906); and biographical accounts (1903–1908), all relating to Isparhecher, a principal chief of the Creek Nation, and covering subjects such as tribal factionalism, finance, land titles, and related government affairs.

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**Folder:**
1. *Brother In Red*—August 8, 1891: "Letter of Isparhecher" to Conchinty Micco, Chairman of the National Party re: Isparhecher's nomination as the National Party's candidate for Principal Chief, and the National Party platform.


5. *Claremore Progress*—September 28, 1895: "Isparhecher," a brief biographical sketch of him given by Captain S. B. Callahan, a close friend of his.

6. *Minco Minstrel*—January 24, 1896: "News Item of Isparhecher" re: his death by accidental drowning. (Apparently, the reports of his death were greatly exaggerated.)


12. *Oklahoma Champion*--October 16, 1896: "Editorial on Governor Ispaphecher" re: his illness and his refusal to be treated by a "regular" physician.


15. *Indian Citizen*--April 1, 1897: "Message of Ispaphecher" re: hearing a full report from the national delegates. Virtually identical to the message in Folder 14.

16. *Muskogee Morning Times*--May 15, 1897: "Editorial on Ispaphecher" re: a conference with President McKinley on matters concerning the Creek Nation and Indian Territory.

17. *Marietta Monitor*--August 20, 1897: "Editorial on Isparhecher" re: convening a special session of the Creek National Council to discuss the proposed treaty with the Dawes Commission.

18. *Indian Citizen*--September 2, 1897: "Message of Ispaphecher" to the National Council of the Muskogee Nation re: the question of allotment of land.

19. *Fort Gibson Post*--October 7, 1897: "Creek Council: A Special Report to the Post" re: the annual session of the Creek Council, which discussed the Dawes Commission, allotment, and the ratification of the Dawes-Creek Treaty.

20. *Minco Minstrel*--October 8, 1897: "Editorial on Ispaphecher" re: a meeting of the Creek National Council to discuss the treaty between the Creeks and the Dawes Commission, and Chief Ispaphecher's feelings on the matter.

21. *Indian Chieftain*--October 14, 1897: "Messages of Ispaphecher" re: the Creek-Dawes Commission treaty.

22. *Indian Chieftain*--November 11, 1897: "The Creek Ultimatum of Ispaphecher" re: the proposed treaty with the Dawes Commission.

23. *South McAlester Capital*--January 6, 1898: "Editorial on Appropriation of Money" to pay legal fees in the hope of stopping the reorganization of Indian Territory.

24. *Purcell Register*--October 13, 1898: "Editorial on Message by Ispaphecher."


26. *South McAlester Capital*--February 24, 1898: "Resolution Approved by Ispaphecher" re:
allotment of land.

27. Claremore Progress--February 26, 1898: "Five Tribes in Congress" re: the Indian appropriation Bill, which had amendments providing for the reorganization of the Dawes Commission, a revision of the tribal rolls, and authorizing suits in the Court of Claims against the Creek Nation by the holders of warrants, payment of which was refused by the Secretary of the Interior.

28. South McAlester Capital--March 31, 1898: "Editorial on Isparhecher" re: his order forbidding the pasturing of cattle in the Creek Nation.

29. South McAlester Capital--April 14, 1898: "Editorial on Isparhecher" re: his order that cattlemen not use the Creek Nation pastures.

30. South McAlester Capital--April 21, 1898: "News Item of Isparhecher" re: his injunction against the superintendent of instruction.

31. Claremore Progress--August 27, 1898: "Editorial on Isparhecher" re: his mysterious disappearance after being forced to turn over the Creek citizenship rolls.

32. Purcell Register--February 17, 1898: "Editorial on Proclamation by Isparhecher" re: the recent action of the Secretary of the Interior forbidding the appropriation by the Creek council to pay attorneys to resist the operation of a recent act of Congress which abolished tribal courts and turned jurisdiction over to the U. S. courts.

33. Fort Gibson Post--October 27, 1898: "News Item of Isparhecher" re: a rumor that Isparhecher and 3000 Creeks were contemplating a move to Mexico.

34. Fort Gibson Post--December 1, 1898: "Dawes-Creek Treaty."


36. Twin Territories--February 1903: "The Last Words of Isparhecher" spoken before his death to his interpreter, Turner Taylor.

37. South McAlester Capital--June 1, 1899: "Dawes-Creek Treaty" re: the vote of citizens of the Creek Nation to ratify it.

38. South McAlester Capital--June 1, 1899: "Editorial on Isparhecher" re: his selection of an allotment.

39. South McAlester Capital--January 25, 1901: "News Item of Isparhecher" re: his realization that all tribal relations in Indian Territory are drawing to a close.
40. **Tulsa Democrat**--February 21, 1902: "Editorial on Isparhecher and Pleasant Porter" re: the second uprising of the Snake Indians and the roles played in it by the above two men.

41. **Chickasha Weekly Express**--August 1, 1902: "Editorial on Telegram from Isparhecher" who had suffered from "indignities" from the fullbloods known as the Snakes.

42. **Holdenville Times**--August 2, 1902: "Editorial on Isparhecher" and his appeal to Marshal Leo Bennet for help.

43. **Chilocco Farmer and Stock Grower**--January 1903: "Biographical Sketch of Isparhecher."

44. **South McAlester Capital**--January 1, 1903: "Biographical Sketch of Isparhecher."

45. **Chickasha Weekly Express**--January 2, 1903: "Obituary on Isparhecher."

46. **Tulsa Democrat**--January 9, 1903: "Obituary on Isparhecher."

47. **Capital News**--June 8, 1905: "Editorial on Isparhecher" praising him as one of the "most sagacious and far-seeing Indian of modern times."


49. **Weleetka American**--April 13, 1906: "Editorial on Isparhecher" (sic) re: his marriage to Alma Harrover.

50. **A History of Oklahoma** by J. B. Thoburn and Isaac M. Holcomb (1908): "Isparhecher" (sic), giving a brief biographical sketch. This book may be found in both the Western History Library and the Main Library under the call numbers F 711.T44 and 976.6T35h.

51. **Chronicles of Oklahoma**--Volume 10 #1, March 1932: "Chief Isparhecher" by John Bartlett Meserve. This publication may be found in the reference shelves in the Western History Library, by the card catalog, and under the call number F 691.C55 in both Current Periodicals and the Main Library.