

## **H.L.Jones to Governor Samuel J. Crawford**

In this letter to Kansas Governor Samuel J. Crawford, H.L. Jones briefly discusses the activities of Indians around Salina, Kansas, including the fact that "larger bodies of hostile Indians near the frontier settlements" had recently been reported by friendly Kaw Indians. Jones recommends that Governor Crawford "enable an efficient force of mounted men from the militia to be called to the field if needed either to cooperate with the US forces or to act on the defensive on the frontier."

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To His Excellency the Gov of Kansas  
Sir A man who states that he  
was a passenger in a Gov train  
brings word that fifty nine men have  
been killed by the Indians in the  
vicinity of Sand Creek on the Route  
from Riley to Lyon - That only 4  
men escaped out of fifty three  
that were with the train - Small  
parties of Cheyenes have been  
seen several times the past few  
weeks near the settlements and  
the Omahas have passed in  
through the settlements afraid  
to go home their usual route  
across the head waters of the Saline  
and Solomon - The Kaws also report



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large bodies of hostile Indians  
near the frontier settlements

My own opinion is that they  
will confine their depredations to  
the roads but some measures  
should be at once adopted to  
enable an efficient force of  
mounted men from the militia  
to be called to the field if needed  
either to cooperate with the  
US forces or to act on the  
defence on the frontier -

Advised from the Platte State  
the force of Indians that have  
moved south on the War Path  
at 1200 - There is not US force  
enough to cope with this number  
in this part of the country and  
if the militia had to do it there

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Should be some new organization  
and that Spadeley

Yours Truly H.L. Jones

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Salina about  
Indiana