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Capt. R. H. Pratt

Durango, Colorado

Sept. 3, 1885

Recommends that
the day school at
Southern Ute Agency
be changed to a board-
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Letter to Pratt Sept. 19/85.

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THOMAS ROCKWOOD.

No. 2

J. W. CLARK.

Grand Central Hotel,

THOMAS ROCKWOOD & CO., PROPRIETORS.

SPECIAL SAMPLE ROOM FOR COMMERCIAL MEN.

Durango, Colo., Sept. 3rd 1885

J. H. Oberle

Supt. of Schools

Ind^y Office

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

If anything can be done to push up the small boarding school recommended and urged by the Agent at the Southern Ute Agency it ought to be done, rather than attempt the day school, for which they are now equipped save books and teacher. I spent the day there and talked school with the Indians and Agent, and tried to get the Indians to send a party to Carlisle. The Indians

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are quite outspoken in denouncing
the treatment they have received
in school matters as explained to
the Dept. by the Agent. They
promise to stand by an Agency
boarding school, and the sum
required by the Agent to turn
his day school building into a
boarding school for twenty five
to thirty pupils, is so small as to
render hesitancy in granting it
absurd; that is, if the Govt has
any intention to forward school
matters at that point.

Respectfully

R. H. Poan

Capt. & Supt.