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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. *April 2 1897*

Pratt, R. H.,

Captain 10th Cav'y, Supt.

Forwarding letter to  
Mr. W. N. Hailman through  
the Commissioner of Indian  
Affairs, advising about  
Mr. Thompson and Miss  
Jennie Ericson, employes  
at this School, in attendance  
at Indian Institutes dur-  
ing the summer.

*Letter to Carlisle 4/5/97*

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In reply to:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

Carlisle, Pa., April 2nd, 1897.

Dr. W.N. Hailman,

Supt. of Indian Schools,

Through the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of March 29th asking the use of Mt. Thompson and Miss Jennie Ericson at your Summer Institutes, I have to respectfully advise you that Mr. Thompson has already planned to attend a summer School for several weeks at Chautauqua, N.Y., where there is to be a special course in physical culture and such training as he needs for his duties here. This occurs at the same time of your Institutes and I think it best to approve of his plan. Miss Ericson has also been planning to take some special training at a Sloyd Summer Institute, East; but is very willing to yield her plans and comply with your wishes, particularly if it would give her opportunity to visit the Pacific coast.

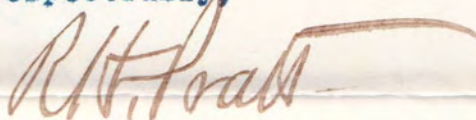
In this connection I have also to respectfully advise you that my teachers are generally planning to attend the different summer schools throughout the East for special or general training, in preference to attending the Indian Institutes. As these schools last three to five weeks and are under specially capable instructors and my teachers thus keep in better touch with the general progress of the educational systems of the day, and as those of my people who have attended your summer Institutes complain that their shortness of time and the inexper-

Dr. W.N. Hailman.

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ience of many of those who read papers produce no helpful results to them, I all the more willingly return to the original and long practiced scheme of the Carlisle School, and excuse them from the greater expense and the unsatisfactory results of your Institutes.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in brown ink, appearing to read "R.H. Pratt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Capt. 10th Cav'y., Supt.

(Dictated)  
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