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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. May 22 1902

Pratt, R. H.,

Lt. Col. 15th Cav'y, Supt.

Forwarding communication
regarding Ira Bird,
pupil at that school
and whose return home
is asked for by his father
at Blackfoot A.

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To Blackfoot May 28/02

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Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Carlisle, pa., May 22, 1902.

To The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir :

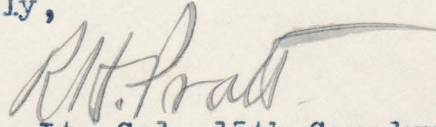
Replying to your letter of May 20th marked "Education 28692" with two enclosures, one a letter from Levi J. Bird to Agent Monteath of Blackfeet Agency, Mont., and the other a letter from Agent Monteath to you covering the return of Mr. Bird's brother Ira, I have to respectfully advise you that Ira Bird was sent to this school by Indian Agent Logan in November, '99. He came here with a party of twelve for a period of five years, and was then thirteen years of age. His conduct at the school shows that he was probably sent away because of troublesomeness at home. We have done what we could to get him into shape and cannot yet claim any very great success; yet we are not without hope. He is rather white and because of that fact and his being unsatisfactory I should not object to his being sent home. There is against it, however, the fact that he is only one of a dozen for each of whom a similar plea is likely to be made to secure their return to the agency. I believe the boy's future is far more hopeful here than it would be under the auspices proposed. The boy himself has indicated his desire to remain here by asking to go to the country for the summer and has been placed out for that period. If thought best to return him I should not like to have him go until

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fall when his summer agreement would be completed.

Your two enclosures are herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

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

Lt. Col. 15th Cavalry, Supt.

Dictated(P)

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BLACKFEET AGENCY, MONTANA.

MAY 10 1902

James H Montroath
NS Ind agt

Encls letter from
Livi J Beard requesting
the return of his brother
Ira, attending school at
Carlisle,
encl.

Enc. Carlisle May 29/02
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Blackfeet Indian Agency,
Browning, Montana,

May 10, 1902.

Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose a letter from Levi J. Burd requesting that his brother Ira, now at Carlisle school, be allowed to return to him. Levi is the natural guardian of his brother. He is married and could give the boy a good home. I believe he would send him to a good school and properly care for him.

Very resp'y,

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Jamies H. Munro
U.S. Indian Agent.

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Browning, Montana

May 30th 1888

Maj. J. H. Montcath

Blackfoot Agency.

Dear Sir,

I have a little brother
Ira at the Carlisle Indian
school and it is my desire
to have him home^{or} about
June this year

He has been at the school
little over two years and
I want to send him to
a school this fall where he
can be in school all the time
at Carlisle they only study
half a day.

So he has to put in good

many hours to get a little
schooling. He is now at
the right age to do hard
studying and ought to be
in a good boarding school
and I wish you would
right on to the Supt. and see
if I can have him come
home.

I will pay his way home
if necessary.

Yours truly
Levi J. Burd.

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Very respectfully,

The inclosed communication from the United States Indian Agent,

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WASHINGTON,

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Refer in reply to the following:

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2 Inclosures

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON,

May 20, 1902.

Col. R. H. Pratt,
Supt. Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Sir:

The inclosed communication from the United States Indian Agent, Blackfeet Agency, Montana, inclosing letter from Levi J. Burd, requesting the return of his brother Ira from your school, is referred to you for your recommendation and return of the paper.

Very respectfully,

H. B. Donner
Acting Commissioner.

J.H.D.

RCB