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Capt. W. A. Mercer,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Sept. 14, 1904,

Rel. to transfer of  
Jessie W. Cook, and  
to her application  
for leave.

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To Supt. 9/28/04

*E. J.*

*M. J.*



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 14, 1904.

To The Honorable,  
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

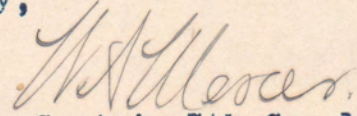
Referring to your letter dated Sept. 9, 1904, marked "Education 61997-1904," transferring Jessie W. Cook, Outing Matron, to the position of teacher at the Riverside School, California, with instructions to report there for duty as soon as possible, I have the honor to inform you that Mrs. Cook's services are urgently needed here until September 24th., to complete some work in connection with her duties. I am willing to relieve her at the expiration of that time, but she desires annual leave with pay for two weeks after the 24th. instant, to enable her to visit her mother before going west, and has obtained Supt. Hall's permission to delay reporting to him for duty until October 15th., as per copy of telegram enclosed.

Inasmuch as this change was arranged between Mrs. Cook and Supt. Hall without my knowledge, except as to my approval of her application after details had been arranged, and as it is entirely for the benefit of the Riverside School, I respectfully request that the leave of absence she desires be taken at the expense of the Riverside School in order that I may be able to employ some one temporarily in her place as soon as she goes off duty here.



An early reply will greatly oblige.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. A. Mercer".

Captain 7th Cavalry, Supt.

Enclosure.

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Riverside, Cal., Sept. 13, 1904.

Mrs. Jessie W. Cook.

All satisfactory for you to report October 15th., earlier if practicable.

Hall,  
Supt.