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Supt.

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Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.  
June 30, 1906.

Maj. W.A. Mercer,  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,  
CARLISLE, PA.

June 30, 1906.

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

Sir:

It has been reported to me that Mr. Wheelock, formerly leader of Carlisle Band, and who has been conducting an Indian band for several years, has, as usual, his combination which, I am reliably informed, consists of Italians, Indians and white men, and that he advertises and accepts engagements under the name of "Wheelock's United States Indian Band". I believe from what I hear upon the subject from reliable sources that the general impression of the public is that it is the Carlisle Indian band, and furthermore, that he apparently desires that such an impression shall be made on the public. It is more or less annoying to our own band members and to the school authorities, and I do not think it is proper for him to use the name United States in connection with his band, and if there is any legal objection to it I suggest that he be prohibited.

The facts above stated are reported to me by my own band leader who gets them from Indian boys who have recently been with the band and personally know what they are talking of. The matter of advertisement as the United States Indian Band is, of course, general public knowledge.

Very respectfully,

*W. A. Mercer*  
Major 11th Cavalry,  
Supt.