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Carlisle Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pa.

W. A. Mercer, Major 11th Cavy.  
Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA. Feb. 2, 1907.

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

Sir:-

Referring to the matter of the construction of a new hospital at this school, I think it best to inform you that we are in a position to superintend the construction, and recommend that no money be expended for this purpose. The Superintendent of the school can be made superintendent of construction and with our efficient carpenters and other tradesmen, we can assure you that the work will be properly done. I do this in the hope that the money thus saved may be utilized in the construction of the building. I also request that the contracts be let at the earliest possible moment, as it is my desire to have the hospital completed by September 1st, if possible, and if we can get to work within the next thirty days, I believe it can be done. As stated before, it is not alone the value of the building as a hospital, but it releases space which can be used as a dormitory, which is very much needed.

Very respectfully,

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