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Feb. 14, 1907.

Carlisle Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pa.

J. R. Wise, Acting Supt.

In reference to John Runclose  
changing his name to John  
Runsdell.

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*To Runclose 2/18/07*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA Feb. 14, 1907.

The Honorable,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Your office letter "Education 12461 - 1907" dated the 13th inst. enclosing letter from John Runsclose one of our pupils in regard to changing his name to John Runsdell, is at hand. Complying with instructions for report and recommendation, you are advised that this young man is 21 years of age, is a full blood Sioux from the Rosebud reservation, South Dakota, and is in the 7th grade in our academic department. He states that his father's name is Run Close to Village, and that he (John) does not like his own name because of its Indian character, and because he says other young people have at times made fun of it.

The name does not seem to us to be seriously objectionable, and as it is always very confusing to make a change in the name of a pupil after being once enrolled, just as it is when once a name is entered in a certain way on the census rolls, it is not believed that it would be advisable to grant the young man's request.

The enclosure of said letter is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

*John R. Wise*

Acting Superintendent.

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*John Punclose,  
Carlisle Schol. Pa*

*Requests that is name  
be changed to John Puncdill.*

*Encl Carlisle 2/13/07*

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*[Signature]*



Read  
by  
Carlise Ind. Sch.

February 4/07.

Dear Sir:-

I request you that I wish to change my name. The reason is this, I am fatigued of my Indian name. This is the way to change my name, John Rursdell instead of John Rursclose. This is my first year in this school. Wish you help me out and change my name. Very Respectfully,  
John Rursclose,  
Home - Rosebud, S. D.