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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON

Mr. S. J. Nori, Clerk,

Through Supervisor in Charge,

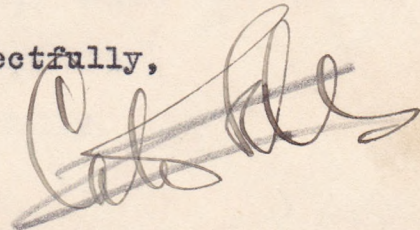
Carlisle School.

Sir:

Your answer of April 3, 1914, to the charges preferred against you has been received.

As your answer is an admission of improper conduct as charged, you are hereby dismissed from the Indian Service.

Respectfully,



Commissioner.

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until Friedman case is settled
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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April 3, 1914.



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

My dear Mr. Sells:

Charges preferred by you against Chief Clerk
S. J. Nori were received by me this morning. In com-
pliance with the instructions contained in your letter
dated April 1st, I personally delivered one copy of
said charges to him and secured his acknowledgment
to the receipt of same on the copy which is returned
to you herewith.

Very respectfully,

(Signature)
Supervisor in Charge.

OHL:SR

*Chief
Mr. Douthett*

E. P. H.

*Washington, D.C.
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Sir:

Under a recent investigation of the affairs of the Carlisle Indian School by E. B. Linnen, Chief Inspector, the following charges and specifications are hereby presented against you:

CHARGE 1. That you have prepared for presentation to a Government officer for payment false accounts and vouchers of Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 1. That you knowingly prepared and aided in the preparation of cash voucher No. 113, for the third quarter 1910, being for the traveling expenses of Superintendent Moses Friedman, which account for said third quarter contained false vouchers, known by you to be false at the time when you made and aided in the making of said false accounts and vouchers under the supervision and direction of Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 2. That you prepared and aided in the preparation of cash voucher No. 118, for the second quarter 1912, accounts of Superintendent Moses Friedman, being for traveling expenses of Superintendent Moses Friedman, which account and voucher when so prepared was intended to be filed and presented for payment to a proper officer of the Government, to-wit: the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing at the time of preparation and making of said voucher and account that the same was false and untrue, and the purpose of same being to receive improper credits in the accounts of said Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 3. That you prepared and aided in the preparation of cash voucher No. 117, second quarter, 1913, accounts of Moses Friedman, Superintendent, for his traveling expenses, when at the time of making and aiding in the making of said false and fraudulent account and voucher you well knew the same to be false and untrue in this: that the charges as contained therein for railroad transportation by Superintendent Moses Friedman had been paid by mileage which had been purchased from the Athletic Association funds of the Carlisle Indian School, and that when you made and aided in the preparation of said false and fraudulent voucher and account you well knew the same was intended to be presented to a proper officer of the Government for filing, approval and payment, to-wit: to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, which false and fraudulent voucher and account was not only known by you to be untrue and false but also to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 4. That you made and aided in the preparation of the making of cash voucher No. 143, for the second quarter 1913, accounts of Moses Friedman, Superintendent, being for his traveling expenses, and at the time of the making of said voucher and account you knew the same to be false and untrue and that the same were being made for the purpose of being presented to the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and to the Auditor for the Interior Department for approval and payment to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

CHARGE 2. That you have made and had prepared false accounts and vouchers in the accounts of Moses Friedman, Superintendent, containing items for railway transportation of certain students of the Carlisle Indian School which were false and fraudulent in this: that in numerous instances the moneys had been paid for such railroad transportation by the individual students and should not have been vouchered to and paid by the Government; and also false in this: that in some instances where certain transportation had been vouchered to and paid by the Government such transportation was never purchased or used; and also

false in this: that certain transportation was made to read to points other than where the same was actually purchased, and made to include a greater amount of money than was actually used in the purchase of the transportation, the purpose being to secure credits for and payments to Superintendent Moses Friedman when at the time of the making and presenting for approval and payment of the said accounts and vouchers, as hereinafter enumerated, it was well known to you and to Superintendent Moses Friedman that said accounts were false and fraudulent and contained items which the Government should not have paid, and that the same was done by you knowingly and willfully and with the knowledge, consent and approval of Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 1. Voucher No. 3, fourth quarter 1908, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 2. Voucher No. 3, second quarter 1909, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

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Specification 4. Voucher No. 2, fourth quarter 1909, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 5. Voucher No. 2, first quarter 1910, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 6. Voucher No. 2, second quarter 1910, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 7. Voucher No. 2, third quarter 1910, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 8. Voucher No. 2, fourth quarter 1910, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 9. Voucher No. 2, first quarter 1911, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 10. Voucher No. 2, second quarter 1911, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 11. Voucher No. 179, third quarter 1911, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 12. Voucher No. 2, fourth quarter 1911, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 13. Voucher No. 2, second quarter 1912, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 14. Voucher No. 2, third quarter 1913, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 15. Voucher No. 2, third quarter 1913, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 16. Voucher No. 13, third quarter 1913, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 17. Voucher No. 3, fourth quarter 1913, which you made and caused to be made for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, viz: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department, knowing that said voucher contained items which were false, fictitious and fraudulent, the purpose being to secure the approval of and the payments of said false accounts to Superintendent Moses Friedman.

CHARGE 3. That you removed from the files of the office of the Superintendent of the Carlisle Indian School receipts, Government papers and records, which had been filed and deposited with a clerk in a proper office of the United States, and that you wilfully and unlawfully removed said papers, records and documents from said Government office and destroyed such Government records at the instigation and request of Superintendent Moses Friedman.

Specification 1. That sometime during the month of March 1914, between the hours of six o'clock p. m. and ten o'clock p. m., you entered the room and office known as the "bank" in the Superintendent's office at the Indian School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and took and carried away from the official files and records kept in said office by Will H. Miller, financial clerk, certain receipts, records, documents and papers which had theretofore been properly filed with him as a clerk and proper Government officer of the United States, and that you took and carried away said papers, records, documents and files from said Government office and destroyed the same

Specification 3. That on another occasion during the month of March 1914, between the hours of six o'clock p. m. and ten o'clock p. m., you entered the room and office known as the "bank" in the Superintendent's office at the Indian School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and took and carried away from the official files and records kept in said office by Will H. Miller, financial clerk, certain receipts, records, documents and papers which had theretofore been properly filed with him as a clerk and proper Government officer of the United States, and that you took and carried away said papers, records, documents and filed from said Government office and destroyed the same.

CHARGE 4. That as chief clerk for Superintendent Moses Friedman of the U. S. Indian School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, you have failed to account for and properly enter on the books, records and vouchers and to give proper credit to the Government for certain moneys which have been derived at said school from the sale of rags, old iron, bones, and other Government property, and have failed to give proper credits to the Government in the accounts of Superintendent Moses Friedman for moneys received from such sources, which should have been entered and deposited as Class I or Class IV moneys to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States by Superintendent Moses Friedman on his books and in his accounts and vouchers; and that instead of properly accounting for and depositing such moneys to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States you turned some of such moneys over to Superintendent Moses Friedman, thereby making and aiding in the making and presentation of further false, fictitious and fraudulent accounts in the failure to properly account for, deposit and make proper credits in the accounts which you so prepared for presentation, approval and payment to a proper Government officer, to-wit: the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Auditor for the Interior Department.

CHARGE 5. That you converted to your own personal use and benefit some of the moneys derived

as herein set forth from the making, aiding in making, and presenting for approval and payment from some one or all of the false and fraudulent vouchers hereinbefore set forth.

You will be allowed ten days from the receipt of these charges within which to file your answer and show cause why you should not be removed from the Government service.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Mr. S. J. Nori,
Chief Clerk,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.
Through Supervisor in Charge O. H. Lipps.

I hereby acknowledge receipt
of the original copy of these
charges
S. J. Nori

Witness April 2, 1914

O. H. Lipps

SUPERVISOR IN CHARGE,

Carlisle, Pa., April 3rd 1914.

To the Honorable Cato Sells,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Honored Sir:

In answer to the charges preferred against me and in answer to the request to show cause why I should not be removed from the Government service I respectfully submit the following statement as my

ANSWER:

I was employed in the Government service at the Carlisle Indian School as Chief Clerk since the year 1909, having previously served at the same school in a minor capacity.

On April 1st 1908 Moses Friedman was appointed Superintendent of the said school and I have worked since his appointment entirely under his directions and been governed by his instructions.

I desire to reply to each of the charges in the one answer, because the one answer covers each and every charge.

The Cash Vouchers referred to in the charges were made by me under the direct instructions and under the direction as to the method thereof by Moses Friedman, the Superintendent.

The accounts made by me were made as I was directed

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The accounts made by me were made as I was directed to make them by the said Moses Friedman, Superintendent of said school.

There were no Government papers, records or documents taken by me from the files of the office of the Superintendent of the said school nor from the office of financial clerk Will H. Miller -- but that in truth receipts were taken by me under instructions and under the direction of Moses Friedman, the Superintendent of said school from the office of said Will H. Miller at the times set forth in the charges.

It is true that the monies derived at the school from the sale of rags, old iron, bones and other Government property were not placed to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States but was entered by me and credited to a fund held by Moses Friedman, the said Superintendent, and this was done under the instructions and directions of the said Moses Friedman, Superintendent.

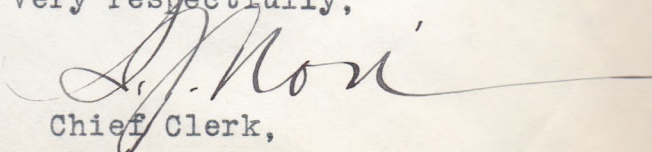
It is hereby denied that I converted to my own personal use and benefit, some or any of the monies derived as set forth in the charges made against me, and I further desire to state that I did not profit in any manner by the making, aiding in making, and presenting for approval and payment from some one or all of the false and fraudulent vouchers set forth in the charges against me.

As stated in my answer I was not a beneficiary in any manner, nor did I profit or gain in any manner through or by reason of the irregularities charged, nor did I know that the said Moses Friedman, Superintendent, profited or gained thereby.

My work as Chief Clerk was performed faithfully, and as I believe, well and honestly, and I did not for one moment question the right of my superior to give instructions or directions which I obeyed, as I believe, rightfully and well.

All of which is respectfully submitted with the prayer that I be retained in the Government service.

Very respectfully,


Chief Clerk,

Carlisle Indian School,

Carlisle Pennsylvania.

Answer of Nori

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EDWARD J. NALLY, VICE-PREST. AND ASST. TO THE PRESIDENT.

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Mr. S. J. Nori, Chief Clerk,

Through Supr. in Charge Carlisle School.

Sir:

In view of the supplemental report of
Inspector Linnen you are hereby suspended from duty
and pay for financial delinquencies.

Respectfully,

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Commissioner.

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