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OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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Mr. C. M. Stauffer,  
Loysville, Pa.

Dear Mr. Stauffer:

When Carlisle Indian School was turned over to the War Department there were sent to the Indian Office a beaded buck-skin coat, a very old gun, a model of a three-masted ship, and a model of a battle ship.

Miss Nellie R. Denny has suggested that you may know where these originally came from and any history which may be attached thereto.

A franked envelope, requiring no postage, is inclosed.

Very truly yours,

*C. M. Hauke*  
Chief Clerk.

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Dear Mr. Hauke,

Sorry I cannot help you out but I know nothing about the history of the above articles. I remember seeing the Battleship model but never heard where it came from. It seems to me an Indian boy made it.  
Very Cordially C. M. Stauffer



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*(Signed) C. F. Hauke*

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Chief Clerk.

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Feb. 21. 1921-

Mr. C. F. Hanke -  
Indian Office  
Washington, D. C.  
Sir:-

Mr. Allen

I have your inquiry regarding a beaded coat, a model battleship and an old gun, all of which were sent to your office from the Carlisle Indian School.

I am sorry I cannot give you the information you want, about the coat and gun. The battleship was the work of one of <sup>our</sup> pupils, I think Walter Bigfire Winnebago, Nebraska.

Perhaps Miss Bessie Beach, now librarian at Chillicothe could help you. To save

time, I have sent her your  
letter to me with a note.

Respect fully

Mellie R. Denny.

Field Service School  
Carlisle Barracks  
Carlisle, Pa.



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WASHINGTON FEB 18 1921

*Miss Denny*

Miss Nellie R. Denny,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Madam:

At the time of the abolishment of the  
Carlisle Indian School the following articles were  
sent to this Office:

One buck-skin beaded coat; one model  
of a three-mastered battleship; one very ancient  
gun.

Will you please advise the Office as to  
where these articles came from and any history which  
may be attached thereto.

A franked envelope is inclosed for your  
reply.

Very truly yours,

*C. Hauke*

Chief Clerk.

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*Miss Beach - I could not give the information  
wanted and wrote Mr. Hauke. I thought  
you could and that I had sent this letter to  
you. Can you? The battleship was made by one  
of our boys, Walter Bigfire. I think. Sincerely  
Nellie R. Denny.*



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March 4. 1922

I have a letter from Miss Beach saying she cannot give the information. She suggests that O. M. Stanffer, Raysville, Pa. might know about the coat and gun.

Respectfully

Nellie R. Denny

Will you please advise the Office as to where these articles came from and any history which may be attached thereto. A framed envelope is inclosed for your reply.

Very truly yours,

*[Signature]*  
Chief Clerk

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**E. B. MERITT,**  
*Asst. Commissioner.*

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