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December 7, 1908.

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Honorable F. E. Leupp,

Commissioner,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Leupp: -

I write to thank you for your gracious courtesy to us in insisting that the Carlisle Indians should keep their contract with the University of Denver. We had a great game on Saturday. The Indians made eight points with two goal kicks from the field. We made four points with one goal kick from the field. The Indians have played thirteen games this season and have crossed all goal lines except three, namely, Harvard, Annapolis and Denver. So we are feeling very comfortable, thank you, over the fact that we belong in the same class with Harvard and Annapolis. The Indians admitted that our team was quite as good as any of the teams they had met during the year.

Very sincerely,



Bducation OFFICE OF THE INTERIOR.

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Nov. 20, 1908.

Subject: Contracts for football
games by Carlinla Athletic Assin.

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Carlisle, Penno

Sir:

Your letter of the 19th instant, concerning the fulfillment of a contract between the Carlisle Indian School Athletic Association and the Association of Denver University to play a football Name, is received.

In answer you are advised that I fully approve of your idea of limiting such contracts in the future, and the only purpose of my letter was to suggest that contracts already made should be carried out if there was no good reason against it.

Very respectfully,

TFM

Subject: UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Fulfilment of contract of football team to play Denver University.

Carlisle, Pa., November 19,1908.

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The Commissioner

of Indian Affairs.

Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I respectfully acknowledge receipt of your letter marked "Education 77470-1908, JHD" dated November 18,1908, together with the copies of a telegram and letter relating to the fulfilment of contract between the Carlisle Indian School Athletic Association and the Association of Denver University to play a football game at Denver on December 5th. In reply, I respectfully state that this game had been tentatively arranged before I took charge at this school by the Athletic Association.

Personally, I have been opposed to the football team making extended trips which necessitate the absence of the students for more than two weeks. As games had already been arranged on this trip with the University of Minnesota, the St. Louis University, and the University of Nebraska, the playing of the Denver game in addition would necessitate the students' being absent continuously from November 18 until



December 5th, not counting the time it would necessarily take to return to the school from Denver.

I was naturally opposed to the schedule but inasmuch as it had been arranged was willing to have it carried out, informing the players and the Association that during the coming year I would not consent to their playing more than two games in the West, and that these would have to be played East of the Mississippi.

Several days ago, the boys had a meeting after which they reported that they had discussed the proposed game with Denver and did not care to play, stating that the high altitude would work a hardship on them, and that it would be a terrible humiliation to be defeated by the Denver University after they had played successfully against the greatest Universities in the East, and had defeated Annapolis. I informed them that a contract was binding and that unless the other party was willing, we would have to carry out our part of the bargain. They were also told that the last two games had been scheduled only for their benefit and in order to give them the many advantages both in pleasure and in education which such a trip afforded. Because of the way they felt about it, however, I requested the Athletic Director to make an effort to cancel the game. As it was about three weeks before the game, it was assumed that arrangements at the other end had not gone too far and that the Denver people might consent to dropping the game if they were reimbursed for advertising. They

immediately replied by wire that the game could not be cancelled. This information was communicated to the boys and
they stated that they would be willing to play. A telegram
was accordingly sent to Denver. This occurred a day before
the receipt of your letter. The Denver people have again
been assured by wire that the game will be played as scheduled.

Very respectfully.

Superintendent.

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THE DE THOUSE AFFAIRS

UTSHINGTON.

J.H.D.

November 19, 1908.

SUBJECT:

Contract of Carlisle football team to play Denver University.

Hon. Robt, W. Bonynge,

House of Representatives.

Sir :

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, concerning the Carlisle Indian football team's playing with the Denver University team, and in answer you are advised that I have communicated with the Superintendent of the Carlisle School and suggested that the team ought to carry out any contract it had made if practicable, adding that such leave of absence as might be necessary would be granted for the purpose.

The Superintendent was also directed to notify the proper authorities of Denver University.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

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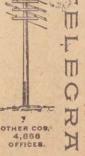
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON Nov 18/08. To the It on mable The Commissioner of Judian affairs Sir! Thave the honor Winclose herewith telegram received by me last evening from For Buchtel of Colorado, who is also Chauceller of the Denon University, relative to a football game between the Carlisle Indians and the Caru of the Denver University. I shall qually appreciate it of you Can consistently grant the leave of absurce ognested in order that de game way be played in accordance with the contract. Hanking you for your consideration Fry truly yours, of the request, Noor, w. Donyings 90 920

Nov. 18. Mr. Leepf: the Secy. says of course this is of to the Sept. to dreide. Plane ore the Siey. Saturday about it. Bring to attention of

Commissioner.

TELEGRAM.

Education 77470-1908 J.H.D.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

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Washington, D. C., November 18, 1908.

To T. M. Patterson,

Denver, Colorado.

Have sent your statement concerning Carlisle football team to the Superintendent, with directions that the team should carry out its contract if possible, and to notify you of action taken.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Education 77470 - 1908

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON

J.H.D.

November 18, 1908.

SUBJECT:

Fulfilment of contract of football team to play Denver University.

Superintendent, Indian Industrial School, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir :

I enclose herewith copies of a telegram and letter relating to the Carlisle football team.

Senator Patterson says that your team has a written contract to play Denver University on December 5th, but that "Carlisle wires" that, on account of inability to secure sufficient leave of absence, the contract must be cancelled.

If your team has a contract with this University to play a game of ball, I assume that you would wish to see the contract carried out. Such leave of absence as may be necessary will be granted for the purpose, although the Office does not understand what the trouble is.

A prompt answer is desired to the proper authorities of Denver University and also to this Office.

Very respectfully ,

Commissioner.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

November 18, 1908. My dear Mr. Secretar

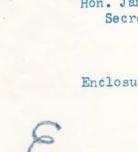
Referring to the enclosed telegram concerning leave of absence for the Carlisle football team to enable to play a game in Denver, the President would like to have ex-Senator Patterson's request complied with, if possible. Please wire him if the matter can be arranged.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Hon. James R. Garfield, Secretary of the Interior.

Enclosure



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Denver. Colo., November 17, 1908.

The President, Washington.

Carlisle Indians foot-ball team have written contract to play Denver University team December 5 here. All the State has become interested in the game, but Carlisle wires that because of inability to secure sufficient leave of absence they must cancel contract. The Denver boys want a square deal and turn to you to get it for them. We feel if you say the word sufficient leave will be granted. Wont you say it?

T. M. Patterson.