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Mr. Edward P. Thorpe, U. S. S. "Nevada", Care Postmaster, New York, N. Y. FILED BY C. P. F.

My dear Mr. Thorpe:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 23 wherein you request a letter to show the Executive Officer of the "Nevada"

A letter was addressed to you under date of Feb. 13,1919 wherein it was stated that the records of this office show that you entered Carliele Indian School in 1913 and left June 7, 1916 to enlist in the Navy.

You are advised that if you have not already done so you should submit formal application for discharge, as it is not likely that any consideration will be given requests for discharge from outside sources unless the sailor involved has made application for discharge.

Very truly of the level

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Assistant Commissioner.

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U. S. S. Nevada. c/o Postmaster. New York, City. FILED BY G. P.

June 23, 1919.

Dear Sir:-

I request that you write me a letter to show to the Executive Officer of the Nevada about me being released from the service before August 1st. when the ship sailes for the western coast.

I wish to enter school in September. I left the Carlisle Indian School May 29th, 1917 to enlist in the Navy. As the Carlisle Indian School is abolished and I have another School in view, which I wish to enter, but in order to do so in September I must be out of the Navy before that time in order to make arrangements and prepare for my entry into the school, and as I know of some cases in which you have been of great assistance in getting them out of the service, I shall appreciate your same efforts to my interest.

I have no Citizenship papers, neither have I worked for a firm or know anyone who can give me an affidavit which would be of any value toward securing my release and therefore I urge your immediate attention to this end which will be

greatly appreciated.

Trusting that I may be favored with a letter which I hope may result in my immediate release from the service.

I remain.

Respectfully. Edward P. Thorpe.

Bugler, U. S. Navy.

U.S.S.NEVADA, February 1, 1919.

Dear Sir:-

I am asking you a favor, and hope you will please do it for me. I want you to send a an affidavit stating that I was going to school before I enlisted and that I would like to continue my education, and desire a release from the service as soon as practicable. This affidavit must be signed and sealed by a Notary Public and also by you, and I would be very much obliged to have you do this for me, as it would make it much easier for me to be discharged from the U.S.Naval Service.

They are going to discharge quite a few men as soon as we come back from South and I would like to be one of them. They have already discharged 162 men while we were laying in the North River, but I did'nt have an affidavit then, and was one of the unlucky ones, so I hope you will please attend to this immediately, and mail the affidavit as soon as possible, so I amy turn it in to my Commanding Officer.

Trusting you will do this favor for me, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

Edward P. Thongs.

FEB 13 1919

Mr. Edward P. Thorpe,

U. S. S. "Nevada", C/o Postmaster, New York, w.Y.

My dear Mr. Thorpe:

The Office has your letter of February 1 wherein you request an affidavit stating that you were going to school before you enlisted in the Navy.

Records in this office show that you entered Carlisle Indian School in 1913 and left June 7, 1916 to enlist in the Navy.

very truly yours & SME tall

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Assistant Commissioner.

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