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E. B. MERITT,
Asst. Commissioner.

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88310, 1917.

CARLISLE

File No. 127

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

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September 18, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 28, 1917, in which you direct attention to that paragraph of the Declaration of Policy in the Administration of Indian Affairs which refers to Indian students who have completed the course of instruction in the Government schools, being declared competent.

In accordance with these directions I have the honor to report that John Flinchum, a ^{3/4} blood Choctaw Indian, 19 years of age, passed his examinations and on May 24, 1917 was graduated from this school in painting, in accordance with the tentative course of study.

John is the son of James S. and Julia Turnbull Flinchum. His home is at Gerty, Okla. Both father and mother completed the grammar school course. He has about 340 acres of land much of which is in cultivation. He worked on the farm and in the carpenter shop at Armstrong Academy and since coming to Carlisle has worked in the paint shop continuously. He thinks his life's work should be on the farm as he has a good farm and likes it.

Principal Blair and Director of Mechanic Arts Bradley reports that John came to Carlisle two years ago. He is an impulsive well-meaning boy who has not yet learned to count the cost. He is not studious, has a poor command of language, and is very careless in his work, but he is particular about his personal appearance, very gentlemanly, and easily led by kindness.

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He is strong physically and very fond of sports. Although thoughtless he is frank and truthful, know his weaknesses and is trying to overcome them. He improved very much during the last six months. He is a very good painter and is capable of managing his own affairs.

John is in good health. He is inclined to spend his money freely.

Superintendent Parker of the Five Civilized Tribes reports in connection with the land owned by John that he is only $\frac{1}{4}$ blood, and is of the unrestricted class.

In view of the record I feel that this young man is fully capable of managing his own affairs, and such steps as may be practicable to declare the competency of this young man should be taken at once.

Very truly yours,


Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE



June 27, 1917

COMPETANCY STATEMENT

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Roy H. Bradley
 Director of Mechanic Arts

Qu. Blair
 Principal

Aug 1 1917

The following is the enrollment and allotment of:

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Name.

Last Known Post Office.

John B. Finichum
 Choctaw 9494 M 1/4 ✓ ✓ Aug-7-1897

The following described land was selected as the allotment of the above named citizen:

SURPLUS.

	Sec- tion	Town- ship	Range	Area Acres	Certificate Number	Valuation		Date of Selection
						Dollars	Cents	
N ² S ² 4	33	5 ^N	10 ^E	80		120		Aug-25-03
S ² 4 S ² 4	34	5 ^N	10 ^E	40		200		
Lot 1	3	4 ^N	10 ^E	46.19		150	12	
N ⁸ 13.17 acres Lot 2	3	4 ^N	10 ^E	13.17		42	80	



HOMESTEAD.

NW⁴ 33 5^N 10^E 160 520 Aug-25-03

REMARKS:

Office of Superintendent
 For the Five Civilized Tribes,

J.P.W.
 Clerk.

Aug-1-1917.