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Miss Henrietta Nelson,  
Secretary Wellsburg High School Athletic Association,  
Wellsburg, West Virginia.

Dear Madam:-

Replying to your letter of April 13, you are advised that the Carlisle School was restored to the War Department on September 1, 1918, for a hospital for soldiers. This was done because this property was originally a military establishment and the Indian Service was allowed the use thereof for a school until such time as it should again be needed for military use. Owing to the necessities resulting from the late war it was so required, and therefore upon request of the War Department, such action was taken.

Very respectfully,

*E. B. Merrett*  
Assistant Commissioner.

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WELLSBURG, W. VA.  
April 13, 1921

Department of Interior,  
Bureau of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.



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Dear Sir:

May we as a class of Seniors of the Wellsburg High School ask for information about the Carlisle School for Indians.

Recently an Indian Chief addressed our school and in the course of his remarks he stated, that the Carlisle School for Indians has been turned into a hospital for soldiers during the Worlds War and seemed to lament the fact that this school for higher education had been discontinued.

What we wish to know is, has the Carlisle School for Indians been discontinued, and if so, why?

As a class we will thank you in advance for the information.

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Yours truly,  
Secretary,

Hennilta Nelson