

Miss Richardson. There must be eight or nine.

The Chairman. Who is at the head?

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Miss Richardson. Miss Moore. She stays down town.

The Chairman. You think he comes around about once in three months and asks how you are getting on?

Miss Richardson. I could not say it is once in three months, but he has not been in there very often.

The Chairman. How long have you been in there?

Miss Richardson. Three years now.

The Chairman. How long does he ~~st~~ stay when he comes around as a rule?

Miss Richardson. About five minutes, as a rule. He comes in and takes off his hat, and Miss Moore shows him papers, and he walks off.

Representative Carter. What are you taking? Stenography?

Miss Richardson. Yes, sir.

Representative Carter. How long have you been taking it?

Miss Richardson. Three years. Miss Moore was just a student herself. She started in there, and she had a large class, and she had to teach each one individually. It was kind of discouraging at first. Of course, I have been in the hospital quite a while since I came, and I went home last year before commencement, and I missed about three months.

Representative Carter. You have been in the hospital? Your health is bad?

Miss Richardson. It has been. I caught cold, and I was over there three weeks at a time.

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The Chairman. I believe we have one more witness yet.

TESTIMONY OF MISS ELLA FOX.

The witness was reminded that she had been sworn.

Senator Lane. Where are you from?

Miss Fox. Michigan.

Representative Carter. What tribe?

Miss Fox. Chippewa. My subject is the feeling of the girls in general. The feeling of the girls in general towards Miss Ridenour is anything but kindness. It seems we cannot go to her as we would like to go to a mother and speak to her about our troubles because of her rude manner of speech and thoughtlessness of others feelings. On many occasions when we want something we go in the office and ask her for it in a kindly way, and she never gives us a nice answer as she should. One time I went in there asking for some ink, and I did not get it. She gave some of her answers, and I came out without getting the ink.

Representative Carter. Miss Ella, is this feeling universal among the students, or are there some of the students that this matron likes and some that like her?

Miss Fox. No, sir; I don't think you will find many.

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Very few.

Representative Carter. Are there any at all?

Miss Fox. I don't think so.

Representative Carter. Not a single one?

Miss Fox. I don't think so.

Representative Carter. They are all opposed to her?

Miss Fox. All opposed to her.

Representative Carter. Even these girls that the other young ladies have told about, who have committed infractions of the rules for which they should be expelled, they do not like her?

Miss Fox. None of them.

Representative Carter. What is the feeling toward Mr. Friedman?

Miss Fox. It seems they have no respect for Mr. Friedman — the manner in which he talks to us like savages and all that.

Representative Carter. He does not have any respect for an Indian, you think?

Miss Fox. I mean the students.

Representative Carter. I say, you think Mr. Friedman does not have any respect toward an Indian?

Miss Fox. From my standpoint, I don't think so.

Representative Carter. Do you think when he is calling them savages he is really in earnest about it or is just joking?

Miss Fox. It does not seem that way.

Representative Carter. These fellows here sometimes call me a savage down at Washington, but I never get very mad at them about it.

Miss Fox. Another thing about Miss Ridenour: We have not any recreation hours here, whereas when Miss Gaither was here — the former matron — we had two nights out of each week to go to the gymnasium to play in there, and ever since Miss Ridenour has been here we have never had a night. The only exercise we have is going to school and to work. When we ask her to go to the gymnasium for exercise, she says, "Go to work; that is enough exercise." That is the answer we get.

Representative Carter. Have you anything else, Miss Ella?

Miss Fox. I think not.

The Chairman. What about the food?

Miss Fox. There has been a great change since Mr. Linnen has been here.

The Chairman. He has helped that much, has he?

Miss Fox. We have had enough bread, I know, since he has been here.

The Chairman. I think that is all. I thank you very much.

Thereupon at 11 o'clock P.M., the Commission stood adjourned to meet tomorrow, Saturday, February 7, 1914.