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My dear Senator:

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In the absence of the Commissioner in the Field, I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 27, enclosing one from Bruce Bartholomew of Walla Walla, Washington, concerning his appointment at the Carlisle School, Pennsylvania.

Assuming that Mr. Bartholomew refers to an appointment as principal or teacher, you are informed that positions of these designations are in the Executive civil service of the United States and appointments are made thereto only of persons who compete in and pass the required examinations. Examinations are held from time to time by the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for the purpose of establishing registers of eligibles from which to make selections for appointment.

If Mr. Bartholomew wishes to become eligible he should address the Commission for all necessary information and the proper application blanks.

The position of principal is usually filled by promotion from the teacher grade of those persons who, by reason of years of experience among the In-

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dians, have demonstrated their fitness for advancement in the Service.

As requested, Mr. Bartholomew's letter is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

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Assistant Commissioner.

Hon. Miles Poindexter,

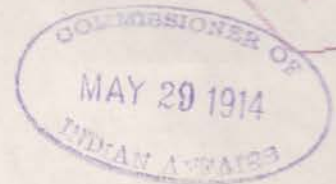
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Honorable Cato Sells,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith letter from Mr. Bruce Bartholomew, Principal of the High School, Walla Walla, Washington, with reference to obtaining an appointment at the Carlisle Indian School. I will be obliged if you will advise me fully as to the manner of making applications, etc., and return the enclosure for my files.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William H. Taft". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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