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Mr. O. H. Lipps,  
Supt. Carlisle Indian School.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Replying to your letter dated February 28,  
1916, regarding one mileage book purchased by former  
Superintendent Friedman, you are hereby authorized to  
direct the Treasurer of the Athletic Association to make  
payment for this book from the funds of the Association.

(Signed) Cato Sells  
Very truly yours

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Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

February 28, 1916



The Honorable  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am in receipt of Office letter dated February 26th, enclosing letter and file No. 230 from the Auditor of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, in reference to the charge on January 21, 1914, of one mileage book purchased by former superintendent Friedman, at a cost of \$20.00, and charged to the school Athletic Association.

Regarding this matter, I have to advise that Inspector Linnen's instructions to the treasurer of the Athletic Association, Mr. Miller, were that this bill should not be paid as he did not consider it a proper charge against the Association. Strictly speaking, it may not have been a proper charge. At the same time, for years the Railroad Company had never questioned the authority of the superintendent to purchase such mileage books on account of the Athletic Association. Some time later during Inspector Linnen's visit at Carlisle, Mr. Friedman bought two other mileage books which were charged to the Association but were afterwards paid for by Mr. Friedman from personal funds. Mr. Friedman insists that the mileage book referred to in the enclosed correspondence was a legitimate charge against the

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Association, and in order that there may be no further trouble over the matter, I recommend that I be authorized to pay this from the athletic fund. The credit of the school is worth more than the amount of \$30.00, and since the local Railway Company has been very courteous and obliging in the past and has frequently carried our accounts to suit our convenience, it would seem that in this case the better plan would be to pay this bill without further protest.

The letter and file of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company are returned herewith as requested.

Very respectfully,

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Encl.

  
Superintendent.



# The Cumberland Valley Railroad Company.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA.

February 17, 1916.

C. M. DAVISON,  
AUDITOR.  
R. T. CRISWELL,  
ASSISTANT AUDITOR.



File 230.



Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir:-

The attached bill covers one mileage book furnished the Carlisle Indian School, January 21, 1914, on request and authority of Mr. M. Friedman, Superintendent of the School at that time.

Statement in the usual form was promptly rendered the Carlisle School authorities for payment, but before this was accomplished Mr. Friedman was removed and when the matter was presented to the present Superintendent, Mr. Lipps, we were advised that the charge is not considered a legitimate one against the School, as it had not been used in the discharge of duties in connection with the School and was, therefore, not in position to accept and pay it.

In view of the fact that this mileage was issued on the request and authority of the then recognized head of the School and in the same manner in which similar and other forms of transportation were furnished, both prior to and since Mr. Friedman's term, for which we have received payment, we believe this item to be a legitimate charge against the School and request that immediate payment be authorized, and the adjustment of any alleged irregularities to be made by your Department with Mr. Friedman.

In support of our stand, am attaching copies of letters addressed to Mr. W. A. Bender, Ticket Agent of this company at Carlisle, Pa., signed by Mr. M. Friedman and Mr. G. S. Warner, former Superintendent and Athletic Coach, respectively. We will appreciate your prompt consideration and reply.

Very truly yours,

*Chamson*

Auditor.

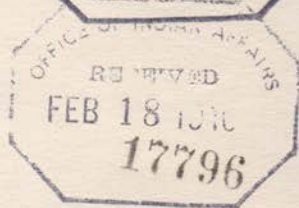
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The Cumberland Valley Railroad Company

Carlisle, Jan. 21st.



United States Indian School,  
(Athletic Association)



To Cumberland Valley Railroad Co. ----- Dr.

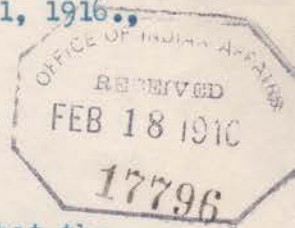
Jan. 21st. One Mileage book, Mr. Friedman, ----- \$20.00

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C O P Y.

Magdalena, N. M., January 21, 1916.,



Mr. W. A. Bender,  
Cumberland Valley R.R. Ticket Agent,  
Carlisle, Pa.,

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of January seventeenth and note that the Indian School authorities have not yet paid the bill for \$20. for book of mileage furnished me by the Athletic Association.

The mileage was furnished me regularly and used in the interests of the school and the student body of the Carlisle School. It was obtained with the approval of the officers of the Athletic Association, of which Mr. G. S. Warner was President, and I superintendent of the School and a director of the Association.

The use of and issue of such mileage was a legitimate matter, and the charge can only be made against the Carlisle Athletic Association.

Regardless of the statements by Inspector Linnen and Commissioner Sells, such mileage was similarly issued me, and in the same way used in the interest of the school, during my entire six years as Superintendent. Such bills were always approved by the officers of the Association and promptly paid. These accounts were always approved by former Indian Commissioners. The present held-up of your accounts in this particular is without merit.

Before leaving the East I spoke with Mr. Warner, who was president of the Association at the time the bill was incurred. He approves its payment and agrees with me that if it is not paid you can obtain collection by suing the Athletic Association, which was incorporated under Pennsylvania laws at the time of this mileage purchase.

As one of the three directing officers of the Carlisle Indian School Athletic Association and acting with Mr. Warner, I turned over to the present head of the Carlisle School more than \$25,000. in moneys of said Association, and this action was only taken voluntarily and on condition that the obligations of said Association be met. I hope your company will press the school authorities for settlement. The bill is regular, the charge just and the use of and my right to the mileage unquestioned.

Wishing you the compliments of the season.

Very sincerely yours,

M. FRIEDMAN.

C O P Y.

Springville, N. Y., Jan. 27, 1916.

W. A. Bender,  
Carlisle, Pa.,  
My dear sir:-



Mr. Friedman enclosed this letter for my attention and to be forwarded to you. His explanation of the bill ~~is~~ is correct and there is absolutely no reason why it is not a legitimate charge against the Indian School Athletic Association regardless of what Mr. Linnen or Com. Sells may say, and it can be collected if you apply to the courts. I was president of the Athletic Association at the time this indebtedness was incurred, and the purchase of the mileage book was authorized by the executive committee of the Association, the power to authorize it being given to the Committee by the Association by laws and the Association constitution and by laws having been sanctioned by the State of Pa. when the Association was incorporated. Under these circumstances it is not right to look to Mr. Friedman for payment, and it is in my opinion very small and narrow minded business on the part of the Indian officer in not allowing the Association to pay it.

Very truly,

G. S. WARNER.



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Mr. Oscar H. Lipps,  
Supt. Carlisle School.

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My dear Mr. Lipps:

There is inclosed a letter dated February 17, 1916, from the auditor for The Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, his file No. 230. Please return this letter with your report.

Very truly yours,

(Signed E. B. Meritt)

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Assistant Commissioner.

Copy to The Cumberland Valley  
Railroad Company.

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