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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.



October 27, 1917

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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

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Reference is made to your letter of October 22, 1917 regarding the small pox situation at this school.

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In response, thereto, I have the honor to advise you that Dr. Harvey B. Bashore, County Medical Inspector, yesterday authorized me to remove the quarantine restrictions on the school except for the fact that the absolute quarantine on the hospital is to remain until ordered removed by the Department of Health.

While there was some delay at first in obtaining Vaccine Points, an ample supply has now been received and the Doctor immediately instituted a comprehensive campaign of vaccination of those living on the grounds. I am advised by the Doctor that some opposition has been met with in the case of certain employees. I will report upon this phase later.

Sincerely yours,

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John Francis Jr
Superintendent

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Mr. John Francis, Jr.,
Supt. Carlisle School.

OCT 22 1917

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My dear Mr. Francis:

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of the 20th instant, concerning the smallpox situation at Carlisle, and suggesting that a Special Physician be sent to Carlisle if one is available.

Your two telegrams requesting smallpox points have also been received. After the receipt of the first wire requesting fifty points this quantity was immediately ordered from the Mulford Company who wired Philadelphia to ship to you from there. Mr. Frailey, the Washington representative of the company, advised over the telephone that you had ordered 250 additional points direct from them, which order has also gone forward. It would therefore seem you have received 300 points by this time. Should you need further points probably under the circumstances more prompt action would be obtained if you ordered direct from the Mulford Company in Philadelphia.

With respect to sending you a Special Physician the Office regrets to advise that there is no travelling physician within easy reach at this time. If the cases of smallpox are carefully isolated and the children are well vaccinated, there should be a prompt cessation of new cases. It appears from the Public Health Service Bulletin number 62, "An Analysis of the Laws and Regulations For the Control of Communicable Diseases" that the state of Pennsylvania requires enforcement of absolute quarantine for smallpox patients. Presumably since a representative of the state Board of Health has visited Carlisle, what is meant by absolute quarantine has been explained to you. The period of quarantine in Pennsylvania appears to be given as thirty days, whereas the quarantine of exposed persons is eighteen days from actual exposure. Persons submitting to vaccination and disinfection should be kept under observation.

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In view of the confidence which is almost universally placed in the efficacy of vaccination the Office is persuaded that enthusiastic vaccination at Carlisle will satisfactorily put an end to this unfortunate situation in due course of time.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

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Assistant Commissioner.

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COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS WASHN DC
THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH, HARRISBURG HAS JUST
ORDER QUARANTINE OF THE ENTIRE SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE
QUARANTINED ONLY HOSPITAL NIGHT BEFORE LAST HAVE
ONLY ONE CASE SMALL POX WHICH IS ISOLATED IN
HOSPITAL AND DOING WELL (CONTRACTS) ^{suspects} HAVE BEEN
GATHERD INTO HOSPITAL EXCEPT ONE TEACHER WHO IS
IN HER ROOM. AND OBJECTS TO GOING THOSE
FURTHER ACTION IN THIS REGARD WILL BE BASED ON
DIRECTION OF HEALTH AUTHORITIES SITUATION APPARENTLY
WEELL UNDER CONTROL AT THIS TIME MIGHT BE
ADVISABLE TO SEND TRAVELING PHYSICIANS TO MEET
POSSIBLE EVENTUALITIES IF ONE IS AVAILABLE
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

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

Sir:

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I yesterday wired you as follows:

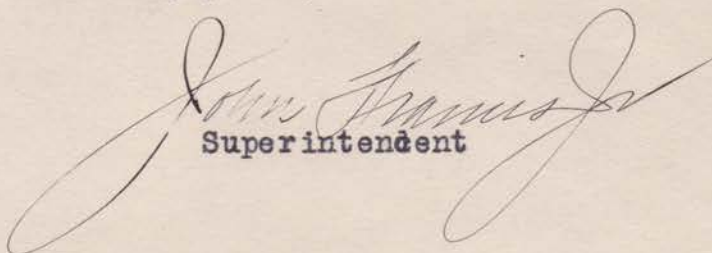
"Case of small pox reported.
Hospital in strict quarantine.
Am advising local and state
health authorities and will be
guided by them in quarantine.

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I have the honor to report that George Swanson, a student of this school, is ill in the hospital with a disease which has been diagnosed by Dr. Menger and Dr. Shepler, of Carlisle, as small pox. George returned from his summer vacation on the 27th of September and on the 29th reported at the hospital and was in for two days with indigestion. He then returned to quarters until October 9th when he returned to the hospital with a severe pain in the side, with vomiting and a headache. On October 15th we were advised by a patron in New York, who purposed to send his son, that he was unable to do so at this time because of the quarantine due to small pox. This established the fact that George came from an infected area. At the same time George developed a rash which was at first supposed to be chicken pox. George had been placed in an isolated ward when he came in on the 9th because the diagnosis of his disease had not been fully determined and as soon as the rash developed extraordinary precautions were taken by the physician to prevent the spread of the disease.

A strict quarantine has been put on the hospital and such other steps will be taken as may be necessary. The local health officer has been advised and also the state health authorities at Harrisburg. George is doing very well and arrangements will be made to vaccinate all students and employees who have not been vaccinated within five and seven years.

Sincerely yours,


Superintendent

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CASE OF SMALLPOX REPORTED HOSPITAL IN STRICK QUARANTINE AM ADVISING
LOCAL AND STATE HEALTH AUTHORITIES AND WILL BE GUIDED BY THEM IN QUARANTINE
FRANCIS.

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