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May 5th, 1916.

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

Sir:

When the Office's letter of the 4th instant, containing the inquiry why Joseph Johnson was not sent to a sanatorium before the disease which caused his death had approached an advanced stage, was referred to our school physician this morning he submitted a statement as is copied below:

"In reply to Asst. Commissioner Hauke's letter of inquiry regarding Joseph Johnson will say that Joseph was brought back from his outing home in a critical condition. Although he received medical attention while out in the country the doctor seems to have overlooked the full gravity of his case. I understand that Joseph was sick only six weeks. In that time his disease had made such rapid progress that he arrived with both lungs cavitated and with high and continuous fever. I did not consider the boy fit to be sent home and am convinced that none of the Indian sanatoria would have accepted him in that condition. Could I have assisted the boy in any wise by getting him off my hands I would gladly have done so. I cheerfully accept all responsibility in Joseph's case."

Joseph's case seems to have been one of those un-

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fortunate ones in which no complaint was made by him until the disease had gained too much headway to be successfully treated and when he was returned to Carlisle he was a very sick boy.

Very respectfully,

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Superintendent.

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

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Replying to your letter of April 25 reporting the death of Joseph Johnson, a sixteen year old Pueblo boy enrolled from Laguna, from pulmonary tuberculosis. Please inform the Office why arrangements were not made for sending this boy to a sanatorium before the disease approached an advanced stage.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke

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Acting Assistant Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

April 25th, 1916.

Death of
pupil.



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

Sir:

I respectfully report that Joseph Johnson, a sixteen year old Pueblo boy enrolled here from Laguna, New Mexico, died in our school hospital at 6:50 o'clock on Saturday evening, April the 22nd. The immediate cause of death was respiratory failure due to pulmonary tuberculosis.

At the request of the parents the body was prepared for shipment to Laguna and after conducting funeral services this morning in the Catholic Church in Carlisle the body was shipped by express.

Regretting very much that such information has to be conveyed to the Office, I am,

Very respectfully,

J. D. DeHuff
Acting Superintendent.

HKM.

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