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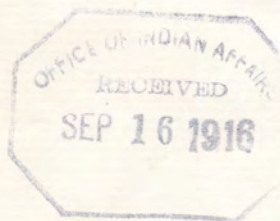
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,



Indian Industrial School,

Pierre, S. D.,

September 12, 1916.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Referring to the pre-vocational detailing of pupils under the new course of study as outlined in Circular 1097 would say that in same, the course for girls in nursing is given as 20 weeks. Supv. Pears stated at the Rapid City Institute that this was an error and a change was to be made in same, reducing it to 10 weeks, leaving 10 weeks for miscellaneous detail. Has such a change been made?

Also the circular provides for 5 weeks Poultry raising for boys, while the course of study does not list same as a boys subject. I assume the circular is correct.

Kindly advise me at once as to same.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
Superintendent.

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Ed.-Schools.
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Mr. C. J. Crandall,
Supt., Pierre School.

My dear Mr. Crandall:

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Assistant Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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No girl under
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has any business
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Circular
No.

Course in
Nursing.

To Superintendents:

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In relation to the
vocational course in nursing.

MEMORANDUM.

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If, on the contrary, the Office clearly understands that it is not building trained nurses when giving its vocational course, I have no further objection.

These graduates will, perhaps, make nurses' assistants; nothing more. There is no clinical material at Carlisle; hence they can get no practical experience. After all the only place to teach nursing is a hospital, first, last and all the time.

Looking at the matter from the standpoint of the student, if the Office leads them to believe that they are to be taken out at the end of their career as trained nurses, students will sustain a bitter disappointment when they find out they have not even the "goods" with which to start.

It will depend upon what the Office wants to do. If you want to prepare girls to take trained nurses' courses in high class hospitals, the thing to do is to find out what units are necessary before entry can be obtained and adopt the course at Carlisle with a view to furnishing those units.

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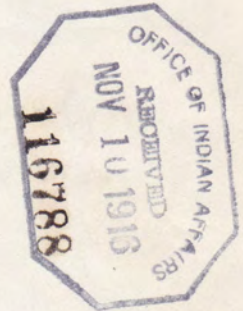
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A. J. Wheeler.

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NOV -8 1916

Cook County Hospital,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

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In this connection I should be glad to receive from you a statement as to the educational requirements for matriculation in your Training School for Nurses.

Very truly yours,

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(Signed) *E. B. Meritt*
Assistant Commissioner.

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Fort Dearborn Hospital,
3830 Rhodes Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

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Sibley Hospital,
Washington, D. C.

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Assistant Commissioner.

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NOV -8 1918

Dr. S. J. Crumbine, M. D.,

Editor "Bulletin Kansas State Board of Health",
Topeka, Kan.

Sir:

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Assistant Commissioner.

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Dr. Guilford H. Sumner,
Sec. Iowa Board of Health,
Des Moines, Ia.

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Miss Anna C. Jamme, R. N.,
Director, Bureau of Registration of Nurses,
Sacramento, Cal.

Madam:

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Journal of American Medical Association,
635 N. Dearborn Street,
Chicago, Ill.

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North Dakota State Board of Health,
Devil's Lake, N. D.

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Polyclinic Hospital,
New York City.

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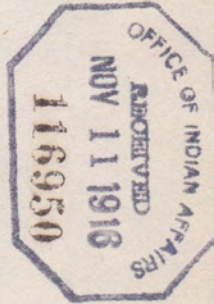
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NEW YORK POLYCLINIC
MEDICAL SCHOOL AND HOSPITAL
341 TO 351 WEST 50TH STREET

November 10th, 1916.



E.B. Meritt, Esq.,

Assistant Commissioner Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir-

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The New York Polyclinic Medical School and Hospital has not an under-graduate training school for nurses. It maintains a post-graduate training school, the per se requirements for admission to which is graduation from a recognized undergraduate school.

Very truly yours,

James H. Norris
Superintendent.

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HENRY S. FRANCE, D. D.
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AUDITOR

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TREASURER AND
BUSINESS MANAGER

Nov. 10, 1916.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 8th inst. has been
received.

With regard to our requirements for matricu-
lation in the Training School for Nurses, we ex-
pect the young women to be twenty years of age,
and have a high school diploma or its equivalent.
In addition to these educational requirements,
our School being a Church school, training people
for Christian service, requires the applicant to
be a member of some evangelical church.

Very truly yours,

Alpheus S. Mowbray

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

OF LAWRENCE

THE BELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

ROSEDALE, KANSAS

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

ROSEDALE, KANSAS

November 13, 1916.

Mr. E. B. Meritt,
Assistant Commissioner,
Office of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find circular of
information pertaining to the Training School for Nurses
of the University of Kansas.

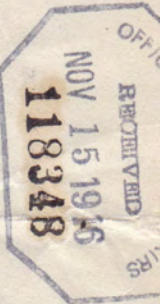
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Superintendent.

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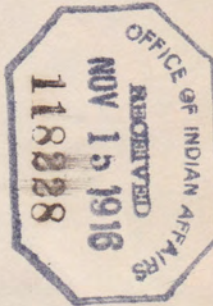
In your reply please
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535 North Dearborn Street, CHICAGO, Nov. 13, 1916.

Refer to
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Mr. E. B. Meritt,

Ass't Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We regret that we cannot give you any information concerning the educational requirements for matriculation in the various nursing schools of the United States. Such information can probably be obtained by addressing the secretary of the American Nurses Association - Miss Katherine DeWitt, 45 S. Union St., Rochester, New York.

Very truly yours,

JOURNAL AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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ILLINOIS TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES

509 HONORE STREET

CHICAGO

TELEPHONE WEST 1214

MARY C. WHEELER, R. N.
SUPERINTENDENT

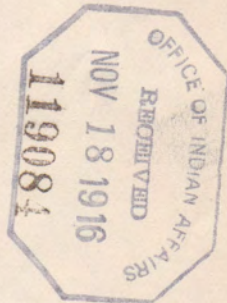
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TREASURER

Nov. 16th, 1916.

Department of the Interior,
Office of Indian Affairs,

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Attention Ed-Health
A J W



Dear Sir:

Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter written Nov. 8th in which you ask to receive a statement as to the educational requirements for matriculation in the Illinois Training School for Nurses.

In reply I beg to state that under separate cover we are sending the catalogue and annual report which will give you the information you desire.

Yours very truly,

Mary C. Wheeler, R. N.
Superintendent

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Miss Katherine DeWitt,
45 S. Union St., Rochester, N. Y. all

Dear Madam:

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This Office is considering the introduction, at one of its non-reservation boarding schools, of a vocational course of study which will fit young Indian women for matriculation in hospital schools of nursing. In order that this matter may be given intelligent consideration, I should be glad if you will advise me in connection with the usual requirements for matriculation in schools of this character.

Very truly yours,

(Signed E. B. Meritt)

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Assistant Commissioner.

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Fort Dearborn Hospital

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

3830-3832-3834 Rhodes Avenue

Receiving and Visiting
3831-33-35 Vernon Avenue
Telephone Douglas 6800

Chicago, Ill., November 18, 1916.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Attention of
Hon. E. B. Merritt,
Assistant Commissioner.

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My Dear Mr. Merritt:

The Fort Dearborn Hospital has a fully accredited training school, conducted along a definite, classical standard. At the present time we are requiring one year of high school or its equivalent. In some cases, where the young lady has exceptional ability, if she has not had one year of high school, she may enter the Preparatory Department and make up the necessary units to pass an examination on the equivalent of one year high school work.

We are enclosing you a catalogue of rules and regulations. Section 2 will explain fully the entrance educational requirements.

It will be a pleasure to co-operate with you along these lines and we shall be glad to hear from you at any time, with any suggestions which you may have, that will benefit the young ladies in question.

Very truly yours,

FORT DEARBORN HOSPITAL,

By the President,

O. Bonney

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DIVISIONS OF
EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION
OF NURSES
INSPECTION OF
HOSPITALS AND TRAINING SCHOOLS

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DIRECTOR

November 14, 1916.

E.B. Meritt,
Assistant Commissioner of Indian
Affairs,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

I beg herewith to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 8th in which you ask concerning the educational requirements for matriculation to training schools for nurses. I think this can best be answered by sending to you our requirements and the curriculum. You will note that the requirement for a high school education does not become effective until September 1st, 1918. Until that time training schools may accept women who have not had a full high school course.

I am very much interested in this plan which you contemplate introducing into the Carlisle Indian School. I shall be pleased to hear further from you concerning the progress of the work.

Yours very truly,

Anna C. Jamme R.N.
Director.

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THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT: ANNIE W. GOODRICH, R. N.
TEACHERS COLLEGE, NEW YORK

SECRETARY: KATHARINE DEWITT, R. N.
45 SOUTH UNION STREET, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

TREASURER: MRS. C. V. TWISS, R. N.
419 WEST 144TH STREET, NEW YORK

45 South Union Street, Rochester, N. Y.

November 20, 1916

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of the 17th in regard to the establishment of vocational training which shall fit young Indian women to enter training schools of nursing, let me say that the most important vocational work would be cooking, chemistry, hygiene, physics and the household arts. The last includes the first, but cooking should be emphasized, as dietetics is so important a part of a nurse's course of study.

Most of the good schools in the country at present require the equivalent of one year of high school work for entrance to the course in nursing. The highest schools require at least a full high school course.

We should be very glad to receive further reports in regard to the establishment of these courses and their success.

Yours very truly,

Katharine De Witt

Secretary

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September 9, 1916

To the organizations affiliated with the American Nurses' Association and to the Permanent Members:

On the other side of this sheet you will find a copy of a bill which has passed the United States Senate and will be introduced in the House of Representatives as early as possible in its next session. The persons named in Section 1 are the present directors of the Association, who were instructed to act for it in preparing such a bill and in endeavoring to secure its passage by Congress. The bill was drafted by Mr. John W. Davis, Solicitor General, and Counsellor of the American Red Cross.

The Bill is now in the District Committee of the House, composed of the following members: Ben Johnson of Kentucky, Wyatt Aiken of South Carolina, Robert Crosser of Ohio, James T. Lloyd of Missouri, James A. Hamill of New Jersey, Charles O. Lobeck of Nebraska, J. Willard Ragsdale of South Carolina, Carl Vinson of Georgia, Peter J. Dooling of New York, Warren Worth Bailey of Pennsylvania, Emmett Wilson of Florida, Benjamin C. Hilliard of Colorado, Michael E. Burke of Wisconsin, William J. Cary of Wisconsin, Carl E. Mapes of Michigan, Benjamin K. Focht of Pennsylvania, Loren E. Wheeler of Illinois, George P. Darrow of Pennsylvania, P. Davis Oakey of Connecticut, Norman J. Gould of New York, George Holden Tinkham of Massachusetts.

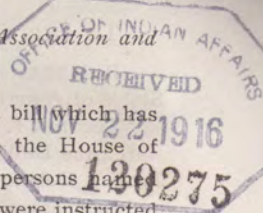
It will be seen that this charter provides for the administration of our funds and for the publication of our Journal. It permits the Association to hold its conventions whenever and wherever it deems best and allows it to decide its own form of membership. Under our present incorporation in New York State some of these points were in question, so this change from a State to a National Charter seems greatly to be desired and was approved by the Association at its last convention.

As it is very necessary that the whole membership of the Association should unite in a request to the House for the passage of this Act, you are asked to give it your immediate approval, either by vote of the whole association or of its board of directors. Please give all possible publicity to this Act and send endorsement of your association, yourself, your hospital or of any well-known or representative persons of your community, as soon as possible, to each member of this District Committee and also to your own Representative in Congress. Additional copies of the Act may be had from the secretary.

ANNIE W. GOODRICH, President.

KATHARINE DEWITT, Secretary,
45 S. Union St., Rochester, N. Y.

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A BILL TO INCORPORATE THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled :

SECTION 1. That Annie W. Goodrich, Adda Elfredge, Elsie M. Lawler, Katharine DeWitt, M. Louise Twiss, Helen B. Criswell, S. Lillian Clayton, Jane A. Delano, Mary M. Riddle, Ella Phillips Crandall, Mathild Krueger and their associates and successors, are hereby created a body corporate in the District of Columbia.

SEC. 2. That the name of this corporation shall be "The American Nurses' Association," and by that name it shall have perpetual succession, with power to sue and be sued in courts of law and equity within the jurisdiction of the United States; to adopt and use a common seal and to alter the same at pleasure; to acquire by devise, bequest or otherwise and to have and to hold such real and personal estate as shall be deemed advisable; to administer all funds and property held for the purposes of the corporation; to mortgage or otherwise encumber, should it be necessary so to do, the real estate which it may hereafter own or acquire, and to give therefor such evidence of indebtedness as such corporation may decide upon; to ordain and establish by-laws and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof; and generally to do all such acts and things (including the establishment of regulations for the election of associates and successors) as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Act and to promote the purposes of said organization.

SEC. 3. That the purposes of this corporation are and shall be to promote the professional and educational advancement of nurses in every proper way; to establish and maintain a code of ethics among nurses; to elevate the standard of nursing education; to distribute relief to such nurses as may become ill, disabled or destitute; to disseminate information on the subject of nursing by publications in official periodicals or otherwise; to bring into communication with each other the various nurses and associations and federations of nurses throughout the United States of America; and to succeed to all the rights and property held by the American Nurses' Association as a corporation duly incorporated under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York.

SEC. 4. That the corporation may adopt by-laws for the admission and qualification of members, the election of officers, the management of its property, and the regulation of its affairs, with a governing body so constituted as may be deemed advisable, and with power to amend by-laws at pleasure.

SEC. 5. That the principal office of the corporation shall be located at Washington, in the District of Columbia, but offices may be maintained, and meetings of the corporation may be held at such times and places as the corporation may designate, and meetings of the directors, or such other officers as constitute the governing body, may be held at such times and places as they shall designate.

SEC. 6. That Congress shall have the right to repeal, alter or amend this Act at any time.

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Educational Requirements for Matriculation
in Nursing Schools. *116788-16-810 Carlisle*

<u>Hospital or</u> <u>Training School.</u>	<u>Educational</u> <u>Requirements.</u>
Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington, D.C.	High School diploma or equivalent.
State of Iowa,	Grammar School and not less than one year high school, or its equivalent.
Illinois Training School for Nurses, Chicago, Ill.	One year high school is minimum.
Ft Dearborn Hospital, Chicago.	1 year high school or equivalent.
State of California	After Sept. 1, 1918, 4 year's high school.
<i>Am. Nurses Assn.</i>	<i>after Sept. 1, 1918, 4 year's high school.</i>

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Mr. Francis:

In accordance with your instructions I took up with various hospitals throughout the country the matter of educational requirements for matriculation in schools for nurses.

It appears that some of the schools require one year of high school work, while the best schools require four years high school work. After 1918 (September 1st), the American Nurses Association will require four years high school credits for matriculation.

If therefore we are to prepare Indian girls for matriculation in schools of nursing, we should arrange to give them the necessary education to meet the requirements.

A. J. Wheeler

Education-
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December 12, 1916.

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Mr. Higgins:

The Commissioner is very desirous of arranging for real training in nursing for Indian girls. As I understand it he appreciates the fact that we have not the facilities in the Indian Service to give other than the elementary training in handling the sick which every good housewife should have; but he does want arrangements made whereby those Indian girls who wish to become trained nurses shall have the elementary work which will make them ready to take up the purely professional work in regular hospitals with training schools for nurses attached so that they may become graduate nurses.

Dr. Wheeler's investigation shows that the lowest requirement in any school for nursing is one year of high school work while the best schools require four years.

I appreciate that in none of our schools have we such a standard at the present time. Please consider the matter and endeavor to work out a plan showing what would be necessary were we to establish in at least one of our larger schools the training necessary to fit Indian girls to enter regular schools for nursing.

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John H. Brown
Chief Education Division.

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Mr. Oscar H. Lippe,

Supt. Carlisle School.

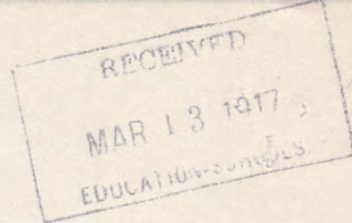
My Dear Mr. Lippe:

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In considering the institution of a vocational course which will prepare Indian girls desiring to become nurses for entrance in nurses' training schools conducted by hospitals, inquiries have been made which indicate that the lowest requirement in any school for nursing is one year of high school work, while the best schools require four years. The course of study carried by our Indian schools does not provide the equivalent of one or more years high school work, but at several of the non-reservation schools pupils are enrolled who attend high schools in nearby towns.

I understand that at Carlisle several girls who desired to take up nursing have been enabled to secure the requisite preliminary high school work while attending your school, and I would be glad to have you outline to me quite fully, at an early date, the arrangement you have made to enable these girls to secure the necessary high school work and obtain entrances to training classes.

Sincerely yours, *(Signed) Cato Sells*



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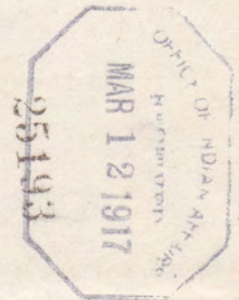
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March 9, 1917.

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

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Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 17 relative to placing of Indian girls into nurses' training schools which are conducted by hospitals. In reply I would state that we have but two girls in our school who seem to desire that sort of training and they are in the vocational grades.

Relative to obtaining their admission into hospitals in this section of the country, I would state that the best hospitals now require that all students must have completed a high school course, otherwise they are not eligible for admission. With these requirements in view, it will hardly be possible to secure the admission of any of our Indian girls into the best of hospitals here, consequently I am of the opinion that it would be better to transfer them to Carlisle after having completed part of the vocational work here trusting that they can be placed into some of the Eastern hospitals from the Carlisle school.

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Several years ago, one of our graduates entered the Mayo Hospital at Rochester, completed the course there and is now one of the most trusted ones in the institution being given some of the most critical cases operated on by the staff there.

As a rule, not many of our girls seem to take to this line of work but I believe that we have two girls now that will make trustworthy nurses with proper training and will be glad to do all in my power to assist in getting them located where they can get this training.

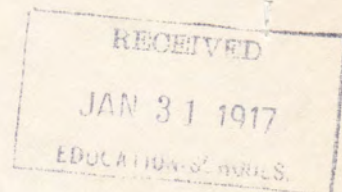
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Chas. F. Prince
Superintendent.

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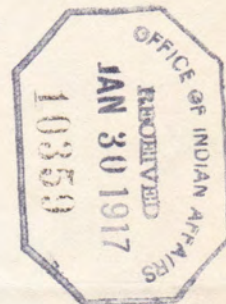


January 29, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

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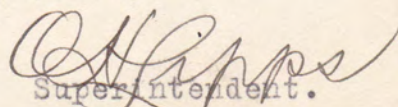
I am in receipt of Office letter of January 22nd regarding the entrance requirements of nurses training schools conducted by hospitals and suggesting that our present course of study is not equal to two years of high school work. With the exception of the foreign languages I am quite positive that our new course of study is more than equal to two years of high school work and is far more valuable as a preparation for entrance in nurses training schools than the average high school course. We find no difficulty whatever in getting our girls into the best hospitals even before they finish our full course. Just recently two of our girls were admitted to the Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia from our second year vocational class. I think, however, we should insist that our girls graduate from our vocational course before they are permitted to enter hospitals to take the nurses training course. This year I am insisting that our student nurses be taken from our senior class. These girls will not fully complete the vocational subjects, but they will have had more of this kind of training than the average nurse gets, and the last year in our hospital here will try them out and test their adaptability

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and fitness to continue in the nurses course. We do not attempt to give more than a preparatory course in nursing and even this is not credited by the hospitals, but the training is of great value to them in making them more valuable as helpers in the hospital during their probationary time.

This, however, is to be said in explanation of our course at Carlisle. Most of the girls attend public school under the outing and each year we have a number who attend high schools. We have had some girls attend the high school here in Carlisle, but notwithstanding the advantages of a high school course experience has proved that the girls who stay here and take our regular course are in the end, as a rule, more efficient and capable than those who take the high school course and who do not get the advantages of those training in home economics. Comparing the requirements of our new course of study with the public school courses in Pennsylvania, we find that the prevocational course in all essentials is about equal to the grammar school course, excepting foreign languages and the higher mathematics, in all essentials is about equal to the average high school course. I do believe, however, that it would be well to insist on our girls taking one or two years in high school after they have finished our regular course, particularly for the advantage that would come to them with their association with white students. A year or two of latin and an additional year or two of english would no doubt be of considerable value to them,

Very truly yours,


Superintendent.

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Mr. E. A. Allen,

Supt., Chilocco School.

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My dear Mr. Allen:

In considering the institution of a vocational course which will prepare Indian girls desiring to become nurses for entrance into nurses' training schools conducted by hospitals, I have called upon the Superintendent of the Carlisle School for a report on arrangements he has made whereby girls secure the required preliminary training.

I find that Carlisle School has no difficulty whatever in getting its girls in the best hospitals, even before they finish the four years vocational course. The Superintendent reports with the exception of the foreign languages he considers the vocational division of the new course of study more than equal to two years of high school work. Recently two girls from Carlisle were admitted to a hospital in Philadelphia from the second year vocational class. However, this year the Superintendent is insisting that student nurses be

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

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Mr. Clinton J. Crandall,
Supt., Pierre School.

My dear Mr. Crandall:

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Mr. John B. Brown,
Supt., Phoenix School.

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Mr. Harwood Hall,
Supt., Salem School.

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My dear Mr. Hall:

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Mr. F. M. Conser,

Supt., Sherman Institute.

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Mr. R. A. Cochran,

Supt., Mount Pleasant School.

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(Signed) Cato Sells

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Mr. Sam B. Davis,

Supt., Genoa School.

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Mr. James B. Royce,
Supt., Carson School.

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Mr. Frederic Snyder,

Supt., Santa Fe School.

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Mr. Peyton Carter,
Supt., Wahpeton School.

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Mr. Jesse F. House,

Supt., Rapid City School.

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I find that Carlisle School has no difficulty whatever in getting its girls in the best hospitals, even before they finish the four years vocational course. The Superintendent reports with the exception of the foreign languages he considers the vocational division of the new course of study more than equal to two years of high school work. Recently two girls from Carlisle were admitted to a hospital in Philadelphia from the second year vocational class. However, this year the Superintendent is insisting that student nurses be

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taken from the senior class. These girls will not fully complete the vocational subjects, but they will have had more of this kind of training than the average nurse receives, and the last year in the school hospital will try them out and test their ability and fitness to continue in the nurses' course. There is no attempt to give them more than a preparatory course in nursing, and even this is not credited by the hospitals, but the training is of great value to them in making them more valuable as helpers in the hospital during their probationary period.

Most of the girls at Carlisle attend public school under the outing system and each year there are a number who attend high school. However, it is found that the girls who stay at school and take the regular vocational work profit by the course in home economics to an extent which possibly off-sets the lack of high school training.

I desire a report from you saying whether there are a limited number of girls at your school who desire to take a course in nursing in a school conducted by a hospital. I also desire a report after you have looked

into the matter thoroughly saying what arrangements you can make with training schools conducted by hospitals in your section to receive girls from your school and what arrangements you can make to secure for the girls desiring to take up this work the necessary preliminary training.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

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