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Mr. Alfonso Rodart,
234 R Street, N. E.,
Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

I have your letter of February 24, in which you request permission to enroll in an Indian school. The nearest school to Washington is that situated at Carlisle, Pennsylvania. This carries pupils through the eighth grade in academic work. From the character of the letter which you have written, it seems that our schools would scarcely be of much value to you, for you have at least as good a knowledge of English as have pupils who have finished the eighth grade.

There is also a course at Carlisle in commercial branches, but unless you are positive that you want to do clerical work and have ability along that line, you would not be justified in spending the time necessary in completing such a course.

One can also get excellent training at this school in the trades, such as carpentry, masonry, brick laying, tailoring, etc., but this training would not be of value to you unless you have decided that one of the

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trades will furnish you a better means of earning a livelihood than you now have.

You say you have been earning your own livelihood, and because of this fact there does not appear from your letter to be any good reasons for your entering one of our schools. However, if you wish to present more facts in reference to the matter, or desire to call at the Office and discuss this question personally, you are at liberty to do so.

Respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke.

Second Assistant Commissioner.

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Feb. 24. 1913.

The Commission of Indian Affairs
Washington D. C.

Gentleman

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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I am submitting a request
to enter one of your government
schools. I am about 23 years old
and of a good health and habits,
I am anxious to secure an education,
but do not have the means as
I have to work at manual labor
for a living
I have no parents and have
no way of securing any inform-
ation relative to them. From what
I have gathered from my Chieft-

and he seemed to think
That I might be able to get in
School

I wish That you might be able to
give me a chance for an education

Trusting that I may have a

Favorable reply I am
yours very Truly

Afonso Rodarte

P. S. I will gladly furnish references
at your request

A. R.

Good observations I believe I am
one half Cherokee Indian and
The other half Spanish.

I was born in Oklahoma, but
my parents died before I had any
memories of Them, I was, given to
a man who abused me so I had
to leave him, I cannot remember
his name, I gave my self up to
an elderly woman in Fort worth,
Texas for my keep she did not
attempt to give me a chance for
an education.

I left her and came East where
I have been earning my own
living I was in your office one day
last week with Mr. Levi Chubbuck,
who is connected with the agricul-
tural Dept.

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