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Carlisle.

Mr. M. R. Walker,
418 S. Denver Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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My Friend:

The Office is in receipt of a letter from Mr. M. J. Lewis, on behalf of your son Bud Walker, who desires to attend the Carlisle Indian School, but who, being only one-sixteenth Cherokee, is required by the rules of the Service to pay from his own funds both his tuition fee and transportation. The Office takes an interest in all the ambitious Indian boys and girls who desire the benefits of the large non-reservation schools, but does not feel that it can with justice deprive those of a larger degree of Indian blood, who many times require more assistance in fitting themselves for life, in order to admit young men like your son who have only a small degree of Indian blood. As you live in Tulsa, and your son appears quite well advanced in his studies, it appears that he is about ready to enter the high school. The Office always favors the enrollment

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of Indian pupils in the public schools wherever possible, believing it is greatly to the advantage of the Indian. It is hoped your son will enter the public schools in Tulsa, and if possible attend the high school and make a good record there.

Your Friend,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke.

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Mr. M. J. Lewis,

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Sir:

Referring to your letter of October 1, in regard to the admission of Bud Walker in the Carlisle School, there is inclosed copy of Office letter which was addressed to the boy's father, as you requested.

Respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke.

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COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Honorable Commissioner:

I am writing you in behalf of a young man, Bud Walker, who is desirous of entering Carlisle to complete his education. Now, this young man is of the ambitious type of Indian youth whose wishes are to further educate and fit himself for his life's work and since he believes as I do, that Carlisle being located where it is, offers exceptional advantages in the nature of educational and industrial opportunities he has made application for admittance into said school to complete his education.

I have been in communication with Supervisor in Charge, Mr. O.H. Lipps, who favors the young man's enrolment, provided Supervisor Brown approves the boy's application. Properly filled out blanks were mailed to Supervisor Brown, a few days ago. This morning the father receives word to the effect that owing to the smallness in degree of Indian blood, the boy

will have to pay not only his transportation, but tuition as well. I regret ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~hear~~ ^{that} ~~that~~ ^{financially} the parents of the boy are not in a position to furnish both items, ^{or they surely would I am sure.} and I am now writing to know if there is a bare possibility of giving their boy the chance he so much desires and should have if there is any opportunity to secure those at Carlisle without having to pay tuition? The parents are much discouraged and they do not know I am writing you about it.

If the boy was an undesirable applicant whose character was questionable I would hesitate to speak in his behalf - but as he is worthy and a desirable applicant - just the kind of young men Carlisle school needs I am writing you thus. He is well advanced in his studies and is well able to complete the course with the 1915 class, so he would not be there such a long while.

I think and am sure that if you will grant and make an exception in the young man's case there are several of us you will be doing a personal favor. I know ^{at least} too, that the father would make some arrangement to pay the boy's transportation, if it may be arranged by the department to give the boy a chance at Carlisle.

The boy is a $\frac{1}{16}$ Cherokee but looks like an Indian more so than many who are and have been at Carlisle enrolling under that degree of Indian blood.

Being assistant clerk in the Cutting Office, under Mrs. N. R. Denny, I am returning to Carlisle in a short while and should you consider our urgent plea favorably the boy would like to return to Carlisle with me. I have done almost all I could toward the matter but I will go any further to do what I can for the sake of any ambitious and deserving Indian youth's advancement. I am an Indian and naturally it is my wish to help them where ever and whenever I may and am able.

Any communication you wish to send, please direct to the father of the young man whose name and address is as follows: M. P. Walker, 418 S. Denver, Tulsa, Okla.

Trusting that we may have an opportunity to receive a reply, I am

Yours very respectfully

M. J. Lewis

418 S. Denver