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By order of

E. B. MERITT,

Asst. Commissioner.

Mr. Thomas J. Sexton,

Durant, Oklahoma.

My dear Mr. Sexton:

The Office has received your letter of January 27 requesting that payments be waived which become due March 1 for tuition of your son Ralph, who is now a pupil of the Carlisle School.

It does not appear necessary nor advisable to make an exception in your case contrary to the regulations specifically set out in the Rules for the Indian School Service and permit Ralph to remain at Carlisle tuition free after March 1. The same privilege would have to be given to others of the unrestricted class belonging to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Inasmuch as your boy seems to be making good use of his time at school it will no doubt be gratifying to you if he can complete the course for which he entered under the terms of his enrollment.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt Assistant Commissioner.

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Hon. Cato Sells,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Wr Sells. I write you in behalf of my son Ralph H. Sexton, who is attending the Carlisle Indian School at Carlisle, Pa. Ralph is a Choctaw Indian boy 20 years old. an Indian by blood Roll No.6532 " Daws Commission Rolls of Oklahoma" and was sent from Muskogee, Okla.by Supt. A.S. Wyly on the 2nd day of Sept. 1915 to Carlisle School. After corresponding with Mr Wyly with reference to Indians attending Carlisle; was informed that I would have to pay \$200.00 per annum for Ralph.for the reason that he was less than half blood Indian. After learning of the School advantages of Carlisle. I desided to send Ralph East where he could learn a vocation, which he could not get here. I paid Mr Wyly 3137.00 for tuition six months and Rail-Road fare from Muskogee to Carlisle, besides expense money furnished for the boy which amounted to about \$40.00 for six months. I was not finantially able to pay the \$200. 00 in advance, so Mr Lipps was very kind to accept the \$100. from Mr Wyly for Ralph's tuition six months. Ralph is doing fine in his work at Carlisle, and Mr Lipps has been very kind to Ralph and myself, and in due time will favor Ralph with a promotion, which I am glad he will get. If it is your privilege to do so, and is not in conflict with the appropriation for that School, and Mr Lipps will concur . I would be pleased to have you waive the payments on Ralphs tuition, the first which will be due March 1st 1916. If you care to investigate the matter in Ralphs behalf, I will greatly appreciate same, and render you any assitance I can at your request.

Thanking you for reply at your convenience;

I am yours truly.

Choctaw Roll No. 6531

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