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My dear Senator:

I have your letter of August 19 enclosing correspondence from Hon. Chas. A. Thompson of Irondale, Washington, in regard to the enrollment at Carlisle of an Eskimo girl.

On August 29 a letter was addressed to Doctor Thompson in response to his letter of August 14 addressed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, advising him that only Alaskans under 21 years having Indian blood are admitted to Indian schools under present law and therefore authority for the enrollment of this Eskimo girl must be denied.

Very truly yours, *(Signed) E. B. Meritt*

Assistant Commissioner.

Hon. Miles Poindexter,
United States Senate.

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Dr. Charles A. Thompson,
Cape prince of Wales Medical Mission,
Irondale, Washington.

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My dear Sir:

The Office has received your letter of August 14 in regard to an Eskimo orphan girl who you say is anxious to attend the Carlisle School, Pennsylvania.

Only Alaskans under 21 years having Indian blood are admitted to Indian schools under present law, and therefore authority for her enrollment must be denied.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt
Assistant Commissioner.

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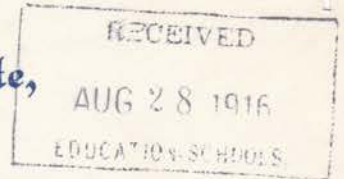
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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS.



Seattle, Washington.
August 19, 1916.



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

Dear Mr. Sells:

I am enclosing correspondence from Honorable
Chas. A. Thompson of Irondale, Washington, which is self
explanatory. I trust that it will be possible to secure
the assistance requested for this Esquimo girl.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,



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Dear Senator:

Will you have the kindness to take up
the case herein mentioned with the Comm. of Ind. Affairs
and see if we may get transportation for this girl
and the privilege of entering Carlisle. as I can
assure you the case is a very deserving ^{one} that
somewhat unusual.

Very respt. &c.

E. A. Thompson



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Drondale, Wash. Jefferson Co.

Aug. 14[#] '16

Hon. Miles Poindexter

Spokane Wash.



My dear Senator:

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Attached please find letter I recd. from Supt. of Carlisle Ind. School as well as a copy of my own to the Comm. of Ind. Affairs at Washington D. C. which will I think explain themselves.

This eskimo girl was brot here by an aunt who had been married to a rather worthless white sailor (the girl being an orphan.)

Some of the most prominent ladies of Pot. Townsend have furnished her with suitable clothing in order that she might attend school here, and now that she has completed the public school course they are very anxious to see her go on and make a teacher of herself especially as she is very desirous of taking up that work.

Anything you maybe able to do for us in this matter Senator, will I assure you be greatly appreciated by quite a number of our ladies as well as

Most cordially yours.

Charles A. Thompson M. D.
Pres. Drondale Republic Club.

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Hon. Commissioner of Ind. Affairs

Washington - D. C.

Hon. Sir:

We have here an eskimo - an orphan - living with an aunt who is very poor. White ladies have contributed suitable clothing for her to attend school here until she has completed the common school course - 8th grade and recd. her diploma from the state board for the same.

She is very desirous of taking the full course at Carlisle Pa. and returning as a teacher among her own people. Her teachers here, all, give her an excellent character and as an unusually bright and diligent student.

She was born at Point Hope Alaska, and is now 16 yrs of age. The parents of her aunt absolutely prohibits her from assisting the girl in any way.

I am aware that pupils from as far north as Point Barrow have been sent at government expense to Carlisle, while in this case transportation need only be from Seattle Wash.

Hoping this case may meet with your favorable consideration and thanking you in advance I am most respectfully yours

Chas. A. Thompson.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

Aug. 8th, 1916.



Chas. A. Thompson, M. D.,

Irondale, Wash.

My dear Sir:

Your favor of the 2nd instant has been received and it has been noted that you desire to assist an Eskimo girl of your acquaintance so that she can have an opportunity to come to Carlisle to prepare for teaching among her people. In reply thereto I must state that at Carlisle we cannot enroll Alaskan students without special permission from the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington, D. C., and after assurance has been given that the Government will not have to assume the responsibility of providing transportation for the use of such students. Will you let me hear, therefore, whether the girl recommended by you is financially able to incur the expense of coming to Carlisle? I will then cooperate with you as will be believed best.

Very truly yours,

Superintendent.
H. K. M.

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Cape Prince of Wales Medical Mission

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CHAS. A. THOMPSON, A. M. M. D.
IN CHARGE

Irondale, Wash.

WALES, ALASKA.

Aug 14

Washington D. C.



Hon. Commissioner of Ind. Affairs

Hon. Sir:

We have here an eskimo girl - an orphan - living with an aunt who is very poor.

White ladies have furnished the girl suitable clothing in which to attend the public school, until she has completed the common school course - viz. 8th grade, and recd. diploma from state board for same.

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Yours &c

Charles A. Thompson M. D.

Irondale Wash.