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Mrs. Rosa Shenoskey,
Gen. Dely.,
Harbor Springs,
Michigan.

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My Friend:

Further reference is made to your letter of April 3 relative to the allotment of your son, Samuel Leo, Bakery Co.9, France.

There is inclosed herewith for your information copy of a letter received from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance which records the checks which have been mailed to you, together with the dates and numbers of same. It is suggested in the letter from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance that possibly your son has made you an additional allotment through the War Department, as no payment of \$5.00 was made from the War Risk Bureau.

If your inquiry is in connection with an allotment made you through the War Department, it is suggested that you so advise and if requested the matter will be taken up with that Department.

Your Friend,



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Assistant Commissioner.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

BUREAU OF
WAR RISK INSURANCE

May 10, 1919.

FILED BY G. P. F.



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

In Reply Refer To:
AMF-d-1.
Allotment File #2,353,311.
Pvt., Co. 9, Bakery, Q.M.C.

My dear Mr. Merett:-

With reference to your communication of April 12th, enclosing letter from Mrs. Rosa Shenoskey, Harbor Springs, Michigan, you are advised:

The records of the Bureau show that Samuel Jonas Leo executed an application, on February 14, 1918, upon which an award has been made, in favor of his mother, Mrs. Rosa Shenoskey, Harbor Springs, Michigan. This award consists of \$10.00 Government allowance for the months of February and March, 1918, and \$20.00 allotment, \$10.00 Government allowance, total \$30.00 per month, effective April 1, 1918. Owing to the fact that the allotment was paid by the War Department for the months February and March, 1918, no payment of allotment was made through this Bureau for these months.

In July, 1918, all allotments were reduced to \$15.00. Therefore, the award in this case was reduced to \$25.00 per month, effective July 1, 1918.

The records further show that the following checks have been mailed to Mrs. Shenoskey:

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Allotment.</u>	<u>Allowance.</u>	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Check Number.</u>
Feb.	- - -	\$10.00		
Mar.	- - -	10.00		
Apr.	\$20.00	10.00		
May	20.00	10.00		
June	20.00	10.00		
July	25.00	10.00	\$135.00.	7,060,696.
Aug.	15.00	10.00	25.00	7,891,812.
Sept.	15.00	10.00	25.00	10,865,996.
Oct.	15.00	10.00	25.00	11,357,953.
Nov.	15.00	10.00	25.00	12,103,829.
Dec.	15.00	10.00	25.00	12,700,189.
Jan.	15.00	10.00	25.00	13,293,371.
Feb.	15.00	10.00		
Mar.	15.00	10.00	50.00	13,879,269.

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Mrs. Shenoskey states in her letter that she received a check for \$5.00, and as no payment of \$5.00 was made through this Bureau, it is possible that Private Leo has made an additional allotment to his mother, through the War Department.

Enclosed is a copy of this letter for your use.

Very truly yours,

Henry H. Lindsey
Director.

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Mrs. Rosa Shenoskey,
General Delivery,
Harbor Springs, Michigan.

My Friend:

Reference is made to your letter of April 3 relative to the allotment of your son, Samuel Leo, Bakery Co. 9, France.

A letter has been received from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance advising that the matter of your son's allotment is being investigated.

You will be advised promptly upon receipt of further information.

Your friend,



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Assistant Commissioner.

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BUREAU OF
WAR RISK INSURANCE

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

April 16, 1919.



FILED BY C. P. F.

Mr. E. B. Merett, Asst. Commr.,
Office of Indian Affairs,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

In re: Samuel Leo Shenoskey,
Bakery Co. 9, France.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of April 12th together with copy of letter from Mrs. Rosa Shenoskey, Harbor Springs, Michigan, relative to the allotment and location of her son.

In reply I beg to advise that the matter of allotment is being investigated by this Bureau.

As the matter of location does not come under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, I am referring copy of your communication together with enclosure to the Adjutant General of the Army for attention.

Very truly yours,

Henry D. Lindley
Director.

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BUREAU OF
WAR RISK INSURANCE

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON



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December 27, 1918.

Statement by Secretary Glass:

Considerable confusion and much misunderstanding seems to prevail among the relatives and beneficiaries of men in the military and naval service as to their rights under the War Risk Insurance Act. Many mothers and fathers named as beneficiaries of the Government Insurance applied for by their sons have gained the impression that they must prove dependency in order to receive payments of insurance. This is an entirely erroneous impression probably due to a confusion of the insurance and compensation provisions of the Act of Congress of October 6, 1917, and to a mistaken assumption that the terms "Insurance" and "Compensation" are used interchangeably, whereas they represent two entirely separate and distinct benefits.

Insurance is payable regardless of any dependency and a beneficiary designated in an application for Government insurance if within the permitted class of spouse, child, grandchild, parent, brother, or sister is entitled to receive the insurance in monthly installments without proving any dependency upon the insured.

"Compensation," however, which is separate and apart from insurance and takes the place of the pensions provided under the old pension system is payable only to a wife, child, dependent mother, or dependent father of a man who is disabled or dies as a result of injury suffered or disease contracted in the line of duty while employed in the active service. Compensation may be payable in addition to insurance, but a mother or father must prove actual dependency in order to receive monthly payments of compensation although they will receive the insurance in monthly installments if named as the beneficiary thereof whether they are dependent or not.

No dependency need be shown by any beneficiary in order to receive the Government insurance, but a mother or father must prove actual dependency upon their deceased son for the necessities of life in order to receive the additional payment of compensation.

Center Glass.

Secretary of the Treasury.

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Hon. Henry D. Lindsley,
Director War Risk Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Lindsley:-

There is inclosed herewith, copy of letter from an Indian woman, Mrs. Rosa Shen⁸askey of Harbor Springs, Michigan, who says that she has not yet received the allotment due her from her son, Samuel Leo, Bakery Co., 9, France.

Please furnish any information which you may have that will help to answer the inquiry of this soldier's mother.

Very truly yours,

E. B. Meritt

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Assistant Commissioner.

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Michigan

Harbor Springs

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Treasury Dept.

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- It being
necessary to write I shall
call your attention to the
accountment I have not
yet received from my son
Samuel Lee, Bkly No. 9
France.

L.S.D. I only received \$5. The
13 of March. I am
much behind in every
thing. I would appreciate
very much if you will
kindly send a reply
to this telling me
whether I am to
receive the money any

More or not. I also
want to ask about this
same son I mentioned
in this letter. The last
letter I got from him
was dated Dec 26th
I am much worried.

I shall wait for
a reply

Respectfully

Mrs. Dora & Lenore
Harbor Springs
Mich.

Gen. Kel.



Dept. of Interior
Office of Indian Affairs
Washington
D. C.

Miss. Ross Shenokey
Hawthorn Springs
Miss.

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copy of letter
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Commissioner.
J. M. Barrett

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SEP 13 1918

Hon. William C. DeLanoy;
Director, War Risk Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. DeLanoy:

There is enclosed a letter from an Indian woman, Mrs. Rose Shenoskey, who says that she is not receiving the monthly allowance due her from her son, who is in the Army.

Will you please give this matter attention at your earliest convenience and notify Mrs. Shenoskey in regard to it.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt
Assistant Commissioner.

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Mrs. Rose Shenoskey,
Harbor Springs, Michigan.

SEP 13 1918

My friend:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 5, in which you state that you are not receiving your proper allotment from your son, who is in the Army. Your letter has been referred to the War Risk Bureau, which has charge of all matters concerning soldiers' allotments.

Your friend,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

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Assistant Commissioner.

Signed E. B. Meritt

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Mrs. Rose Shenoskey,

R. R. #1,

Brutus, Michigan.

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MAR 13 1918

My Friend:

I have your letter of February 18 regarding the money you received by reason of your son being in the army, and note that you would like for him to return and support you and your family. You say that in January you received \$40.00. No doubt this covers two months at the rate of \$20 per month.

While it might be hard for you without your son, I do not know of any reason based upon which his discharge can be brought about.

Your friend,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

Assistant Commissioner.

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R.R.#1, Brutus, Mich., February 18th, 1918

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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Department of Interior,
Office of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have your very kind letter of the 13th inst. advising me that you got my letter of Jan. 31 wherein I stated my son had allotted me $\frac{2}{3}$ of his pay, and I notice that you say:

"And in view of that fact I assume that you are also receiving additional funds from the Government in accordance with a recent Act of Congress. If not, kindly write and advise me fully and I shall be glad to assist you in every way possible."

The person who is doing this writing for me is not able to advise me, and all I can say is that my boy Sam left last July and last January I got \$40 from Washington, so I don't know whether this relates to the additional funds you speak of or not. I know that \$40 is all I got from anybody since he went away. He wrote to me that I would get \$20 a month. I got a letter from the government telling me they would give me more money, I suppose because I have so many small children at home.

I thank you very much for the last paragraph of your letter, and feel delighted to receive congratulations from a person so high up when we are so low, and I wish I had more boys to give. I cannot read or write English, ^{except my name} or understand it, but make myself clear I hope through an interpreter who has attended school.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Rose Shenoskey.

FEB 26 1918

Mrs. Rose Shenoskey

P.S. I am always worried about my boy and I would like if there would be any way for him to come home and support us, as we have such a big family. I need also tell you my right arm is not fit to use so it's makes it hard for me Sam was only the boy that help me most I have a boy but he doesn't help me a bit.

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FEB 13 1918

Mrs. Rose Shenoskey,

R. R. #1,

Brutus, Michigan.

My Friend:

I have your letter of January 31 wherein you say that your son has allotted you two-thirds of his pay, and in view of that fact I assume that you are also receiving additional funds from the Government in accordance with a recent Act of Congress. If not, kindly write and advise me fully and I shall be glad to assist you in every way possible.

You have cause to feel very proud of your son who is now with our boys in France, and you are to be congratulated and commended in giving up your bread winner for the good of your country. I hope that he may return home safely.

Your friend,

(Signed) Cate Sells

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Commissioner.

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Brutus Mich

January 31, 1918.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Washington

Dear Sir,

Yes I have a son in the
army. He is in France now.

He enlisted last summer

His name is Samuel Leo
10th Company Columbus Barracks
That was his company when he
enlisted.

And his present whereabouts is
Address

Samud Leo

Bakery Leo, No. 9

American Expeditionary Force
France.

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Before he left us we was never
out of food and when he left
we were poor and often
wondered what we are going to
do for our living And my
arm was out of joint 3 times
and was not able to do anything
He was that worked for our
living while he was here
and after he left I could not do
much And besides I am in
good health and can just
about get around.
And hoping he will be back
some time And he has
alloted two thirds of his
wages towards my
support.

Yours Truly

Mrs Rose Sheroskey
Bretus
Mich

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Mrs. Shenoskey,
Pellston,
Michigan.

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My Friend:

Congressman F. D. Scott has written with reference to your condition, the fact that you have a son in the army in France, and that you have three small children besides Mary who is in Carlisle, to support.

If your son will allot a portion of his pay for the support of yourself and children, the Government will add a certain amount thereto, which I believe will help you very much in taking care of yourself and family.

If you will write me giving the name of your boy, the name and number of his company and regiment, when he enlisted or was drafted, and his present whereabouts so far as you know them, I will be pleased to take this matter up with a view to getting you the proper allowances for your support.

Your friend,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

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Dear Mr. Scott:

Referring to your letter of December 22, you are advised that I have taken this matter up with the Superintendent of the Carlisle School, who has forwarded for consideration correspondence he has had in regard to a request that Mary Shenoskey be permitted to return to her home in Michigan to assist her mother who has injured her wrist and shoulder.

Superintendent Francis has heretofore refused to pay the transportation of this girl to her home on the ground that, while the family appears to be destitute, Mary could probably only procure work as a domestic, and after the cost of her clothing was taken out, her earnings would be of little help. If she were out of employment, it would make an additional mouth to feed in the family. While at the school Mary herself is clothed, receives proper food, is educated and is properly looked after. I am convinced that it would be neither wise nor humane to permit this girl to return home under the circumstances.

It appears Mrs. Shenoskey has a son with the army in France. I am having the matter of her receiving such allotments and allowances as may be due her under the law looked into, as I believe such assistance would be of more real help to the family than Mary's return home.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

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Hon. Frank D. Scott,

House of Representatives.

Carbon to Supt. at Carlisle.

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Mr. John Francis, Jr.
Supt., Carlisle School.

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My dear Mr. Francis:

There are returned herewith inclosures transmitted with your letter of January 3, in regard to the return home of Mary Shenoskey, a pupil of your school, in order to help her mother.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

January
Third,
1918



Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

FILED BY C. P. F.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of January 2, 1918 enclosing a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Interior by Congressman Frank D. Scott requesting that Mary Shenoskey, a pupil of this school, be allowed to return to her home.

In response you are advised that the matter of the return home of Mary Shenoskey has been the subject of correspondence between myself and Mr. William J. Galloway of Pellston, Michigan. We have had no correspondence with Congressman Frank D. Scott.

Mary Shenoskey was enrolled for a period of five years in August 1913. She was born on June 14, 1899. I am enclosing all the correspondence concerning the matter for your information with the request that it be returned when you have no further use for it. This, I think, shows my attitude in the matter. In view of all the circumstances in the case, I have not felt justified in recommending the waiving of the regulations which would authorize me to pay Mary's transportation from Government funds in the middle of a school year.

The letter from Congressman Scott is returned.

Sincerely yours,

John Francis Jr.
Superintendent

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JAN 19 1918

FRANK D. SCOTT
11TH DISTRICT MICHIGAN

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.



December 22, 1917.

Hon. Franklin K. Lane,
Secretary of the Interior.

My dear Mr. Secretary:-

Mrs. Shenoskey, of Pellston, Michigan, is a very worthy woman, a widow, with a son in National Army in France, and three small children to support. Last winter, it seems, she had the misfortune to break her wrist, and later to break her shoulder.

I understand that Mrs. Shenoskey has a daughter, Mary, at the Carlisle School. The daughter desires to return home in order to assist her mother, and the mother very much desires to have the daughter return.

I am advised that Mr. Francis, Supt. of the Carlisle School, has indicated that the daughter's transportation home might be defrayed by the Government.

Under the circumstances, I am writing to ask if Miss Mary Shenoskey may be allowed to return to assist her mother, and if so, will the Government defray cost of transportation.

Awaiting your response, I am

Very truly yours,

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J. H. Lane



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Dear Mr. Scott:

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I have, by reference of the Secretary of the Interior, your letter of December 22nd, requesting that Miss Mary Shenoskey, a pupil at the Carlisle School, be allowed to return to her home in Pellston, Michigan, in order to assist her mother, who has met with an accident. I am taking this matter up with the Superintendent of the Carlisle School, and will advise you later what action has been taken.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

Hon. Frank D. Scott,
House of Representatives.

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JAN -2 1918

Mr. John Francis, Jr.,

Supt., Carlisle School.

My dear Mr. Francis:

There is inclosed a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Interior by Hon. Frank D. Scott, requesting that Mary Shenoskey, a pupil in your school, be allowed to return home to assist her mother, who has met with an accident. Please advise me fully in regard to this matter, saying whether Mary has been sent home in accordance with Mr. Scott's request.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

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Commissioner.

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