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E. B. MERITT,

Asst. Commissioner.

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Mr. John R. Brennan. Superintendent, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, S. D.

My dear Sir:

FILES BY C. P. F.

Referring further to my letter of March the 1st. relative to George Clifford, I now report that an amount of \$36.25 has been charged to the account of this school for the ticket that was procured for the young man's use. An amount of \$33.49 was expended from government funds to pay for George's transportation to Carlisle, so that a total of \$69.74 should be sent to me to cover the amounts.

I would thank you to advise me without delay what action may be expected, so that it can be determined how settlement is to be made with the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, to whom is now due the amount of \$36.25 for the ticket that was used on the 1st instant.

Very respectfully.

HKM.

Copies to Office of Indian Affairs and George's father.

March 1st. 1915.



Mr. John R. Brennan, Superintendent, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, S. D.

FILES BY C. P. F.

My dear Sir:

I regret very much to inform you that it has become necessary to dismiss George Clifford from Carlisle and that arrangements have been completed to have him leave here this evening. Transportation for his passage to Scenic, S. D., will be provided for his use. He stated that Scenic is the railroad station nearest to his home.

George has given more or less trouble during all the time he has been at Carlisle, which is only since November of last year. Several weeks ago he finally became very drunk. A personal talk with him brought me his promise that he would try to make a better record if I would give him another chance. I agreed to do all I could to help him but on Saturday and yesterday he was again drunk. Believing that at Carlisle nothing can be done for him the drastic action reported above is being taken.

George's brother reports that he was habitually drunk at his home and that the father conceived the idea of sending him to Carlisle to get him away from booze. That being the case,

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he should never have been recommended for enrolment here.

In fact, a special effort should have been made to keep him away from Carlisle. Now that so great an expense has been incurred to bring him here and his return home must also be effected at government expense it seems only fair that an amount sufficient to reimburse the government for both charges should be secured from the young man's or his father's funds.

Just as soon as it can be determined what the cost of his transportation home is I will write you again and will request that you co-operate with me further as may be necessary.

George told me this morning that he was formerly enrolled at the Rapid City School, and as he had just completed third grade work at that school I cannot understand why his transfer to Carlisle was urged.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

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