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To the Honorable  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I respectfully transmit herewith a report which I asked Miss Lydia E. Kaup, Normal Teacher of this school, to make with reference to the Camp Fire Girls organization:

" CAMP FIRE GIRLS ORGANIZATION

After a preliminary meeting at which was explained the purposes of Camp Fire Girls organizations, a camp was established in the girls' assembly room at the Carlisle Indian School on Thursday evening, July 4.

Twenty-two girls repeated the law of the Camp Fire and signed the Wood Gatherers' Desire, which is the first of the three ranks in a camp.

Weekly meetings have been held since then and the girls have commenced to perfect the fourteen requirements necessary to be promoted to the next rank of Fire Maker.

The camp name chosen by the girls is "Ke we pu nen", an Indian word meaning firemaking. The object in choosing this name is, that as fire gives us warmth and light, and service, so will the Ke we pu nen Camp Fire Girls strive to give happiness, guidance and service in their daily actions.

The camp is yet too young to comment on its success, but the Camp Fire Girls movement cannot be anything else than an inspiration and uplift to girls. It is a means to lead them to be and do what the Wood Gatherers' Law requires, which is to "Seek beauty, Give service, Pursue knowledge, Be trustworthy, Hold on to Health, Glorify work, Be Happy." "

I selected Miss Kaup as Guardian of the Camp Fire because of her fitness for the work. At this time I can report progress.

Very respectfully,

*M. Friedman*  
Superintendent.

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