

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL.

CARLISLE, PA.

June 2, 19I0.



Hon. R. W. Valentine
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.
Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 1st inst enclosing a communication addressed to the Hon. John H. Rothermel from Walter S. Davis of Reading, Pennsylvania, in which Mr. Davis makes application for two trained servants, I have to say a Mr. Rothermel was in the outing office about a month ago making inquiry relative to getting Indian girls and he was told at that time that as it was not to the best interests of our girls to place them in large cities, we could not meet his need.

In our outing experience, we have several times

placed girls in large cities where they came under the

class of servants and almost invariably we have had trouble.

I aim to keep our girls with carefully selected families

where they are made one of the family and cared for and protect

ed as one. I find the best homes in the rural districts with

our good country folk and as they learn more and are better

protested in these homes, I think it best to keep them there.

Regretting my inability to help, Mr. Davis, I am

Very respectfully

Superintendent,

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Hon. John H. Rothermel,

House of Representatives.

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Sir:

Referring to the communication of Walter S. Davis, 720 Center Avenue, Reading, Pennsylvania, in regard to securing two trained servants from the Indian School at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, I have the honor to inform you that the correspondence was submitted to the Superintendent at Carlisle.

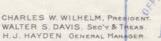
The Superintendent informs me that several times he has placed Indian girls in families in large cities, where they came under the class of servants, and that usually good results were not attained. With this experience, he told Mr. Davis' representative, who called in reference to this matter, that he thought it unadvisable to accede to the request. Under these circumstances, I think the school management is pursuing the proper course in confining its outing system for girls to country places.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) R. G. Valentine,

Commissioner.

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> Hon. John H. Rothermel, Riggs House,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr . Rothermel:-

I am very anxious to secure two of the trained servants from the Indian Training School at Carlisle.

I had Ralph go there several weeks ago to look over the field, and see if they could be secured, and they advised him that they did not send them to cities the size of Reading, but only to suburban points. Of course, my home cannot be counted a suburban home, and yet we are a mile or more from the centre of the City.

Could you conveniently bring any influence to bear that would likely lead them to think favorably of my application? If so, I will be pleased to visit Carlisle and see if this cannot be accomplished.

I will appreciate your early reply, and with kindest regards, remain, Very truly yours,

- Clacker S. Davis.

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Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Friedman:

Please return me the inclosed letter with comments. Congressman Rothermel called on me in the matter and felt that Mr. Davis's family would be a fine opportunity for Indians, and that they would really be in the country most of the summer.

Sincerely yours,

Commissioner.

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