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Mr. Oscar H. Lipps.

Supervisor in Charge Carlisle School.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Answering your letter of October 10, with reference to the transfer of Filerio Tafoya, a full blood Pueblo, twenty years old, of Santa Clara, New Mexico, from Carlisle School to Chilocco School, you are advised that you may send this young man to Chilocco School, in order that he may take up a course in electrical engineering. Under the circumstances you may also pay his transportation expenses from Carlisle to Chilocco.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. R. Meritt

Assistant Commissioner.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

October 10, 1914.



The Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Filerio Tafoya, a full blood Pueblo, aged twenty years, from Santa Clara, New Mexico, has been in attendance at Carlisle during the past three years. He desires to take a course in electrical engineering. The young man has made a splendid record here, and for the past year and a half has been working in our engineering department as a student apprentice. He is in the sixth grade, and desires to remain in school until he thoroughly masters electrical engineering.

We do not have a course in electrical engineering at Carlisle, and I have advised him to go to Chilocco, as that school maintains an excellent electrical engineering department,— the best in the Indian Service. I have taken the matter up with Superintendent Allen, and he has agreed to make room for Filerio, provided Carlisle is willing to pay his transportation to Chilocco. Inasmuch as Chilocco is almost directly on the way between Carlisle and New Mexico, Filerio's home, and as he would be entitled to his transportation to his home at the end of his period of enrollment, I request that I be authorized to transfer him to

Chilocco and to pay for his railway ticket, with the understanding that he is to pay all of the incidental traveling expenses enroute.

While I regret to lose so good a boy as Filerio, at the same time in my opinion we should consider the welfare of the students, and since we are unable to give him the training here he desires, and since Chilocco is well equipped to give him that training, it would seem only just and fair to permit him to go to Chilocco. It is understood that the Chilocco school will assume the responsibility of returning him to his reservation at the expiration of his term there. He will enroll at Chilocco for a period of three years.

Please advise me at once whether or not the Office approves of this transfer and authorizes the payment of Filerio's transportation from Carlisle to Chilocco.

Very respectfully,

OHL: SR