



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Indian School

CHILOCCO, OKLAHOMA

April 20, 1917.

Gen. R. H. Pratt,
1616 La Vereda Street,
Berkeley, California.

Dear General Pratt:

I would have written you sooner acknowledging the receipt of your letter to the Journal relative to Mr. Ayre's proposition for Indian soldiers had it not been that I had just left for Washington on a call from the Commissioner and did not return until Tuesday. I thank you very much for your views which are exactly as I expected they would be and which entirely coincide with mine. I am printing same in the editorial pages of the Journal this month with a little bit of comment which I hope will meet with your approval.

Ida went with me to Washington and had a most pleasant visit while I was awaiting the Commissioner's convenience for a consultation that he wished to have with me on some plans that he had for the betterment of the Service.

We have always been hoping that you and Mrs. Pratt might sometime come by Chilocco and give us the great pleasure that the whole institution and particularly our family would enjoy from such a visit. If at any time you are crossing the continent again please do not forget it.

With most sincere good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Edgar A. Allen
Superintendent.

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