





Department of the Interior.



*Mr. M. Friedman*

*Supt. U. S. Indian School*

*Carlisle*

*Pennsylvania*

6-3305

*March 26, 1913*

Name

*Walter & Bessie Snyder*  
(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe

*Both Natives*

Present Address

*Petrel Alaska*

Former Address

(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation

*Scunding & Fishing*

Remarks:

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ALASKA SCHOOL SERVICE

Sep 22, 1911

SUBJECT,

Mrs M Friedman

Sir:-

Simultaneously with Peter Rose's arrival here - came two letters from Carlisle Indian School addressed to Walter Snyder. One of these letters contained a check for Walter's balance in a Carlisle Bank and the other brought a blank form for him to fill and return to you. As Walter was at my house at the time he showed me these papers I cashed the check for - we have no bank here and no trader deals in money of less value than 25 cents. I am ~~am~~ sending the check to Sitka to be cashed at a bank. Both ~~of~~ these letters had been sent to Nushagak. Walter used to live there but does so no longer.

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SUBJECT,

Walter asked me to help him fix up the answers to your questions so I did so. He is such a modest fellow that his ways often seem disagreeable to people who do not know him. I would assure you that Carlisle need not feel ashamed of Walter. He is an exemplary man in our village, owning, and having built) his own board house. He is industrious and sober and a friend to all. He has no regular work at any trade or job - but gets along with what he can make here + there by working in the sawmill or on the River Steam Boats, or by selling cord wood to stores. He is quite a carpenter and is sometimes in demand. He has

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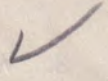
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SUBJECT, \_\_\_\_\_

no amount of money saved -  
but he is getting along nicely.  
His wife is a smart, clean,  
industrious and Christian woman.  
He has no bad habits except  
smoking and his influence  
is good among the native  
population. Walter is a poor  
letter writer so he does not write  
as often as he should, but just  
the same, if a man is needed  
at a job, Walter is right there.  
I do not know much to write,  
but these few lines will, I hope,  
satisfy you as to his standing.  
Wishing you a good and  
successful winter at Carlisle.  
I will close. Walter told me he  
would write you a letter so you  
will hear from him direct.  
Very truly yours - S. W. Rock

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# Record of Graduates and Returned Students,



U. S. INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PA.

Sep 29 1911.

NAME

Walter Snyder

1. Are you married and if so to whom?

Bessie Aleve she is one of the school girls

2. What is your present address?

Bethel

3. Did you attend or graduate from any other schools after leaving Carlisle? Give names of schools and dates if possible

No

4. What is your present occupation?

I make my living by general work in this town

5. Tell something of your present home

Bethel is the chief village on the Kuskekwim river There are about 150 people living here. This town is the end of Ocean navigation. It has three stores, one saw mill, and one church.

6. What property in the way of land, stock, buildings, or money do you have?

I built my own house and own it also have a garden patch, and keep a team of dogs with which haul cord wood in the winter I sell the cord wood to the stores, I have only the money which I earn by work and selling horses

7. Have you been in the Indian Service? In what positions? How long in each?

No

8. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle? *I spent part of one winter helping the Census Enumerators*

9. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life: *Dear Sirs, I will tell you please as a good, Ever since I left Carlisle I am always trying to do right, Always try to look forward even if I ~~will~~ always look up to God for help and try live aright*

*I have been gone for about a week for wood and I am just a come from that better hard trip. We got our fire wood from upper river there are loads of wood above us and we had to get them <sup>down</sup> with big raft doing that trip we usual don't sleep much at all we had to watch almost every hour*

*This Summer I have had been fishing for the winter for the dogs and for our selves and caught much more then last Year*

*I on must close now for it is time for supper please excuse me both writing.*

*Truly Yours Walter Snyder*



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Carlisle, Pa. September 23rd, 1913

Walter Snyder,

Bethel, Alaska.

Dear sir:

It is desired to close out the accounts of pupils no longer enrolled at Carlisle. If you will kindly advise me your correct address a check will be sent for the money here to your credit.

Your friend,

S/N

Superintendent.

Department of the Interior.

Mr. M. FriedmanSupt. U. S. Indian SchoolCarlislePennsylvania

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Bethel Mar 12 , 1914

Name

Walter Snyder

(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe

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Present Address

Bethel Kuskokwim River

Former Address

Bethel

(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation

Trapper and Fisherman

Remarks:

Since 1911 married and  
have two children

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9 spools of white thread No. 20 sent Aug. 8, 1917.

Thread 45¢ postage 12¢  
Total 57¢

L.M.J.

Bethel Alaska

July 3, 1917

Dear Sir-;

I am so in receipt of your letter of May 29 1917. and much please with you. I will send my this check of mine so that may buy for us sewing machine thread No 20

I am well and so with family and getting along so well in every way in fishing. But our plants in our gardens are so slow this year on account of the cold summer

Yours Truly

W. Snyder

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Dear

May 29, 1917

Mr. Walter Snyder,  
Bethel, Alaska.

Dear Mr. Snyder:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 12, 1917, enclosing your check for 43¢ which you signed but failed to endorse. I am returning the check and I will thank you to endorse it and return it in the enclosed franked envelope. In your letter you request us to send you thread instead of money. If you will state what kind of thread you want, I shall be pleased to send it to you on receipt of the check properly endorsed.

With kind regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

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March 12, 1917

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SUBJECT, \_\_\_\_\_

I thank you for your  
sending me good letters even  
if I don't answer you, I never  
think of those books unto you  
care and I am much please  
with these Carlisle Arrows  
that you sending

Please don't sent me  
money just sent me all for  
thread I think that will be  
all right

I am well and so  
with my family

Truly Yours  
Walter Snyder

45 Walter Snyder, an Alaskan, is now located at Bethel, Alaska. He says:

"I built my own house and own it; also have a garden patch and keep a team of dogs with which I haul cordwood in the winter. This summer I have been fishing for the winter supply of food for ourselves and our dogs. I always try to do right and live right."



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Moravian Mission

Bethel Alaska March 26, 1913

My Dear Friend,

I received your letter just today and the papers that you sent to me, and I must try to scribble few lines to you so that you know that I received your letter and the other Carlisle Arrows. I am so glad that you are faithful sending me these helpful papers to me even if I do not write to you any letters. I am so glad that I have a such faithful friend with you and I think I will try and be faithful to you for your kindness to me. I think I will try to send a letter to you on every month from here on.

I have had been busy on the trees cutting down for saw logs, I'm going to build more house at East side of my house for a bed room, and if I have enough lumber I will build another room on North side for a work shop. I would have been done this last summer but I was so busy I could not do it. But now I am

summer as soon as I done with fishing but  
that if I am well enough <sup>&</sup> if I dont get sick  
because you <sup>know</sup> that <sup>the</sup> people we dont <sup>not</sup> know how  
will be coming season we are all could not tell how  
will be

We have had fine winter this year  
and it dont get so cold at all like last year  
last <sup>year</sup> it was pretty bad one snowing and  
blowing almost every day, But this year it  
diffend then last year

I think we will have gone away  
next week for a hunting geese and ducks  
and muskrats we going to stay away  
for a month and come back ~~as~~ soon  
as river is open

I think I must close now for its  
time to go to supper

I sent my best regard to  
you all best many wishes

Your Friend

Walter Snyder





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