

GOING TO WASHINGTON

Alfrich Heap-of-Birds of Colony, has received a letter from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs saying he would be pleased to receive a delegation of our Indians at Washington to discuss the tribal affairs, provided that the members of the delegation pay their own expenses. A number of the Colony and Cantonment Indians are preparing to leave on or about January 25th. Among these are understood to be Alfrich Heap-of-Birds, White Shield, Old Crow, Wolf Chief, William Little Chief, Buffalo Thigh, Thunder Bull and Scabby.

It is probable that some of the Darlington Indians and also a few Kiowas will join the party.

Name *288*
Heap-of-birds, Alfred?

Age

Deg. Ind. blood

Address Colony, Oklahoma.

Information from No late word from him. Oct. 1913 Date

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State

Agency

Tribe

POSITIONS FOR WHICH LISTED. SUITABILITY IN ORDER NAMED.

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Remarks:

Record of Graduates and Returned Students.

U. S INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PA.

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NAME Alfrich Heap - of Birds (Clyde)

1. Are you married and if so to whom? Loar Woman

2. What is your present address? Clinton, Okla.

3. Did you attend or graduate from any other schools after leaving Carlisle? no. Give names of schools and dates if possible

4. What is your present occupation? Farming

5. Tell something of your present home I live in a house. Part of the time in my own and the rest of the time in my mother in laws.

6. What property in the way of land, stock, buildings or money do you have? I have an allotment and my wife has one. Besides that I own heir to three other allotments. I have one span of good and six ponies.

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

Scout for 6 years, butcher about 4 years, agency interpreter 1 year, assistant farmer 1 year, day laborer and freighter.

8. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle? Ever since I came back from school I have interpreted at intervals for missionaries.

9. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life:

This is the first letter I have received from Carlisle since I left there. I was three years at Carlisle, two years and six months in school and six months on the farm where I received one dollar per month.

I have been trying to do right as far as I know how. I have never forgotten what I learned at Carlisle and have been learning ever since and am reading much now.

My tribe appointed me interpreter for a delegation that went to Washington D.C. I interpreted

before the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Secretary of the Interior, and Pres. Roosevelt. This will be three years in January.

I am a headman of my tribe now and also belong to the school committee of the Government Boarding School on this reservation.

I don't drink whiskey, I don't eat mesquite, and I don't gamble. I want to give my family and my tribe the benefit of what I learned at Carlisle. I advise my people what is true.

With best wishes
Alfred Heaps of Birds