Ed. Adm. Carlisle 2485

Mrs. Virginia Croissette,
American Hotel, Apt. 4,
East Francis Street,
Pampa, Texas.

APR 28 1939

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Dear Mrs. Croissette:

We have your letter of April 14, with further reference to Minnie Burgess. You state that you have now learned that her name was Minnie Atkins and that she was adopted by the Burgess family.

You further say that you would like to have the name of her father and mother, the name of the tribe to which she belonged, her address, and her married name, as it will "clear matters up considerably."

As this would involve further searching of the old Carlisle records here, we would like to know in what connection you desire this information. Will you please write us again and state what use will be made of any information that may be furnished you?

Sincerely yours,

G. A. COLLINS

G. A. Collins Administrative Assistant Education Division

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AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO
GEM OIL COMPANY
P. O. BOX 597
TULSA, OKLA.





Mrs. Nellie R. Denny,

United States Indian School,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.







P. O. BOX 597 TULSA, OKLA.

July 19, 1915.

My dear Mrs. Denny:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 15, 1915, with reference to the postal card and letter, which you loaned me from your files, with reference to Minnie Atkins, the postal card from George H. Hyde to Captain Pratt and the letter from Miss Nellie Hyde to Captain Pratt.

I confess I have been very negligent in not having written you.

When I returned to Oklahoma, we thought the trial of the case would be set, and the letter and postal we hoped to use as exhibits. No date for the trial has been set yet. I am therefor returning the postal and letter herewith.

I hope you will preserve them, as they may be of great value to us, when the case goes to trial.

I recall my visit to Carlisle with great pleasure. The courteous, obliging treatment accorded me is sincerely appreciated.

After I left Carlisle, I had a very pleasant visit with General Pratt, in Washington. He gave me several hours of his time, and went over all his letter books, of the years in question, and found several copies of letters which furnished most valuable information.

Again thanking you for the favors extended me while at your School, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Transmo fong,

Mrs. Nellie R. Denny, united States Indian School, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

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You Replied That you had no Records of her under The name Burges, since many old timers are living still who went to School with Our there at carlisle in Penn, about 1881 to \$884, and they burno her well, I have since received signed and sworn statements from the Burges family that they had adopted her, she being an orphan and that was after she had left carlesles, her Right name had been Minnie attens, and The Hampton Road School claimes to have m Records of Eur under her ovon name hor Burges Dame, and her adopted Geople claim that she attended only carlisle indian school, Penn. an old Cheyenne Scout or Dog Soldier claimes to have coplured her and her mother and later her Father hadded trying to gain there release, I suggest that you search the files of Eucha - no. 210 - who was her Father and mother -? ther mothers maiden name and tribe, was it Delaware, cherokee what Schools did she attend and who did she marry and where was her last residual address. This can Sure will clear matters up considerably one government

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Bureau of Vital Statistics Carlisle indian School. Bureau of indian affairs, washington. D.c.

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Dear statistican?

brave you on the carlisle
indian School Records, any mention of minnie Bull
or minnie Burgess. if so what was her Race or nation
and what years did she attend carlisle, if at all,
did she attend the Hampton Roads School
of Virginia, or did she teach there, and what

years if she did, is her Parents Stell living.

Pespectfully yours.

mrs V. K. croissette.

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Mrs. V. K. Croissette, Grays Court, Higgens, Texas.

My dear Mrs. Croissette:

We have your letter of November 9 asking for certain information concerning Minnie Bull, or Minnie Burgess.

The Carlisle Indian School was discontinued in 1918 and the records were transferred to this Office. In many instances these old records of the Carlisle School are incomplete. We have been unable to find anything among them to show that Minnie Bull, or Burgess, ever attended the Carlisle School.

Relative to your inquiry about the Hampton Roads School of Virginia it is assumed that you have reference to the Hampton Institute at Hampton, Virginia (near Hampton Roads) which is for colored students and which accepted Indian students for a time. From 1878 to 1912 this school received annual appropriations from the United States for its Indian work, and during these years Indian students were enrolled at the Institute. The appropriations were withdrawn in 1912 because of the number of schools then in operation which were strictly for Indian students. Although the school received no appropriations from the United States for its Indian work since 1912, Indian students appeared on the campus as late as 1923. If you will write to the Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia, they no doubt can tell you from the records there at the school whether Minnie Bull, or Burgess, ever attended there as a student, or whether she ever taught there, and if either is the case, they can probably give you the date.

There is not sufficient information in your letter to enable us to locate Minnie Bull, or Burgess, on any of the records of the Indian Office and therefore we are unable to furnish you information concerning her parents; however, if you can ascertain (perhaps after you correspond with Hampton Institute) with which Indian tribe she is affiliated, and if you will send us that information, we can give you the name of the local superintendent to whom you could write to find whether her parents are still living.

Sincerely yours,

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Paul L. Fickinger, Associate Director of Education

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Febr. 19th, 1915.

Mr. Allen, National Attorney, Muskogee, Oklahome.

Dear Sir:

At the request of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs I forward herewith an affidavit to the effect that [Minnie Atkins] a Creek Indian girl, was enrolled at Carlisle from January the 22nd of 1881 to July the 8th of 1884.

Kindly let me know if I can be of further service in the matter.

Very respectfully.

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Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to the Office of Indian Affairs)

I, Harvey K. Meyer, being duly sworn, depose and say that the records now on file at this school indicate that Minnie Atkins, a Creek Indian girl, was enrolled at Carlisle on January the 22nd of 1881 and that she left on July the 8th of 1884, after the full three year period of enrolment had terminated.

Secretary.

Subscribed to and sworn before me this nineteenth day of February, 1915.

Supervisor in Charge, Carlisle Indian School. State of Pennsylvania)
ss.
County of Cumberland)

I, Harvey K. Meyer, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am the Secretary of the Carlisle Indian School, that the records of said school show Minnie Atkins, a Creek Indian girl, to have been enrolled at said school on January the 22nd, 1881, age at that date being recorded as fifteen years. Her home address is recorded as Thomas Atkins, Tulahasse Mission, Creek Nation; that said Minnie Atkins left said school on the 8th day of July, 1884, after the full three year period of enrolment had terminated.

Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to this twenty-third day of February, 1915.

Supervisor in Charge, The Carlisle School. In Dany to then hand to

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Mr. C. R. Nixon, 601 Mutual Life Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Sir:

August 26th, and we note particularly your request in the latter of these two letters that you be permitted to make a search through our files for papers pertaining to one Minnie Atkins. As this is a rather unusual request and since the regular superintendent of this school will return from Montana about the first of September, I am going to defer this matter until his return, unless the matter is so urgent that you could not wait.

Hoping that this arrangement will be satisfactory to you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

JDD:SR

Acting Superintendent.



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PHILADELPHIA.

August 26,1915.

Mrs Wellie R.Denny, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mrs Denny:-

In looking over my reports in the Minnie Atkins matter I notice in you last letter you would make a further search for the outing reports and other papers wanted by me, Has this been done? If you haven not had time to do this is it possible for me to come to Carlisle and have the privalege of going through the records until these are found or we are satisfied that they are not in existence. Thanking you again for your kindness

in this matter,

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Mrs N.R. Denny,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mrs Denny:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the

20th Inst. and am sorry to bother you with this matter at all and know you will do your best to find them for me as soon as you have time, the last of the month will be very satisfactory to all concerned.

Thanking you again for you kindness in

this matter.

Very respectfully,

Rec'd 2433

March 9th, 1915.

Gem Oil Company,

Box 597, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Gentlemen:

Referring to your Mr. Long's letter of March the 6th, relative further to the Minnie Atkins case, this is to advise that Annie R. Jordan, a negro woman of Carlisle now deceased, was laundress at this school for several years after July 1st of 1883.

The Mary Spain mentioned in Mr. Long's letter was in charge of the school laundry from July 1st of 1882 until she resigned her position on September 30th of that year.

Miss Florence M. Carter was in charge of the laundry from October the 1st of 1882 until the Annie R. Jordan referred to above took up the work on July the 1st of 1883. Miss Carter remained at Carlisle, however, as a teacher until her death occurred while still employed during the administration of the Superintendent between the years 1904 and 1908.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

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P. O. BOX 597
TULSA, OKLA.

March 6th, 1915.

The Superintendent.

Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with the Minnie Atkins case, regarding which you have already kindly furnished us some information, we will thank you very much if you will advise us at your earliest conveneince as to the name of the laundress at your school during the year 1884. If there was more than one laundress employed, during this year, please give us the names and the period of employment. Also kindly give us, if it is shown on your records, the present name and post Office address of the laundress or laundresses.

We are advised that the school laundress during the year 1883 was Mary Spain, now Mrs. Claud A. Hamilton, of Denver, Colorado. We desire the names of the laundresses who succeeded Mary Spain.

Thanking you for this information and assuring you of our appreciation for favors already rendered, we are

Very truly yours,

GEM OIL COMPANY.

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July 15, 1915.

Mr. Frank Long Care Gem Oil Company First National Bank, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

on the 23rd day of April,1915, I was instructed by my superintendent Mr. Lipps, to assist you in getting some information regarding Minnie Atkins, at one time, a pupil of this school. I spent most of the afternoon with you and down at the school ware-house, we found a letter and a postal, among the files. These you "borrowed" saying that you would return them when you had made copies of them. They have not yet been returned to me. Will you please return these to me now.

The post card was from Mr. Hyde, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, written to his sister Mary R. Hyde, and stated that Minnie had arrived at his home safely. The date was August 1884.

The letter was from Miss Hyde, written to Captain R. H. Pratt, while she was on her vacation in Massachusetts. The post card from her brother was enclosed with this letter.

Very truly yours

My dear Mr. Nixon:-

I received this morning from Mr. Long, the letter and post card which he borrowed two months ago.

The following is a copy of the post card:-

Leavenwerth, July 11, 84.

Minnie Atkins arrived safely yesterday and we are much pleased with her appearance. Will be pleased to report further after we are better acquainted.

Yours respy, Geo.H.Hyde.

This card is addressed to Capt.R.H. Pratt Carlisle, Pa.

The letter is written to Captain Pratt by Mary R.

Hyde and is of a personal nature almost entirely. The

post card was sent to her by Captain Pratt for her information
and she returns it in this letter. Do you want a copy of

the letter. It has no bearing whatever on the Minnie Atkin's

case.

I believe I neglected to thank you for the address you gave me. I will do so now.

Very truly yours

Mr.C.R.Nixon 801 Mutual Life Building Philadelphia, Pa.

July 15, 1915.

Mr. C. R. Nixon 801 Mutual Life Buildi ng Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the Historical Record giving the facts you wish regarding the Creek boys who were pupils here from 1881 to 1884.

have asked for. This is a very busy time of the year in my department and I, personally, have not the time to hunt the records you want, if they are here, without neglecting my work. If I am ordered to do this work officially, it almost seems to me that some workfull have to be detailed to attend to my regular duties.

If you can wait until the end of this month, I will have more time.

Very trul yours

Historical Records, Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Benjamin Marshall, Creek, Father dead, Mother living. Mixed blood.

14 years old. At school at Mission. Arrived
at school Jan. 22,1881, from Tallahassee
Mission. June 18,1881, went to Mr.E.J. Albertson, Fairmount Springs, Pa. Returned Sept. 5.
1882. Report very good. Returned home June 17.
1834.

Almarine McKellop, Creek. Both parents dead. Mixed. 17 years old.
Arrived at school Jan. 22,1881, from Tallahasse
Mission. June 23rd 1882 went to H.E.Alvord,
Mountainville, N.Y. Returned Sept.1,1882.
June 16,1883 went to the same place. Report
excellent. Returned May 7, 1884. Returned home
June 17, 1884.

Creek. Both parents dead. Mixed blood. 18 years old. At Mission school three years. Arrived at Training School Jan. 22, 1881, from Tallahasse Mission. June 10,1882 went to William Young, Reading. Pa. Returned Oct. 3,1882. June 16,1883, went to H.S. Alvord, Mountainville, N.Y. Returned Aug. 16,1883. November 1,1883, married Antoinette Williams and left to take position in Navaje Agency School.

Creek. Son of N.B. Childers. No. dead. Fath. living.
Mixed blood. 13 years old. Arrived at school
Jan. 22,1881. Them Tallahasse Mission. July 1,1821.
Went to Resuing, Pa. Returned to school Sept. 15,
1881. June 12,1883. ent to Jamestown, N.Y. to
F. Hall. Returned to school Dec. 23,1883. Not a
success. Returne d home June 17, 1884.
(These erasures are due to my mistake in confusing Ellis with Silas.

Other Creek boys who entered the school the same date as the above are Alexander McNac, Silas Childers, James Bell, Cornelius Carr, Samuel Scott, Samuel Checote.



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PHILADELPHIA.

July 14,1915.

Mrs Nellie R. Denny,

Carlisle, Pa.

My Dear Mrs Denny:-

At Last I have secured the name and address of Mr. Long, You are advises that it is Frank Long,

C/o gem Oil Company, First National Bank, Tulsa, Okla. I would suggest that you write to him and request that he forward to you the papers he borrowed especially impressing on him to send you the originals. I have verified the report that I gave you that there were outing slips from the time the school started and that they were kept in the regular file and should be among the records in the school. Would it be too much trouble to have you go over those records again and advise me if they can be found? if not this way it may be necessary for us to subpoena all records in order to get what we want.

I am also advised that the name of Almarine McKellop does not appear on my list, Will you kindly give me his record covering the period he was in school and his outing record, expense account ,ect also of Robert Stewart, Ben Marshall and Ellis Childers.

I desire to thank you personally for the work and the kind way in which I was treated by you and Mr Lipps and should there be any expense connected with this information I am asking will you kindly let me know.

Very respectfully,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

OUTING SYSTEM

MRS. NELLIE R. DENNY, Manager.

MISS LIDA M. JOHNSTON, Girls' Agent.

MR. D. H. DICKEY, Boys' Agent.

January 23, 1916.

This morning, Mr.R.C.Allen, Mr. Giles A.Penick and called at the office in the interests of the Minnie Atkins' case and took from the Minnie Atkins' folder, the following:

- 1. Letter from Nowata, Oklahoma, dated March 1,1913 and signed by Micco Harjo. This letter was addressed to the Superintendent Carlisle Indian School. Attached was a carbon copy of Mr.Lipps anser dated March 8,1916. Both letters refer to Minnie Atkins.
- 2. Letter from Gem Oil to Superintendent, dated Feb. 17, 1915. with carbon copy of answer attached. Referring to Minnie Atkins.
- 3. Letter from Fred S. Cook dated April 30,1915 to Superintendent. Carbon copy of answer dated May 3,1915, attached. Referring to Minnie Atkins' case.
- 5. Letter from Mary R. Hyde to Captain R.H. Pratt. These last two are more minutely described in attached statement.

MP Denny.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

OUTING SYSTEM

MRS. NELLIE R. DENNY, Manager.

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MR. D. H. Dickey, Boys' Agent.

April 23, 1915.

I was instructed by Mr. Lipps to assist a Mr. Long, from Oklanoma. in getting information regardin Minnie Atkins who was
a pupil here from 1881 to 1884. Mr. Long got the information
I had in the office records concerning Minnie Atkins.

We hunted in the letter files at the ware-house for correspondence
regarding the place here Minnie was sent when she left the
school July 8,1884 and discovered a letter and a post card giving
this information. The post card was from a Mr. Hyde, Fort
Leavenworht, Kansas (I think this was the fort) saying that
Minnie had arrived at his home safely. The letter was from
Miss M.R.Hyde, who was matron of the girls here at that time. The
post card was written to her by her brother and she sent the card
to General Pratt, to whom her letter was addressed. Both of
these, the letter and the card, Mr. Long "borrowed", saying he
would return them when he was through with them.

Mellie R. Denny.

MOTY TIGER,

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

MAUDE D. ROBERTS.

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NATIONAL ATTORNEY FOR CREEK NATION
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January 21, 1916.

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Mr. O. H. Lipps,

Carlisle Indian School,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

I have a copy of an affidavit executed before you by Harvey K. Meyer, Secretary, on the 19th day of February, 1915, in which he states that the records now on file at your school show that Minnie Atkins was enrolled on January 22, 1881 and that she left July 8, 1884.

I wish you would have Mr. Meyer get these records in readiness to produce before Honorable Giles A. Penick, Examiner appointed by the United States Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma, in the case of The United States vs. Minnie Atkins, et al.

Mr. Penick will reach Carlisle about noon next Tuesday, January 25th, and wants to leave on the 2:30 train. He will be accompanied by myself and verious other attorneys in the Atkins case.

Very truly yours,

Creek National Attorney.

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scl	nools and dates if possible
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5.	Tell something of your present home
6.	What property in the way of land, stock, buildings, or money do you have?
7.	Have you been in the Indian Service? In what positions? How long in each?

8. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle? 9. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life: Mumi Sthis for never heard of for mucher of ye She left a child a boy 10 or years local and lift eles Country to feeting to relien from her, no one known potultur she is dead or out, they some a young ma and two rearly treste She is not dead- vays m. Long. 4-26-15 Minic atterns (creeks) willie Mr Intool Childers Wis Ellis B. Childeis

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