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CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL  
 DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

NUMBER 2751		ENGLISH NAME Margaret Pickett			AGENCY Crow.		NATION Crow.		
BAND		INDIAN NAME			HOME ADDRESS Crow Agency Mont.				
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD		BLOOD	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.	FORCED EXPR.	SEX.	
FATHER, 10.	MOTHER, 10.	1/2	18	5-7 1/2	146	37	32	F.	
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Mch. 5, 12.		FOR WHAT PERIOD			DATE DISCHARGED Feb. 25, 1915		CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Termination of time		
TO COUNTRY		PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS						FROM COUNTRY	
5-2-12		J. Edwin James West Chester Pa.						8-30-12	
9-12-12		M. C. Schell Glenalden Va.						5-1-13	
6-4-13		C. H. Jacobs Oak Lane Va.						8-29-13	
5-8-14		To Carlisle Hospital						2-20-15	

THE SHAW-WALKER CO., WASHINGTON 421021

Months in school before Carlisle, .....

Trade entered at Carlisle, .....

Trade at date of Discharge, .....

Trade or Industry, .....

Church, .....



Department of the Interior.

The SuperintendentUnited States Indian SchoolCarlislePennsylvania

6-3305

Mr. Lipp: En 3119

Arrived here  
last night, enjoyed  
the trip although  
was very lonely.

A great many  
changes.

Remember me  
to the Carlisle  
friends.

Best wishes.  
Margaret Dickert



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Heirship- DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Estates of UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Lucy Pickett  
and Shield  
Necklace,  
P. 201 and A)

Jan. 14th, 1914.

Crow Agency, Montana,

January 8, 1914.

Mr. James B. Kitch,  
Examiner of Inheritance, Crow Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

Carlisle, Penna.

My dear Sir:

Dear Sir:

I return to you herewith the papers in duplicate that were submitted me with your letter and of January the 8th. Each set has been signed by Margaret Pickett as was requested and the papers are heretofore executed as was desired.

Very respectfully,

Encls. Kindly inform Miss Pickett that it will not be necessary for her to appear at the Agency to testify in either case, as her brother Joseph has been here and given testimony. I will secure the testimony of two disinterested witnesses and the cases will then be ready to submit to the Secretary for his action.

Supintendent.

Thanking you, I am,

Very respectfully,

*James B. Kitch*  
Examiner of Inheritance

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Estates of UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE  
-Lucy Pickett  
and Shield  
Necklace.  
P. 201 and A) Crow Agency, Montana,

Janaury 8, 1914.

Mr. Friedman, Supt.,  
Carlisle, Penna.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith two copies of Notice of Hearing to determine the heirs of Mrs. Lucy Pickett and Shield Necklace, made in triplicate. Kindly serve on Miss Margaret Pickett the two copies addressed to her, acknowledging such service on the two remaining copies of each and return same to me.

Kindly inform Miss Pickett that it will not be necessary for her to appear at the Agency to testify in either case, as her brother Joseph has been here and given testimony. I will secure the testimony of two disinterested witnesses and the cases will then be ready to submit to the Secretary for his action.

Thanking you, I am,

Very respectfully,

*James B. Kitch*  
Examiner of Inheritance. *B*

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April 20th, 1915.

Superintendent,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

Dear Sir,

There is enclosed herewith check for 161.26,  
transferring to your supervision under section 16 the  
funds of Margaret Pickett.

Very respectfully,

W.H.M.

Supervisor in charge.



Febr. 25th, 1915.

Mrs. Ewing:

Margaret Pickett is to leave for her home on train at 5.40 this evening. Please have her name reported "DROPPED".

She has ample funds for incidental expenses.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Mr. Griffiths)

Mr. Griffiths:

Will you please send a conveyance to have Margaret Pickett taken to the train at 5.40 this evening?

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Mrs. Ewing)

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Married:- At Crow Agency, Montana, on March 26, 1915, Mr. Thomas Tobacco and Miss Margaret Pickett, Rev. J. G. Burgess, Missionary, officiating.

My Dear Mr. Lippe:-

Am sending you news item for the ARROW. Cannot add very much to it. There is certainly ample room for her to do some of her "up-lift" work on her husband, who is a long-haired worthless piece of humanity. However, Margaret made a quick toboggan from Carlisle teachings and was married in a blanket, silk handkerchief headdress and moccasins. I believe she hit bottom the quickest of any returned student I ever knew, but if she was to hit it at all I suppose she had just as well go the limit and have it over.

Very truly,

(Signed) Evan W. Estep.



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June 4th, 1914.

Mrs. C. H. Jacobs,  
Oak Lane, Penna.

Dear Madam.

Kindly have Margaret Pickett sign the enclosed check of 50 cents and return to me to pay her dentist bill.

Respectfully,

W. H. M.

Supervisor in Charge.

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February 5, 1917

Margaret Pickett

Mrs. Thomas Tobacco,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

Dear Madam:

On checking over the pupils' bank accounts at this school, I find that you have a balance of \$1.15 and I am enclosing a check for that amount. It will be necessary for you to sign and endorse the check with your maiden name just as it is on the check.

Please acknowledge receipt of the check. I am enclosing a franked envelope, which requires no stamp, for your reply.

With kind regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

Chief Clerk in Charge.

LG

Enc.



NAME Margt Pickett Sex ~~Male~~ Female.

Tribe <sup>Full</sup> Crow State Montana Apr. 23, 1912

Age 18 years Respiration normal Condition of, Eyes 0.15.

Height 5 ft. 7 1/4 ins. Mensuration { Insp. 37 Ears 0.15.

Weight 146 lbs. { Exp. 32 Throat 0.15.

Temperature normal. Vaccination yes Cervical glands 0.15.

Pulse normal. Vision 0.15 Skin 0.15

Inspection 0.15.

Palpation 0.15.

Percussion 0.15.

Auscultation 0.15.

Heart 0.15.

(Menstruation) 0.15.

FAMILY HISTORY.

	LIVING.	CONDITION OF HEALTH.	DEAD.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
Father			yes	From operation. Abscess of abdomen
Mother			yes	
Brothers	3	good	1	paralytic stroke accidental death
Sisters	0		0	

Personal history measles, whooping cough, tonsillitis.

Present condition good.

H. B. Froli, M. D.

This form is for the record of the physical condition of pupils of boarding or nonreservation Indian schools. It should be filled in by the school physician at the time of the admission of the pupil.  
Physicians in the field should use this form to record the examination of pupils for transfer to nonreservation schools. It should accompany the pupils' transfer blanks.  
The reverse side is intended as a card-index case-record for use by all Service physicians.





REPORT OF Margaret Pickett pupil of Carlisle Indian  
 School, who went Sept. 12-13 to live with Miss M. C. Schell  
 (Date) (Patron)  
 of Glenolden, Delaware,  
 (Post Office) (County)  
Penn., Railroad Station  
 (State)

Conduct Excellent

Health Excellent

Ability Very good

Cleanliness Very neat and clean

Economy Quite economical

Situation of Room 3d floor

Condition of Room Excellent

Condition of Clothing Very good

Wages

Are careful accounts kept by patron? Yes

Are careful accounts kept by pupil?

Number of days at school Began school - Oct. 31-13

Distance to school 5 squares

Grade or quality of school Graded School

Name and address of teacher Miss Christine Morley Aldam, Del. Co., Penn.

Qualifications of teacher State Certificate

In what grade was pupil at Carlisle? Room 8

In what grade is pupil at present? Seventh

Attends what church and Sunday school? Catholic - Family Presbyterian

Distance to church About a mile

Is there a Catholic church in locality? Yes

Who compose patron's family? Mr. Schell; two daughters

What other help is employed? Washing and ironing done

Locality of home Tom - Astall

Home life and environments Apparently of the very best

Trade at school

Nature of work Yield helper

Pupil's age Experience One summer previous

Any general statement or wishes of patron or pupils, together with Agent's estimate of place, people, and pupil:

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Visit made Nov. 14-1912

REPORT OF Margaret Pickett pupil of Carlisle Indian  
 School, who went Sept. 12-72 to live with Miss M. E. Schell  
(Date) (Patron)  
 of Glenolden, Delaware,  
(Post Office) (County)  
Penn., Glenolden Railroad Station  
(State)

Conduct Excellent

Health Excellent

Ability Very good

Cleanliness Very clean

Economy Very economical

Situation of Room 3<sup>d</sup> floor

Condition of Room Excellent

Condition of Clothing Very good

Wages

Are careful accounts kept by patron? Yes

Are careful accounts kept by pupil?

Number of days at school Regaw Oct. 31-1912- 6 days (Institute Week)

Distance to school 5 squares

Grade or quality of school Graded School

Name and address of teacher Two teachers (see remarks)

Qualifications of teacher State Certificate

In what grade was pupil at Carlisle? Room 8

In what grade is pupil at present? Seventh

Attends what church and Sunday school? Catholic - Faw. Presbyterian

Distance to church 6 or 7 squares

Is there a Catholic church in locality? At Norwood where Marg. attends

Who compose patron's family? Mr. Schell - Two daughters (adults)

What other help is employed? Washing + ironing done by colored woman

Locality of home Town - suburb of Phila.

Home life and environments Very best type

Trade at school

Nature of work Quil helper

Pupil's age 18 (about) Experience 2<sup>d</sup> experience - First winter

Any general statement or wishes of patron or pupils, together with Agent's estimate of place, people, and pupil:

Miss Schell is indeed well pleased with Margaret's disposition and ability. She is satisfactory in every respect. Margaret is very happy in her home. In school she has two teachers Miss Christine Morley, Aldan, Del. Co., Pa. and Miss Margaret Himelright, Glenolden, Pa.



OUTING RECORD - CARLISLE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

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Name of Student *Margaret Pickett* Home Address *Crow Agency, Mont. Tribe Crow*

Age at Entrance *18* Date of Entrance *5-2-'12* Shop \_\_\_\_\_

Patron \_\_\_\_\_ Locality \_\_\_\_\_ Days in School \_\_\_\_\_

Address *J. Edwin James* R. R. Station \_\_\_\_\_ Conduct \_\_\_\_\_

*West Chester, Pa.*

Recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_ Ability \_\_\_\_\_

Grade of Home \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_ Health \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Outing *5-2-'12* Date Returned *8-31-'12* Wages \_\_\_\_\_ Earnings \_\_\_\_\_

JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL OR AVERAGE
7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	
										y	y	
										y	y	
										y	y	
										8.	8.	

*M. C. Schell*  
*Glenolden,*  
*Pa.*

					14	17	18					
y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.					
y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.					
y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.					

*9-12-'12*      *5-1-'13*

*Todd Hospital,*  
*Carlisle, Pa.*

8.	10.	4.808.	3.									
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y  
y  
y  
15.00

*5-8-'14 - 2-20-'15.*

*Was returned because of trouble with one of the nurses and because she received Indian boy callers late in the evening.*

*Amusing*

U. y	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.
y	"	y.	y.	y.	y.	y.
y	"	y.	y.	V.M.	y.	
(15.00)	15	15	15	15	15	15

*4-8-1915.*

*N.P.D.*



OUTING RECORD — CARLISE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Name of Student			Home Address				Tribe								
Age at Entrance	Date of Entrance	Shop	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL OR AVERAGE
Patron	Locality	Days in School													
Address	R. R. Station	Conduct													
Recommended by	Grade in School	Ability													
Grade of Home	Church	Health													
Date of Outing	Date Returned	Wages													
Earnings															



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Married:- At Crow Agency, Montana, on March 26, 1915, Mr. Thomas Tobacco and Miss Margaret Pickett, Rev. J. G. Burgess, Missionary, officiating.

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Very truly,

(Signed) Evan W. Estep.

Mrs. Ewing:

I wish you would please read the above to your girls at the evening prayer formation and give them a talk on the importance of staying away from unfavorable surroundings until they develop sufficient strength of character to stand by and follow their teachings. There was not a more promising girl at Carlisle last year than Margaret. She frequently assured me of her ambition to be an example of worthy imitation and a force for the up-lift of her people. She went home with the understanding that she would return to Carlisle in June and then go to one of the city hospitals and complete her course in nursing. I am grieved and disappointed at the way she has turned out. She frequently assured me that she was going to prove that the Crow Indians, who are proverbially a bad lot, were not all bad or worthless. You can see how she has yielded to the very first temptation. This should be an example to the other girls.

*A. Lipps*

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Hardin, Montana  
March 4-15

March 9th, 1915.

Miss Margaret Pickett,  
Hardin, Mont.

My dear Friend:

I was pleased to receive your letter of March the 4th and to learn that you have become located at your aunt's home and where you can be of assistance to her. I hope to hear from time to time during the summer that you can make use of your training by helping those at your home who can be benefitted by your hospital and general experience and later that you are ready to return to the east to continue with your studies.

There is being enclosed herewith the check for \$20.00 you requested me to send to you for your personal use.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

*very much as now  
is fall about.  
I have seen several of  
Catholic students here and was*



Hardin Montana  
March 4-15

P. H. Lipps  
Carlisle Penna.

Dear Friend;

I am writing  
you a few lines this after-  
noon to let you know how  
I am getting along.

I arrived here safe and  
was indeed very glad to  
see my relatives. I am here  
staying with my Aunt, who  
needs my help very much.

We are still having cold  
weather here; Things certainly  
have changed here.

The crops seem to be doing  
quite a great deal of trouble  
here, but I have not heard  
very much as to what it  
is all about.

I have seen several of the  
Carlisle students here and was

... see them.  
... pipes, I would  
... know if it would  
... possible for you to send  
... \$20.00 from my account  
... address my mail to  
... Gardin, Montana. With  
... many thanks.

Remember me to the Studer  
Will close with best wishes.  
I remain yours truly.  
Margaret Pickle



Febr. 25th, 1915.

Mr. Evan W. Estep,  
Superintendent, The Crow Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

Dear Mr. Estep:

The latter part of last week it was requested by the authorities at the Todd Hospital in Carlisle that Margaret Pickett be recalled to this School. There seems to have been some misunderstanding of minor importance between Margaret and other attendants at the Hospital.

When I saw Margaret at my office she again requested leave to return home, and as it is her intention to return east in the summer to continue with her training as a nurse I concluded there would be more likelihood of her carrying out her plans if allowed to go home now instead of at the close of school. Accordingly it has been arranged to have her leave here this evening. Transportation for her passage to Crow Agency will be provided for her use.

Hoping that this action will prove to be for Margaret's best interests and that you can find something for her to do during the time she intends to remain at her home, I am,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

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Crow Agency,  
Montana,  
Feb 25-17

O. H. Lipps, Supt.,  
Carlisle, Pa.

March 7, 1917.

Mrs. Mang Rickett

Mrs. Thomas Tobacco  
Crow Agency, Montana.

*Received the  
check amounting the \$1.15*

Dear friend:-

*alright, so I thought  
I would write a few  
lines while I have the  
check.*

Your letter to Mr. Lipps comes to me in his absence. I am sure he would be glad to know that you are getting along nicely now. I know that he is interested in you and wants you to get along well. He had hoped that you would continue your work as a nurse but now that you are married and have your home duties, he would want you to do your duty there. I am very sorry to learn of the death of your little baby. I understand how you must feel in the loss of your first baby and sympathize with you.

Mr. Lipps has been in Washington with the boys and girls from this school who have been there for several days. The Indian band had given several concerts and some of our girls gave an Indian play. On the day of the Inauguration, 250 of the boys took part in the parade. So you see Carlisle has been well represented in Washington this week. We expect them all back either today or tomorrow.

With my best wishes for you and your husband, I am

Very truly yours

Chief Clerk in Charge.



Crow Agency,  
Montana.  
Feb 25-17

D. H. Lipps, Supt.,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

Received the  
check amounting the \$1.15  
alright, so I thought  
I would write a few  
lines while I have the  
chance.

I am getting along  
very nicely and hope  
every body there at Carlisle  
are the same.

We are having another  
spell of cold weather  
here but I think it will  
soon change.

There has been a delegation

it from the Crow reservation to Washington D. C. on tribal affairs, which was quite an excitement here for awhile and at present are waiting for the hearings to come.

Mr. Lipps, this I think is my first letter to Carlisle and it happens to be my luck to bring you ~~some~~ sad news. Our home was filled with grief over the death of our dear little baby girl the 20<sup>th</sup> of January, she was 28 days old when she died, she took pneumonia. Mr. Lipps I think that days was the saddest days ~~in~~ my life.



I think this is all  
I shall write for this  
time, hoping to hear  
from you as I am  
always glad to hear  
from Carlisle.

Wishing my friends  
and teachers success  
at Carlisle.

Closing with best  
wishes.

I am yours truly  
Mrs. Thos. Lobbes.

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-2- Mrs. Little Daylight.

April 2nd, 1914.

Mrs. Little Daylight, you should share the expenses with her. The same should also be taken into consideration.  
Hardin, Montana.

My dear Madam:  
Your Superintendent's report as that his recommendation will be received with your letter.

Since the time of the receipt here of your letter of March the 24th, Margaret Pickett has been seen at this office in regard to her going home for the summer months to assist you with your work. Although Margaret is anxious to continue with her work here she desires to do whatever she can to be of assistance to you, and so I would thank you to inform me just when you would prefer to have her come if the arrangements necessary to effect her leaving can be made.

In this connection I beg leave to add that your Superintendent's approval should be secured before you write me again, for then his recommendation in the premises can also be given consideration.

My regret has funds to her credit in our school bank from which her transportation can be paid, but in view of the fact that you have requested her return it



-2- Mrs. Little Daylight.

seems only fair that you should share the expense with her. This matter should also be taken into consideration with Superintendent Scott so that his recommendation will be received with your letter.

Very respectfully,

H.M. Supervisor in Charge.

Copy to Superintendent Scott.

Hardy Montana

March 24 1914

Spt of Carlisle Indian School

Carlisle Pa.

Dear Sir:

These few lines I am writing you are to let you know that I am in great need of my daughter's help here at home. I am Margaret Tickett's aunt and guardian. I call her my daughter as she is my only girl niece. My husband died last month and I have not been well since then after all my hardships and sorrow.

My oldest children being all boys and having two small children to take care of it is pretty hard on me. The house work and cooking taking it all together I am in great need of Maggie's help so will you please consider the matter and talk to Maggie about it and see if it will be possible for her



to come home? I am anxious that  
Maggie, <sup>should</sup> learn all she can and  
stay here as long as she likes but  
I really need her for the present time  
being and if she likes to wait I feel  
well against she can return to  
school in the fall. Write and let  
me know soon.

I am respectfully yours  
Mrs Little Daylight.

-2- Mrs. Margaret Pickett Tobacco.

April 20th, 1915.

Steps to be placed to your credit. The Indian Office rules require that such a course of procedure be followed.

Mrs. Margaret Pickett Tobacco, as from you soon, I am,

Crow Agency, Mont. friend,

My dear Friend:

HM.

I have received your letter of April the 14th, and as it had been reported to me before the receipt of your letter that you were married in a blanket and moccasins I would be pleased to hear from you direct whether there is not some misunderstanding somewhere.

When you left here you seemed to be sincere in your desire to continue the same high ideals that made you one of the promising girls Carlisle has had enrolled. If you were married in the costume which it is reported you wore it was so prompt a dropping of your ideals that I cannot understand at all.

You have my best wishes and I feel confident that Carlisle's training cannot have been in vain in your case.

The request that your money be sent to you has been noted, but it will have to be treated as a transfer of funds and the entire amount is being sent to Superintendent



-2- Mrs. Margaret Pickett Tobacco.

Estep to be placed to your credit. The Indian Office rules require that such a course of procedure be followed.

Hoping that I shall hear from you soon, I am,

Your friend,

HXM.

Supervisor in Charge.

*I have started in to be...  
I have a small bank account  
and would be obliged  
if you will kindly forward  
it to me, as we are going to  
put into stock or furnishings  
I would like to  
have it.*

*We are living here at my husband's  
home and are trying to  
enjoy the western life as*

Row Agency, Montz  
April 14 1910.

H. Lipps,  
Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Friend:

I'm writing you this evening, to inform you, that I have started in to do for ourselves. I was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas Tobacco, on March the 26<sup>th</sup>, the son of Mrs. Willie Eagle an ex student of Carlisle.

I have a small bank account there and would be obliged if you will kindly forward it to me, as we are going to put it into stock or furnish compliments we would like to have it.

I'm living here at my husband's home and am trying to enjoy the western life as



is all for the present  
will be awaiting an early  
reply.  
With best wishes to my  
Carlisle friends.

Regards,  
Yours truly  
Mrs. Thomas Tobacco.  
(Sincerely)  
Margaret Pickett.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Crow Agency, Mont. April 10th, 1914.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,  
Supervisor in Charge,  
Crow Agency, Mont.  
Mr. W. W. Scott,  
Superintendent, Crow Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

My dear Mr. Scott:

I am today in receipt of copy of letter addressed by you to "Mrs. Lillie Daylight, of Hardin, in regard to return of Margaret Pickett."

I thank you for your favor of April the 6th, in regard to the contemplated return home of Margaret Pickett. In view of the information contained in your letter Margaret has been informed that it will not be advisable to have her return home and unless you recommend to the contrary she will be kept here at least until the period for which she was enrolled has terminated.

Very sincerely yours,

life. I think she should graduate, and by that time she will probably be qualified for something HKN. than the camp. She has no relatives, that is, no relatives. Her father and mother are dead and her brothers have all left the Reservation.

Supervisor in Charge.

Very sincerely,

*W. W. Scott*  
Superintendent.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Crow Agency, Montana, April 6, 1914.

Mr. O. H. Lippe,  
Supervisor in Charge,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Sir:

I am today in receipt of copy of letter addressed by you to "Mrs. Little Daylight, of Hardin, in regard to return of Margaret Pickett to the Reservation to help her with her work.

I am inclined to think there is a sinister purpose back of the scheme to get Maggie to come to them- and it is safe to say that if she comes home at all she will not return to Carlisle. Maggie has been doing well, I believe, and I would be very sorry to have her come here and go back to the old Indian life,. I think she should stay with you until she graduates, and by that time she will probably be qualified for something better than the camp. She has no people here, that is, no relatives. Her father and mother are dead and her brothers have all left the Reservation.

Very sincerely,

*E. S. Stoll*  
Superintendent.

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XXXXXXXXXX

April 10th, 1914.

MARGARET PICKETT.

Margaret:

Superintendent Sectt has just advised me that it would be better for you to remain here in school until you have completed sufficient work to qualify you to go to work for yourself. He has pointed out that there is nothing for you to do at home; that you can render but little assistance and that your brothers have left the Reservation.

Under the circumstances it will be well for you to plan not to go home this summer, and to continue with such work as you have decided to complete before you leave here.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.



My dear Mr. Tappan:

Am sending you news item for the Arrow. Cannot add very much to it. There is certainly a <sup>April 13, 1915.</sup> ~~hope~~ for her to do some of her "up-life" work on her husband,

Mr. Evan W. Estep, Supt., <sup>and worthless piece of humanity.</sup>  
U. S. Indian Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

My dear Mr. Estep:

Your announcement of the marriage of Margaret Pickett comes as a distinct surprise and shock. There were few more

promising girls at Carlisle than Margaret. She frequently

came into my office and talked to me about her plans for the

future and of her desire to prove to the world that a Crow

Indian could make good. When she left here it was with

the distinct understanding that she would go home and visit

an old aunt whom she wanted very much to see, and return in

a few days to Carlisle, and I had planned to arrange for her

going to Philadelphia and enter one of the large hospitals

and complete her course in nursing. She appeared so

ambitious and so much in earnest that I never once doubted

her keeping her word, and as you may imagine I am very much

disappointed in what she has done. You must have a very

discouraging proposition there at Crow. I sympathize with

you.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

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to do some of her "up. life" work on her husband,  
who is a long-haired worthless piece of humanity.  
However, Margaret made a quiet tologgan  
from Carlisle teachings and was married in  
a blouselet, silk handkerchief head-dress and  
moccasins. I believe she hit bottom the  
quietest of any returned student I ever  
knew, but if she was to hit it at all I suppose  
she had just as well go the limit and have it  
over.

Very truly

Evan W. Estep



Legal Proceedings

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Married, at Crow Agency, Montana,  
on March 26, 1918, Mr. Thomas  
Dobacco and Miss Margant Piexett,  
Rev. J. G. Burgess, Missionary,  
officiating.

Mr. Evan W. Estep, Superintendent.

Jan. 21st, 1915.

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Mr. Evan W. Estep,  
Superintendent, The Crow Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

young lady see the importance of continuing with her training.  
My dear Sir:

Since writing you on January the 9th and before your favor of January the 13th came to me I had another talk with Margaret Pickett at my office. When I pointed out again to her the advantage of continuing with her training she finally consented to remain here longer than until June but it is yet her desire that you keep her in mind when a suitable vacancy occurs to which she could be appointed.

I would not recommend Margaret for a position at your Agency where she would have to go out to work among the Crow Indians by herself. However, if there should be an opportunity to get her a place in the Hospital, where she would be working with older and more experienced employees, her training should make her a useful worker.

I am yet in hopes that Margaret can be persuaded to continue with her course in nursing until she graduates. She could then go anywhere and make a start in her profession, and would not have to depend on a position where



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there might be danger of her not being in an environment  
which would be conducive to progress.

Every effort will be put forth here to make the  
young lady see the importance of continuing with her train-  
ing.

Very truly yours,

Supervisor in Charge.

HKM.

*Margaret*  
*left*  
*November 3*  
*graduated last year*  
*in town since May*  
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her people. I thought that this would be a very unwise thing for her  
to do, and I had written to her a few days ago to that effect.  
It has been my experience that young women come back to the reserva-  
tion with the noblest ideals and intentions of uplifting  
the tribe, but they are instead dragged back almost to the level of  
the average Indian.  
I pointed out the danger into a white community, or among a tribe  
to which she was not related, believing that she would be able  
to do so with infinitely less risk to herself. I also  
recommended that she take the matter over fully and frankly with  
you, which I trust she will do.

Very truly yours,

*Evan W. Estep*

Superintendent.

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Mr. Estep  
about Margaret  
Pickett -

Near 3 yrs -  
7th grade -  
Hospital last year -  
in town since May  
school year.

20 yrs -  
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to which she is in no way  
to accomplish more and with  
recommended that she talk



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

GROW AGENCY, MONTANA. Jan. 13, 1915.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,  
Supervisor In Charge,  
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear sir:-

I have your letter of January 9, concerning Margaret Pickett, whose period of enrollment will terminate at the end of the present school year.

This young woman wrote to me a month or so ago, telling of her desire to come back to the Reservation and work for the uplift of her people. I think that this would be a very unwise thing for her to do, and had a letter written to her a few days ago to that effect. It has been my experience that young women come back to the reservation with the highest possible ideals and intentions of uplifting the Tribe, but they are instead dragged back almost to the level of the old, uneducated blanket Indians.

I advised her to go into a white community, or among a tribe to which she is in no way related, believing that she would be able to accomplish more and with infinitely less risk to herself. I also recommended that she talk the matter over fully and frankly with you, which I trust she will do.

Very truly yours,

*Evan W. Estep*

Superintendent.

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Glew Olden, Pa.

Jan 24, 1913.

M. Friedman,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Supt.,

Am writing to you to let you know I am getting along very nicely in school, I like the school very well, and also like my home too. I got 82.5 in my average, this is my first year in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. My teacher said I was improving very fast. I got a very nice report.



We are going to have  
our class meeting, Tuesday.  
I'm on the comets, ~~and~~<sup>and</sup>  
we are going to have a  
mock trial, and I am one  
of jurors, I think its going  
to be very interesting, as its  
some thing they have never  
had before.

I like to go to school all  
day, I have never went to  
school all day before,

It has been raining  
for nearly two days now.

Thursday after-noon, we did  
not have any school, because  
it was raining too hard.

I was sorry to hear of  
Miss Saith's going away.

Friday evenings is one of  
my most pleasant evenings  
because, I get the arrow, and  
I enjoy my self reading the school  
news.

I must say Good-bye for  
its getting late. Best wishes  
(to all.) Yours sincerely,  
Margaret Pickett.

Mrs Foster



Carlisle Pa.  
Feb. 18, 1915.

W. C. L. Lippis  
Supervisor U. S. Indian School

Dear Sir:-

Your communication  
in regard to Margaret  
Pickett, was handed  
to me by our head  
nurse Miss Kruger.

It would be your

to recall Margaret  
as soon as you  
can do so.

Very truly,

(Mrs) H. B. Wile

In conversation with Mrs. Wile, who is the chairman of the Board of Managers of the Todd Hospital, I found out that Margaret Pickett had not been doing as well as they knew she could do, for several weeks. She was not on good terms with the head-nurse, Miss Kruger and the other nurse. She wrote a threatening letter to the other nurse. She also received boys from the school as visitors.

Margaret acknowledged to me that she did not get along with the other nurses. She said she did make the "threat" but it was only that she was going to report this nurse fo



Head Nurse. She meant to do her no harm.  
She also acknowledged that she did receive  
boys but it was only as any lady would re-  
ceive calls.

Feb. 27, 1915.

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Mr. Evan W. Estep, Superintendent.

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Jan. 9th, 1915.

Mr. Evan W. Estep,  
Superintendent, The Crow Agency,  
Crow Agency, Mont.

My dear Sir:

Margaret Pickett, who is enrolled here from the Agency under your jurisdiction and whose period of enrollment will terminate at the close of school in June of this year, has come to me with a request that I find out from you whether there is any possibility of her being appointed soon to a position at the Crow Agency.

It is Margaret's desire to do something for the people at her home in a capacity similar to that of Field Matron. She is rather young to take up such important work except so far as her training as a nurse has fitted her, but she is competent, energetic and willing. She had eight months of experience in our School Hospital as a student nurse prior to May of last year. Since that time she has taken the course in Nurses' Training at the Todd Hospital in Carlisle, where she has been required to do her share of the regular nurses' work. She is to continue with her work at the Todd Hospital until work can be secured for her at her home or until the close of this school year.



Mr. Evan W. Estep, Superintendent.

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I would thank you to let me hear from you in regard to the matter so that I can advise Margaret and can co-operate with her further to prepare her for the work she is planning to do.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

