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Name Bruce, Harold E. Age 19 Deg. Ind. blood 1/8

Address 522 Second Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Information from himself. Date Nov. 15 1913

State Colo. Agency None Tribe Winnebago.

POSITIONS FOR WHICH LISTED. SUITABILITY IN ORDER NAMED.

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| 1. Assistant Clerk. | 2. |
| 3. | 4. |

Remarks: Passed Assistant Clerk's exam, and is employed under Supervisor of Indian Employment.

Bruce, Harold E.
Correspondence

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September 22, 1913.

Mr. Harold E. Bruce,
c/o Supervisor of Indian Employment,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend:

I have your letter of September twentieth,
and am glad to know of your continued interest in
Carlisle and of your success in your present capacity
as assistant clerk in the Indian Office. I shall be
glad to hear from you at any time, and hope that you
will continue to do well.

Sincerely your friend,

MF:SR

Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SUPERVISOR OF INDIAN EMPLOYMENT
WASHINGTON

2347 November 3, 1913.

Mr. M. Friedman, Supt.,
Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

Enclosed herewith please find my personal check for Fifty Cents, in payment of my subscription to the "Carlisle Arrow" for one year, beginning with the issue of November 7, 1913. Please send the "Arrow" to my residence at 522 Second Street, N. M., Washington, D. C. I have been reading this valuable little paper each week at the Office but have decided that I want to be a subscriber and save each issue of the magazine for future reference.

With best wishes to Mrs. Friedman, and yourself, and the faculty and student body, I am

An ex-student,

Harold E. Bruce.

November 13, 1913.

Mr. Harold E. Bruce,
c/o Supervisor of Indian Employment,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend Bruce:

I have your letter of November tenth, and after carefully looking into the matter of awarding you a certificate, have decided that the work which you accomplished here at the school together with the work which you have done in Washington would entitle you to such consideration. I am enclosing you under separate cover your certificate, properly signed and accompanied by the school seal.

I wish you continued success, and hope to hear from you from time to time. With kind regards,
I am,

Sincerely your friend,

MF:SR

Superintendent.

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BRIEF.

Enrollment.

August 29th, 1912.

APPLICATION OF

Sadio M. Bruce

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

Harold E. Bruce

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

Carlisle, Pa.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

*303 A St., S. E.
Washington, D. C.*

Date of enrollment, _____, 19

Term of enrollment, *Five* (*5*) years.

NAME OF COLLECTING AGENT:

Position, _____

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APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN A NONRESERVATION SCHOOL.

(For a child not enrolled at an Agency.)

For and in consideration of the United States assuming the care, education, and maintenance in the United States Indian School at Carlisle Pa., of Harold E. Bruce male, I, Sadie M. Bruce (Name of child.) (Sex.) (Parent, guardian, or next of kin.) of Washington P. O., State of D. C., do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to his enrollment in said school for a period of five years, and also obligate and bind myself to abide by all the rules and regulations for Indian schools. (Not less than 3.)

I further say that the said child was born at Denver, Colo. June 17, 1896 (Date.) that the father, _____, a _____ Indian of the _____ Tribe located at _____ Agency; that he left the tribe about _____; that the mother, Sadie M. Bruce is a 1/4 Indian of the Winnebago Tribe located at Minnesota Agency, and left the tribe about _____; that the said child was born and reared in the United States, and now actually resides therein; and that he has attended the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL—PUBLIC, GOVERNMENT, OR MISSION.	LOCATED AT.	DATE OF ENROLLMENT.	DATE OF DISCHARGE.	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE.	GRADE.
<u>Peabody</u>	<u>Wash. D. C.</u>	<u>1905</u>	<u>1908</u>		
<u>Hilton</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>1909</u>	<u>1910</u>		
<u>Business High</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>1910</u>	<u>1912</u>		

This 22d day of July, 1912

Two witnesses:

George E. NashSadie M. Bruce
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)R. Carrick SealesP. O., Washington, D. C.

(NOTE.—Every blank in this application must be properly filled out by the applicant, in his own handwriting, if possible. The signature, whether by mark or otherwise, must be attested by two witnesses.)

AFFIDAVIT.

I, Sadie M. Bruce, do hereby swear that the statements made in the above application are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

30

day of

July1912

(NOTE.—This application and affidavit must be executed before some officer authorized to administer oaths by the parent with whom the child is living; if the parents are dead, by the guardian or next of kin.)

NAME Harold E. Bruce Sex Male
 Tribe Minibago ~~Minibago~~ Home address Washington D.C. State Neb. Sept 10, 1912
 Age 17 years Respiration _____ Condition of Eyes One blind other
 Height 6 ft. 1/2 ins. Ears OK OK
 Weight 141 1/2 lbs. Mensuration { Insp. 39 1/4
 Exp. 34
 Temperature 98 Vaccination yes Throat OK
 Pulse 72 Vision _____ Cervical glands OK
 Inspection well developed for age Skin OK
 Palpation tactile fremitus equal on both sides
 Percussion no dullness
 Auscultation no rales
 Heart no murmur
 (Meningeal) _____

FAMILY HISTORY.

	LIVING.	CONDITION OF HEALTH.	DEAD.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
Father			<u>yes</u>	<u>pneumonia</u>
Mother	<u>yes</u>	<u>good</u>		
Brothers	<u>none</u>		<u>none</u>	
Sisters	<u>none</u>		<u>none</u>	

Personal history Anterior poliomyelitis at 6 years
affecting both lower limbs. One completely
paralyzed, other partially.
 Present condition good except for paralysis
and blindness in one eye.
H. B. Zralic, 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.

Name _____

Age Sex { Male.
Female. } Tribe { Full
I/ } Residence

(On _____, 19____)

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN.

I, J. B. Bugglesch Jr., a practicing physician of Washington D.C., do hereby certify that I have carefully examined Harold E. Bruce, the child named in this application, and find that he is in proper physical condition to attend school, and is not afflicted with tuberculosis or other disease which would be a menace to the health of other pupils.

This 29th day of July, 1912 J. B. Bugglesch Jr., M. D.

VOUCHER OF SOLICITOR FOR SCHOOL.

I hereby certify that I was present and witnessed the execution of the foregoing application made by _____; that its contents were explained or interpreted to _____ by _____; that I believe _____ understood the purport thereof; that I was present at the medical examination of the child named herein; that _____ resides with _____, in or near the town of _____; that the child can not have adequate and proper educational facilities at home for the reason that _____

Dated at _____

this _____ day of _____, 19 _____

(NOTE.—This voucher must be executed by the official representative of the nonreservation school to which application is made. Pupils and Indian solicitors will not be accepted.)

VOUCHERS OF DISINTERESTED PERSONS.

VOUCHER NO. 1.

I, W. A. Croffert, an editor, of Washington, D.C., do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with Mr. Sadie M. Bruce who makes the foregoing application; that I believe his statements therein are true; that I am acquainted with Harold E. Bruce; that

he is known and recognized in the community in which he lives as an Indian; that in my opinion he can not receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that his mother is a widow and cannot afford to keep him in school longer.

This 25th day of July, 1912 W. A. Croffert

I, John H. Londroche, an Employment Agent of St Paul, Minn. (Business, calling, or profession.)

do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with Mrs. S. M. Bruce, who makes the foregoing application; that I believe his statements therein are true; that I am acquainted with Harold Bruce; that this community (Name of child.)

he is known and recognized in the community in which he lives as an Indian; and that in my opinion he can not receive proper and adequate schooling at home for the reason that his mother is a widow and cannot afford to keep him in school.

This 24th day of July, 1912 J. H. Londroche

CERTIFICATE OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby certify that on _____, I made a careful examination of the physical condition of _____, the child named in the foregoing application, and found _____ to be _____

I therefore recommend that the said child be _____ enrolled in this school.

This _____ day of _____, 19 _____

School Physician.

INDORSEMENT.

A child showing one-sixteenth or less Indian blood, whose parents live on an Indian reservation, Indian fashion, who, if debarred from the Government schools, could not obtain an education, may be permitted in the reservation day and boarding schools, but it is preferable that it be not transferred to a nonreservation school, without special permission from the Office. Children showing one-eighth or less Indian blood, whose parents do not live on an Indian reservation, whose home is among white people where there are churches and schools, who are presumed to have adopted the white man's manners and customs, and are to all intents and purposes white people, are debarred from enrollment in the Government nonreservation and reservation schools. Superintendents, in all cases where doubt exists as to the degree of Indian blood of a child proposed for transfer, should fully satisfy themselves of the facts by affidavits from reliable persons, which affidavits must be kept on file at the school.

A pupil who has been regularly enrolled in a nonreservation school must not be taken to any other nonreservation school without the consent of both Superintendents and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Superintendents will be held to strict accountability for such pupils taken to their schools.

A pupil dismissed from school for cause must not be enrolled in any other school without the permission of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Full facts must be submitted with each request.

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Mr. Q. H. Lipps,
Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

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I send this to your
brother and sister
wishes to the entire
school. During the
coming year, may
each child and all
people and each
school actively enjoy
a free mental and
physical and
social life.
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CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

NUMBER 4766		ENGLISH NAME Harold E. Bauer		AGENCY		NATION Dinnebago		
BAND		INDIAN NAME		HOME ADDRESS Salem M. Bunge 307 S. E. A St. Washington, D.C.				
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD		BLOOD 1/8	AGE 17	HEIGHT 6' 1/2"	WEIGHT 141 1/2	FORCED INSP. 39 1/4	FORCED EXPR. 34	SEX. m.
FATHER, D	MOTHER, L	ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Sep. 9. 12		FOR WHAT PERIOD Five years.		DATE DISCHARGED 4-14-13		CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Gen. Cassin
TO COUNTRY 3-7-13		PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS On Steam					FROM COUNTRY Rev. school 3-12-13	

THE SHAW-WALKER CO., MUSKOGEE 121071

Months in school before Carlisle, 72

Trade entered at Carlisle, Bus. & Tel.

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church, Methodist

Miles to school 1/4

Ed. Sch. 79056-1912

INFORMATION REGARDING RETURNED STUDENTS

PART 1

REPORT BY NONRESERVATION SUPERINTENDENT OR RESERVATION SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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SCHOOL, Carlisle, Pa., June, 1913

Name, Harold E. Bruce; Sex, M.; Age, 18; Deg. Indian Blood, 1/8

Belongs: State, _____; Agency, _____; Tribe, Winnebago

Home address, whose care, etc., Sadie M. Bruce, 307 A St., S.E., Washington, D.C.

Grade in school, Bus. Dept.; health, Good; height, 5 ft. 11 in.; weight, 145

Number months instruction given pupil in each school department, including music, 9 in commercial dept.

Course completed, _____; years in this school, 1

Years spent in other schools and names of schools, _____

Character and disposition, Good

Recommended for what positions, suitability in order named: 1. Stenographer

2. Asst. clerk; 3. _____; 4. _____

Remarks: Has government position.

_____, Supt.

PART 2

REPORT BY RESERVATION SUPERINTENDENT

AGENCY, _____, 1913

Date pupil returned from school, _____; employed since return as follows: _____

Are home and local conditions favorable? _____

Should he receive assistance to find employment? _____

At what employment do you think he would do best? _____

Remarks: _____

_____, Supt.

INFORMATION REGARDING RETURNED STUDENTS
PART 1
REPORT BY NONRESERVATION SUPERINTENDENT OF RESERVATION SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

SUGGESTIONS FOR SUPPLYING THE INFORMATION REQUESTED ON THIS BLANK

1. The report of nonreservation school Superintendent should be made at the time or a little before the pupil leaves school, whether at the end of the school year or during the school year, provided the pupil is 18 years of age or over, or younger, if for any special reason the pupil is quitting school permanently. As soon as this report is received, or at least very soon after the pupil returns home, the Supervisor of Indian Employment will correspond with the returned student for the purpose of getting more in personal touch with him and finding out something about his wishes, etc. His answer will be attached to and filed as part of this report.

2. Health, height, and weight of returned students are sometimes very important in placing them properly; height and weight could be approximated very satisfactorily, though from the pupil records now in use all information called for in part 1 of this blank can readily be obtained and be definite.

3. The State, agency, and tribe are important, and where the pupil is not attached to any agency this fact should be stated and the Superintendent should give all available information as to the home and local conditions surrounding the pupil.

4. Where the outgoing pupil has passed the civil-service examination for any position, this fact should always be noted, giving position for which examination was taken.

5. It should be remembered that the Supervisor of Indian Employment can but seldom have a personal acquaintance with the outgoing student, and that he must depend on the information furnished in this report for his basis of action in behalf of the pupil.

6. The degree of Indian blood should always be given, as this fact largely determines how much effort will be made on behalf of any particular returned student; qualifications being equal, or nearly so, the preference will be given to those having the greatest degree of Indian blood.

7. This report should be forwarded promptly to the Supervisor of Indian Employment, Indian Office, Washington, D. C.

8. Reports on students from reservation schools should be made only as to those who leave the schools at 18 years of age, or older, and who will probably not go away to school.

9. If part 1 of this report is made out by the principal of a reservation school, the reservation Superintendent should supply information called for in part 2 if the principal is not informed as to home surroundings and local conditions. Such information is essential to a proper understanding of the difficulties and needs of the pupil.

10. When part 1 is made out by a nonreservation Superintendent, this blank will be sent by the Supervisor of Indian Employment to the Superintendent of the reservation where the outgoing student belongs. He should fill out part 2 and return the blank as promptly as possible, for practically nothing can be done until the information called for in part 2 is supplied.

Information under the heading "Employed since return as follows," will be valuable only in cases where the pupil has been home for some time.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SUPERVISOR OF INDIAN EMPLOYMENT
WASHINGTON

November 10, 1913.

Mr. M. Friedman, Superintendent,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

I am writing to you herewith in regard to my receiving a certificate for my commercial work at Carlisle in the Business Department. It is my understanding that commercial students of Carlisle are granted certificates upon the completion of a two years' course, in the Business Department, while I was in attendance for only one year, thus failing to secure a certificate.

As you are aware, I hold a certificate from the Washington Business High School for having completed a two years' course in commercial work. However, after graduation, I discovered that I was somewhat deficient in shorthand and typewriting and enrolled at Carlisle to strengthen myself in these branches and to take the Telegraphy course. After a year at Carlisle, I had made sufficient progress to take the position I now occupy, upon the recommendation of Miss Moore, the Commercial Teacher. Mr. Charles E. Dagenett, Supervisor of Indian Employment, suggested

that I take the matter up with you, informing me that he thought it very likely that you would give me one year's credit for my commercial work before enrolling at Carlisle, and thus grant me a certificate for having completed the prescribed business course. Regarding my efficiency since leaving Carlisle, Mr. Dagenett says that I may refer you to him, and regarding my class work while in school, Miss Moore can give you any desired information.

Hoping to receive a favorable reply in a short time, and with best personal wishes to yourself and Mrs. Friedman, I am

Yours respectfully,

Harold E. Bruce

HEB/HEB.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SUPERVISOR OF INDIAN EMPLOYMENT
WASHINGTON

November 15, 1913.

Dr. M. Friedman, Supt.,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Doctor Friedman;

Your letter of the 13th instant and my certificate for having successfully completed the Shorthand and Typewriting course at Carlisle were received this morning, and I assure you of my sincere appreciation of the same. I shall always feel proud, indeed, of this certificate, and you may always feel free to call upon me to serve Carlisle in any way that lies in my power.

Again thanking you, both for the certificate and your expressions of friendship and good will, and wishing you success in your good work, I am

Yours respectfully,

Harold S. Bruce

HEB.

Business Department,

Carlisle Indian School,

November 13, 1913.

Dr. Friedman:

I am glad to make the following statement with regard to the work of Harold Bruce.

While at Carlisle, Harold Bruce wrote shorthand at the rate of 80 words per minute, and wrote on the typewriter an average of 35 words per minute. The shorthand record would entitle him to a certificate, and in view of the accuracy of his work and the good judgment brought to bear on it, I recommend that he be given a certificate in shorthand and typewriting notwithstanding the fact that the minimum standard of proficiency in typewriting, in the business department at this time is forty words per minute. (Prior to June, 1912 the standard of proficiency in typewriting had not been fixed at forty words per minute).

Very respectfully yours,

M Moore
Business teacher

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February 9, 1914.

Mr. Harold E. Bruce,
Office of Supervisor of Indian Employment,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Bruce:

I have your letter of February sixth, and
consider your suggestion a good one. Hereafter when
the list of graduates of the school is published, a
supplementary list of graduates of the business depart-
ment will be included.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

MF:SR

Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
SUPERVISOR OF INDIAN EMPLOYMENT
WASHINGTON

February 6, 1914.

Dr. M. Friedman, Superintendent,
Carlisle Indian School.

My dear Doctor Friedman:

I have just been glancing over the list of the graduates of the Carlisle Indian School, published at your printing office for Mr. Charles E. Dagenett, and find it very interesting. However, I was more than surprised to find that it did not include the names of the graduates of the Commercial Department. I learn from Mr. Dagenett that this list is to be revised from time to time, to keep it up to date, and I am of the opinion that the second edition of this list should include the names of all the graduates of the Carlisle Commercial course.

I am calling this matter to your attention because I believe that it was simply an oversight, which will be adjusted when the next list goes to print.

With regards to yourself and Mrs. Friedman, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harold E. Bruce

HEB.

Application for
transfer to
Office of
Indian Affairs.

Cheyenne Agency, S. D.,

January 24, 1916.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In a letter dated January 14, 1916, a copy of which is enclosed herewith for your information, the Civil Service Commission informed me that, although I entered the Service under a noncompetitive examination, I have a competitive status and may be transferred to the Departmental Service in Washington.

In view of this advice, I hereby make application for transfer from my present position to the Office of Indian Affairs in the position of stenographer and typewriter or clerk, when a vacancy arises.

It is my wish to secure employment in Washington so that I may attend a night law school. Being unfitted for manual labor by reason of the fact that I use crutches, it is incumbent upon me to acquire a profession to ever rise above a mere clerkship. In the field service, one has absolutely no advantages for increasing his education. Were it not for this fact, I should be content to remain permanently in the field.

Very respectfully,

Harold E. Bruce

Approved:

PAUL L. HALLAM,

Examiner of Inheritances.

Commissioners:

John A. McIlhenny

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

President.

Charles M. Galloway Washington, D. C.

Herman W. Craven,

January 14, 1916.

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Mr. Harold E. Bruce,

Cheyenne Agency, S. Dak.

Sir:

In reference to your letter of November 14, concerning your civil service status and your eligibility for transfer to the departmental service in Washington, you are advised that on a further examination of the records in your case it appears that you have a competitive status and may therefore be transferred to the departmental service in Washington subject to the provisions of the rule regulating transfers.

From the records of the Commission it appears that on June 26, 1913, you were appointed upon noncompetitive examination (being an Indian) to the position of assistant clerk under Schedule B, Sub-division I, paragraph I. Because of the provisions of the appropriation act of March 4, 1913, which became effective on July 1, 1913, after your appointment, the position which you occupied was transferred from the noncompetitive service to the competitive apportioned service. By a letter of July 3, 1913, this Commission advised the Commissioner of Indian Affairs that you and twelve other persons would "be treated as transferred to the apportioned service by the legislation referred to" and that you should establish your legal residence in order that you might be charged to the apportionment. You established legal residence in Colorado, but were not charged because an executive order of October 14, 1913, promulgated in the meantime, had placed the position then occupied by you in the noncompetitive class. However, as you had a

competitive status at that time your competitive status was preserved because of the provisions of section 3 of Rule II that "the proper appointing officer may fill an excepted position as competitive positions are filled, in which case the person appointed will receive all the rights of a competitive employee."

The fact that you had retained a competitive status was later recognized when, on March 26, 1914, the Commission authorized your promotion through noncompetitive examination from junior clerk to stenographer and typewriter in the Office of Indian Affairs, it being stated that you had "passed appropriate examination and been transferred to the competitive service by act of March 4, 1913."

Having a competitive classified status at the present time as stenographer and typewriter you are eligible for transfer without further examination to an appropriate position in the departmental service in Washington subject to the provisions of the rules relating to transfers (see section 3 of Rule X and notes).

Should you desire to enter a competitive examination and obtain appointment through examination instead of by transfer, the question of your physical qualifications would then arise and could be decided only upon receipt from you of an application for examination.

By direction of the Commission:

Very respectfully,

(Signed) J. A. McIlhenny,

President,

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A true copy.

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522 Second Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.,

May 7, 1913.

Mr. M. Friedman, Superintendent,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

Will you kindly send me the present address
of Max LaChappelle, a student of Carlisle who is in the
country under the Outing system, as I should like to
correspond with him.

I want to thank you for the instruction in
Commercial work I received at Carlisle, as now that I
am employed I find it of great benefit. I will always
be grateful to the good old school for what it did for
me, and my school days there will always be treasured
fondly in my memory.

With regards to you and all my friends at
the school, I am

Yours respectfully,

Harold E. Bruce

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In re:
application for **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**
transfer to the
Office of Indian **UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE**
Affairs.

Cheyenne Agency, S. D.,

January 24, 1916.

Mr. O. H. Lipps, Superintendent,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

Your favor of the 13th instant duly arrived and I thank you for the information and suggestions it contained.

In the light of recent developments, I think it unnecessary for me to search for employment outside of the Service in order to become located where I may have educational facilities. For your information, I will recite briefly some of the events leading up to my letter to you.

After completing the Carlisle business course in 1913, I was employed in Mr. Dagenett's office in Washington. While there, I took up the matter of a competitive examination and was told by the Civil Service Commission that I was not eligible because of the fact that it is necessary for me to use crutches. I was also advised that I could not transfer to any position in Washington other than the junior clerkship I then held, without passing a competitive examination. Being discouraged by the fact, that, regardless of my efficiency, I could not hope to be promoted above the \$720 I was then drawing, I took a non-competitive examination for stenographer and typewriter and came to the field at \$900.

After arriving in the field, I enrolled with a Chicago Extension University for a correspondence course in law. These correspondence courses, however, are not recognized by the various state boards and one can not be admitted to the bar examination unless he can produce a diploma from a recognized resident law school or has had three years' experience in a law office. It has long been my ambition to become a lawyer and, after considering the above and the additional fact that the instruction that one receives in a good resident school is far more thorough and beneficial than that of a correspondence institution, I concluded that it was incumbent upon me to become located where I would have night school facilities for pursuing my studies. It was then that I wrote you.

In the meantime I had again taken up my eligibility and the matter of a competitive examination with the Civil Service Commission with a view to secure a transfer to Washington, if possible. The night after your letter came, I received a reply, a copy of which is enclosed herewith for your information.

In the light of this letter from the Commission, I have applied to the Commissioner for a transfer to the Office of Indian Affairs and I am also sending you a carbon of my letter to the Commissioner. I have been in the Government Service for more than two and one-half years and during that time I have made an excellent record, as my status file in the Office will show. And I believe that my efficiency should be rewarded by a transfer to a place at which I may improve my education. No doubt the Commissioner will view my application from this angle and be more than willing to give me the opportunity I seek. However, a few words from those in close touch with the officials in the Office would be of assistance to me and, since you have offered to do so, I feel free to ask you take this matter up with the Commissioner.

Mr. Hallam, the Examiner of Inheritances under whom I have been employed for nearly two years, has given me his recommendation and I have also taken this matter up with Mr. Chas. E. Dagenett, Supervisor of Indian Employment.

Thanking you sincerely for the interest you have taken in me, I am

Respectfully,

Harold E. Bruce

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. $\frac{1}{4}$ OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS $\frac{1}{4}$ SUPERVISOR OF INDIAN EMPLOYMENT. $\frac{1}{4}$

WASHINGTON

September 20, 1913.

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Mr. M. Friedman, Supt.,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

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My dear Mr. Friedman: $\frac{1}{4}$

Each issue of the "Arrow" is devoured
eagerly by me, as soon as it arrives at this
office, and I see by the last number which came
in to-day that school is in full progress.

My work here keeps me very busy, but
I am writing this few lines to let you know that
I have not forgotten Carlisle, and that I am
happy to keep in touch with the school and my
many friends there through the medium of the
"Arrow".

It is my intention to visit the school
some time in October or early November, when I
will be on a short vacation. With best wishes
for the success of the school's work, and with
regards to yourself, the faculty and my student
friends, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Harold L. Bruce

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September 30th, 1916.

Mr. Harold E. Bruce.
216 E St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Harold:

Your letter of September 28th has been received. I referred your request to our principal teacher and he made a search through the records at the Academic Building and I enclose herewith transcript of your record as a student of the commercial department. You will probably be disappointed that this does not show your grades in commercial law and commercial arithmetic but no grades are given you in the record. The record also shows that your attendance is very irregular. I am glad to comply with your request insofar as it is possible for us to do so.

A few weeks ago I offered your mother a position of dining room matron at Carlisle but she declined. The superintendent informed me that she preferred to remain where she is.

With kind regards and best wishes I remain,

Very respectfully,

L/B

Superintendent.

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January 13, 1916.

Mr. Harold E. Bruce,
Cheyenne River Indian Agency,
Cheyenne Agency, S. D.

Dear Harold:

Replying to your letter of December 29th, I have to advise that our agreement with the Ford Motor Company is limited to twenty-five boys, and we have that number there now. They are, of course, working in the manufacturing department and it is very strenuous work.

I rather doubt the advisability of your undertaking to take up a course in a city like Detroit. Even if you could get a clerical position in the Ford factory, the factory is located away out of the town, and we were unable to find satisfactory arrangements for our boys to attend night school there last year for this reason. However, now the school is conducted in the factory for our boys, and this makes it a very desirable opportunity for them.

I should think that if you were in the Indian Office at Washington you would have a better opportunity to pursue some night school course. I should be very glad to do anything I can to assist you, and if you will put in your application to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, I will be pleased to speak to him about you. How would it suit you to attend Dickinson Law School, if arrangements could be made? I have a vacancy here in the Outing office at \$480 per annum, and this would be sufficient for your expenses, but I do not know that they have any night classes. Anyhow, write me again after you have considered the matter, and I will see if there is anything I can do for you.

Very truly yours,

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Superintendent.

Cheyenne River Indian Agency,

Cheyenne Agency, So. Dak.,

December 29, 1915.

Mr. Oscar H. Lipps, Supt.,
Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

Through the "Arrow" I note that quite a few of my old schoolmates have been sent as apprentices to the Ford Factory in Detroit and are "making good." I should like to secure employment in some clerical capacity with the Ford Company and, being an ex-Carlisler, I take the liberty of asking your assistance.

In April, 1913, I completed the business course offered at Carlisle and went to Washington as a Junior Clerk in the Indian Office at a salary of \$600 per annum. Since that time, I have received two promotions and am now drawing \$900 a year as stenographer and typewriter to the Examiner of Inheritance detailed to this agency.

Since I now have a good position, it is only fair that I explain to you just why I desire new employment. I wish to obtain work in a city where I will have advantages for increasing my education by attending night school and patronizing libraries, etc. Although I have made good in

the Service as a clerk, I see no future for myself here. My future success depends upon my mastering some profession. I am especially ambitious to study law. Since I can not afford to resign and go back to school, the only thing that remains for me to do to accomplish what I desire is to get work in a city where I can attend night classes.

For references regarding my efficiency, I will mention the following persons under whom I have worked:

Mr. Paul L. Hallam,
Examiner of Inheritance,
Cheyenne Agency, So. Dak.

Mr. Chas. E. Dagenett,
Supervisor of Indian Employment,
Indian Office,
Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Lilly McCoy,
Indian Office,
Washington, D. C.

Dr. Jas. W. W. Walker,
Mountain and Crescent Avenues,
Melrose Park, Philadelphia, Pa.

I can also furnish any number of references with regard to my character and good habits.

Of course the Ford people receive hundreds of applications for work in the course of a very short time. Knowing this, I realized that it would be futile to make application directly to them. You have placed other Carlisle boys there and I know that you can help me in this instance, if only to insure that my application will receive due

consideration. If there is any other information I can give you about myself and my qualifications, please let me know.

Thanking you for any assistance you may be able to render me and hoping to hear from you soon, I am

Yours respectfully,

Harold E. Bruce

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216 E St., N. W.,

Washington, D. C.,

September 28, 1916.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,

Supt., Carlisle Indian School.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

When registering at the Georgetown Law School this fall, I was requested by the Secretary to obtain from you a statement of the studies I pursued while ⁱⁿ your institution. I shall sincerely appreciate your courtesy if you will write the Secretary, Mr. Hugh J. Fegan, and outline this information.

In this connection, I have to advise that I enrolled at the Carlisle Indian School in September, 1912, and left the school April 15, 1913, to take a position in Washington, D. C., to take a position in the Indian Office. During my enrollment at the school, I studied one half day in the Business Department and the remaining half day in the telegraphy department which was then conducted by Mr. Miller, the school financial clerk. Besides shorthand and typewriting, I took English, spelling, commercial arithmetic and commercial law while in the business department.

I have in my desk a book which purports to contain the names and addresses of all the graduates of the Carlisle Indian School and which was printed during the administration of your predecessor, Mr. Friedman. This little book, however, is not complete, inasmuch as it contains only the names of

those who were graduated from the regular academic course. There are some who have in recent years been granted diplomas from the business department whose names should also be included in this list of Carlisle graduates, and I would suggest that when a new edition of this book is printed, it should be revised so as to contain the names of all the Carlisle graduates.

In connection with this matter, I wish to say that I hold a diploma from the Carlisle Business Department, dated November 13, 1913. At the spring graduation, Mr. Friedman refused to permit me to graduate because I had been attendance at the school for only one year, saying it was not customary to graduate students from that department who had not attended two full years. However, I was offered a position under Mr. Dagenett in Washington, and Mr. Friedman consented to send me my diploma on condition that I should make good in this position. In accordance with this promise, my diploma was sent to me on November 13, 1913. I believe that my name and the names of the other students who completed the commercial course should also be listed in the book of Carlisle graduates.

I shall be pleased to have you write Mr. Fegan in regard to the studies I pursued at Carlisle, and to hear from you in regard to the matter mentioned above.

With best wishes for the success of this school year, and with regards to the faculty and students, I remain

Very truly yours,

Harold E. Bruce

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522 Second Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.,
April 14, 1916.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,
Supt., Carlisle Indian School.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Please have my "Arrow" sent to the above address instead of to Cheyenne Agency, S. D. I arrived here by transfer on April 1, and am now a Clerk in the Indian Office.

It is now too late in the school term to do anything with law, as the law school closes in May, but when the bell rings in September, I shall be "Johnny on the Spot."

Very truly yours,

Harold E. Bruce

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A.G.B.*

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Name

Harold E. Bruce

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

Present Address

Cheyenne Agency, S.D.

Present Occupation

Stenographer.

Remarks:

I am constantly traveling over this reservation but my permanent address for the coming year is the above.

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Department of the Interior.

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Harold E. Bruce

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