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CARLISLE INDIAN SCHOOL

No.	Name.	Age.	Tribe.	Degree of Indian Blood.	Name of Agency and Reservation, if Enrolled; if not, Post Office of Family.
5386	Sexton, Ralph H.	19	Choctaw	1/8	Durant, Okla.

Date Entered.	Months in school before enrollment here.	In What Grade or Room. On entering here.	In What Grade or Room. At date of this report.	Distance to nearest public school from pupil's home.	Remarks. (Temporarily absent, outing, deserters, on sick leave, special authorities for enrollment, etc.) To Country	From Country	Date Discharged
SEP 4 1915	11 yr.	Special	—	—	MAR 30 1916		
					7-20-16 = P.C.	7	
					~~8-9-162~~		
					7-29-16 O.C.H.		
					9-8-160 from H.		
							FEB - 5 1917 (outing) sick
							Presbyterian

Progress from ..... (Date) ....., to ..... (Date) .....

First Year in This School	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Class or grade								
Academic ..... standing*								
Industrial ..... standing* (Department)								
Musical: Band ..... standing*								
Vocal ..... standing*								
Orchestra ..... standing*								
Deportment ..... standing*								
Physical condition								

Remarks: .....

"Y.A.F." ~1848~

OUTING RECORD — CARLISLE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Name of Student Ralph H. Sexton Home Address Thos. J. Sexton, Durant, Okla. Tribe Choctaw

Age at Entrance 19 Date of Entrance 9-4-15 Shop

Patron Locality

Genl Electric Co.

Address R. R. Station

West Lynn. Mass.

Recommended by

Grade in School

Grade of Home Church

Date of Outing 4-1-16. Date Returned Ran 7-21-16 Wages

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL OR AVERAGE
Days in School													
Conduct													
Ability													
Health													
Earnings													

YAWMAN & ERBE MFG. CO., ROCHESTER, N. Y. 441037 3M. 4-09

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Date of Outing	Date Returned	Wages	Earnings													

Okla
Pay roll.

Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

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RECEIVED
Sup't Indian Schools,
JUN 19 1915
Muskogee, Okla

BRIEF

Application of

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

Ralph Harmon Sexton

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

NAME OF AGENCY FROM WHICH PUPIL CAME:

Date of enrollment ..... 191....

Term of enrollment Five (5) years

Printed by Carlisle Indians. Ed. June 13—6000

Important—Only those students who desire to come to Carlisle because they have a definite purpose in view will be admitted. Applications for enrollment must be submitted in all cases for consideration before transportation can be made available. Time will then be taken to find out the records students have made in the schools previously attended, and to secure recommendations as to their *moral character* and their worthiness for further attendance at a Government institution.

Ralph Sexton

Application for Enrollment in a Non-Reservation School.

(For a child enrolled at an Agency)

For and in consideration of the Government of the United States assuming the care, education, and maintenance in the United States Indian School at Carlisle, Penn.

of Ralph Harmon Sexton (Name of Child); Male (Sex); date of birth Mch. 28, 1898

Choctaw (Tribe) Roll 6532 - 1/8

NAME OF FATHER (Both Indian and English)	Living or Dead	TRIBE	BAND	DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD
Thos. J Sexton	Living	Choctaw		1/4 Blood
NAME OF MOTHER				
Fannie M. Sexton	Living	English Birth		Intermarried.

I, Thos. J. Sexton, do hereby voluntarily consent and agree to his enrollment in said school for a period of five (Not less than 3) years, and also obligate myself to abide by all the rules and regulations for Indian Schools.

The said child has been enrolled in the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL	DATE OF ENROLLMENT	DATE OF DISCHARGE	CAUSE	GRADE
1 Southeastern				
2 State Normal	1908	1912	Moved out of State	Twelve
3				
4				

Thos. J Sexton.
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin)
Father

P. O. address: R. F. D. No. 2.
Durant, Oklahoma

Two Witnesses:
Dullas Thapton
James Culberson

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that I have this day carefully examined the above-named child herein proposed for transfer and find him to be in proper physical condition to attend school, and not afflicted with tuberculosis or any disease which would be a menace to the health of other pupils.

This 15 day of June, 1915

Jas. L. Shuler.

Physician at Durant Oklahoma Agency.

CERTIFICATE OF AGENT OR SUPERINTENDENT.

I hereby certify that the statements made in the foregoing application and certificate, to the best of my knowledge and belief, are true, that the consent of .....
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)
was voluntary, and I recommend the transfer of said child.

This 28th day of August, 1915

A. S. Wyly

SUPERVISOR

Agent or Superintendent.

SPECIAL NOTE.

This form must be executed in duplicate when a child is transferred from a reservation to a non-reservation school. The Superintendent of the nonreservation school will retain the original for his files, and the duplicate shall be deposited in the Agency records. The agent will then send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate as provided by law. All the blanks must be properly filled in every case.

NOTE.—Age limits, fourteen to twenty years. Preferably fourteen to eighteen. Students must be at least one-fourth Indian, preferably full Indian. Special cases beyond the age limit will be given consideration. An industrial course only can be taken and the term reduced to three years, in exceptional cases.

Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

INDORSEMENTS.

The laws relating to the transfer of Indian children from reservations and schools are as follows:

That hereafter no Indian child shall be sent from any Indian reservation to a school beyond the State or Territory in which said reservation is situated without the voluntary consent of the father or mother of such child if either of them is living, and if neither of them is living without the voluntary consent of the next of kin of such child. Such consent shall be made before the agent of the reservation, and he shall send to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs his certificate that such consent has been voluntarily given before such child shall be removed from such reservation. And it shall be unlawful for any Indian agent or other employee of the Government to induce, or seek to induce, by withholding rations or by other improper means, the parents or next of kin of any Indian to consent to the removal of any Indian child beyond the limits of any reservation. (28 Stats., p. 906.)

Provided, that hereafter no Indian child shall be taken from any school in any State or Territory to a school in any other State against its will or without the written consent of its parents. (29 Stats., p. 348.)

The rules provide that—

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.

An Indian boy or girl 18 years old and over may, without the consent of parents or others, personally sign the application form on its being changed to suit the case.

This form is to be used only in transfers from reservations, or Indian schools, to nonreservation schools.

***Important*—Only those students who desire to come to Carlisle because they have a definite purpose in view will be admitted. Applications for enrollment must be submitted in all cases for consideration before transportation can be made available. Time will then be taken to find out the records students have made in the schools previously attended, and to secure recommendations as to their *moral character* and their worthiness for further attendance at a Government institution.**

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Oct. 19th, 1915.

Mr. Jno. C. Wagner,
Superintendent of Schools,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Wagner:

I enclose herewith for your information as you requested in your favor of the 15th of September the booklet issued by the General Electric Company regarding the work in "The Apprentice System" as it is conducted in their plant at West Lynn, Mass.

If you can assist (Ralph Sexton) to so adjust his course that he will get the best possible preparation for the work he intends to take later on it will be a favor. Will you please advise me in what way coopertion can be extended from this end?

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

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School District
of the
Borough of Carlisle, Pennsylvania

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Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 15, 1915.

Prof. O. H. Lipps,
Supt. U. S. Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Prof. Lipps:

I have entered Ralph Sexton in our high school with the following subjects: Cicero, First Year German, Physics, English, and Mechanical Arts consisting of two periods of mechanical drawing and four periods of shop work. From what he tells me of his work in the west, this is about what he should take with us. In the absence of any certificate of work done in other high schools, we can let him try these subjects and see whether or not he is able to do satisfactory work in them. If you would have him bring to me, the catalogue of the school that he expects to enter in Massachusetts, I would look over the requirements and adjust his course to his best advantage.

Very truly yours,

J. C. Wagner

Supt.

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Guy B. Dickerson
Ralph H. Sexton

Mar. 31st, 1916.

Mr. Gabe E. Parker,
Supt. for the Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, Okla.

My dear Mr. Parker:

I thank you for sending to me so promptly the certified copies of the census cards showing the enrolment of Ralph H. Sexton and Guy B. Dickerson, Choctaws by blood, Roll Nos. 6538 and 9787, respectively, which were mailed to me with your favor of the 28th instant.

The copies have been forwarded to West Lynn, Mass., to be placed on file with the young men's record cards in the educational department of the General Electric Company, where they are to begin their work on the 1st of April.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

Make all remittances payable to
W. M. BAKER, Cashier.

Local Offices:
Vinita, Jay, Nowata, Sapulpa, Okmulgee, Muskogee, Tahlequah, Sallisaw, Poteau, Idabel, Hugo, McAlester, Holdenville, Atoka, Madill, Ardmore, Chickasha, Paulsvalley,

Department of the Interior,

United States Indian Service,

Five Civilized Tribes

Muskogee, Oklahoma,

March 28, 1916.

U. S. INDIAN SCHOOL
REC'D
Superintendent's
MAR 31 1916
OFFICE
CARLISLE, PA.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,
Supt. U. S. Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant you are advised I beg to enclose herewith certified copies of the census cards showing the enrollment of Ralph H. Sexton and Guy B. Dickerson, Choctaws by Blood, Roll Nos. 6532 and 9787, respectively.

Sincerely yours,

Superintendent for the
Five Civilized Tribes.

Get Address of Mr. Alexander from Miss Rice & send these to him for the boys.

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July 16, 1917.

A. S. Wyly, Supervisor,
Five Civilized Tribes Schools,
Muskogee, Okla.

Dear Sir:

When Ralph Sexton was a pupil at this school and was attending school under the outing at the General Electric Company, West Lynn, Mass., the school loaned him a set of mechanical drawing instruments costing about $15. He understood that he was to return these instruments when he was through school at West Lynn. He has failed to do this and although I have written to him twice regarding this matter I have had no word from him.

Will you please assist me in recovering this valuable set of instruments which is Government property.

Very truly yours,

D:R

Superintendent.

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September 15, 1917

Mr. Thomas J. Sexton,

Durant, Okla.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith checks Nos. 34568 and 35924 made payable to your son, Ralph Sexton, in the amounts of $38.16 and $.57, respectively. This closes out his bank account here. The smaller check represents interest received after the first check had been drawn.

Please have him sign and endorse the checks before cashing them. In case he has any trouble in cashing the check for 57¢, please have him sign and endorse it and return it in the enclosed franked envelope and I will send him the amount in postage. I will thank you to attend to this as soon as possible as we are sometimes caused considerable trouble by small checks being held and not cashed.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

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encl.

Kansas City, Mo. July, 26th, 1917.
1725 Jefferson, St.

Supt. Carlisle School,
Carlisle, Penn.

Dear Sir -

I am returning to you by Parcel Post one set of mechanical drawing instruments, which was loaned to my son Ralph Sexton who was attending School under the outing at the General Electric Company, West Lynn, Mass.

I am very sorry that Ralph did not send them back to Carlisle sooner. He had been sick for three weeks before leaving West Lynn, and Mr Lipps consented for ~~Ralph~~ him to go home for a few months to recuperate. The instruments was packed in his trunk amoung his clothes and forgotten. After Ralph had fully recovered the War was declared on Germany and I had him to register and wait further instructions in the matter.

Ralph is anxious to finish School in the South or West, and Mr Lipps wrote me that he could probably finish in an Indian School in California entering this fall. Ralph registered in Durant, Oklahoma his Serial No. 2545. His number was drawn but not in the first draft, being in the last numbers drawn.

Will there be an opportunity for Ralph to take his credits at Carlisle and West Lynn and enter an Indian School in the West? Ralph does not care to enlist in the army, unless the conflict comes to this Country, then he is ready to answer the call.

Please advise me with reference to his further Schooling.

Yours Very Truly,

Thos. J. Sexton

P.S. We are visiting in Kansas City for a month or so, and will be in Durant be the first of September 1917.

asked Mr Bradley by note 8/3/17

Yes.

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Sept. 16th, 1915.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

Durant, Okla.

My dear Sir:

Your son Ralph brought to my office your very excellent letter of the 10th instant, and I take the liberty to state that the advice contained therein is of the very best and should be of incalculable benefit to your boy.

It gives me pleasure to state that I have succeeded in entering your boy as a student in the Technical High School in Carlisle where he will have an opportunity to finish the regular academic work and to acquire a working knowledge of mechanical drawing and other practices that will fit him for the larger activities you intend he shall prepare for as soon as he has completed his High School work. After he has completed successfully the work he can take this year I will have the privilege of recommending him to take the students' course in the General Electric Company's huge establishment at Lynn, Massachusetts. There an opportunity will be given to take practical work in Electrical Engineering and a sufficient amount will be paid him

to meet his expenses if he is economical. As so large a concern is always anxious to secure the services of good men, especially those trained under the direction of their foremen, Ralph should be assured of a good position whenever he completes the work that has been outlined for him to do.

The Technical High School in Carlisle is a new $200,000 establishment in which work is being given for the first time this year and there Ralph will have an opportunity to make the acquaintance of the young people of this community who are not Indians. As such a splendid chance is open to your son I hope you will keep in very close touch with him and his work, and as any time I can let you have information which will enable you to cooperate all the more closely please do not hesitate to let me know what is desired.

Very truly yours,

HKM. Superintendent.

(Copy to Supervisor Wyly.)

Durant, Okla. Sept. 10th, 1915.

Dear Ralph.

We were very glad to get your letters, one to your Mother yesterday and one to me to-day. The cards came and we enjoyed them so much, we have a fair Idea of the School Buildings and think you will be comfortably located for the fall and winter. Your School Code is fine and will be great for you; it is simular to the Code I had to live up to for 3 years in Spencer Academy during my boyhood. Now about you selecting a trade, I would suggest, in as much as your literary training is not as complete as we would wish you to have, that you arrange to finish the High School course, and at the same time take advantage of everything you can get at Carlisle. I am sure when you finish the High School course you will be prepaired to select a trade that you would like to follow in after years. Your just at the age to en oy Athletics for a year or to and prepare your self active work on a trade.

I think that Supt. Lipps will tell you that this age of progression, a young man could select no better profession than Civil Engineering or Electrical Engineering. The U.S. Government, the Railroads and all large corporations are constantly looking for competent young men for these places, then again the work is pleasant and the salry is usually in proportion to a man's ability. Now I would suggest that you talk to your Principle or Mr Lipps and arrange to finish the High School, which will not be hard for you to do, and then select a trade that will give you a greatdeal of out door work for your future. We are going to arrange for you to go to New York and other places when some of the boys go, provided th e Superintendent doesn't mind you going.

Now I have made a suggestion that you may think over, and when you are better acquainted with conditions, and workings of the School, you will then begin to realize the importance of your

privilege of being sent to a great School, located in a great Country of Civilization. I am sure you enjoyed your trip East, which I am sure is different from the Pacific Coast.
Should you decide not to enter the High School, and prefer to take up a trade, let us know before you make definite arrangements and ask Supt. Lipps to communicate with me that I may co-operate fully in anything you may undertake to do.
I have been in the hay field the last three days and am not in much shape for writing, anyway your Mother is to follow me if she hasn't preceded with a letter which will give you all the news that the paper fails to record.

All are up again and William and Tom are going to the Normal.

With best wishes for your health and success in all your undertakings,

I am your Father,

Thos. J Sexton.

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Sept. 21st, 1915.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

R. F. D. 2, Durant, Okla.

My dear Sir:

As my letter of the 16th instant has probably been delivered to you by this date I shall take just time enough to state, in reply to your valued favor of the 19th instant, that your son Ralph has begun his work in the Technical High School in Carlisle and that he expresses himself as well pleased with the chance it will give him.

Hoping I can cooperate further with you to do what you desire for your son, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

Durant, Okla. Sept.19th, 1915.
R.F.D. No. 2.

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

Dear Sir:-

Some days ago my son Ralph H.Sexton whom we sent to Carlisle with a number of others from Oklahoma, wrote me a letter stating that at that time he had not definitely decided what course he would take. I wrote him a letter and told him to get advice from you and his principle, and notify me by return mail what he had concluded to do. Not having heard from him, I write you to konw whether you would permit him to finish in a high School, or enter at once upon the work of a vocation. We are anxious to hear from him, and to know how he is getting along in School. He is a boy that does not talk very much; but a good boy and a good student. It was my desire that Ralph finish High School, then select a vocation that he would follow in after years. We wish to have you write us about Ralph and we will be glad to co-operate with you in the selection of his vocation. Hoping to hear from you and Ralph at the earliest convenience,

I am yours truly,

Thos. J. Sexton.
His father.

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Durant, Okla. Oct. 14th, 1915.
R.F.D.No. 2.

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

My Dear Sir -

It gives Mrs Sexton and myself great pleasure to know that Ralph is satisfied and getting along so nicely in his studies. We wish to thank you for placing him in The Technical High School where he can finish his Academic work this year. I am sure that Ralph will take advantage of every opportunity to finish the High School, as well as the work at Carlisle School. Ralph has had good training and has traveled a greatdeal over the United States for a boy of his age, which we thought would help him to settle down and finish the work we had laid out for him.

We wish to know if it will be necessary for us to furnish Ralph with an Overcoat or other clothing for the winter, The climate up there, I am sure is much colder than in Oklahoma and will require heavier wraps than would requrie here.

We have not been advised as to Ralph's clothing except Mr Wyly of Muskogee, wrote me that all was furnished for the $200.00. Would thank you to advise us along this line, and if it is our duty to furnish anything we will be glad to do so.

It is not our desire to dress Ralph differently from the custom of your School; but to see that he has sufficient warm clothes for the winter.

Please accept my thanks for promoting Ralph to the Athletic Hall for his new quarters, he greatly appreciates the favor.

Yours Very Truly,

Thos. J. Sexton

Oct. 18th, 1915.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

R. F. D. 2, Durant, Okla.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your kind letter of the 14th instant and again take the opportunity to assure you that I will gladly cooperate further as may be desired to give your son Ralph the best possible chance to make good use of his time while he is in the East.

Regarding the matter of furnishing him money to purchase clothing, this is to advise that all necessary articles of clothing are provided him by the Government in return for the amount that is being paid for his tuition. However, there is no objection at all to sending money with which to purchase additional articles of clothing he may desire from time to time. If the amounts you desire to have him use are deposited in our school bank the expenditures will be made under supervision. An overcoat can be given Ralph, but if he desires to purchase one for his use he may do so. Personally, I should prefer to see Ralph wear one of

the coats provided by the Government and to use his money to purchase a raincoat or a coat of lighter weight for the days when a heavy overcoat is not entirely suitable.

At any time Ralph has such matters of personal interest to discuss I will be pleased to see him at my office or to have him see Mr. Meyer, the Secretary of this school.

Very truly yours,

HKM. Superintendent.

Durant, Okla. Nov.19th, 1915.

Hon. O.H.Lipps,
Superintendent,
Carlisle, Pa.

My Dear Mr Lipps

I am in receipt of your letter of the 16th and desire to thank you for same. I had a letter from Ralph also,stating that it was impossible for him to become interested in his High School work. Ralph is a peculiar boy,he had reached the stage that ordinary text book studies did not appeal to him. The last two years he has been wanting to learn a trade,where he could do manual labor,and it has been my desire to push him in his literary work as far as possible and then give him a vocation of his choice. Of late years the Automobile business in this country has been demoralizing to most young men,and I had hoped to get his mind off of this particular line of work; however,I like your plan and suggestions,and that is to enter him in your shop half days and continue his Academic studies the orther half. In this way he will get real manual labor and at the same time fit him for the class your are arranging to take the General Electrical course at West Lynn Massachusetts. Ralph has intimated to me, that he would like to enter the Cadallac Factory at Detroit, Mich. to learn a trade; but I have not written him on the subject until I know more about the business as a life trade. I would be pleased to have him confer with you again,and see if he will enter your shop and take a vocational course at the Carlisle School. I would like to have you feel free to advise Ralph in any course you think he would make the most of in life. I will write him a letter and tell him that your are authorized to act for me in selecting his trade ,as that was my object in sending him away form home to School.

O.H.L. ---2

It is not necessary that Ralph should stop School or go to work to help me to attend to affairs at home. He has his land that was Allotted to him by The Government that will be turned over to him when he becomes of age. Most Indians in this country has never been given a chance to attend School outside of this State. We deem it a great privilege to be given the opportunity to send Ralph to a good School as Carlisle. I hope he will make the most of his time while he is in your School. I will concur in whatever course you select for Ralph, and will do my best to encourage him in all his work.

Very truly yours,

Thos. J. Dupton.

November 27, 1915.

Mr. Ralph Sexton:

I am in receipt of a letter from your father in which he states that if, in my opinion, it is for your best interest to take up a trade, that you have his permission to do so. Please see me about this matter.

Respectfully,

OHL:SR

Superintendent.

November 16, 1915.

Mr. T. J. Sexton,
R. F. D. #2, Durant, Okla.

My dear Mr. Sexton:

Your son Ralph came to see me yesterday about his schooling. He tells me that he finds it impossible to become interested in the high school subjects he is taking, and I was very much surprised when he told me this. I have been inquiring quite regularly of him as to how he was getting along, and he always said that he was getting along real well.

From what Ralph tells me, I believe that he has reached the age where ordinary text book studies do not appeal to him. The ordinary high school course is generally admitted these days to be lacking in its relation to real life work. I believe Ralph wants to do things with his hands. I have had him in mind as a desirable pupil for the General Electric Company's apprenticeship school at West Lynn, Massachusetts. I have made arrangements to send a few Indian boys up there as soon as they are qualified to go. Of course, in all these large industrial plants, a fellow has to get right down to real work. Ralph has not been doing any manual labor recently, and he is naturally somewhat soft in muscle, and I have suggested to him that the best things for him in my opinion is to take our regular vocational course here at the Carlisle school, giving one-half of his time to academic studies and the other half to shop work.

Now, we teach most of the subjects that are taught in a high school with the exception of foreign languages, but we teach them in a very different way. For instance, algebra and geometry are taught in an applied way. We do not have big text books like they have in high schools, but we teach the principles and the student applies those principles as he learns them. The fact is that the students taking our vocational courses get a great deal more out of those studies than the high school student, so far as understanding their practical use is concerned.

Ralph appears to be a splendid young man and seems rather

restless and uneasy, which I attribute to his desire to do something in which he can develop his skill. Before taking any steps, however, to have Ralph change his work, I would like to have your recommendation in the matter. If he were my own boy, feeling as he does about the matter, I should not hesitate to put him right in the shop here at the school half of the day and let him take academic studies the other half. In fact, I have my oldest girl now doing that very thing here at the Indian school, rather than let her attend the high school in town. She is showing a great deal more interest in her school work this year than she has ever shown before, and I think that is due to the fact that she is doing practical things, such as sewing, cooking, etc.

I shall be very glad to carry out your wishes in the matter, and just as soon as I hear from you I will have another talk with Ralph.

Very truly yours,

OHL:SR

Superintendent.

Dec. 23rd, 1915.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

Durant, Oklahoma.

My dear Mr. Sexton:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 15th instant in regard to your son Ralph's work here. In reply thereto I must state that he has been placed in our shops here for such a period of time as is believed necessary to give him the training he should have to begin his studies in the General Electric Company's works. In our shops he will familiarize himself with the use of tools, the lathe, the drill press, etc., etc. He will learn how to start and stop a motor, how to weld and work in brass. When he does go to the General Electric Company's establishment he will not be a "green" hand, but he will have such a knowledge of what he has to work with that he should be able to make much more rapid progress than the usual high school or college bred man who knows nothing about work and the tools and machinery with which the commonest kind of work is done.

I believe that the opportunity to be trained by the General Electric Company is too splendid a one to think of

giving it up at this time. Ralph has completed more academic work than will be required for his entrance into the Company's plant for the special training he is to receive, and as he is now being trained in the actual work he would have to do there is no question at all in my mind that it would be a mistake not to have him go ahead with what has been planned for him.

Our Director of Mechanic Arts, Mr. Bradley, intends to write to you when an opportunity presents itself in regard to Ralph and his work.

Assuring you that we want to cooperate with you to do what is believed best for your son and that your further suggestions will have careful consideration, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

Durant, Okla. Dec.15th, 1915.

Hon. O.H.Lipps,
Superintendent,
Carlisle, Pa.

My Dear Sir

I noticed in The Arrow that Ralph had entered the shop work at Carlisle for a two months term. I hope he will like it and make good in his new work. I had a letter from him recently stating that he was well pleased in the change and that he was going to try to make good .

I noticed in the Arrow that you are to appoint some more boys soon to take the training in The Cadillac or Ford Automobile Factories at Detroit,Mich. I have been thinking the matter over seriously for Ralph and have concluded that he would be better satisfied to stay in the East if I would concent to let him enter one of those Factories as an apprentice; provided you would select him as a student form Carlisle. There seems to be something fascinating about the business to him;because he writes me how the boys are getting along that are now in the Factories. At first I was opposed to him taking the training; but after I thaught the matter over,and after a more thorough investigation of the training of boys in those plants,I am convinced that therewas more to the traning than I had any Idea there was,before I took the time to investigate.

Then again I thaught it would be hard to keep Ralph in School for a period of four years to complete an Electrical course. I knew he was tired of School before I sent him away;but I was anxious to give him the best training I could while I had him under good control. The training at Carlisle in just fine and he now relizes that his time is not to be wasted. Should he make good in his shop work and you think he would accomplish more at one of The Automobile Factories ,then I would be pleased to have you recommend him for a place to continue his training.

I desire to again thank you for the kind advice you have given Ralph and assure you that I am ready to co operate further, and do anything I can to help the good work.

With best wishes for your success,

I am yours truly,

Thos J Sipton

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Mar. 31st, 1916.

Mr. M. W. Alexander,
Educational Dept., General Electric Co.,
West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Mr. Alexander:

I transmit herewith certified copies of records attesting further the ages of Ralph H. Sexton and Guy B. Dickerson, the young men from this school who left yesterday to begin their work under your direction.

Trusting that your records can now be made as complete as is required and assuring you that I will gladly cooperate further with you as may be desired, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Encls.

HMM.

Superintendent.

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March 22nd, 1916.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

Durant, Oklahoma.

My dear Mr. Sexton:

Noting in your letter of March the 14th that you desire to be advised what your duties are in connection with the selection of your son Ralph to take a course of work in the apprenticeship school of the General Electric Company at West Lynn, Massachusetts, I respectfully state that there will be little else than to keep in as close touch with Ralph as you have been so that your help and influence will be an inspiration if becoming adjusted to new conditions at West Lynn requires unusual effort.

The amount the boys are to receive while they are receiving instruction will be enough to keep them going if they live economically, and if you provide Ralph with any additional funds I trust it will be in such limited amounts that he will be compelled to plan carefully and economically to make ends meet. A part of his business training should be the actual experience of having to make ends meet.

I am glad the opportunity can be given your son to enter a field of work that is as extensive as that covered by the General Electric Company alone and which is evidently yet in its infancy, and you can rest assured that if Guy Dickerson is as splendid an influence at West Lynn as he has been here your son could not well select a better companion.

Trusting you will not hesitate to let me hear from you at any time I can aid in any way in the further training of your son, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM. Superintendent.

Durant, Okla.
Mch. 14th 1916

O. H. Lipps.
Supt. Carlisle School

My Dear Sir:-

Ralph writes me that he has been selected as one of the Students to go to West Lynn. Mass. Mrs. Sexton and myself are very much pleased to have you select Ralph, and we are sure that he will try to measure up to the confidence you have placed in him. As I am not familiar with your Rules and regulations, would thank you to advise me what my duties are in Connection

Ralph's new Studies.
ish to co-operate with
in any way we can,
hope Ralph will be pleased
with ~~with~~ the Electrical Work
and I am sure we will
encourage him all we can
Ralph writes that Guy
Dickenson (his room mate)
is planning to go with him.
Guy is a few years older than
Ralph, but I hope he will
settle down and take advantage
of his opportunities.
I will wait to hear from
you, then I will write
Ralph a long letter.

Yours Very truly
Thos. J. Leyton.

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March 28, 1916

Mr. C. M. Liggett, Treasurer,
Borough Schools,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith my check for $13.50 which is to cover tuition of Ralph Sexton in the Carlisle High School for two and one-half months, ending in December, 1915.

Very respectfully,

Superintendent.

CVP:LG
Encl.

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Carlisle, Pa., March 28th, 1916.

U.S. INDIAN SCHOOL
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Superintendent's
MAR 29 1916
OFFICE
CARLISLE, PA.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,
Supt. U. S. Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Lipps:-

Your letter of the 28th inst. enclosing check for $12.50 to cover tuition of Ralph Sexton, Carlisle High School, two and one-half months, is at hand for which please accept my thanks.

Yours very truly,

C. M. Liggett

Treas.

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May 8th, 1916.

Mr. Ralph Sexton,
C/o General Electric Company,
West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Friend:

As a reply to our letter of the 20th ultimo in regard to the band uniform you are believed to have has not been received I beg leave to ask that you let me hear from you without delay.

Mr. Tyrrell is charged with the uniform and desires to have it located before the closing day of this school year.

Please remember me to Guy and accept my sincere regards.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

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April 30, 1916

Mr. Ralph Sexton,
c/o General Electric Co.,
West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Ralph:

Mr. Tyrrell informs me that there is one band uniform missing, and he thought that you might have taken same with you, thinking that these uniforms were the property of the boys. If you have one, kindly return same by parcel post. Enclosed find frank that you may use in lieu of stamps for forwarding the uniform.

Yours respectfully,

RHB:SR

Acting Superintendent.

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May 18th, 1916.

Mr. Ralph Sexton,

184 W. Commons St., West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of the 15th instant has been received, in which you explained that your band uniform was handed to James Holy Eagle when you left Carlisle. In reply to your letter let me state that your report to that effect has been verified, but it would have been very much better to see to it that the uniform was handed to Mr. Tyrrell before you left, as Holy Eagle has since then allowed another boy to wear it and it is not located yet. Needless search and correspondence has been necessitated.

I am pleased to know you are getting along so well with your work and that you are entitled to receive an increase in wages. If you can make but little more than expenses be sure to make ends meet and when you do earn more money you will enjoy the extra amount all the more.

Kindly remember me to Guy Dickerson and accept my best wishes for continued success in your work.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

U. S. INDIAN SCHOOL
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OFFICE
CARLISLE, PA.

West Lynn,
May 13, 1916.

Dear Mr. Lipps;

Your letter regarding to the band uniform was received. I should have written to you about it sooner, but have neglected to do so.

Before I left the school I gave it to James H. Eagle and asked him to

return it to Mr. Tyrell for me. I suppose he forgot about it, so I wrote him a letter over a week ago but have received no answer from him. So if some one will remind him of it the uniform will be returned.

We are getting along very well with our work now that we are accustomed to the place. We will not start with our school work until the first of Sept.

Guy and I passed an examination two weeks ago and are now entitled to complete this course in three years with credit for the first years work.

We just get 10½ cents an hour so far. That amounts to $5.46 a week, and it takes all of it for our expenses. We are entitled to 12½ now but have not received it.

We think of Carlisle a great deal, and know the training we received there has helped us with our work very much.

Have had the pleasure of seeing many places that I read about in my History.

We send our best regards

Yours sincerely,
Ralph Sexton.

July 20, 1916.

Mr. Thomas J. Sexton
Durant, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

I quote below a letter which came to me this morning from Mr. Alexander, the head of the Educational Department of the General Electric Company, West Lynn, Massachusetts.

" I have your favor of July 8, inquiring about Guy Dickerson and Ralph Sexton, the two Carlisle Indians who entered our apprentice course. Ralph Sexton's father wrote us a short time ago to have his son take two months vacation in order that he might come home during his mother's illness. This permission was granted and when Ralph Sexton started on his vacation Guy Dickerson left with no other excuse than that he did not like it here. While both young men were very diligent while with us they showed no initiative and I doubt whether they will ever make any more than ordinary machinists. However, their stay here was too short perhaps to pass judgment and the above opinion should therefore be taken with due consideration of this fact. "

The above letter is my first and only information that your son in company with Guy Dickerson had left West Lynn. I supposed that they were there continuing their studies. I am very sorry that it will be necessary to record these boys in our school records as deserters. I am disappointed too that you did not write me that you wanted your boy at home. I should have been glad to have granted my permission for both boys to take a vacation and it was not at all necessary that they should have left in the manner they did, without an honorable discharge from the school

July 20, 1916.

Mr. Casper Cornelius

and in Guy's case, not even permission from the authorities at the General Electric Company.

These boys have not only spoiled their own records by acting as they did, but they have made it almost impossible to get openings in that institution for other Indian boys.

I am much disappointed not only because our confidence seems to have been so misplaced but because the boys have not taken advantage of the great opportunity offered by the Company. I trust however, that the boys may be able to continue their schooling elsewhere and that this mistake will not stand in their way of their making the best use of future opportunities.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

July 20, 1916.

Mr. J. W. Alexander
Department of Education
General Electric Co.,West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Mr. Alexander:-

I have your letter of the 18th inst relative to the two Carlisle Indian boys Ralph Sexton and Guy Dickerson and am sorry to learn that they had left you. Your letter was the first information I had of their departure.

I am much disappointed that they boys have not taken advantage of the opportunites offered by your Company.

Thanking you for your interest in our boys,

I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

LECTRIC COMPANY

EST LYNN, MASS.

In Reply Refer to

July 18, 1916.

Mr. Oscar H. Lipps, Supt.

United States Indian School,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

I have your favor of July 8, inquiring about Guy Dickerson and Ralph Sexton, the two Carlisle Indians who entered our apprentice course. Ralph Sexton's father wrote us a short time ago to have his son take two months vacation in order that he might come home during his mother's illness. This permission was granted and when Ralph Sexton started on his vacation Guy Dickerson left with no other excuse than that he did not like it here. While both young men were very diligent while with us they showed no initiative and I doubt whether they will ever make any more than ordinary machinists. However, their stay here was too short perhaps to pass judgment and the above opinion should therefore be taken with due consideration of this fact.

Very truly yours,

EAS/M

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June 14th, 1916.

Mr. Ralph Sexton,

West Lynn, Massachusetts.

My dear Friend:

Your letter of the 8th instant has been received here and we are pleased to know that Guy and you have received the increase in wages which will enable you to get along a little more satisfactorily. As the question of making ends meet on a limited income is a part of the excellent training you have an opportunity to get I hope you have enjoyed the experience of being careful about your expenditures and that now you appreciate all the more the increased wages.

It has been noted that you are planning to go to your home for a vacation, but before you leave West Lynn you should have a definite understanding as to the time when you should return to resume your work and studies. No objections to your going to Oklahoma will be interposed if such a plan meets with the approval of those who are in charge of your work at the Company's works.

Referring to the inquiry contained in your letter in regard to money to your credit in our school bank, this

is to advise that your account shows a balance of but 17 cents.

Trusting the summer will be pleasant for Guy and you and with best wishes for your continued success, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

West Lynn, Mass.
June 8, 1916.

Dear Mr. Lipps,

Received Mr. De Huff's letter concerning the band uniform, and am sorry it caused so much trouble.

We are getting along very well with our work. Received our raise a few

weeks ago, which makes it a little better for us.

School will soon be out so the boys are planning for a vacation. Mr. Bripp told me yesterday that I could have a vacation, so I wrote my father about it. Guy does not want to go to Okla. this year but might take a two weeks vacation and go to Maine.

I expect to leave about the last of this month if I possibly can.

I would like to know if there is still some money in the bank there deposited to my credit.

Hoping to hear from you soon I will close. Yours truly

Ralph Sexton

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July 29, 1916.

Mr. Thomas J. Sexton
Durant, Oklahoma.

My dear Mr. Sexton:-

Your letter to Mr. Lipps relative to your son Ralph, comes to my attention during his absence. I am very sorry that this serious error has been made by us. The correspondence shows that on the 14th of June, the Secretary wrote Ralph a letter giving him permission to go to his home. Mr. Alexander's letter informing Mr. Lipps that both Ralph and Guy had left their company, was received during the absence of the Secretary, hence the misunderstanding. Mr. Lipps was much interested in the boys and he was very much disappointed when he thought they had left the company without notifying some one in authority here. I am sure he will be glad to know that Ralph expects to return east in September to continue his work.

I am sorry to learn of Mrs. Sexton's serious illness but trust that before this letter reaches you, she will be much improved. Thanking you for your good letter and with my best wishes to you, Mrs. Sexton and your boy, I am

Very truly yours

NRD

Chief Clerk in Charge.

Durant, Okla. July, 24th, 1916.

Hon. O.H.Lipps,
Superintendent,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir -

I have your letter of the 20th relative to Ralph's vacation from West Lynn. In reply beg to advise that Ralph's Mother has been sick for several months past, and is now in the Hospital at Sherman Texas and will probably be there for a week or so yet. I have had three different doctors with her in the last 30 days. It was at the request of Mrs Sexton that I ask the Electric Company for Ralph to come home. Mr Tripp Superintendent at West Lynn granted my request, and I ask Ralph to write you for like permission, which he did, and your Secretary granted the request, and ask Ralph to report back at

st Lynn September 1st as per agreement. I am sorry that you think he has deserted. It is not the case with Ralph, As to Guy Dickinson, Victor Kelly has something to do with him, and it is said that Guy will do what Kelly advises him to do. Ralph brot a contract back with him from the Electric Co. and I have signed it with him and will have him report to Mr Alexander Sept. 1st. unless I get further instructions. I am sorry you did not see Ralph's request, by me to you, and answered by your Secretary during your absence. I am sure that Ralph has not left dishonorably. He and myself appreciates, very much the courtesy shown him, and I assure you we are ready to carry out our contract. I will be pleased to forward you certificates from three Physicians showing my wife's serious Illness, and the necessity for Ralph to come home. Now it is my desire that you do not class Ralph with Guy, Guy will not stick, and Ralph will, Guy is a good boy ; but has the

rong influence from here. I heard yesterday that Victor Kelly had signed Guy Dickenson up with a Ball Team in Texas where Kelly is to coach next season. If you will remember I called your attention to Guy's influence on my boy as soon as I heard of the transfer. My boy will return to School like a man, and obey your instruction just the same as if he was in Carlisle. If Ralph has not already mailed his contract to Mr Alexander, I will maal it out to him myself right away.

Thanking you for your interest in my boy, and assuring you that the confidence you placed in him has not been misplaced; but will be carried out in good faith to the end.

Yours very truly,

Thos. J. Sefton.

West Lynn, Mass
Sept. 13, 1916.

Dear Mr. Lipps.

Arrived here Sunday night, but did not get started in my work until yesterday.

I am a week behind in my school work, but will catch up within a few days.

I have gotten some of my books

and will get a few tools. I would like to know if I could have one of the drawing sets from the school to use, if there is one to spare. I have to use one every day and it would help that much.

I am rooming at the same place, so they can send the Arrow to the same address.

student sets. I will have to ask you to

I like to get news from the school.

I will write often and let you know how I am getting along with my work.

The boys here were glad to see me come back. It will not be so lonesome for me as I know a good many of them.

Will close for this time.

Yours truly
Ralph Leyton

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September 16, 1916.

Mr. Ralph Sexton
Care Mr. C. K. Trippe
General Electric Company
West Lynn, Mass.

Dear Ralph:-

I was glad to getyour letter and to know that you had gotten nicely started with your year's work. You have a great opportunity there and I hope you will keep well so that you can complete the course in full.

I have spoken to Mr. Bradley about a set of drawing instruments and he has promised to let you have one of the school sets. I will have to ask you to give me a receipt for these as they are government property and we must have something to show where they are. You can send this to me when you receive the instruments.

You failed to give me your street number in your last letter. Will you please do this and I will place your name on the Arrow list.

Wishing you continued success, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

West Lynn,
Sept. 21, 1916.

Dear Mr. Lipps,

Received the drawing set and was very glad to get it. I will take the best of care of the instruments. I send receipt for them.

They will help me very much as I have to get a good many expensive tools and also books.

I have started in the school work and am getting

q nicely.

I have been sick for a day or two but feel much better. I suppose it is from the change of climate, as it is very cool here.

I meant to give my address in my last letter, but failed to do so. It is 427 Summer St.

Will write again soon and let you know how I am progressing.

Yours truly,
Ralph Leyton

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

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OUTING SYSTEM

MRS. NELLIE R. DENNY, Manager.
MISS LIDA M. JOHNSTON, Girls' Agent.
MR. D. H. DICKEY, Boys' Agent.

September 16, 1916.

Received of Mr. O. H. Lipps, Superintendent Carlisle Indian School, Pennsylvania, as a loan

1 leather case containing 1 dozen drawing instruments, value Fifteen Dollars ($15.00).

Ralph H. Sexton

Return this

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Sept. 8th, 1916.

Mr. Thos. J. Sexton,

Durant, Okla.

Dear Mr. Sexton:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 30th ultimo and to inform you that your son Ralph arrived here this afternoon. I have just had a long talk with him in my office and am glad to know that the place at West Lynn is as attractive a one for our advanced students to get additional training as was anticipated when he was one of our selections to take the special work. It is also gratifying to know that he is eager to resume his work and studies, and his return to the Company's workshops should be the means of giving us an opportunity to recommend other deserving boys for a similar chance for advancement. I only regret that Guy B. Dickerson did not see what an opportunity he was passing up when he left West Lynn without arranging for his return, as he has so many excellent qualities not too common in young men of his age.

Trusting that all of us shall hear from time to time during the year that Ralph is again making a success of his work, I am,

Very truly yours,

HKM. Superintendent.

Durant, Okla. Aug. 30th, 1916.

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

Dear Sir -

I am arranging for Ralph to leave here on or about Sept, 1st. Should the trainsman strike occur he may be delayed en Route. If nothing happens he will go straight to West Lynn to School as per contract.

Ralph will write you as soon as he reaches West Lynn, that you may know he is returning in good faith.

Yours very truly,

Thos J Sefton

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West Lynn, Mass.
Nov. 20, 1916.

Dear Mr. Lipps,

Received the clothes last week and appreciate them very much.

It snowed for about three hours last week, but did not amount to very much.

Received a letter from Guy Dickerson to-day. He is not playing foot-ball now, but is working his way through the Southern Methodist University of Dallas, Texas.

said he found out he could get along just as well without being a foot-ball star.

I had the pleasure of hearing "Billy" Sunday last Friday, and I think he is a wonderful man. I hope to hear him again soon.

I would like to have one of the school catalogues if you will send one. I had one but it was misplaced and I can not find it now.

Wishing the school every success, I will close.

Sincerely,

Ralph Seyton.

November 22, 1916.

Mr. Ralph Sexton
427 Sumner St.,
West Lynn, Mass.

My dear Ralph:-

I received your letter and have mailed to you a copy of our school catalog.

I am glad to know you are keeping well and progressing in your school work. I am also glad to know what you have told me about Guy Dickerson. If he would let football alone now and get down to real hard work in school, he can make something of himself.

With best wishes for your continued success, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

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January 26, 1917.

Mr. M. F. Tripp
Department of Education
General Electric Company, West Lynn, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter from the father of Ralph Sexton, in which he informs me that he has sent his son money to pay his fare home. He tells me that Ralph has been sick most of the time since Christmas and has not been able to attend classes. This being the case, his father, it seems, has done the right thing. He says he is not financially able to stand for all the expenses brought about by his son's illness.

I have been ambitious for Ralph and hoped that he would be able to finish the course there but of course, we must consider the matter of health first. I have advised him not to give up on this account but to try to get something to do along the lines he has been working, after he gets well, near his home, where the climate is more apt to agree with him.

Thanking you for what you have done for our Indian boys and for your interest in them, I am

Very truly yours

NRD

Superintendent.

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January 26, 1917.

Mr. Ralph Sexton
427 Summer St.,
West Lynn, Mass.

Dear Ralph:-

Upon my return from Washington, I find a letter upon my desk from your father saying that he had sent you money so that you could go home. He tells me that you have been sick most of the time since Christmas and have therefore been unable to attend classes. This being the case, I think the best thing you can do is just what your father has advised you to do, go home until you have recovered your health. After that you can continue your work along the lines you have selected. It may be well however that you remain in your native climate to do this. With your year's experience with the General Electric, you should be able to handle a pretty fair job and this is the end to which you should work, after you get well and strong again.

I shall keep up my interest in you and will be pleased to hear from you whenever you feel like writing to me. Will you let me know when you leave West Lynn ?

With my best wishes to you, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD
Copy to Thos.J.Sexton
Rosedale, Kan.

ST. LOUIS - SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY COMPANY

J. M. FLANIGAN,
SUPERINTENDENT TERMINALS.

KANSAS CITY, MO. Jan. 21st 1917

Hon. O. A. Lipps.
Supt. Carlisle. Pa.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of several letters from Ralph at West Lynn, Mass. in which he states that he has been sick and off of duty most of the time since Xmas. He says his health is failing, that the Climate does not agree with him. I wrote him yesterday that if his health would not permit his staying any longer, that he may come home. His board and Lodging is costing me quite a bit while he is sick and I am not financially able to board him there and keep expenses up here at the same time. I would thank you to let him come home, and we will put him under treatment of our family Physician here and build his health up again.

ST. LOUIS - SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY COMPANY

J. M. FLANIGAN,
SUPERINTENDENT TERMINALS.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

He says the climate is too cold, and having been raised in the South I am under the impression that he can't stand it in the North. I was very anxious that he complete his Course as a Student from Carlisle; but it looks now, that he will have to give it up. I would be pleased to have you suggest a plan to him to take up when he comes home. I understand Mr Henry Ford would probably give him a position in the South to demonstrate his new Starter, which I am sure Ralph would like to do. I find that Ralph must work in the open on account of his health. I will send him some money right away to pay his way home. I wish to again thank for your interest in Ralph and I assure he appreciates your Kindness. He will always speak Kindly for you and Carlisle School. I am temporarily at Kansas City, but will be

ST. LOUIS - SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY COMPANY

J. M. FLANIGAN,
SUPERINTENDENT TERMINALS.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

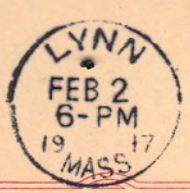
at Durant the first of February. a letter will reach me at Rosedale. Kansas for a month or so.

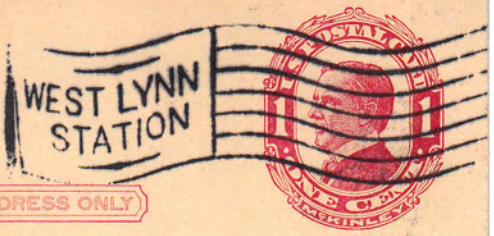
I take the liberty to advise him in his sickness; because I understand him better than anyone else.

No doubt Ralph will write you fully if he has not already done so before he leaves the School.

Yours very truly

Thos J Sefton





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

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Dear Mr Lipps: I
am leaving West
Lynn to-night.
I thought I would
not start for
a week yet, but
received a Telegram
from my father
saying that was
a pass for me
in St. Louis. I
was released from
my contract with
the Co. Mr Tripp
was very nice
Ralph Sutton

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West Lynn, Mass
Jan. 28, 1917

Dear Mr. Lipps,

Your letter received. I wrote to my father last week and was waiting to hear from him. I received a letter from him and, as you said, he advised me to come home and rest for a while.

I have been sick since Christmas and not able to work but about eight

days this month. I have not been very well since I came back and I dont think it would be the best for me to stay here.

When I went home last summer I was not very well, but thought I would soon get accustomed to this climate. But find it is too much of a change for me.

I have kept up with some of my school work this month but did not take much interest in it because I did not feel like it.

I dont like to give up the work but I think it will be the best. I have had good experience in the year that I have been with the General Electric Co.

I appreciate the opportunity and the interest you have

taken in me very much. And regret that I am not able to continue my work here.

I hope before long I will be able to continue, but I guess it will be better to stay South.

I dont expect to leave for two weeks or more, but will let you know when I do.

Yours truly,
Ralph H. Sexton

4686

April 27, 1917.

Mr. Thomas J. Sexton
Durant, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

When your son Ralph was attending school at West Lynn, Massachusetts, Mr. Lipps, former superintendent of this school, loaned him a set of electrical instruments belonging to the governmen t, which he has not yet returned to this school. Will you please have your son return these to me at his earliest opportunity as I must account for them.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

4686

March 17, 1917.

Mr. Ralph Sexton
Durant, Oklahoma.

Dear Ralph:-

I have been waiting for the return of the set of drafting instruments which was loaned to you while you were at West Lynn. Will you please return this set to me at your earliest convenience. As you were told when these instruments were loaned to you, they are government property and I am responsible for their care.

I hope that you are improving in health and that you will be able to resume your studies before long. With my kind regards to your parents and to yourself, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

March 14, 1917.

ALBERT S. WYLY, SUPERVISOR

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MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA. July 30, 1917.

Supt. John Francis,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Francis:

Referring to former correspondence with reference to instruments loaned to Ralph Sexton while attending school under the outing at the General Electric Company, West Lynn, Mass., I have a letter from Mr. Thomas J. Sexton, Ralph's father, in which he states that he returned the instruments to you on July 26. I trust you have them by this time.

Yours very truly,

A. S. Wyly.
Supervisor.

ASW-H.

These have been received and are OK
RHB.