

## CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

4777

NUMBER 5484	ENGLISH NAME Ben Spears	AGENCY	NATION Chippewa
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS Ponemah, Minn.	
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD	BLOOD full	AGE 23	HEIGHT
FATHER	MOTHER	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Dec. 30, 1915	FOR WHAT PERIOD	DATE DISCHARGED Sept. 30, 1917	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Termination of leave
TO COUNTRY May 21-1917	PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS On leave		FROM COUNTRY

SHAW-WALKER, BOSTON, MICHIGAN. 43445.

Months in school before Carlisle, .....

Trade entered at Carlisle, .....

Trade at date of Discharge, .....

Trade or Industry, .....

Church, ..... Episcopal

NAME OF AGENCY AND RESER-  
VATION, IF ENROLLED; IF NOT,  
POST OFFICE OF FAMILY.

23	Chippewa
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Red Lake, Minn.

REMARKS.

(Temporarily absent, outing, deserters, on sick leave,  
special authorities for enrollment, etc.)

12-30-15

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TO COUNTRY

FROM COUNTRY

DATE DISCHARGED \_\_\_\_\_

Sept. 1916

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~~MAY 20 1917~~

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SEP 30 1917

Dropped from leaf

Episcopa

~ 1639 ~

(Date)

APR.

Remarks:

80<sup>06</sup>

Benidji Minn. June 3/17

Mr Francis  
Carlisle Pa.

I thought I would  
write to you this morning  
First of all I will say  
to you that I have <sup>just</sup> got out  
at Benidji Hospital, and  
I had my neck operated  
last Monday. I went  
home last week, I stayed  
home only 2 days and  
I came <sup>back</sup> to Benidji.

I may stay at Red Lake  
Hospital yet. I will be  
all well in two weeks.

I want you to send all  
my money to Ponemah,  
Minnesota. I will have  
ice cream stand all sum-  
mer, I had already started.



I need little more money to buy some more stuff for my stand. After 14<sup>th</sup> of July I will send my money back to Carlisle, if I decide to go back to Carlisle by that time.

I am come' some for Carlisle since I left. Hoping to get a reply from you by writing to me in a near future.

Ben Spears  
Ponemah, Minn.

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June 5, 1917.

Mr. Ben Spears,  
Ponemah, Minn.

Dear friend:

I have your letter of the 2nd inst. and am sorry to hear that you have been sick, I hope, however, that your operation will be successful and that you will have no further trouble with your neck.

I note your request for the balance of money due you and am sending you herewith a check for \$90.06 which closes your account.

I am glad to know that you have some definite work to do for the summer and I hope you will be very successful with your stand at the lake.

With my best wishes, I am,

Yours friend,

John Francis, Jr.

Superintendent.

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cc Walter F. Dickens

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May 24, 1917, 191

This certifies that Benjamin Spears  
(Name of student.)  
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(Name of school.)

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Arithmetic		94
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Physiology and hygiene		79
Writing		89
Drawing		83
Carpentry	1st Voc.	91

Effort

Deportment

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Superintendent.

Principal.



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and ~~is~~ ~~is not~~ eligible to pursue work in the Sixth grade, academic; and  
(Cancel one.)

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May 21, 1917.

Mr. Duran:--

Benjamin Spears is to go home today, on the train leaving Carlisle at 10:48 A.M. He will be reported "On Leave".

Respectfully



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November 18, 1916

Mr. O. L. Buchner, Principal,  
Cross Lake School,  
Ponemah, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th instant enclosing your personal check in the sum of \$65.00 for delivery to Ben Spears, a pupil of this school. Same has been deposited to his credit here.

Yours very truly,

Chief Clerk in Charge.

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Enc.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

CROSS LAKE SCHOOL,

Ponemah, Minn., Nov. 15, 1916.

Superintendent Indian School,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:-

I am herewith enclosing you my personal check in the sum of \$65.00 for delivery to Ben Spears, a student in your school, or for deposit under your official credit as Individual Indian Money, Pupils as you deem best. Please acknowledge receipt of the money. This money comes from the sale of Ben's horse by his brother, Tom Spears.

Very respectfully,

*Oliver L. Buckner*  
Principal.

*Miss S.  
ack. receipt.*