## BRIEF

## Application of

Alex Traversie.

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

Himselfi

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

## Carlisle, Pennsylvania

#### NAME OF AGENCY FROM WHICH PUPIL CAME:

Date of enrollment December 1913. 191

Term of enrollment Three ( 5 ) years

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# Application for Enrollment in a Non-Reservation School. (For a child enrolled at an Agency)

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#### PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that I have this day carefully examined the above-named child herein proposed for transfer and find 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 26 hay of delewber , 19/3

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Caucion Ball Substation

Physician at Standar Rock 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 Augusta Traversie (Parent, guardian, or next of kin.) was voluntary, and I recommend the transfer of said child.

This 17 day of February , 19 14

Acting-Supervisor-in-charge 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.

### 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.

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Febr. 2nd, 1916.

Ers. Augustine Traversie,
Cannon Ball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

I regret very much to state, in reply to your letter of January the 27th, that your son Alex has not been doing well at all for the last several months. He has really accomplished so little during all the time he has been enrolled at Carlisle that it seems useless to have him waste more of his own time and of all of us here who have to give his special attention.

At the present time he is in the County Jail in Carlisle, and the Judge stated only this morning that he will have to remain there until an amount of \$26.97 is paid to cover the costs of a recent action he brought against a negro here in Carlisle.

Alex had taken another boy from this school into one of the alleys in Carlisle to teach him how to secure whiskey. An amount of two dollars seems to have been given to a negro and when the latter did not appear with the whiskey Alex made information before a Justice of the Peace. Then the case

Mrs. Augustine Traversie.

came before the Court proof was lacking and the costs were charged to Alex.

I must state further that Alex drinks liquor whenever he gets a chance to do so and that it is a most difficult matter to keep him out of town and out of bad company there.

Very respectfully.

HKH.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Office of Indian Affairs)
(Copy to Superintendent Govey)

Jan 27 1913 Common Ball Lir Mr Sepps Il drop you a few lines didn't get any report from my son alex Traverses sence last October I like to know how he his getting along in his lesson and trade Respeakful Mrs. Eugenste Traury

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Febr. 16th, 1915.

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Mrs. Augusta Traversie,

Cannon Ball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

I regret to advise you, in reply to your letter of the 7th instant, that your son is yet confined to the County Jail here in Carlisle and that there is no way of effecting his release except by payment of the costs I referred to in my other letter.

I must also state that there is very little, if anything at all, which can be said in favor of your son, so
when his release from the jail is effected he will have to
be sent away from Carlisle. The time has come at Carlisle
when only students who try to make good use of their time
can be allowed to remain here.

I essure you that this is a most unpleasant task to me to make such unfavorable reports about your son's conduct, but all our work in Alex's behalf seems to have been in vain.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Supt. Covey)

Feb 7 1915 Cannon Ball ir dir bread your letter many a times I am very sorry that aleks is drinking I am sorry that he his in fail I hope that it wont happyn any more I wevery saw him drinking any likor I hope her will be a good boy when he gets out of fail Olice give him a good advise he might be better I hope that he will behave him self from now on and dint do his lesson yours Truly

In augusta Traverse

February 19, 1915.

Mr. Claude C. Covey, Supt., Standing Rock Indian School, Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Mr. Coveyl

Alex Traversie, a young Indian enrolled at this school from your reservation, I have to advise that we are looking out for the young man's welfare, and I wish to assure you that Alex brought this case against the negro without my knowledge when he was in the act of committing the offense of procuring liquor, a deed he has been guilty of doing numerous times, I am informed, since he has been here.

Our disciplinarian, Mr. Griffiths, has gone personally to the Judge and explained the case, and while the Judge did not state positively, he gave the impression that he would discharge the boy provided his folks were unable to pay the costs. I will have Mr. Griffiths go to the Judge again right away and explain the situation to him fully.

I have taken the position that if we ever expect to make anything out of the Indian, we must let him know that he must share his responsibilities along with the privileges that we are continually urging in his behalf. If the Government is willing to pay the expenses of a boy across the continent to Carlisle, giving him free board, clothing, tuition, medical attendance, etc.,

and that boy gets into trouble and proves by all of his actions undeserving, it seems to me that it is only fair to require such a boy to pay the cost of his return to his home, provided, of course, he is able to do so.

We are always willing and glad to cooperate with superintendents on the reservations and their recommendations will govern our actions as far as possible in dealing with cases of this kind. However, I find that a large number of our students have more money than the average white boys and girls, and we have no way of knowing what their financial condition is, except through the superintendents of the reservations from which they come. In fact, last year our students spent, according to our records, more than \$30,000 of their own money. They spend probably a great many thousands of which we have no record, funds coming to them direct of which we have no knowledge.

past have not been conducive for developing the best in boys and girls, and it is those conditions I have been trying in every way possible to remedy. The only way I know to raise the standard of any school is to make strict entrance requirements, and to take in only such students whose past records have demonstrated their earnestness and worthiness to warrant the large expense of bringing them to Carlisle and giving them further opportunities at Government expense. We are not using the big stick at Carlisle: We are doing everything in our power

to appeal to the best there is in the nature of the boys and girls, and if anything we are on the side of leniency rather than otherwise.

Traversie has been giving trouble for a long time. He has been appealed to in every way possible. His punishment by being placed in the Carlisle jail has been nothing more than he really deserved. If he does not mend his ways now, the only other alternative will be to send him home. I am always willing to give a boy another chance, provided he shows any disposition to take advantage of that chance and his opportunities.

I realize fully that you are not to blame for the class of students that we have been getting from the Standing Rock Reservation. They are probably not worse than many we have received from other tribes. I realize too that we should have some institution specially equipped for handling such boys as Traversie, but a school on the order of any of our nonreservation schools is not the proper places for handling such boys. I am strongly in favor of an Indian reform school, but I have never seen a school yet like Carliele, Haskell or Chiloceo that could afford to take in incorrigibles to any great extent without demoralizing the whole institution. It is not done in any other class of schools and it cannot be done in Indian schools. In fact in my efforts to get our Indian boys and girls to continue their education in other schools, I find invariably that the chief thing that the school authorities

want to know is regarding the character of the applicant. There are no boarding schools of any standing in the country that do not have a great deal higher standard of conduct than we maintain in the best of our Indian schools. Last summer I sent two boys to Mount Herman, Massachusetts, one of the best boys schools in the country. Those boys were dismissed within a very few days because their conduct did not come up to the standard. I recently visited Hampton Institute with Commissioner Sells, and we found there that their standards were far above anything attempted in our Indian schools, and it is surely embarrassing to think that a school for negroes can be conducted on such higher planes than we are attempting to conduct our more expensive and better equipped Indian schools. They maintain the same standard for Indians that they maintain for the negroes, and what we often consider a kindness to our Indian boys and girls is considered by practically all of our best schools as only a condolence of the offense and a real detriment to the future welfare of the individual as well as the community.

I thank you very muchffor your frank statements, and I shall be pleased to cooperate with you in doing everything possible for Alex Traversie, and assure you that in the event he fails to make good after given another trial, he will be sent home at Government expense, inasmuch as I infer from your letter that it would be a hardship to his mother to require her to pay this expense.

Very respectfully,

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 475-15-820

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE CCC/GAR

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA.

FEB 15 1915

Mr. O. H. Lipps,

Supervisor in Charge, Carlisle. Pa.

Dear Mr. Lipps:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant relative to the case of Alex Traversie, a young Indian enrolled in your school from this reservation. Replying to your inquiry I do not consider that Alex mother should be expected to pay \$ 26.97 charges against him in the court of Carlisle, Pa. Neither do I think that she should be expected to furnish money to pay his transportation from Carlisle to this place.

You state that he is in jail in Carisle in default of settlement of certain court charges amounting to \$26.97 and that the Judge has stated that he will have to remain there until this amount is paid. I do not know very much about the Pennyslvania Laws but I do not understand how a boy can be sentenced to possible life imprisonment without trial and apparently without council because insufficient evidence has been produced in a criminal action brought by the state on information furnished

by him.

Seither do I understand why it is necessary for the mother of a pupil in a non-reservation school to be called upon to furnish money to pay his transportation home after his term has expired or after you have decided that he is not a desirable pupil. I have always understood that it is the duty of such schools to defray all the expences incident to the return of such a pupil.

You will understand of course that I am not criticising your action in deciding that this boy should be sent home. I agree with you that it is a waste of money for him to be kept in a school like Carlisle, but his mother is not to blame for him going to Carlisle and it is possible had he stayed at home he would have never contracted such bad habits. It appears to me that it is the duty of the Government to see that this boys rights are protected and to return him to his home.

Very respectfully,

CCC/GAR

Superintendent.

(Carbon Copy to the Indian Office.)

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January
Twenty-Second,
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Mrs. Augusta Traversie, Cannonball. N. D.

My dear Mrs. Traversie:

I have just received your letter of January 18, 1918 about Alex. I am gled to know that
he is getting along well and I will be glad to let
his friends in the school know about him. I
appreciate very much and thank you for writing to
me.

Sincerely yours,

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Superintendent

Donnonball N.D Jan 18 1918 Dear Sir 1 gate a letter from my Jon alex. Traversie he is protranse he is well and glad he avent he Jays the had a good Janks gifning Dinner Racit turker mashed potatoes brown grany Ice cream nuts Cookies pies Coffee and so fart he don't talk about the war don't tell about his Jea trip but Day it rain thirtell my boy Frend he send in his best regrals he wrote me a nice letter , agent want to part while it yours truly augusta braversie

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Febr. 2nd. 1915.

Mr. Claude C. Covey, Superintendent, Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

I transmit herewith for your information a copy of a self-explanatory letter that has just been addressed to the mother of Alex Traversie) a young man who is enrolled here from the Standing Rock reservation.

I would thank you to advise me without delay in what circumstances Alex's mother is and whether she may be expected to send the amount required to pay for the costs that have been charged to him and an additional amount required to pay for his transportation home. If Alex has any funds at all to his credit he should be required to pay the costs mentioned in my letter to the mother and all expenses that will have to be incurred to send him home. He has but \$3.35 now to his credit in our school bank.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

Dannonball N.D. april 14
Dear Sir
ann Glad my Som alexander Inaversii is geting along good hope he be a good boy. and I like for him to Learn a tracke Carpenter och machinists I think it is nice if he Learn to bildhis house or any good trade if he kan Tun an Engenin he kan make a living don't let him run avay to be a Jensible man if it Can be mede jam glad he is well and strong will you Find me your Nuls paper for one year and tell me the Trive yours Respattfull Mrs augusta Chaversie

January 21st, 1914.

Superintendent,

Syanding Rock Agency,

Fort Yates. N.D.

Dear Sir,

I have your favor of the 7th enclosing check of 28.75 in favor of Alex Traversic. I note your request to have about half this sum returned to reimburse his mother and the boy returns 13.75 herewith.

Respectfully,

W. H. M.

Superintendent,

GEM/KKM

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL
FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA

MAN - 77914

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir: -

payable to Alex. Traversie, in amount of \$28.75, being payment for irregular labor performed during the month of December. On account of money advanced to Alex. by his Mother, he agreed to send her half the amount of this check as reimbursement.

Very truly yours,

Acting Supervisor in Charge.

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Carlisle, Pa.

Jan. 10th, 1914.

Mr. Albert H. Kneale, Supvr. in Charge, Standing Rock Agey., Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Mr. Kneale:

I would thank you to send me the application to cover the transfer to Carlisle of Alexander Traversie, the young man who was sent here by you the latter part of December.

The information contained in the application is required to complete our record regarding him.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

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June 2nd, 1914.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie,

Cannon Ball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

Heplying to your favor of May the 26th, this is to advise that your son Alexander is now living with the family of Mr. F. W. Hernslak at Trooper, Fennsylvania. A letter addressed to him in care of Mr. Hernslak should reach him.

If you do not succeed in hearing from Alexander will you please write me again?

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

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231 Cannonball july 28 Dear Sir Mr Lipps I am sa glad that my In alex Traversie is geting along wel he wrote to me he is Lerning atrade mason Hestering jam wery tankfull to you j na you will make a man of him when he find out he Cant run away

yours Respoktfull Augusta Chaversio Jene for arrew news but j dant gete any more paper sinns the staf juni 231

June 12th, 1914.

Mrs. Angusta Traversie,

Cannonball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

In reply to your favor of June the 8th I have to inform you that your son Alex was brought in to school and that he is now here. It would have been the better lesson for him to go back to his outing home and prove himself worthy of another trial, but he had been so infifferent before he went to the country that no one was willing to recommend him for another chance.

a trade here last winter because he will not do any work of any kind unless he is forced to it end is watched all the time.

I regret very much that such a report has to be conveyed to you, but if Alex will not do more earnest work soon he can never be expected to make much of a success in anything he will undertake.

Very truly yours,

Supervisor in Charge.

HXH.

Bannon ball Juni 8 1914 Dear Sir Mon Lipps I gate a letter from alex to Dey he says he run away from Mon Hernslak at Trooper jam So Sorry that he is sisch runa way boy juant him to ga to schoole I no he will Learn more in Carlisle schoole and he Can anywhere hald an to him and Don't Let him run away tell em that it is bast for him to ga to school on Mr Lipps Clease try to make him, he want do nothing for me when he is home. I whip he would Lear a Carpenter trade Mi Lipps me be if you keep him in your schoole and si ha he trurn out and note Sono him in the Contry for a while and Don't let him have his on way Jam Sa Sarry of think he won't be good for nothing Respakfull Mrs Augusta Traversia P.S. lett me na ha hi is it he is a good of

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Dec. 7th, 1914.

Mr. Albert H. Kneale, Supvr. in Charge, Standing Rock Agey., Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

Upon receipt of your Mr. Giegoldt's letter of the 30th ultimo the matter of selecting one or the other of the three classes of Sioux benefits was taxen into consideration with Alexander Traversie. He decided to accept stock heifers and cash in lieu of the regular benefits and his application in triplicate to that effect is being returned to you herewith.

Alexander made his choice in order that some cash will become available to meet necessary expenditures while he is in school and so that he can engage in cattle raising after he returns home.

Very respectfully,

Encl.

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE Lands-2014.

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL. FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA.

Mr. Oscar H. Lipps.

Supervisor in Charge,

Carlisle Indian School.

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir :-

Enclosed herewith please find "Application for Sioux Benefits." prepared for Alexander Fraversie, who is at your school. It will be necessary for him to choose one of the following classes of benefits, which he will insert in the first part of the application blank:

- 1 Regular.
- 2 All cash in lieu of regular.
- 3 Stock heifers and cash in lieu of regular.

The affidavit of two witnesses on the first inside sheet, as to identity of applicant, will have to be executed.

Please have the applicant advise

the date of his birth, together with the return to this office of the application. Also state reasons for electing any other than regular benefits, if he so decides.

Application should be executed in triplicate.

Very truly yours.

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Chief Clerk in Charge.

Febr. 16th, 1915.

Mr. Paul L. Hallam.
Examiner of inheritances, Cheyenne Agency,
Cheyenne Agency, S. D.

My dear Sir:

Referring to your favor of the Sth instant, in which you request me to secure a deposition from Alexander Traversie at this school setting forth the family history of his father, August Traversie, and the relationship of August to David Traversie, deceased Cheyenne River allottee No. 1599, I must advise you that Alex. Traversie is now confined to the County Jail here in Carlisle and that it would be rather a difficult matter to comply with your request. However, if the desired information cannot be secured from Traversie's mother, Mrs. Augusta Traversie of Cannon Ball, North Dakota, and it is necessary that the matter be given attention without delay, an effort will be made to carry out your wishes.

Will you let me hear from you again?

Very respectfully.

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Supt. Covey)

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Cheyenne Agency, S. D., February 8, 1915.

Mr. Oscar H. Lipps,
Supervisor in Charge,
U. S. Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

From the testimony adduced at a hearing to determine the heirs to the estate of David Traversie, deceased Cheyenne River allottee No. 1599, it appears that Alexander Traversie and a married sister who resides in Montana, the children of August Traversie, are nephew and niece respectively of the deceased allottee and are probable heirs.

Alexander Traversie is at present a student at your institution and I shall greatly appreciate it if you will secure a deposition from him, setting forth the family history of his father August Traversie and the relationship of August to David Traversie.

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter,

Very truly,

Examiner of Inheritances.

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to be good. Thepry Omffither tet. 1915-

Febr. 26th. 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie.

Cannon Ball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

hamin This is to advise you that your son Alex has been released from the Cumberland County jail and that he has promised to try snew to make a creditable record at Carlisle.

I have decided to give him one more chance to prove that he is really in earnest and that it is worth while to keep him as a student at Carlisle.

Very respectfully.

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

(Copy to Superintendent Covey)

Teb 22 1915-Connon Ball ND,

Lear Xni got your letter It was sure lad news it worry me so Sad it at I don't know wheat to do Will you pline give him a nother chance or stay four manths more make by him bling in fail he might get a diffirest thought be neight be good boy from there are an La pluse try once more I want him to have a good adication so he can be working in some office

Very Respectful

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March 11th, 1915.

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Mrs. Augusta Traversic,

Cannonball, N.D.

My Friend,

I have your letter of the 2nd, enclosing money order for 1.00 which will be delivered to your boy as you desire.

Your friend,

W.H.M.

Supervisor in Charge.

Mars 1915 Cannon Ball NDal Dear Six I am glad you give my son a nother tried I hape that he be a good boy from now on he ask for little spener money soil will send him a doller & 1. so will you plice give him little attime 20 or 25 cts your Truly Mrs augusta Traversie

April 2nd, 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie,

Cannon Ball, N.D.

My Friend,

I have your letter of the 29th, ult. enclosing money order in my favor for l.so to be handed to your son Alex.

Respectfully,

W.H.M.

Supervisor in charge.

Mar 29 1915 Cannon Bal Dear Sir I got your well come litter I am so glad you are getting along whit my son alex I got a letter brom my son and say he like it fine in Carlible School I will send alex \$1,00 for Easter Plice give little at a time Solwill let know thay are going do away with the Post Office at Cannon Ballronge So we get our mail at Sekton Its two miles farther cheses to Connon Pall Depot Respektfull Mrs augusta Traversie

April 12th, 1915.

Mr. Claude C. Covey, Superintendent, Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

When the contents of your letter of the 7th instant were brought to Alexander Traversie's attention he requested me to state that he is willing to have you amend his application for "Benefits" so that the regular benefits can be issued instead of heifers and cash as was originally specified.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

#### UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

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STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL, FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA.

APR -7 1915

Mr. O. H. Lipps,

Supervisor in Charge, Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir :-

The mother of Alexander Traversie, Allottee
No. 2014, was in this office and requested me to ascertain
whether he would not be willing to amend his application
for allotment benefits, which has recently been submitted
to the Office, to "Regular Benefits, including two regular
milch cows." The application as made by him called for
Stock Heiffrs and Cash, and his mother does not think
that he could handle this stock and that it would be to
his best interest to receive an issue of the Regular
benefits, including a team of horses, wagon, set of harness,
two milch cows, and farm implements, and a \$50.00 cash payment.

The application of Alexander Traversie hasnot yet been approved and I would be pleased to have you advise me promptly if he would have his application amended to Regular benefits, so that I may request the Indian Office to change the same.

Very respectfully,

Superintendent

HJB

Land-2014.

May 26th, 1915.

Mr. Claude C. Covey, Supt., The Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

When the contents of your letter of the 17th instant were made known to Alexander Traversie he stated that it will be satisfactory to him to have issued for his use the heifers for which he had at first made application.

It seems to be Alexander's desire to use the heifers to raise additional stock and to realize an income on the sale of surplus stock. Under careful supervision the issue of heifers would seem to me to be the most beneficial to Alexander because he has not made any very special effort to do the earnest work which would be necessary for him to derive much benefit from the use of implements and the other benfits in that class.

Very respectfully,

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Land-2014.

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL, FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA.

MAY \$5 1915

The Superintendent,

Carlisle Indian School,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

On April 12th you wrote this office stating that Alexander Traversie, at your school, was willing to have his application for allotment benefits amended so that regular benefits would be issued him instead of all heifers. was in reply to my letter of April 7. 1915. written at the instance of Alexander Traversie's mother, who thought it would be better for him to receive the regular benefits than the heifers as they would not be in a position to handle the stock Upon your letter being received here, agreeing to benefits. the amending of the application. I took the matter up with the Indian Office. where the application had already been forwarded, and I am now advised that they have already made advertisement for property to be issued and desire that I take the matter up with Alexander Traversie to see if he will not accept the heifers as originally requested by him.

I wish you would be kind enough therefore to see if he will accept the heifers, and let me know just what use he expects to make of same. It may be that his plans were

different from those which his mother has in view for him, and that he is capable of handling the stock all right, as the Farmer, here, recommended the heifers be issued to him when his application was first submitted to this office as his land was best adapted to stock raising.

Inasmuch as the Office has made arrangements to secure the stock asked for by him first, it would seem they should be issued to him if he can use them to good advantage.

Very respectfully,

HJB E

Clause Covey

June 4th, 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie, Hekton, N. D.

My dear Madam:

I am pleased to report to you, in reply to your letter of recent date, that your son Alex. has done fairly well this spring. He is now here at school and is at work with the other young men who have decided to remain here for the summer vacation months.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Hekten mag 2 g Dear Sir mer Lipps Let me no ha alex is geting along till him to rite home will tiek the arrow if alex stays thier hope he gets along good perote to him 3 weeks aga but dint hear from him the goverment tock away the Cannonball PO, et is 3 mills langer to gete the mail Respektfull

Kekton N. Dakota

June 19th, 1915,

Mrs Augusta Traversic,

Hekton, N.D.

My Friend,

I have your letter of the 13th, enclosing \$1.50 for the use of your son Alex. The same will be handed to him as you desire.

Respectfully,

W.H.M.

Supervisor in charge.

Hekten Juni 13 1915 Dear Fir Mr Lepps and 50 & for the arrow of der whys that alex would have tock the money a fer his money 22 of Desember 19 18 but it wast Tends to, he will gete about 9 or 10 heffers Jesses and the an always wilow. very Esphtfull Mrs augusta Craversia

August 10, 1915.

Alex Traversie:

Through the Disciplinarian of Large Boys Quarters.

Six:

Owing to the fact that you have lost a copy of Milne's Arithmetic, First Book, and that the loss of this book was due to carelessness or negligence on your part, I am going to deduct from your wages the sum of 33¢ to cover the cost of this book.

Respectfully,

JDD:SR

Acting Superintendent.

Copies to Chief Clerk Disciplinarian, Large Boys' Quarters. Mr. DeHuff 30

Aug. 6th, 1915.

Mr. C. C. Covey, Superintendent, Standing Rock Agency, Fort Tates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

The paper in triplicate that was forwarded here with your Mr. Giegoldt's letter of the 2nd instant for the signature of Alex. Traversie has had the attention requested and is being returned to your office herewith.

Very truly yours,

Encl.

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

#### UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

FORT YATES, - NORTH DAKGTA



Superintendent Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle Pa.

Dear Sir;

I enclose herein authority for signature in triplicate of Alex Traversie, Standing Rock Sioux Allottee No. 2014, to allow his half-brother, C. A. Edwards, to receive and receipt for his 10 head of heigers, being his benefits.

Please secure his signature and return to this office at your convenience.

Respectfully yours,

8-2 1 Encl. Acting Superintendent.

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# INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL Carlisle, Pa.

lacknowledge to have received from Principal's office

Teacher, Room No. \_\_\_\_, the following listed property. I promise to

June 17, 1915.

Teacher in charge.

take good care of this property and to return it, when called upon by proper authority to do so, to the teacher from whom I received it. Arithmetic, Milne Progressive First Book James E. It. Foster

Nov. 4th, 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie,

Cannonball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

When your son Alex. was seen at this office this morning he stated that he received the package you refer to in your favor of recent date. He stated further that he wrote to you yesterday regarding the same.

Alex. is getting along quite satisfactorily and is not at all a bad boy if he stays away from bad company.

As he has been doing so well it is hoped that further encouraging reports can be made.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Acting Superintendent.

Dear Sir Mr Lipps will you Please Let me man if my Son alex Traversic gate the Jackages I Sond him Out 4 and Let me me ha he homes but I dint hear from werry Respectfull Mrs anoust Francie Cannonball Heklen it Dak.

Nov. 12th, 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie.

Cannonball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 8th instant and to advise you that on November the 4th I wrote you as follows:

"When you son Alexander was seen at this office this morning he stated that he received the package you refer to in your favor of recent date. He stated further that he wrote to you yesterday regarding the same.

Alex is getting along quite satisfactorily and is not at all a bad boy if he stays away from bad company. As he has been doing so well it is hoped that further encouraging reports can be made."

Trusting that the letter of which a copy is submitted has been delivered to you, I remain.

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Superintendent.

(Copy to Superintendent Covey.)

The Earlisle arrow Dear Tir Olanse Let m no ha alex Traversie is offing along of dint hear from him sinns the staf Cate I send him a Tarcel the 4 of Oct have he gate it I hape he gunt sick from his mother augusta Traversie

Dec. 24th, 1915.

Mrs. Augusta Traversio.

Hekton, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the Elst instant, with which you enclosed an Fxpress Money Order in the amount of \$2.00 to be given to your son Alex. He will receive the money today.

Inquiry has just again been made about your son and it is learned that he is doing fairly well. As he has more than a year of his period of enrolment yet to serve a renewed effort will be made to interest him in some trade, so that he will have something definite accomplished when his school days are over.

Thanking you for your kind personal wishes and hoping that the new year will bring you added happiness. I am,

Very truly yours.

ekten Cannonball Dec 21 Dear Friend Mr Lipp I will Jend my Jon alex Proversie & For Amos Resent & Dend him & 1 ned lang orga he me gate it I gate 4 letter at one timme from Carlisle this J.O. is not so hefers Jam glad alex will be that when he Comes hame I why your a merry Amas mr Lifter and good lick from your Frend augusta Crowersie Hekton N.D.

Dec. 28th, 1915.

Mr. Claude C. Covey, Superintendent, Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates, N. D.

My dear Sir:

I am returning to you herewith the lease papers
you forwarded here with your letter of the 24th instant
for the consideration of Alex. Traversic and Charles
Little Chief. Each set of papers has been signed as
was suggested and is otherwise executed.

Very truly yours,

Encls.

HKM.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL, FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA,

L-2014 & 2320.

DEC 24 1915

Mr. Oscar H. Lipps, Supt.,

Carlisle Indian School,

Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Enclosed herewith please find two grazing leases in quadruplicate in favor of Stiles Cattle Company. If the leases are satisfactory to Alex Traversie and Charles Little chief, please have them sign before you or before a notary public.

When leases are properly signed and acknowledge return papers to me at your early convenience and oblige,

very truly yours,

ALC-encls.

July 3rd, 1915,

Mrs. Augusta Traversic,

Cannonball, N.D.

My Friend,

I have your favor of the 28th, enclosing draft for \$2.00 for your son Alex who seems to be getting along pretty good now. Not all of the boys or girls get their names in the Arrow. As they advance in school and reach the upper grades it appears we hear from them through the school paper.

Very respectfully,

W.H.M.

Hekton Juni 28 1918 Dear Fir Mr Lipps I will Jena to my Jon alex & 200 for the 4th of July will your Please gifit to him and tell him to rite home John Resphtfull augusta Oraversie my whip is that alex will make your wis mine to studie and get his namn opp of dont si pie namn in the Carlise arrow

April 20th, 1916.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie.

Hekton, Cannonball, North Dakota.

My dear Madam:

I have received your letter of the 17th instant and have noted that your son Alex intends to come home in June. In reply to your letter I must state that Alex was enrolled so late in December of 1915 that he will not be entitled to return home this year on account of the fact that under the Indian School Rules his period of enrolment does not terminate this year.

Referring further to your letter I must state that the emount of \$57.00 you mention is intended for your son's use when his school days are over and when his need of funds to become established in a home of his own will probably be more urgent than when he is in school. I could not recommend, therefore, that he be allowed to use a part of that amount for personal expenses unless a special need should arise.

Very truly yours.

EKM.

Acting Superintendent.

Hekton Connonball april 17 Dear Sir Mr Lipps my Son alexe Traversion vocate to me he will be home you Juni g will be glad to Si him and hope he will Come he say he gate a check of \$ 57 as land he Days the look it back to Fort agates , he want Some money & have an the train I and he quant to bay Som = he be a good man when he kom home jam sure he will and I tank you for your kindnes for me worry Resptant Mrs augusta Traversie Mease

June 12th, 1916. alex Mrs. Augusta Traversie, Hekton, Cannonball, North Dakota. My dear Hadam: Replying to your letter of recent date I must advise you that your son's period of enrolment at Carlisle will terminate in June of next year as the school rules require that terms of enrolment shall end only when the school year closes. Very respectfully, Superintendent. HKM.

Hekton Cannonball sun Dear Sir Mr. Lipps Mean Let me na when my Jon aless Traverses year and from schoole will it be in Januari 1914
on will it be in Jimi
1917 hope he is geting along Resplfull Mrs argusta Troncersie

April lat, 1916.

Superintendent,

Standing Rock Indian School,

Fort Vates, N.D.

Dear Gir,

I have your favor of the 39th, enclosing treasury warrant in the sum of 357.37 for the endorsement of Alex Traversic. The same is endorsed and enclosed herewith.

Respectfully,

W. H. M.

Superintendent.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE BANK.

1529-16-225.6

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL FORT YATES, - NORTH DAKOTA

HAR IC ISIS

MR. O. H. LIPPS, SUPT. INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PA.

DEAR SIR: -

I ENCLOSE TREASURER'S WARRANT NUMBERED 9282, DRAWN IN FAVOR OF ALEX TRAVERSIE FOR THE SUM OF \$57.37, REPRESENTING BALANCE OF THE COMMUTED VALUE OF ALLOTMENT BENEFITS, UPON WHICH PLEASE SECURE THE ENDORSEMENT OF PAEE, AND RETURN WAR-RANT TO ME FOR DEPOSIT.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,



WJP I-ENCL . 3-27.

SUPERINTENDENT.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Standing look Indian School

May 18th, 1916,

Superintendent,

Standing Rock Indian School,

Fort Yates, N.D.

Dear Sir,

I have your favor of the 8th, enclosing check of 17.60 in favor of Alex Traversio.

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W. H. M.

Superintendent.

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### UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Standing Rock Indian School Fort Yates, North Dakota.



F.C.

Supt. Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check #2808 drawn to Alex Traversie, a student in yourschool, who is an allottee of this reservation, This is for lease payment. Please deliver to Alex.

Very respectfully,

1 encl. MWC 5-8-16 Acting Superintendent.

231 Canonalall July 22 1916 Dear Sir Non Lipps I will smolaure 50 g for the larlisle arrow j like To read it has go my bog alex Traversic is he geting along allright to why your would Learn him to run are Car Da many gate Caro hear but Late of em Don't no ha to run It he will be home next June he Days 1914, Jam da Tankfull The your Mr Lipps that you when so good to me when I water to your to keepe him in school he will be bester beats I am from My City, and I now that he Count run avay from Carliste schalle Da isy I gate a homstead that I have appron 2 years again I don't live on Reservition I gate a good boy Smoke but alese will note be like hom From your Frend ours augusta Inaversie

July 27, 1916.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie Cannon Bal, N. D.

Dear Mrs. Traversie:-

I have your letter of the 22nd inst enclosing an express money order for Fifty Cents to pay a subscription for the Carlisle Arrow. The Arrow costs only Twenty Five Cents a year so I have entered your name for two years and trust this may be satisfactory.

have no way of teaching the boys how to run cars here. His conduct has been rather unreliable and we have not thought it best to put him under the outing, away from the school, where he might have been able to learn to run a machine. I think he will have to learn to do this after he returns west. Alex requires careful watching, as you know.

He is at the school now and seems to be getting along fairly well.

Very truly yours

Chief Clerk in Charge.

# Information regarding pupils to test eligibility and whether in need of Federal aid.

25	Date of report april 29 1915
Name of child alex Traversie	Age 19 Grade Fourth Grade
Home post office Dekton north De	•
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Tribe De	gree of Indian blood half
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Do you have any other income I don't pro	W, How much
Is your father living M	
Father's name Mr Gust Travel	sie ·
Home post office Fort yates n.	Dakota
Tribe Sioux Deg	ree of Indian blood full blood
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What is the annual income from his land	
Does he have any other income	
If so, how much.	
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Is your mother living Yes	***************************************
Mother's name augusta Trave	rsie
Home post office Hekton north	
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If so, how much
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Does your mother pay taxes on her land or on personal property Yes  With whom do you make your home. It the my mother and brother.
How many rooms in the house town Rooms,
How many live in the house Tour of us lives in one house
How far is your home from nearest public school 3 miles and one half
Why do you not attend that school I wanted to go to school were
Trouble learn a trade.
How many teachers employed there One teacher
How many grades maintained Schoot know
How many months of school each year School know
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If so, how long Where
How many brothers of school age have you story none
How many sisters of school age have you work none
Are they in school
Where.
Remarks and recommendations of superintendent with reference to eligibility and need of Federal aid:
Superintendent,

NOTE.—One of these blanks should be filled out by each pupil at Government boarding schools, preferably with the assistance of the superintendent or some one designated to act as his representative. If the superintendent is of opinion from the information given that the pupil is entitled to enrollment he should so indicate by signing the blank in the proper place and filing in the individual pupil's folder. In the case of pupils concerning whose eligibility or need of Government aid there is some doubt, superintendents should make proper remarks and recommendations in the space indicated and forward the form to the Indian Office for consideration.



## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

STANDING ROCK INDIANSCHOOL F.C.
Fort Yates, North Dakota.

Superintendent Indian School,

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith check No. 5325, drawn to the order of Alex Traversic, for \$17.60 for lease rentals, which please deliver to him.

Very respectfully,

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Superint en dent.

1-encl. 17F 11/18/16.

March 17, 1917.

Mr. Claude C. Covery Superistance Standing Rock Indian School Fort Yates, N. D.

Dear Sir:-

Complying with your request, I herewith enclose herewith two receipts for per capita supplies, properly signed by Alex Traversie

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

Inclosures.

#### UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

STANDING ROCK INDIAN SCHOOL.

Fort Yates, North Dakota.

Property.

MIG -9 1917

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle. Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please secure the signature of Alex Traversie in the two places indicated by pencil cross mark on the two enclosed receipts, for his per capita supplies. His name should be written exactly as it is penciled in the lower left hand corner, Alex Traversie. He should also fill in the name of the person to whom he wishes his supplies delivered to, on the proper blank and return to this Office as soon as possible.

Very respectfully,

JHC/VEK 3/9/17 2-encl.

Superintendent.

231 Cannonball N.D. juni 4 1917 Dear Sir Oleace let me no if my Son alex Sander, Traversis is Comming home he told me he be home the 1st juni jam woried about him I like to Si him before he goes any whear els is he working any whears hes timn is out from schoole he rwite me that Oleace ansver Sonn and let to you for my Sons Sake
Respletfull Mrs augusta Traversie Cannonball N. Dakola

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June 7, 1917.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie Cannon Ball, N. D.

Dear Const.

Your son Alex Traversie has completed his term of enrolment at this school and will be entitled to transportation home at government expense. I have arranged for him to leave Carlisle for Cannon Ball.

North Dakota, Tuesday June 12th. Please have him met upon his arrival there.

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

Nevember 2nd, 1917.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie Cannon Ball, N. D.

Dear Madam: --

I have your letter dated October 24th in which you tell me that your son Alex, a former pupil of this school, hasjoined the Hospital Corps of the Army and that in all probability he is now on his way to France. We are glad to have this information as we are trying to keep in touch with all the Carlisle boys who have enlisted.

I am serry I cannot send you a picture of your son. I am sending you a magazine which has many outs of the school. You may be able to find your son in some of the pictures.

Thanking you for the information you have given and trusting that we may hear of Alex again,

I am Very truly yours

Connonball Oct 24 1917 Dear Sir I will Send you a fin lines and Let you no that my Jon alex Uraversii Enlist in the Hospital Crops on the army he is on his way Somwhen he whas yn the Fort jong Government Island May. I gate letters from him two time a grick but , dint her from him you two guick the mele left for Frank he dint Jay or no wher the wher going the the where in the Ny Carry for about 6 girch he Say he gets abong good da far

nave your gote any of his Tichere I like to have one I will Pary your for it your telling alox you Evry letter most to some me one but he hasint agent my note have timm , will like to have one if ther is lats of Bogs what him So long as he is thir gribers I have it I like your Read man and Trom alex mother augusta Ironersie Connonball N. Dahata

### CERTIFICATE OF PROMOTION

4/1/		May 24, 19	17, 191
This certifies that	Alex Travers	sie	
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nas made the following record in	Carliere	Indian School (Name of school.)	
SUBJECTS—ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL	L.	GRADE.	RATING.
English		Vl	82
General Exercises			85
Arithmetic			89
Geography			82
Physiology & Hygiene			87
Penmanship			79
Drawing			84
History			85
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6—4659	Superintendent.		Principal.

January 3, 1918.

Mrs. Augusta Traversie Cannon Ball, F. D.

Dear Madam:-

I have your letter asking me if I know anything about your son Alex) who enlisted. I am serry to tell you that I have heard nothing about him. All the information I have had about him, has been from you.

I feel quite sure that he must be safe and well or you would have been notified. The Army and Navy keep the parents and relatives of their boys posted in cases of sickness and death so you will hear if your son is not well.

we are sending him the school paper each week and it may be we will hear from him sometime.

If we do, I shall write and let you know.

Very truly yours

onnonball Desember 31 Mr Fransis Dear Liz alex. Traversie Sinns the 17 of Oct he wrate to me he what on the high Jeas and the letter what mailed in Leverpool England he Jold me note to rite tells he rile again dint ner whear hes adrase would be I like to no where he is if he to hear from him Sonn if you me his adrase Slean let me ne mers auguster. Traversie Connonball 13