

Re-admitted 5317

CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.
DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT.

NUMBER 1946	ENGLISH NAME James Wheelock	AGENCY	NATION Oneida					
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS						
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD		BLOOD	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.	FORCED EXPR.	SEX. M
FATHER,		MOTHER,		DATE DISCHARGED June 30' 1897		CAUSE OF DISCHARGE To become employe Carlisle		
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Aug 28' 1896	FOR WHAT PERIOD			FROM COUNTRY			PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS	
TO COUNTRY						FROM COUNTRY		

Months in school before Carlisle,

Grade entered at Carlisle,

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church,

CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.
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NUMBER <i>1018</i>	ENGLISH NAME <i>James P. Wheelock</i>	AGENCY <i>Green Bay,</i>	NATION <i>Oneida</i>
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS <i>Jas. A. Wheelock</i>	
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD	BLOOD	AGE <i>14</i>	HEIGHT
FATHER, <i>Living</i>	MOTHER, <i>Dead</i>	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL <i>Aug. 30, 1889</i>	FOR WHAT PERIOD <i>5 years.</i>	DATE DISCHARGED <i>June 11, 1896</i>	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE <i>Graduate</i>
TO COUNTRY	PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS		FROM COUNTRY
<i>Apr. 2, 91</i>	<i>J. Richards M. D. Fallington Pa.</i>		<i>Sep. 10, 91</i>
<i>June 8, 95</i>	<i>J. Starkey Pineville "</i>		<i>Aug 31, 95</i>

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Months in school before Carlisle,

Grade entered at Carlisle,

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church,

Wheelock, James 5317 Ex. Stw.

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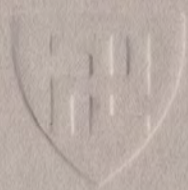
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RECORD OF GRADUATES AND RETURNED STUDENTS.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Name James Wheelock

1. Are you married and if so to whom? Married Miss Emma Eversman

2. What is your present address? Office 604 Keith Theatre Bldg., Phila. Pa.

3. Did you attend or graduate from any other schools after leaving Carlisle? Give names of school and dates if possible.

4. What is your present occupation? Salary? In business (band) for self.

5. Do you own your home?

6. What kind of a house is it? Number of rooms?

7. How much property do you possess? own a share in a Real estate valued at about \$6000.

Stock

Land

Real Estate

8. Do you have money in the bank? Yes How much?

9. Have you been in the Indian Service? In what positions? How long in each?

Held the position of Bandmaster and assistant Printer at Carlisle Indian School one year.

10. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle?

11. Have you done anything for the betterment of your people? Write fully.

Any one who has ever heard the Wheelock's United States Indian Band play, will testify that I have brought before the public a strong contradiction to that old saying "that the only good Indian is a dead one", and proved that an Indian with proper training is capable of mastering the highest art in the world "music". If he can prove himself equal to his white brother in music he can do anything is what I "PREACH" and to the best of my ability I try to practice what I preach.

12. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life.....

My life is simply this: Stick stick, stick, and dig, dig, dig.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE
INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

99.

January 21, 1907

James Wheelock
1710 Green St. Phila. Pa.

Dear friend;-

Please oblige by answering the questions below accurately and promptly and return this paper to me in the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage. Married Miss Emma Eversman,

Are you married and if so to whom? 1621 Chestnut St., Phila. Pa.

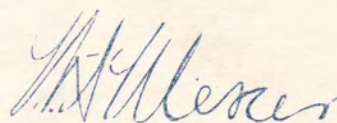
What is your Post Office address? Permanent Office Suite 304--929 Chestnut St., Phila. Pa.

What is your occupation? Proprietor and Conductor of Wheelock's Concert Band--50 members.

Have you been in the Indian Service, in what positions and how long in each? Held the positions of Band Master and Printer at Carlisle Indian School five years

Have you lived in the East any part of the time since your graduation and if so, where, how long and what positions did you fill? Residence 1910 Green Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Your friend



Major 11th Cavalry,
Superintendent.

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Carlisle

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OTTO SPENGLER, DIRECTOR

352 Third Ave.

New York.

CLIPPING FROM

The Globe

South Bethlehem

Sept. 13, 1911.

Indian As Assistant Instructor.

James Riley Wheelock, the Indian, who has been physical director of the Pennsylvania Railroad Y. M. C. A., arrived in Bethlehem, on Monday, and is registered at the Sun Inn. He has secured a position as a assistant instructor of the Bethlehem Steel Co. Band.

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HARRISBURG (Pa.) TELEGRAM

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OTTO STENZEL, Director

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CLIPPING FROM:

*Shamokin Pa
Dispatch
April 15*

**REAL INDIAN
FURNISHED MUSIC**

James Wheelock, a full-fledged Indian, a composer famous over the United States for his excellent compositions and a musician who has been all over the country, furnished music for the Red Men's parade yesterday.

"Jim" Wheelock, as he is called, was formerly the leader of the Wheelock Carlisle Indian school band. At present he is in charge of the Enola Y. M. C. A. band of fifty-five pieces, which led Cornplanter tribe of Harrisburg yesterday. The band is one of the largest and best and furnished excellent music.

In 1898 Wheelock was in Shamokin in charge of the Indian orchestra at Indian Park, now known as Edgewood Park, and made many friends while here, many of whom recognized this renowned Indian musician.

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THE CARLISLE ARROW

The band concert given by the Wheelock band last Saturday afternoon was enjoyed by all who were present. We thank Mr Wheelock for the fine music he gave us, among the members were Chiltoski Nick and Willard Gansworth graduates from this school.

Gas.

James R. Wheelock, our former bandmaster, is playing at Gimbel's store during this week. His band is composed of many former Carlisle students.

1909 99.

REPORT AFTER LEAVING CARLISLE

NAME AT CARLISLE

James Wheelock

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PRESENT NAME

DATE	INFORMATION THROUGH	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	ITEMS OF INTEREST	GRADE
1907	Self-	Suite 304. 929 Chestnut. Phila. Pa. 604 Reish Theatre Bldg. Phila. Pa.	Proprietor & Con- ductor Band.	Married Emma Eversman (White) Ind. serv. 1 yr.	
1909	"	604 Reish Theatre Bldg. Phila. Pa.	"		
1910	"	"			
1911		Berks Co. Pa.	Leader Berks Steel Co. Band.		

February 14, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,
40 Main Street,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

I have your letter dated February twelfth, relative to the position of temporary band instructor at this school. I have taken the matter up with the Indian Office relative to the employment of a temporary musical director, and will advise you later regarding the matter. In the meantime if you find it convenient please call at my office, and I will be glad to talk the matter over with you.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

Mr. O. J. Lipp

Supt. Indian School,

Carlisle, Penna.

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My dear Mr. Lippo:

I was in Washington yesterday in reference to Fort Defiance and also the vacancy at Carlisle. I was very well received by Mr. Merritt, the Assistant Commissioner.

While I could not get anything definite about Carlisle on account of the Commissioner being away, I was given the appointment of Musical Director at Sherman Institute, California. That appointment, position of the school and other consideration, except probably the salary, suits me fine and would indeed be my pleasure to go there had I not set my heart for Carlisle Band Master ship.

I intend to leave for California about June 1st - unless a change of orders

Comes from P.

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I would appreciate if you will write the Department recommending me to the position of Band Master here in connection with some other position. I understood Mr. Kusler has resigned - I can handle that position too - having experience with railroad store house work which is more exacting and probably more intricate in keeping account of stock.

Understand, I would like to go to Sherman Institute and will go unless you can work a change so I be appointed here before I leave for California which is June 1st work.

I hope you will follow up your idea of having Indian employes whenever a competent Indian can be secured, including your football coach + athletic Director.

I personally would like

to see you permanently
as superior because you
have shown your ability as executor
and your interest in the Indians.
You have brought Carlisle out
of a "debauch" and placed
it, under most trying circumstances,
on a decent level. We town-folks
notice a wonderful contrast
and you are given full credit
for the wonderful change, in fact
the general sentiment is the
hope that you will be re-
tained here permanently.

I will call to see you be-
fore I leave for the coast. I am

Yours truly,
J. P. Wheelock

Personal

Mr. J. R. Wheelock, ... #3.
May 31, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr. Wheelock:

I have your letter of May 21st regarding the position of band leader at the Carlisle School. In reply I have to advise that while the papers stated that the position of musical director had been abolished, I have as yet received no official notice to that effect. I fully expect, however, that such action will be taken.

I am somewhat at a loss to know just what other position to combine with that of band leader, for only a small portion of a man's time will be taken up with the band. The position of Quartermaster has been filled and Mr. Griffiths is now on duty in that position.

If they divide the salary heretofore paid the musical director and employ a music teacher and a band leader, you can easily see that the salary of the band leader will not be very large. As you know, the employees list at Carlisle school is now quite large, and it is impossible in justice to the proper feeding and clothing of the pupils to pay out any more money than we are now paying for employees salaries.

It is now the close of the school year and I doubt very much if the Commissioner gets around to decide just what he wishes done regarding this matter until toward the beginning of the next school year. Most of the band boys are going home or to the country and there will not be very many of them here during vacation.

Another matter that will have some bearing on the situation is the attitude of the band boys themselves. They would like to have their wishes considered somewhat as to the qualifications of the band leader, and they had considerable talk with Mr. Linnen along that line when he was here. Personally I would prefer to have an Indian in that position, provided he is competent and thoroughly all right in every way, but as I have said I do not know just what the Commissioner's

ideas are with respect to this position. In my opinion, he will take plenty of time to make up his mind regarding this matter, and if he has offered you the position of musical director at the Sherman Institute, I believe if I were you I would accept it.

With kind regards and best wishes, I remain,

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

February 24, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,
40 Main Street,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear James:

I have been considering your letter of February 19th, and if you will call at my office at your earliest convenience, I shall be glad to talk the matter over with you thoroughly.

Sincerely yours,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

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Carlisle, Penna.
May 27-1914.

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

Dear Mr. Lipps:

Yours dated this date received.

I am greatly pleased to know that you will arrange for me to take the Home party as far as Kansas City. I will be pleased to report for duty June 4th, in accordance with your letter. Agent with a party like this, my past experience has been, remains with them so would not be in position to use sleeping car.

The transportation to Kansas City will be great saving for me and I am certainly greatly indebted for this favor. I am
Yours truly
J. R. Cullock

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May 27, 1914.

Mr. James R. Wheelock,
Carlisle, Pa.

My dear James:

Referring to your conversation with me a few days ago relative to escorting some of the home party, who are to leave for their homes on June 4th, I have to advise that on looking into this matter I find that it has been the custom at this school for some years past for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to furnish an escort as far as Chicago, when requested to do so, and to see that all pupils are properly protected and that they get on the right trains in Chicago.

However I feel disposed to assist you in any way I can and I am willing to stretch a point to this extent and furnish you a ticket from Carlisle to Kansas City, but would not be justified, under the circumstance, ~~in paying~~ your sleeping car and incidental expenses. This arrangement will help you out to the extent of the cost of railway fare from here to Kansas City, and in return you will be expected to look out for the pupils placed in your charge and see that they get on the right train leaving Chicago and also those that will leave you at Kansas City. Please advise if this arrangement is satisfactory to you.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

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Mr. O'Leary.

Carlisle, Penna.

Dear Mr. Leppis:

I arrived at Riverside this morning. I left the girls all banded for their various homes at Chicago and Kansas City. They certainly were nice lot of girls and best behaved crowd I ever had occasion to be with.

Every one of them had the best of words for you and the wish seemed generally that you would remain to rebuild Carlisle.

I hope that everything is going your way now and that you are free to set ^{do} what's in your judgment is best for the school. It will take time and mighty hard pulling to get it in good running condition. With kind regards. I am

Yours truly,
J. Wheelock

Riverside Calif.

Sherman Inst. June 11-14.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Sherman Institute,
Riverside, Calif.,
July 15, 1914.

Mr. O. H. Lipps,
Supervisor in Charge,
Carlisle Indian School.

My dear Mr. Lipps:

I have now been in Sherman just one month. I find Sherman Institute in fine condition. I am especially pleased with the class of students and the perfect discipline. While the student body is of lower class in point of academic standard, great number of them being hardly able to speak English or understand it, yet they give one the impression of a well trained body of boys and girls--this is due to the fact that the matrons and the disciplinarian are all competent and interested employes, and then Mr. Conser looks personally after every little detail which makes it almost imperative for the heads of various departments to be "interested" in their line of duty.

We have been very busy getting ready for the Teachers Institute which begins here next Monday--we expect a hundred or more Indian school employes, aside from the work, we are looking forward to some nice times.

I don't suppose you know yet what the new order of things will be in Carlisle--I rather look for you to be retained as head of Carlisle--quite a number of Chilocco's old employes are here who wish you the same as I do.

I am informed, not officially, that the application for admittance to this school is quite in excess to what can be accommodated and there seems to be quite a number from Yuma Indians and Pimas. If my application for the position at Carlisle is granted I will be pleased to make that trip through there and see if I can get a party for you.

Will you please let me know if you have made any move towards making the position you spoke about? I would be pleased to hear from you at an early date, I am

Yours truly,

J. P. Wheeler

July 27, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,
Sherman Institute,
Riverside, Cal.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

Replying to your letter of July fifteenth relative to your appointment to the position of band instructor at this school, I have to advise that I have just returned from Washington, where I had a conference with the Commissioner regarding the matter in question. I also talked to General Pratt about you. He recommended you highly but thought it would be for your best interests to remain in the West. After going over the matter carefully the Commissioner finally decided to appoint some one at Carlisle, who could teach both band and orchestra, and he especially wanted a violinist, as many of the boys complained that the previous band leader was not competent to give them instruction on the various instruments, particularly ^{on} the violin. So the matter was settled by the Commissioner, himself, and we expect the appointment to be made within the next few days.

I am glad to know that you are getting along nicely at Riverside. I have always heard that school favorably spoken of, and I hope you will continue to like your work there. With kind regards and best wishes, I remain,

Mr. J. R. W.....#2.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

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October 26, 1914.

Mr. F. M. Conser, Supt.,
U. S. Indian School,
Riverside, Cal.

Dear Mr. Conser:

A man living in the town of Carlisle calling himself John C. Kramer came to my office this morning and requested me to write you regarding the sum of \$15.00, loaned by him to Mr. James Wheelock sometime before Mr. Wheelock left Carlisle for your school. I know nothing about this matter and am not interested in it, but am simply writing at the request of the old gentleman. You might refer this letter to Mr. Wheelock for his information.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock

October 28, 1914.

Mrs. J. R. Wheelock,
40 West High St.,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Wheelock:

Replying to your letter of the twenty-seventh instant, I have to advise that a man calling himself John Kramer called at my office yesterday morning, and at his request I wrote a letter to Supt. Conser, copy of which is enclosed herewith for your information. This is all I know about the matter. I did not know that he was any relative of yours or I should not even have taken the trouble to write the letter to Mr. Conswr.

I do not know what the Commissioner of Indian Affairs promised your husband. There must be some mistake about this, for I hardly think the Commissioner would make a promise and then break it. I made no statement to Mr. Kramer regarding Mr. Wheelock. Commissioner Sells is handling all matters pertaining to the filling of important positions at the Carlisle school, and whatever has been done has been done by him or at his request.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

Mr. Lippes

Dear Sir:

I was informed
that my Grand Father's
Brother, John Kramer, called
at your office ~~and~~ stating that
Mr. Wheelock owes him fifteen
Dollars (15^{~~00~~}) Mr. Kramer is
a very wealthy man, worth
not less than 50,000^{~~00~~} - and
again he is in debt to
my Aunt 125^{~~00~~} from
which he has been told
to deduct the 15^{~~00~~} he claims.

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leaving a balance of 11⁷⁵ to
get over Mamma. He
came from your office to
the house of my Grand Parents
and told them you promised
to take up the matter
with Wash. Being a family
affair, Mamma did not bring
action to recover her 12⁵⁰
and I feel that I am
justified in presenting an
outside party (Washington)
interfering. Mr. Wheelock left
for California upon the advice
and promises from head-
quarters to be transferred

to Carlisle in Sept. -
which promise was never
kept so that our family would
not now be supported by the
Government. Gov. Lippes, I ask
you, who have experienced
this deal, is not it honorable
for the Government to treat
Mr. Chebuck this way, he,
being a graduate of Carlisle,
one of the Indian Race, a
leader of experience, a student
of Berlin Conservatory and
the best of references from
this and all other towns
where he has been, I

ask you to tell me why
he was deiced. I understand
the position of leader at Carlisle
is not yet filled satisfactorily
or permanently, the Riverside
position is paying so small
there is never any margin
toward transportation, notwith-
standing Mr. Wheeler is
teaching Band, Chor., & Glee
& in connection with other
duties. I spoke to Congressman
Rupley yesterday and he
advised me to speak to
Mrs. Lipps at all at lead-

quarters are in favor of
Mr. Wheelock being located
at the Carlisle School.

Mr. John Kramer said you
told him Mr. Wheelock
would never get to Carlisle
School? This being the
case the only alternative
(I think) would be his

resignation from the service
so he may return to his
family. There are many
embarrassing rumors reaching
me that the public opinion
is - we are separated.

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I would appreciate any pleasure
at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully
(Mrs.) J. R. Wheeler
40 W. High St.
Carlisle, Pa.

Oct. 27-1914

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Disciplinarian
for boys
of that

November 9, 1914.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,
U. S. Indian School,
Riverside, Cal.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

Your two letters of recent date have been received. Regarding Mr. Kramer, I gave no encouragement whatever to him, and the incident made no impression on my mind whatever.

As to the position of band leader at Carlisle, I have to advise that the Commissioner has not filled this position as yet, for the reason that he is having some difficulty in finding a suitable man for it. The boys are very anxious to have an experienced orchestra man, and they are insisting on having someone who is a violinist as well as a band leader. They are anxious that arrangements be made at the school to give them special instruction on their instruments, and there are several boys who are learning to play the violin, and they are quite anxious that the next permanent band leader be a man who is a performer on the violin as well as on other instruments.

For the position of assistant disciplinarian, we are trying to find a married man for this position whose wife will act as boys matron. The Commissioner is very much interested in getting exceptionally strong persons for these two positions and as offered the positions to the disciplinarian and matron at the Carson City School, Nebraska,- Mr. Gehringer and his

Mr. J. R. W....#2.

wife. Mr. Gehringer is considered one of the best disciplinarians in the Indian Service, and especially strong in handling boys and in drilling them, and in systematizing the work of that department. His wife is said to be an experienced matron, and it will require the best there is in the Service to properly handle these positions at Carlisle.

Generally speaking, conditions at Carlisle this year are fairly satisfactory and prospects are bright for a successful year. With kind regards and best wishes, I remain,

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR

Supervisor in Charge.

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

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Mrs. Wheelock forwarded your letter to her. I do not know what Mrs. Wheelock wrote you but I gather from this letter that she must have written you about the way I happen to come to California. She evidently misunderstood me when I told her that it was advisable that I accept any appointment that the department offers me in order to get back into the service and that I could make an application for transfer afterwards, she took that to mean that I was promised a transfer which of course is a mistaken idea. When I saw Mr. Merrit at Washington in reference to the Carlisle position he told me the very same thing you say in reference to all appointments being under the personal orders of the Commissioner and I know that you cannot do anything any more than probably suggest.

I have had a talk with Mr. Conser in regard to transfer and while he would like to have me remain here he is willing to do anything to help any one of his employes to better themselves and has given approval to my application for transfer. If the department has reason why it does not give me the position at Carlisle since it is open then I will be compelled to resign from the service as the salary I am getting here does not justify my bringing my family to California. I like Sherman and would be happy to remain if the salary was big enough to justify my spending \$250 to bring the family here.

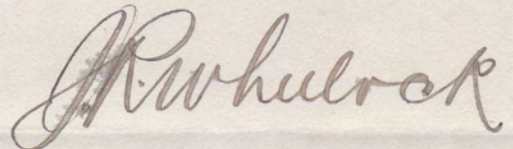
I note from the Arrow that the position at Carlisle for Band Instructor and Assistant Disciplinarian are vacant.

I trust that everything is running in fine shape and that you

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are feeling better since your family arrived. Isabel writes often about your little daughter and I judge that they are very chummy. With kind regards, I am

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. R. Hullock". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed text "Yours truly,".

Sherman Institute,
Riverside, Calif.
November 3, 1914.

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

My dear Mr. Lipps:

Your letter to Mr. Conser handed me. Replying same would say that account with Mr. John Kramer is sort of family affair. Mr. Kramer is Mrs. Wheelock's uncle and I left the matter to be settled by Mrs. Wheelock--Mr. Kramer is considered one of the richest men in Carlisle and probably the closest which you can judge by his appearance.

I suppose your school is now in full rush. I am glad to note that the grade has been raised. I have advocated that idea several years and it certainly fills a long felt want in the Indian education.

Carlisle should be the place where an Indian can go and finish a solid education--I mean where all boys and girls that finish the western schools can go and receive high school education and also finish a trade. You know that the trades as now taught in the various schools are mere beginning and when a boy leaves Carlisle or any other school at the age of 20 or over he is not fitted to take his place beside a mechanic as finished article and as a result great many of the boys do not follow their trade. I speak this from experience both with myself and others that I have seen go out in the field of open competition. I rather wish that the Commissioner would lay as much stress on Industrial Training as he does with the agricultural--trades, finished mechanics will break up reservations quicker than anything else while getting ready for your allotment idea will tend to keep Indians always Indians and segregated. So I hope that in your efforts to raise Carlisle in its educational standard you will raise the standard of your industrial departments and turn our first class mechanics as well as good

farmers.

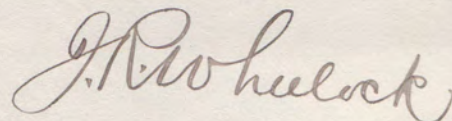
I read with great deal of interest the anniversary account. I am glad that General Pratt was able to be present and that he was received in a manner that spoke volumes of high regard and esteem. I should like to have been there.

I am afraid that there is cog in your football team that is not on line and is causing friction which is responsible for the poor showing the team is making this season and I am confident that it is not the coach.

We have started a football team here and I am at present the head-coach. We do not expect to do much this season as we are very poor financially and it takes quite a lot of money to equip a football team.

We have now over 600 students and more are coming in every day. I am kept quite busy with the band, girls mandolin club, orchestra and football, that is what I like, it keeps me from getting home-sick and dissatisfied. You can sympathize with in my separation from my family as you had an extended experience at that way of living, probably in a course of a year I will be able to save enough money to bring my family here. With kind regards, I am

Yours truly,



Sherman Institute,
Riverside, Calif.
October 31, 1914.

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May 3rd, 1916.

Mr. J. R. Wheelock,

Sherman Inst., Riverside, Calif.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for the kind offer that is contained in your letter of the 28th ultimo, but because we get so few students now from far western points and there is not under consideration the transfer of any large party of prospective students it cannot be arranged to have you cooperate as you desire to do.

Thanking you for personal regards, I remain,

Very truly yours,

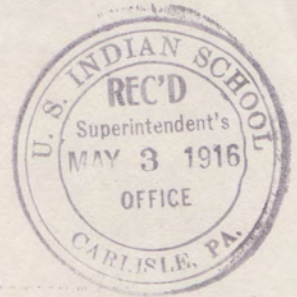
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Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Sherman Institute,
Riverside, California.
April 28, 1916.

Mr. C. H. Lipps,
Superintendent Indian School
Carlisle, Penna.



Dear Mr. Lipps:

I expect to go East for my vacation this coming summer--it occurs to me that if your school admits students from this part of the country and you care to have me bring them that it would be saving to your department as well as to me if such arrangement could be made. I can go from here to any part of the West with less expense than would be incurred by special agent. I would be pleased to hear from you if you are interested. I want to take my vacation in June if I can make the arrangement.

You do not have any Commencement this year
^I~~so~~/Suppose that you are not quite as busy as we are as we are in the midst of Commencement preparations. With kind regards, I am

Very Respectfully,

J. R. Wheelock

March 14, 1917

Mr. James Wheelock, Band Master,
Hagerstown, Md.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a check for \$25.26
to cover services rendered by you.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

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April 2, 1917. however,

Mr. James R. Wheelock,
Director Hagerstown Municipal Band,
Hagerstown, Md.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

I am in receipt of your letter of April 1st, 1917, in which you advise me that the Municipal Band of Hagerstown has decided to take an automobile trip to Carlisle to see the Indian School, and in which you inform me that the band would probably be glad to give a complimentary concert to the school in the evening of the day you come.

You suggest either April 16th or April 20th as available dates.

In response I assure you that it would give very great pleasure to the school to have the band visit the school. I regret that the school cannot afford to pay your organization anything to cover its expenses or for the concert, but we will take pleasure in entertaining yourself and the members of the band at supper.

On looking over our calendar I find that April 20th would be the best date for your organization to come here and I would therefore suggest that the concert be given on the evening of the 20th, which is Friday.

I note your statement that the entire

membership of the Board of Trade may possibly come on this trip. Of course no arrangements could be made at the school to furnish them with supper. If they decide to come, however, I might advise the officials of the Chamber of Commerce of Carlisle of the fact and they might arrange for their entertainment. At any rate your Alma Mater will take pleasure in welcoming you and your organization under the conditions named.

As soon as you have reached definite conclusions in regard to your visit here please advise me of the probable time you will arrive and the number of people in the band, and the music the band will play in order that I may have proper programs printed for the entertainment.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.

A WONDERFUL ORGANIZED BAND
OF FIFTY PIECES

THE HAGERSTOWN MUNICIPAL BAND
HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE
HAGERSTOWN BOARD OF TRADE, INC.



UNDER THE DIRECTION OF
JAMES RILEY WHEELOCK
FORMERLY CONDUCTOR OF
CARLISLE INDIAN BAND

April 1, 1917.

Mr. John Francis,
Supt. Indian School,
Carlisle, Penna.

Dear Mr. Francis:

Quite considerable interest has been aroused here towards the Indian and the Carlisle Indian School since I came here. It seems strange that a town or community 55 miles from an Indian school that is known all over the world should know so little about Indians and Indian education as is shown in this town yet it is true. When the matter of selection of Band Master here was taken up, by the Board of Trade and City Council, I made application for trial and in my letter I stated that I was a grauate of Carlisle Indian School, the very fact that I was an Indian almost knocked me out of even being considered but by being persistant I was given trial after ten or more Band Leaders had been tried, through my experience I was enabled to show them my ability to make good and the fact that I was an Indian was forgotten and the contract awarded to me over others who had tried for the position. Sometime ago I suggested to the band that we take an automobile trip to Carlisle and see the Indian school, at our rehearsal last Friday night the matter was brought up and decided to make the trip.

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In as much as we are going to see the Carlisle Indian school I thought probably it would be sort of treat to the students if the band would give a complimentary concert to you all in the auditorium in the evening of whatever day we come there. I might suggest here that you invite the band to give a concert and incidently offer to furnish supper for the band-- this has not been mentioned in the idea of the trip but I am sure that the band men would be glad to play for the students, and I will be pleased to make that arrangement. The date that we would come will depend on what date it would suit you best to make the visit, either April 16th or 20th.

It is quite possible that the entire membership of the Board of Trade will come along on this trip, of course you would not have to give them any "eats," the band is the only part I am interested in.

I would be pleased to hear from you by return mail,
I am

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. R. Wheelock", written in dark ink.

Y. M. C. A. BAND TO PLAY AT ENOLA

J. R. Wheelock, Former Di-
rector of Carlisle Indian
Band, to Lead



JAMES RILEY WHEELOCK

Special to The Telegraph

Enola, Pa., April 15.—Enola resi-
dents who appreciate good music will
have that opportunity to-morrow aft-
ernoon at 3 o'clock when the Enola
Band will give a special concert in
the Pennsylvania Railroad Young
Men's Christian Association Building.

James Riley Wheelock, who made a
national reputation as a member and
director of the Carlisle Indian Band,
dericts the Enola organization. As a
result of his interest the band has
become during the last few months a
virtually neu organization.

The program follows: March, "Re-
ligioso," Chambers; overture, "Light
Cavalry," Suppe; cornet solo, "Mar-
guerite," Smith, C. E. Motter; valse
oriental, "Moonlight on the Nile,"
King; (a) "Simple Confession," (b)
"My Hero From Chocolate Soldier,"
Strauss, cornetist, Mr. Kline; gems
from the "Royal Chef," Jerome; so-
prano solo, selected, Miss Mildred Gar-
man; "American Fantasia," Tobani.



Wheellock and his Band

JAMES RILEY WHEELLOCK
CONDUCTOR



PHILADELPHIA
PA.

Dec. 31st 1910

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

Sir: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your
circular letter to the graduates, also the
Panoramic view of the school. We need
encouragement to keep up the fight - to
kill the old idea that the "only
good Indian is a dead one."

Yours truly
J. R. Wheelock

1921 Wallace St.
Phila. Penna.

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April 13, 1917.

Mr. James Riley Wheelock,
Director, Hagerstown Municipal Band,
Hagerstown, Mdna.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

I am in receipt of your letter of April 12, 1917, in which you enclose the program for the concert to be held at this school by your band on the night of April 20.

I note your statement that the party will include 50 people and your desire that we invite Major J. C. Byron, the President of your organization, Mayor Scott, and Professor Dryden, the superintendent of schools.

I am this day writing personal invitations to Major Byron, Mayor Scott, and Professor Dryden, to accompany the band as suggested by you, and will arrange^{so} that they and the band will be entertained at supper.

In order that there may be no embarrassment please make it plain to any others than the three mentioned and the members of the band that they will not be entertained at supper

at the school.

We are all looking forward
with a great deal of pleasure to the visit of
your organization.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.

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 CARLISLE INDIAN BAND

April 12th, 1917.

Mr. John Francis, Jr.
 Supt. Indian School,
 Carlisle, Penna.

My dear Mr. Francis:

I am sending you herewith program of our concert at the School on the night of April 20th. We will have 50 in our party. I am going to ask Maj. Byron, President of the School Board here, also ^{Prof. Dryden,} County Superintendent of schools and Mayor Scott to come along with us. Major Byron served in the United States Army among the Siouxs in Dakotas and is very much interested in the education of Indian children, he is the biggest man we have in Hagerstown financially and public interests.

The Board of Trade as a body will not come as far as I am able to learn. I might suggest that you write Maj. Byron and extend to him personal invitation, also Mayor Scott, and Prof. Dryden, Supt/ of schools, in the meantime I will see them individually.

If anything should occur that will make it necessary to change our date I will get in touch with you and make such date as will suit you best/ I am

Very Respectfully,

J. R. Wheelock

We should arrive about 2:30 P.M.

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Hagerstown, Maryland, April 14, 1917.

Prof. John Francis, Jr.,
Carlisle, Penna.

Dear Sir:-

Your invitation to visit the Indian School at Carlisle has been received and appreciated; but I find I have a district teachers' meeting scheduled for that day, and I regret that I cannot accompany the band from here.

Prof. Wheelock is meeting with deserved success here, and I am sure he will reflect honor upon his "Alma Mater".

Wishing you and the school continued success,
I am,

Very truly yours,

Chas. E. Dryden, Supt.

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June 7, 1917.

Mr. James R. Wheelock,
329 W. Washington St.,
Hagerstown, Md.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 3rd wherein you make application for the position of bandmaster at this school.

In response you are advised that I have transmitted your application to the Indians Office for consideration.

The Civil Service Commission on May 13, 1917, held an examination for band leaders in the Indian Service. This was based on the resignation of Mr. Tyrrell which was then in the hands of the Commissioner. I am not sure what effect this list of eligibles would have on your appointment. I am advising the Commissioner, however, that I know you to be an extremely competent band leader and have referred to your previous service here and at Riverside .

Sincerely yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.

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April 18, 1917.

Mr. John Francis, Jr.
Supt. Indian School,
Carlisle, Penna.

My dear Mr. Francis:

You probably have heard from Mayor Scott and Prof. Dwyden stating that they could not come on account of business appointments on that date. Major Byron is coming along and I am greatly pleased because of the fact that he is especially interested in the work. From all rumors afloat we are going to have quite a delegation on this trip, quite a number are coming on train I understand.

We are going to send the porter with large instruments and drums on train so if convenient will you have your mail wagon meet the 2:10 train and haul these instruments out to the school.

The main interest I believe will be in the military feature of the school and I hope that your boys will give us good dress parade, I am

Very Respectfully,

James Wheelock

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June 7, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith the application of Mr. James R. Wheelock for the position of bandmaster at this school viz., George F. Tyrrell, deceased.

I have advised Mr. Wheelock of the fact that an examination was held for this position on May 15, 1917, based on the resignation of Mr. Tyrrell, but that I have transmitted his application to you for your consideration.

Mr. Wheelock is an Indian and has real ability as a band leader. The Hagerstown band, of which he is now director, gave a concert at this school in April and it was apparent that Mr. Wheelock had developed a splendid musical organization there. The Office is fully advised of his splendid record as bandmaster at Carlisle and also at Sherman Institute.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.

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Mr. James R. Wheelock,
329 South Washington Street,
Hagerstown, Maryland.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

I have your letter of June 3 and shall be glad to give your application for appointment as band master at the Carlisle School careful consideration when steps are taken to fill the vacancy permanently.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed E. B. Meritt)

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Assistant Commissioner.

(Copy to Carlisle.)

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June 27, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a letter dated June 22, 1917, from Mr. James R. Wheelock, at present director of the Hagerstown Municipal Band, and an application for the position as band leader here. Mr. Wheelock refers to a letter recently received from you in regard to the salary being too small to appeal to a man of his ability.

Mr. Wheelock explains why he desires to be appointed to the position alleging his personal interest in this school.

I am submitting this letter for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

Superintendent;

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June 27, 1917.

Mr. James R. Wheelock,
c/o Hagerstown Municipal Band,
Hagerstown, Md.

My dear Mr. Wheelock:

I am in receipt of your letter of June 22, 1917, setting forth the reasons which would cause you to accept the appointment as band leader at your old school.

I congratulate you on the winning of the State band contest at Cumberland by the Hagerstown Municipal Band, but, while not a musician, after listening to your organization here, I am not at all surprised.

I have brought the contents of your letter to the attention of the Commissioner for consideration in connection with your application here.

Very truly yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.