

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

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Months in school before Carlisle, .....

Grade entered at Carlisle, .....

Grade at date of Discharge, .....

Trade or Industry, .....

Church, .....

## RECORD OF GRADUATES AND RETURNED STUDENTS.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Name Charles F. Coleman. 19021. Are you married and if so to whom? Yes Mrs. Gertrude Christopher2. What is your present address? St. Michaels Ariz.3. Did you attend or graduate from any other schools after leaving Carlisle? Give names of school and dates if possible. no.4. What is your present occupation? Salary? At present I am filling a position as Farmer at this School.  
Salary at \$62 per mo.5. Do you own your home? not at present.6. What kind of a house is it? Number of rooms? —

7. How much property do you possess?

Stock noneLand none

Real Estate *none.*

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? *yes.*

*As <sup>1</sup>Asst. Blacksmith, <sup>2</sup>Stableman, <sup>3</sup>Blacksmith  
and <sup>4</sup>Disciplinarian. <sup>1</sup>Six mos. <sup>2</sup>One year six  
mos. <sup>3</sup>Seven mos and <sup>4</sup>five mos.*

10. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle? *none*

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

*I only  
visited home for about 2 mos. and  
left because there was nothing there  
to be done. I have never been  
back since. I was taught at  
Carlisle to get out into the world  
among people and show what an  
Indian can do. I did so, and I am  
not sorry over it. Every place I have  
been at work I have done <sup>as</sup> with  
credit. I have always done my  
work, the best I knew. I*

and I think that is all that  
can be expected of any man.

12. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life. I expect to  
make our home in the near future  
In Ariz. I learned the Trade as Black-  
smith at Carlisle. With this Trade I  
have done well. But I did not  
stick only to this alone but would  
work at anything my employer  
wished me to do. In this way  
I have learned more and more.  
At present as stated I am a Farmer  
And I run a Hot Air Pump. Pumping  
water for the School. It is a simple Engine  
Easy to run. I do a little Plumbering,  
Pipe Fitting etc. All of these things  
that I do and have done, I have  
Learned the Principles at Carlisle.



Department of the Interior.

Mr. M. FriedmanSupt. U. S. Indian SchoolCarlislePennsylvania

6-3305

245- Feb 7th, 1913

Name Charles F. Coleman  
(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe mission

Present Address Gallup, N. Mex.

Former Address St Michaels Ariz  
(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation Boiler Making

Remarks: We just returned from Okla. where we were living the past year.

-2- Mr. C. F. Coleman, North Park, California.

Sept. 8th, 1914.

with you in any other way than that outlined on the fore-  
-Mr. C. F. Coleman, that it will yet be possible to en-  
roll the North Park, California.

My dear Sir:

Very truly yours,

I have received your favor of September the 1st,  
with which you transmitted applications to cover the en-  
rolment at Carlisle of Oscar Fuller and Homer Hallock, the  
two young men in whom you have interested yourself.

It has also been noted that they do not seem to be  
under the jurisdiction of any Agency, so it has been de-  
cided that transportation cannot be made available for  
their use.

If they can arrange to come to Carlisle at their own  
expense I will be pleased to receive them, and in case they  
can arrange to do that I desire to have submitted to me at  
once applications on the new blanks that are being trans-  
mitted herewith. The "case record" blanks enclosed with the  
blanks must be filled out by the examining physician and the  
vouchers on the second inside page must be filled out by  
people at your home who know the boys and their parents.

Regretting that it will not be advisable to co-operate

-2- Mr. C. F. Coleman, North Fork, California.

with you in any other way than that outlined on the foregoing page, and hoping that it will yet be possible to enroll the two young men, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

North Fork Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> / 1914

Mrs. C. H. Lipps

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir.

I Forwarded you the applications made by the boys but I do not think I gave their nearest Station. Their nearest Station is Friant, Fresno Co., Calif. Or the Tickets may be sent to Fresno, Calif. Providing they are Accepted.

Yours Respectfully  
C. F. Coleman.

North Fork Sept. 1. 1914

Mr. C. L. Lipp

Carlisle Pa.

Dear Sir:—

I am enclosing  
the boys' applications for  
enrollement at Carlisle  
Pa. I hope there will  
be no delay. They are  
bright boys & willing  
to learn. They are going  
there for the purpose of  
learning a trade. You  
will note the applications  
are not filled by

Physician & Agent. There are  
no such places here. These  
Indians do not live on  
reservations. therefore They  
were not filled. But they  
are healthy boys. Hard  
workers. Awaiting a  
Reply. I am your

Ex Student  
C. F. Coleman

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Mr. Charles Coleman has been promoted from the position of blacksmith to that of disciplinarian at the Keams Canon school, Arizona. Mr. Coleman is an ex-student of Perris and Sherman, and his friends here are pleased to hear of his success.

Mrs. O's file -

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Grove, Okla. Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1911.

Mr Friedman Supt.

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Mr Friedman,

I was very impressed to receive Christmas Greetings from Dear Old Carlisle. They impress in my mind another successful year is nearing an end. Soon to send more of her Children out into world of life. "God Bless Them."

Mr Friedman there are about four or five Children who wish to go to Carlisle. But owing to the Changes in the rules regarding the enrollment of the different tribes

I do not know if they can be enrolled there. I have a brother & Sister in Law - Who are about  $\frac{1}{16}$  Cherokee. The rest I do not know as yet. If you will kindly inform me of the Rules & Regulations regarding their enrollment, I will try to get a party for <sup>the</sup> School.

Also let me know regarding transportation & etc. The full bloods are hard to persuade. The parties I speak of will be about  $\frac{1}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{16}$ .

Hoping that I may get send there pupils to Carlisle School. I await your ans.

Respectfully Yours  
Ex Student C. F. Coleman.

January 5th, 1912.

Mr. C. F. Coleman,

Grove, Oklahoma.

My dear Friend:

I thank you for your favor of December the 30th, for it is always gratifying to hear from one of the former students of Carlisle who has gone out and taken a place among the other residents of the home community.

I thank you also for the matter you referred to me in your letter. In reply thereto allow me to state that all students who desire to enroll at Carlisle and who are members of the Five Civilized Tribes must provide their transportation to and from Carlisle and must deposit an amount of \$167.00 for each year's tuition, board, clothing, etc.

There is yet room to accomodate additional students, and if there are any in the vicinity of your home who can meet the requirements enumerated above I will be pleased to receive applications for their enrolment. Anything you can do to be of further assistance to such students will be duly appreciated.

Trusting the new year will prove to be a sucessful and prosperous one for you, I remain,

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

Gallup N. Mex.  
Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 1913

My dear Mr Friedman.

Carlisle, Pa.

Your letter of Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> had  
been sent to St Michaels  
Ariz. my former address.  
We left St. Michaels Jan.  
1st 1911 for Grove Okla. where  
we were <sup>living</sup> the past year. We  
were compelled to come  
back to N. Mex on account  
of the health of my family.  
We are now living in  
Gallup N. Mex. I am  
employed by the Santa Fe  
R. Road in the Boiler Dept.  
At present I am doing  
well. I have <sup>met</sup> many - 8

Carlisle ex Students here.  
And I feel so much at  
home with them. I also  
received many Carlisle  
Arrows that had been  
sent to St. Michaels. They  
were old but I enjoyed  
reading them the same  
as if they were my daily  
mail from there. I admire  
Carlisle for its Athletics,  
And the Athletes puts  
out not only Athletics But  
in all its branches of Study.  
Its the only School that is  
bringing the Indians to  
the front. May it thro.  
the Help of God And  
its most worthy Superintendent

And its Faculty Continue  
the Good work.

I am your Friend  
Ex Student, C. F. Coleman  
Gallup N. Mex.

Bx 511

P.S. I have filled the  
Card sent me, and  
am mailing the same.

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Grove, Okla. Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> 1911.

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

My dear Mr Friedman.

I am in receipt of your letter addressed to me at St. Michaels Arizona, together with the invitation to attend the Commencement exercises on Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> inclusive. In reply I am sorry to state that I can not possibly attend the Commencement. Because at present we are building our home and it will take some time before <sup>we are</sup> settled. I am building our home myself. And as soon as I have it completed I shall send you a picture of it. I learned the Blacksmith trade while at Carlisle but I do not confine myself to the one trade.

that people can do if they only ~~say~~ <sup>think</sup> and try. If I would let Contractors build for me I would have to pay so much and in the end I would know no more about building a house than I do now. but as it stands I think I'll be able to put up a very neat house by my next trial. There is no doubt but my expences will be greater but I much rather pay for experience than pay some one else and learn nothing by it. more so when a person thinks he can do as good. I wish the Class of 1911 the greatest of success. I hope they will all make good Citizens of our Great Country.

And may dear old Carlisle continue its good and noble work by the direction of its most worthy Superintendent, in distributing such Citizens throughout the Country. God Bless them.

From Your Ex Student  
Charles F. Coleman

P.S.

My Address is.

C. F. Coleman

Grove,

Delaware Co.

Okla.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

Fort Defiance.ArizonaFeb 7<sup>th</sup> —, 1907

Major Mercer.

Carlisle, Pa.

Dear friend;—

Your letter was received this evening, having been forwarded to me from Julian, Calif. My home address. I was married July 15<sup>th</sup> 1906 at Ft Defiance Ariz to Miss Gertie Christopher of Oklahoma. My Post office address is Ft Defiance, Ariz. I am a Blacksmith by trade, and entered as asst. Blacksmith at this place, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> 1906. And was promoted with better

Salary as Hostler or Stableman  
up to present time. I left  
Carlisle soon after graduation.  
I was very glad to hear  
from you Major. I am sorry  
that I did not keep in  
touch with the School as  
I should have done. Because  
I owe much to the Carlisle  
School. It has done a great deal  
for me, more than tongue  
can explain or utter thanks  
to the Institution that prepared  
me to meet Civilization and  
to stare <sup>the</sup> world face to face,  
and move onward in its

progress as a true loyal  
American Citizen. To its  
As I occasionally read the Arrow  
I find or rather I learn that  
Dear Old Carlisle is still going  
in every respect which <sup>is</sup> due  
is due to its most worthy  
Superintendent. Wishing you  
the greatest of Success and  
that the School may continue  
to grow.

I am

Your Ex Student  
Charles F. Coleman

P.S. Three Cheers for the  
Carlisle Foot-Ball Team.

Miss Robertson

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*North Fork of Calif. River*

August 25th, 1914.

Mr. Chas. F. Coleman,  
North Fork, California.

My dear Sir:

I was pleased to receive your letter of August the 17th and to note therein that two of the young men of your acquaintance desire to be enrolled at Carlisle. In compliance with the request contained in your letter I enclose herewith blanks that may be used by the young men to submit applications for their enrolment at Carlisle to their Superintendent for his consideration and approval. If they can then be recommended for enrolment I will be advised in what other way I can give assistance.

This is also to state that only a very few carefully selected students can be enrolled at Carlisle from far western points because of the expenses that have to be incurred, so it is desired that only those with a definite purpose shall apply for transfer.

Thanking you for the further assistance so kindly offered by you, I am, with best wishes,

Respectfully yours,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

North Fork Calif. Aug. 17. 1914

Mr Oscar H Lipps

Carlisle Pa.

Dear Sir

I have names of two boys, who wish to enter the Carlisle School. And wish to go as soon as possible. They are good industrious boys & wish to learn something to become good American Citizens. Their names are Oscar Fuller & Homer Hellich. They are half breeds. Belonging to the Mono tribe. Their addresses are North Fork Calif. Or you can send all Communications to me. Hoping these boys will receive an early reply.

I am yours Respectfully  
Chas. F. Coleman  
North Fork.

Calif.

## REPORT AFTER LEAVING CARLISLE

NAME AT CARLISLE

Charles Coleman

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PRESENT NAME

| DATE | INFORMATION THROUGH | ADDRESS                                   | OCCUPATION                         | ITEMS OF INTEREST                                 | GRADE |
|------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1907 | Self-               | Home: Julian. Cal.<br>Ft. Defiance. Ariz. | Trade: Blksmith.<br>Hosier. #62ama | Married July 1906 to<br>Gertie Christopher. Okla. |       |
| 1909 | "                   | St. Michaels. Ariz.                       | Schl. Farmer                       |                                                   |       |
| 1912 | "                   | Grove, Okla.                              |                                    |                                                   |       |
| 1913 | "                   | Gallup, N. Mex.                           | Boiler Making                      |                                                   |       |