

CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

NUMBER 5396	ENGLISH NAME John B. Thinchum	AGENCY	NATION Choctaw
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS J. A. Christian, Gerty, Okla.	
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD	BLOOD 1/4	AGE 18	HEIGHT
FATHER no	MOTHER L	WEIGHT	SEX M
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Sept. 4, 1915	FOR WHAT PERIOD Three years	DATE DISCHARGED May 28, 1917	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Graduate
TO COUNTRY 7-24-16	PATRON'S NAME AND ADDRESS Harry Snyder, Amerson & Steel Co. Lebanon, Pa.	FROM COUNTRY 9-18-16	

SHAW-WALKER, WILKESON, MICHIGAN. 43445

Months in school before Carlisle, 8 yrs.

Grade entered at Carlisle,

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church, Presbyterian

5638
Reenrolled

DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT

[illegible]

5638

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

5396

No.

NAME.

AGE.

TRIBE.

Flinchum, John B.

18 Choctaw

74

Lerty, Okla.

DATE ENTERED.

Months
in
school
before
enroll-
ment
here.IN WHAT GRADE
OR ROOM.On
entering
here.At date
of this
report.Distance
to nearest
public
school
from
pupil's
home.

REMARKS.

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

To COUNTRY

FROM COUNTRY

DATE DISCHARGED

Sept. 1916

8 yrs.

IX

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7-25-16

9/18/16

MAY 28 1917

(Graduated)

SEP 19 1917

Reen-

DEC 15 1917

JAN 14 1918

Presby. Terrell

Progress from _____, to _____,

(Date)

(Date)

FIRST YEAR IN THIS SCHOOL

SEPT.

OCT.

NOV.

DEC.

JAN.

FEB.

MAR.

APR.

Class or grade

Academic standing*

Industrial standing*
(Department)

Musical: Band standing*

Vocal standing*

Orchestra standing*

deportment standing*

Physical condition

Remarks:

ROUTING RECORD — CARLISLE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The Calvin National Bank

Calvin, Okla. JUL 13 1911

DEPOSITED TO CREDIT OF

J. D. Christian

By J. D. Christian

PLEASE LIST EACH CHECK SEPARATELY

Currency

Silver

Gold

CHECKS AS FOLLOWS:

50 00

Total, \$

SEE THAT ALL CHECKS AND DRAFTS ARE ENDORSED

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Carlisle - Pa

5-29-16

Calvin National Bank
Calvin. Okla -

~~Write please~~ Is J. D. Christian's
check for fifty dollars
good wire answer

O. H. Lipps Supt.

M. W. Paid
11.07

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CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Day Message	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a day message. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT

BELVIDERE BROOKS, VICE-PRESIDENT

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RECEIVED AT

CARLISLE OFFICE BUILDING,

15 32 WEST HIGH STREET

18 P S 20 COLLECT GOVT RATE

CALVIN. OKLA. 11AM. 29/16

O H LIPPS. SUPT. CARLISLE PA

CANNOT HONOR CHECK FOR FIFTY DOLLARS ON J B CHRISTIAN.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

1.44PM

Phone 150 Pm

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NO 10226



THE CALVIN NATIONAL BANK

CALVIN, OKLA.

June, 3rd. 1916.

Mr. J. B. Flinchum,

Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith enclose check to you and duplicate deposit slip in favor of J. D. Christian for \$50.00.

I do not where to wire you this money so am returning the check and the deposit slip to you.

We never received a wire in connection with this check but on looking the matter up we find that the First National Bank of this place did receive a wire concerning the check.

We will expect this note paid of the Indian payment due this summer.

John B. Flinchum

Yours Very Truly,

B. J. Badger
Cashier.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

OUTING SYSTEM

MRS. NELLIE R. DENNY, Manager.

MISS LIDA M. JOHNSTON, Girls' Agent.

MR. D. H. DICKEY, Boys' Agent.

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July 27, 1916.

Mr. Lipps, Superintendent.

Dear Sir:-

I want to go under the Outing to work.

I promise to keep all the Rules of the School.

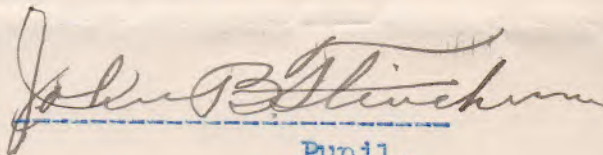
I will observe all the rules of conduct becoming a gentleman, will select good companions, not loaf about public places nor visit undesirable places and will use my spare time for self-improvement.

If taken sick, I will report immediately to the School.

I will pay my board promptly and send the receipt to the School.

I will send one-fourth of my wages to the School every pay day.

I will not visit the school over Sunday unless given special permission by you.



Pupil.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROMOTION

May 24, 1917, 191

This certifies that

John Flinchum

(Name of student.)

has made the following record in

Carlisle Indian School

(Name of school.)

SUBJECTS—ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL.

GRADE.

RATING.

English

4th Voc.

85

General Exercises

90

Field Crops

83

Plant Diseases

80

Insects and Insecticides

79

Rural Economics

78

Painting

93

Effort

Deportment

DETAILS SERVED.

LENGTH OF TIME IN EACH.

RATING.

and is or is not eligible to pursue work in the _____ grade, academic; and
 (Cancel one.)
 _____ grade or year vocational.

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July 26, 1917.

Mr. John B. Flinchum,
Gerty, Okla.

Dear John:

There is enclosed herewith the application for admission to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, also your certificate of promotion.

While I regret that you will not be with us next year I am glad to know that you intend to continue your education and I wish you every success.

Sincerely yours,

JF:R

Superintendent.

City, Okla.
July 20, 1917.
Mr John Franklin
Dean,

I enclose herewith
an application for the Agricul-
tural and Mechanical College
of Texas which I would
like very much for you
to sign and as directed under
Superintendent or Principal
of local school attached.

As you remember probably
that I promised to come
back to Carlisle this September
and too I told you I would
like to get an Agricultural
course? I feel be unable
to attend Carlisle owing to
the fact however, that
my mother also wants me
to go to an Agricultural school
and my brothers formerly.

attended Texas A&M and
recommended it to school
very highly and if I have
sufficient credits I would
like very much to attend.

However I suppose I would
have to give up my first year
of football which is thearsity
of good diving to the freshmen
rule. However, I also would
like to be back with this
team you are to have this
season as I was a member
last season.

Hoping to hear from you
real soon and just return
the application to me.

Thanking you in advance
for your courtesy.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Thirum

ENROLLMENT AND ALLOTMENT RECORD
MEMORANDUM FOR OFFICIAL USE.

(Blank 533)
6370

The following is the enrollment and allotment of:

Name.

Last Known Post Office.

<u>John B. Flinchum</u>	<u>Roll</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Age at Time</u>	<u>Date of</u>	<u>Birthday,</u>
<u>Nation.</u>	<u>Number.</u>	<u>Sex.</u>	<u>Of Enrollment.</u>	<u>Enrollment.</u>	<u>If Given.</u>

Choctaw 9494 M 1/4 ✓ ✓ Aug-7-1897

The following described land was selected as the allotment of the above named citizen:

S U R P L U S.

	Sec- tion	Town	Range	Area		Certificate Number.	Valuation		Date of Selection
				Acres	100ths		Dollars	Cents	
N ² S ² E ⁴	33	5 ^N	10 ^E	80			120		Aug-25-03
S ² E ⁴	34	5 ^N	10 ^E	40			200		
Lot 1	3	4 ^N	10 ^E	46	19		150	12	
N ⁸ 13.17 acres Lot 2	3	4 ^N	10 ^E	13	17		44	80	

H O M E S T E A D.

NW ⁴	33	5 ^N	10 ^E	160			520		Aug-25-03
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REMARKS:

Office of Superintendent
For the Five Civilized Tribes,

J. P. H.
Clerk.

Aug-1-, 1917.

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August 22, 1918.

Mr. John Flinchum
Gerty, Oklahoma.

Dear John:-

I have your inquiry regarding sweaters and have to advise that I have a 34 which I can let you have for \$9.00. You can add \$.25 more to your money order to pay postage. As we expect to close the school the first of September, it will be necessary for you to remit promptly.

Very truly yours

Trav. Aud. in Charge.

NRD

Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

BRIEF.

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Application of

FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF

John B. Flinchum

IN THE INDIAN SCHOOL AT

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

NAME OF AGENCY FROM WHICH PUPIL CAME:

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

Term of enrollment..... (3) years

Printed by Carlisle Indians.

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

Flinchum John

Application for Enrollment in a Non-reservation School.

(For a child enrolled at an Agency)

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

of Jno. B. Flinchum; male; date of birth Aug. 7-1897
(Name of Child) (Sex)
Choctaw Roll: 9494-1/4
(Tribe)

NAME OF FATHER (Both Indian and English)	Living or Dead	TRIBE	BAND	DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD
<u>J. S. M. Flinchum</u>	<u>dead</u>	<u>—</u>		<u>White</u> <u>(intermarried)</u>
NAME OF MOTHER				
<u>J. A. Flinchum</u> <u>Now Christian</u>	<u>living</u>	<u>Choc.</u>		<u>One-half</u>

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

The said child has been enrolled in the following schools:

NAME OF SCHOOL	DATE OF ENROLLMENT	DATE OF DISCHARGE	CAUSE	GRADE
1. <u>Armstrong</u>	<u>4-7-12</u>	<u>6-2-14</u>	<u>Graduate</u>	<u>thru 8th</u>
2.				
3.				
4.				

J. A. Christian
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin)
 P. O. address: Perky

Two Witnesses:

J. B. Flinchum
J. S. M. Flinchum

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

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

This 19th day of August, 1915
Dr. Chas. Blickensderfer
SHAWNEE, OKLA. Aug. 19 1915
Physician at Shawnee, Okla. 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 J. A. Christian
(Parent, guardian, or next of kin.)
was voluntary, and I recommend the transfer of said child.

This 28th day of August, 1915
A. S. Wyley
SUPERVISOR Agent or Superintendent.

SPECIAL NOTE.

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

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

Read Instructions on this Application Blank carefully

INDORSEMENTS.

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

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

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

The rules provide that—

A pupil who has been regularly enrolled in a nonreservation school must not be taken to any other nonreservation school without the consent of both Superintendents and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Superintendents will be held to strict accountability for such pupils taken to their schools.

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

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

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NAME: John Flinchum
AGE: 19
SEX: Male
TRIBE: Choctaw
DEGREE OF BLOOD: $\frac{3}{4}$
COURSE PURSUED: Painting
HOW PERSONAL FUNDS HANDLED:

65-0

He had considerable money and spent it rather freely.

*Graduated - Tentative Course.
Health - Good.*

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH:

His home is at Gerty, Okla. He is the son of James S. and Julia Turnbull Flinchum. Both father and mother completed the grammar school course. He has ^{about} 340 acres of land much of which is in cultivation. He worked on the farm and in the carpenter shop at Armstrong Academy and since coming to Carlisle has worked in the paint shop continuously. He thinks his life's work should be on the farm as he has a good farm and likes it.

Supr. Pos 5 CW. Mike in A. - 2 9 2 1

J. J. - 66-1149. - 2 4 0

September 18, 1917.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 28, 1917, in which you direct attention to that paragraph of the Declaration of Policy in the Administration of Indian Affairs which refers to Indian students who have completed the course of instruction in the Government schools, being declared competent.

In accordance with these directions I have the honor to report that John Flinchum, a $\frac{3}{4}$ blood Choctaw Indian, 19 years of age, passed his examinations and on May 24, 1917 was graduated from this school in painting, in accordance with the tentative course of study.

John is the son of James S. and Julia Turnbull Flinchum. His home is at Gerty, Okla. Both father and mother completed the grammar school course. He has about 340 acres of land much of which is in cultivation. He worked on the farm and in the carpenter shop at Armstrong Academy and since coming to Carlisle has worked in the paint shop continuously. He thinks his life's work should be on the farm as he has a good farm and likes it.

Principal Blair and Director of Mechanic Arts Bradley reports that John came to Carlisle two years ago. He is an impulsive well-meaning boy who has not yet learned to count the cost. He is not studious, has a poor command of language, and is very careless in his work, but he is particular about his personal appearance, very gentlemanly, and easily led by kindness.

He is strong physically and very fond of sports. Although thoughtless he is frank and truthful, know his weaknesses and is trying to overcome them. He improved very much during the last six months. He is a very good painter and is capable of managing his own affairs.

John is in good health. He is inclined to spend his money freely.

Superintendent Parker of the Five Civilized Tribes reports in connection with the land owned by John that he is only $\frac{1}{2}$ blood, and is of the unrestricted class.

In view of the record I feel that this young man is as fully capable of managing his own affairs, and such steps as may be practicable to declare the competency of this young man should be taken at once.

Very truly yours,

Superintendent.

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Leidy Okla
9-2-18

Mr C. V. Peck

My Dear Mr Peck
I

received your
letter in regard
to the Swedes

and am very
sorry I never
recommitted any
 sooner but was
not at home at
the time of the
arrival of the
letter. So I have -
with inclosure
my check for
nine twenty (925-)

if it is not too late
Please ~~to~~ send the
sweater immediately
for I expect to leave
for the Army soon
Thanking you in
advance I am

Yours truly
J. B. Hinchman

N.B.

The sweater was
size 34 and would
like to have a "C" or
cloth for the "C" for
the sweater M.D.

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March 26, 1918

Mr. John B. Flinchum,
Gerty, Oklahoma

My dear John:

I am in receipt of your letter containing a check for One Dollar to pay your subscription to the Arrow. As we allow our ex-students and graduates to have the Arrow for \$.50 a year, I have given you credit for two years' subscription.

I cannot send you the seal which you have requested as these are put on the certificates and commissions by means of a heavy stamp which we hold in the office. If you will send me your certificate and commission I will be glad to have them stamped with the school seal for you.

With my best regards to you, I am

Very truly yours,

D-E

Superintendent

Terre Haute, Okla

Mar, 19, 1918

Mr John Francis Jr.
My Dear Mr Francis,

Enclosed

here with you will
find one dollar
(~~\$1.00~~) for which
you will please
send me the

Arrived.

And too Mr Francis
I wish you would
send me two
of those school
bags and Colars
and to put an
my foot ball
certificate and
one for my
commission as
Lieutenant.

Thanking you
in advance. Love.

Very truly yours
John D. Fitchum