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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO INDIANS.

Preliminary to the usual spring annuity payment there will be the customary vaccination of all Indians who have never had smallpox or have not evidence of recent successful vaccination. This is necessary in compliance with Indian Office Circular No. 843, dated April 1, 1914, which is reprinted below for the information and guidance of all concerned:

Washington, April 1, 1914.

To Superintendents:—

It is reported that in nearly every school and agency there are pupils and employees who have never been vaccinated. Several cases of smallpox have arisen in the schools on account of this neglect, giving rise to considerable expense, annoyance, and interruption of school routine.

You are directed to see that all pupils and employees who fail to present evidence of a successful vaccination within the past five years are vaccinated at once. In this connection your attention is directed to 179 to 186, inclusive, of the Rules for the Indian School Service which should be strictly complied with.

A thorough and systematic examination of all Indians under your jurisdiction should be made, and those not presenting evidence of satisfactory vaccination during the five-year period preceding should be vaccinated. Exception should be made in case they have had smallpox.

A report should be made at an early date of the number of pupils, employees and Indians examined, the results of the examination, and the action taken.

Immediate compliance with these directions is requested."

CATO SELLS,
Commissioner.

Vaccine has been ordered and will be here within a few days. In less than a week we will be able to take care of you. Every person who has not been vaccinated and with a resulting "take" or sore arm within the previous five years, or who has not had smallpox is requested to come to the doctor's office at once and have the matter attended to promptly, preferably before payment begins. Otherwise, if you cause a delay in receiving checks when payment is begun you will have no one to blame but yourself. The records before 1913 are somewhat hazy, but it is known that there are about 500 persons resident upon the reservation who have never been vaccinated, were vaccinated long ago, or never had smallpox. Each adult and each head of a family knows whether or not they are included in this list, and if so, should come early and avoid the unpleasantness of having to wait or causing delay to others at payment time.

The value of being protected from smallpox should need no discussion on this reservation, especially when every adult can readily recall the misery and suffering which occurred here about 14 years ago. Ask any of the 325 persons now living here who had the disease at that time and see what they have to say. It is true that the disease does not show itself so deadly as a

rule in recent years, but it is only because repeated vaccinations have prevented or modified the disease, and it is indeed fair to presume that a certain amount of protection is transmitted to the children of those who have been repeatedly vaccinated or who have had the disease in some form.

CHOC KELLEY LANDS COVETED APPOINTMENT.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The appointment of Victor M. Kelly of Durant, Ok., as football coach and athletic instructor at the Carlisle Indian School was announced today by Cato Sells, Commissioner of Indian Affairs. The appointee, better known as "Choc" Kelly, from the fact that he is a Choctaw Indian, was formerly with the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College and holds a record for work as a quarterback there. He succeeds "Pop" Warner; well known in the sporting world as a football coach.

Kelly was liberally indorsed from Oklahoma and Texas.

"Choc" Kelly's appointment as athletic director at the Carlisle Indian School will doubtless be received with great pleasure by his numerous friends in Texas. Kelly was a gridiron star in this state for a number of years and was always considered one of the hardest, grittiest and cleverest of the quarterbacks who have ever played in Texas. "Choc" said that his greatest ambition had been realized when the A. M. team, piloted by him, defeated the University of Texas in Houston in 1908 by a score of 23 to 0.

This was the first time in many years that the Aggies had been able to down the Longhorns and Kelly had been made to know the pain of a Texas defeat on several occasions. That year (1908) when the second game was played in Austin on Thanksgiving Day, the Farmers again triumphed, but only by the narrow margin of 5 to 0, and it was "Choc" Kelly who made those five points. This was when the forward pass was in its infancy and it was on that kind of a play that Kelly made the lone score of the game. He caught the ball after a long pass and dodging several players, wriggled across the goal line for the winning score.

Records do not show when Kelly was taken out of a game on account of an injury or for any other reason. His tantalizing smile made him a veritable nemesis to all opposing players and no matter how hard he was hit he always got up wearing a smile. He was a small man, but was a marvelous open field runner, being able to keep his feet under the worst conditions. He was well liked by his opponents off the field for his gentlemanly manner, but on the field he was dreaded owing to his ability to show up his would-be tackler.

He is a hard worker with his men and is a good judge of an Athlete.—Dallas (Texas) News, February 24, 1915.

FARM STATION ITEMS.

The Farm Station Farmer's Club met at Frank Carl's on March 6th with 18 mem-

WARNING.

The introduction of intoxicating liquors into this reservation or its sale to non-citizen Indians is forbidden by law under a penalty of imprisonment for not less than sixty days.
See Act of January 30, 1897 (29 State L., 506.)

bers present. The roads were in bad condition for either sledding or for wagon, making it difficult for the members who live down Sayersville way to come. President Jos. Roberts arrived by noon however. The men chopped and brushed a piece of land that Mr. Carl expects to use for his potatoe patch this spring. After an excellent dinner, the business session was called. The shingle machine was further discussed and some shares were let out to Geo. and Wm. Stateler and Jos. Lussier. Needed farm machinery was talked over and some was ordered through Mr. Lee, on the reimbursable plan. Mr. Barrett, Frank Carl and others of the Clearwater neighborhood proposed to get out and haul telephone poles to join on to the line at the Farm Station. Some new rules were introduced and discussed. While some were practical others were not found so, and were ruled out. The day was most pleasantly spent and everybody had a good sociable time along with the work and the business part of the meeting. Frank Brun is the lucky man next. Meeting at his place on March 20th. Everybody come.

Louis Carl, Jos. La Janessee and Mrs. Omen went to Red Lake Agency the 4th, returning the 5th.

Solomon Blue and Louis Carl have been hauling oats for Father Thomas this week.

William Blue hauled his logs recently getting the logs and material ready for a new house. He is located near Neptune and is building there.

Louis Gurneau, policeman, resigned his position on March 10th and John J. Spears has been appointed as his successor.

Recently nine teams of Cross Lakers visited the Down River Indians and participated in a five days dance.

Dr. Culp and "Bug" stopped over night here the 7th, the doctor being called to treat Harry Hill who lives near the Outlet.

Mrs. Mary Brun went to Red Lake the 6th returning the 10th.

Peter Neddeau and Jos. Way benais are hauling posts to Gonvick.

E. R. Lee made a business trip to the Agency on the 9th returning the 10th.

Andrew Carl and Antoine Roy came down with Mr. Lee the 10th. They are looking over locations here and are preparing to settle permanently at an early date.

On the 9th John Spears and Louis Gurneau cut and hauled in forty house logs between one and five P. M. On the 10th John Spears drove to Red Lake and on the 11th he brought back his family and household goods. Certainly looks like he means business.

Wm. Sayers and others down his way are getting telephone poles ready for putting up their end of the line.

Judge Maxwell stopped over night at the Farm Station the 10th having come down after a load of hay.

E. R. Lee set his 140 egg incubator on March 10th.