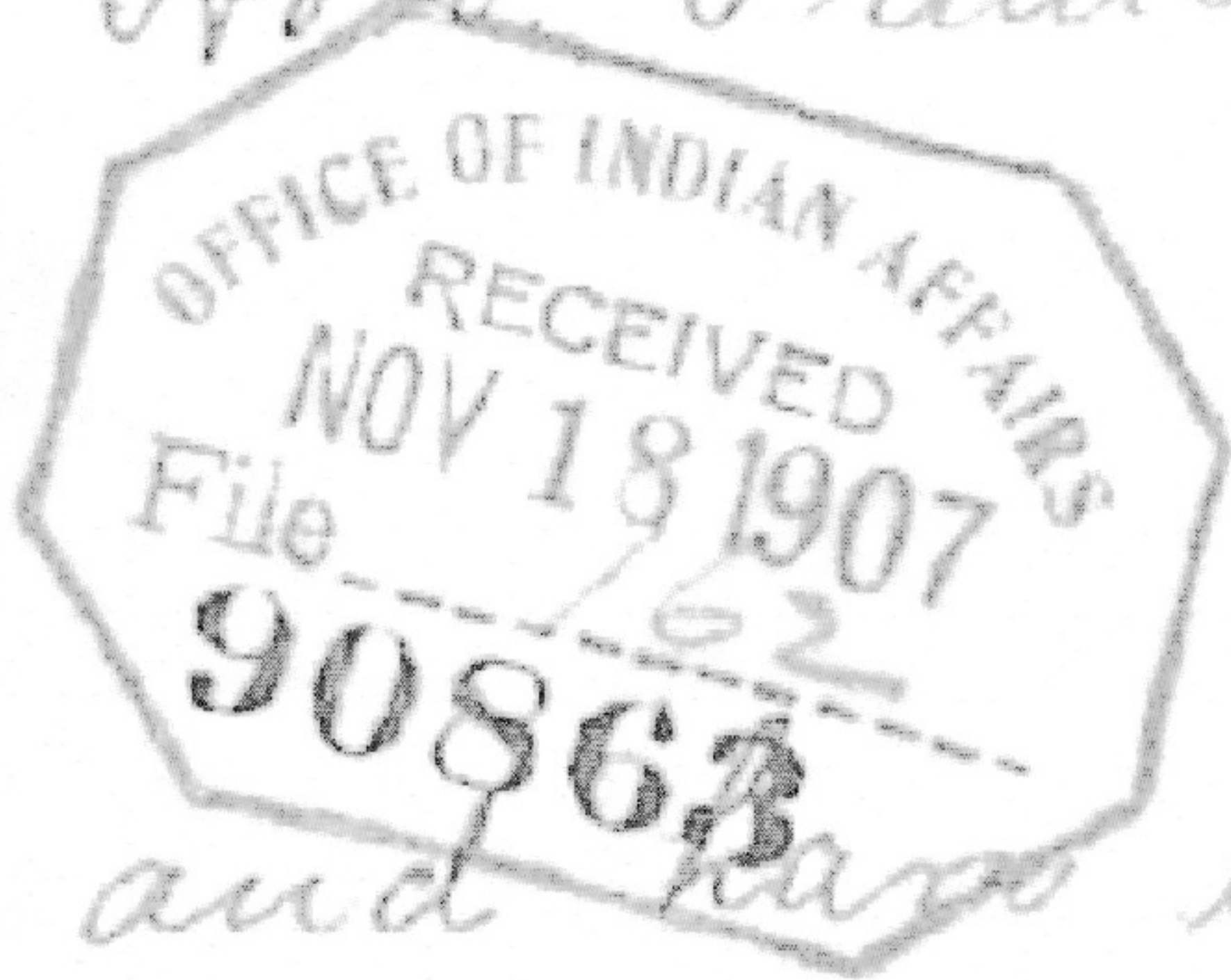


Nov. 20/07 tray for 2 PM.  
St. Vincent's Hospital.  
Sioux City Iowa.  
Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1907.

Hon. Francis E. Leupp:



Dear Sir:

Commissioner of Indian Affairs

I am an Quaha Indian and have been working as medical missionary among the Quahas but have broken down from overwork. Altho' I have been here several weeks I have kept in touch with affairs at Macy.

I know what a small figure our affairs cut with all the Department has on its hands, but I also know that if you knew the conditions and circumstances, to be remedied you would do all you could to remedy them.

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I understand Mr. Commons, our Agent,  
has been cut off from a stenographer.

It takes most of his time answering  
necessary correspondence and the affairs  
of the Indians have to be neglected.

Mr. Commons is a good man, and  
does all he can for the Indians, but  
under the circumstances he can't do  
clerical work and attend to the Indians  
wants too, so we need a stenographer.

Mr. Commons has told me nothing of this.

Second.

We need another Field Station  
besides the one we have now, Miss  
Collett. She is doing fine work and  
the Indians like her very much, but  
there is more than enough work for  
other one. We would like to have  
Miss Sallie Hagan, who is day school  
teacher, and is known to Maj. Lanabell  
personally. The Indians are working better.

and so drinking much less, they are begin-  
ning to get interested in the Church and  
now is the time when they are beginning  
to climb up, that they need the most help -  
and this help can be given to them thro'  
the field stations. We would want Miss  
Hagan, for the Indians like her and she  
is sympathetic, and they would allow  
her to do things for them, they would not  
allow anyone else to do.

I asked Mr. Commons and Maj. Hutch-  
ings if they thought the Government would  
allow us one - they spoke of a man  
but it's essentially a Roman's work, and  
the man would have to be a second  
Henry Drummond, (and such men are  
scarce) in order to work successfully a-  
mong the Indians.

I had intended to do so much work  
this fall - the Doctor tells me I cannot do  
any medical work for 6 mos. and I feel  
that something must be done for the people,  
such as our field station is doing now, real  
missionary work, for you can't rush at the

Indians with an open Bible any more than you  
can the white people.

Will you please give us Miss Hagan besides  
Miss Collett?

Third: The spread of Tuberculosis among my  
people is something terrible - it shows itself  
in the lungs, kidneys, alimentary tract,  
blood, brain and glands - so many,  
many of the young children are marked  
with it in some form. The physical de-  
generation in 20 years among my peo-  
ple is terrible. I have talked with them  
and done all I could to prevent infection  
and contagion, but I want to know if the  
Gov't can't do for us, what it did for  
the Sioux, in preventing the spread  
of this White Plague.

The financial outlay for any of these three  
requests is but small! compared to the amount  
of good it will bring forth to my people.

Most Respectfully -

Susan La Fleche Scott, M.D.