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Colonel Robert Rossow,  
Culver Military Academy,  
Culver, Indiana.

Dear Colonel Rossow:

I have spent a couple of days contacting Floyd Primaux and Arthur Raymond.

I find that Primaux lived at Ponca City, Oklahoma, and that he is rather a reticent chap. He has played softball, has taught archery at Camp Crosley, he is a fair horseman - in fact, a very good one, and withal he would be picturesque dressed in Indian costume. However, he is the typical type of our conception of the early Indian. He does not say one more word than he has to, but he is quite pleasant when addressed. He is a good baseball player, played second base on his teams, and is a good softball player.

I think that you would not make a mistake in selecting him, but I find myself strongly in favor of Arthur Raymond. This boy is a very versatile and highly intelligent, personable young Indian boy. He is a pre-medical student here at the University of Kansas and he impresses me most forcibly. He is a fine looking Sioux Indian with a high forehead, and I would say, a most intelligent countenance, and he possesses a fine physique. He is the bronze-colored Indian - the fine Sioux type. Primaux is the darker Indian, more of the Creek or Cherokee or Pawnee type. Raymond has a clear skin while Primeaux has rather a mottled skin.

I find that Raymond was president of the student council of his school. He attended the Rosebud Indian School where he made an excellent record. He was also editor of the school paper. He played football for three years on his high school team. His mother and father are dead but he has an only sister who is his guardian. Each summer he has worked at a job either carpentering or dairying.

He was a representative from Aberdeen, S. D. on Boys' State. You are well acquainted, are you not, Colonel, with the American Legion's activities in developing these boys to take representative positions of state offices and have these chaps carry through as the officials of the state carry through in their executive, legislative and judicial acts.