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May 6, 1915.

Mr. Harry Chandler,
Los Angeles Times,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Our Office now agrees that so long as the situation of the Indians on the Tejon Ranch is as good as it appears to be at present, that no further steps will be taken looking to securing land for them there, or elsewhere. However, should your company desire at any time to sell to the Government a tract of land, where these Indians live, in order that they might have a title to their homes, we would be glad to hear from you to that effect, in order that the Government may consider steps to be taken to make the purchase, if funds are available and an agreement can be reached.

Last year, when I was on the Ranch, a district school had been maintained there for some months, and from inquiry made this year, in reference to that school, as to what is being done for these children, I learned that a school is being maintained in another part of the district, which is too far from the Indian camp for the Indian children to attend. They are thus deprived of the school privilege. I am of the opinion that our Office would enter into some sort of agreement with the County, whereby we would bear a part of the expense of

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maintaining the school there, if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the owners of the ranch. We understand, that we could not go there and build a building and maintain a school of our own, unless it was entirely agreeable with you and believe, that under the law, the Government could not build a building on land to which they did not have a title.

If some arrangements could be made, whereby the County would maintain the district, provide the building, I feel sure that we could get the approval of a contract, whereby the Government would bear a large part of the expense of maintaining the school.

I would be glad to learn of the attitude of your company on this question, before I take it up with our Office, or with the County officials,

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. H. Asbury

Special Indian Agent.