

September 14, 1929.

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Mr. Bill Pomplin,
Soldiers' Home,
Custer City, South Dakota.

Dear Mr. Pomplin:

My friend, Mr. Waggoner of Keldron, South Dakota has been giving me information about Sitting Bull for some historical writing I am doing. He says you can tell me some facts I ought to know. I shall be grateful if you can help me. I have heard that McLaughlin once sent you to Sitting Bull's camp, saying he wanted to see Sitting Bull at the agency and that you rode Sitting Bull's white horse that day. They say that when Sitting Bull did come in McLaughlin shut himself up and did not talk to Sitting Bull. Is this true? Please tell me all you can about Sitting Bull, anything you heard him say or saw him do and what you think of him as a man and a leader. Do you think McLaughlin was fair to Sitting Bull? Why did McLaughlin dislike him?

I am enclosing a stamped envelope for your reply. They say that an Indian named Shell King and Sitting Bull had a fight and were arrested by the Indian police. Do you know anything about this?

Yours faithfully,

W. S. CAMPBELL.