

November 21, 1928

Mr. Ewald C. Witzleben
Principal Standing Rock School
Fort Yates, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Witzleben:

I am trying to gather fresh facts about the Sioux. My friend, Mrs. McIntosh, formerly Miss Tilla Zielke, who taught at the agency school in 1898 has given me your name as a reliable source of information.

Anything you can tell me about Sitting Bull, his relations with other Indians, his character, reputation, his deeds and words will be very welcome. I am particularly interested in gathering the facts about the white woman artist Mrs. Waldon, and her connection with and influence upon Sitting Bull during his last years.

I hope to publish Sitting Bull's story if I can get the truth. If I publish it, I shall be glad to give you full credit for anything you may tell me or if you prefer to hold your communication entirely confidential. I am not a sensational journalist, but a serious historian.

Please help me if you can.

Yours very truly,

W. S. Campbell

P. S. By the way can you tell me the addresses of Mr. Bingenheimer, formerly agent at Fort Yates, and of Mr. Dobson, once clerk at the agency? I would also like to know the name of the agency trader there.