

A REVIVAL AT CROW

Commissioner Sells, unannounced, arrived at Crow Agency on October 6. During his visit he gave the entire reservation a most comprehensive survey. He rode, at the very least, five hundred miles in all directions, examining schools, calling upon the missionaries, inspecting the irrigation work and the cattle industries, visiting Indian homes, meeting the Indians in council, talking with them individually and listening always with the utmost deference and patience to their wishes or complaints. In nearly all of his trips he was entirely unaccompanied except by a driver. Nothing escaped his eye, and he asked information of everyone with whom he came in contact, no matter how humble. As a consequence, there is probably no one more generally familiar with conditions on the reservation than the Commissioner himself.

The results of his visit are already apparent. It is not merely in material improvements already under way, but in that indefinable gain in spirit, in stamina and purpose. He has talked with force and directness to the Indians, making them feel that they have a sure and sympathetic friend, but that friendship means mutual confidence and obligations; that he intends to do his part, but they also have a part to perform. To employees he has made it clear in wisely chosen words that he has no sympathy with the selfish equation in their work, and that the ideals he wishes to have dominate are those of patience and co-operation, efficiency, and sympathetic service. A broader spirit of helpfulness towards the Indian himself, constructive and vitalizing, characterizes the Commissioner's attitude; it is the human side of the problem which appeals to him.

Superintendent and Mrs. Estep gave a reception in his honor, this being the only entertainment for which he allowed himself any opportunity. The residents of the village were all invited, the employes remaining to hear the commissioner speak after the reception. The other official visitors on this occasion were Chief Inspector E. B. Linnen, Special Agent Fred S. Cook, Dr. C. H. Dewey and Mrs. E. E. Newton.

Crow is again on the map, but the color of it is changed from black to the red of courage and new purpose.—From The Indian School Journal.

IT IS A GOOD THING

In a recent debate on national prohibition in the House of Representatives, Congressman Charles A. Lindbergh, representative in congress from the Sixth district of Minnesota, made the following reference to the