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The research has not been completed, so there may be errors and omissions.

This record also lacks 1950 federal census data.
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finalized version is available.

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Kennerly, Jerome
Calf Takes A Seat (in Piegan Native American)
1888 MT – 1963 MT

photographs





Jerome Kennerly, around 6 years old, about the time he enrolled at the Carlisle Indian School



Steckbeck – Backfield of 1910

Photograph of the backfield of the 1910 football team.

Back Row: Joel Wheelock, Alex Arcasa, Peter Hauser, Louis Dupuis

First Row: Jerome Kennerly, Stancil "Possum" Powell, Samson Burd, William Garlow, Asa Sweetcorn, Bill Newashe, Pete Jordan

Jerome Kennerly playing in the backfield of the 1910 Carlisle Indian School football team – front, far left: <https://carlisleindian.historicalsociety.com/images/steckbeck-backfield-of-1910/>



JEROME KENNERLY
Right end,

SOME OF THE CARLISLE INDIANS' GRIDIRON STARS

Baltimore gridiron enthusiasts will be given an opportunity of getting some idea of the Indians' general style of play, when, on November 13, the Carlisle second team will play the Walbrook eleven at Walbrook Oval. The second team of the Indians daily plays the big eleven and often holds it down to small scores. On several occasions the seconds, who have adopted many of the first team's formations and plays, have scored on Captain Libby's braves.

Considerable interest attaches to this game, as the Walbrook team will be in fine fettle for the clash, which is expected to afford an exhibition of fast football.

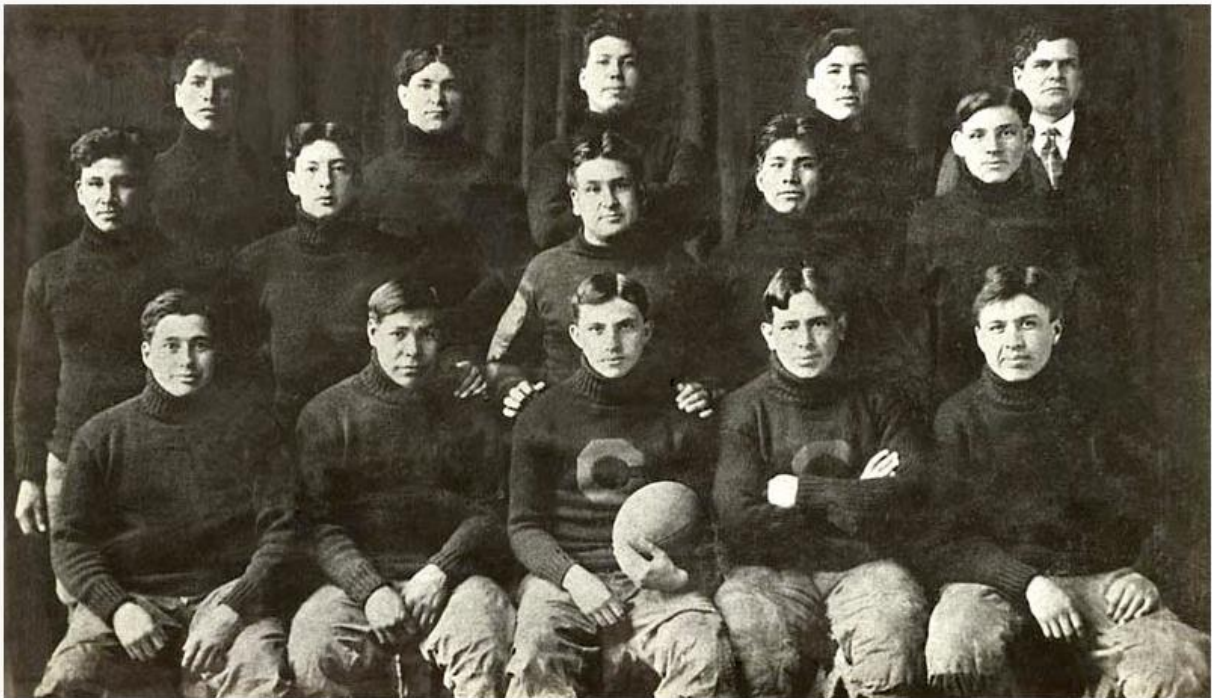
Football star 1909 - "Baltimore (MD) Sun" Monday 25 Oct 1909 p 10

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<https://ancestors.familysearch.org/en/L5NX-PLC/jerome-kennerly-1888-1964>

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Steckbeck – 1909 Football Team

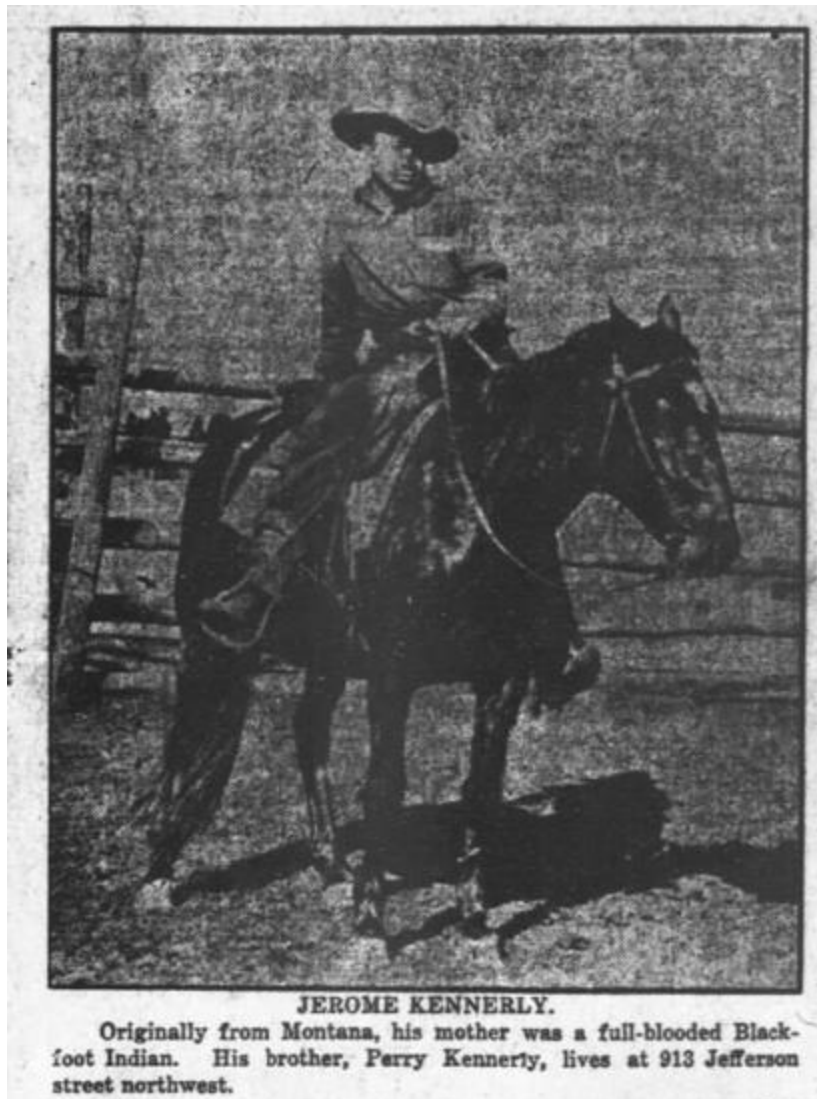
Carlisle Indian School football team, 1909.

Top Row (Left to Right): George Thomas, Lone Star Dietz, Thomas St. Germaine, Sampson Burd, Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, Coach

Middle Row: Joel Wheelock, Jerome Kennerly, Emil "Wauseka" Hauser, Harry Wheeler, David Solomon

Bottom Row: William Garlowe, William Newashe, Joseph Libby, Peter Hauser, Pete Jordan

Jerome Kennerly on the 1909 Carlisle Indian School football team, with legendary coach Glenn S. ("Pop") Warner standing, back row, far right & Jerome standing in 2nd row, 2nd from left - <https://carlisleindian.historicalsociety.com/images/steckbeck-1909-football-team/>



“Washington (DC) Times” Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 1 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/80668225/>

Another Home Walts.

Among the homes eagerly awaiting more information on the Tuscania sinking is that of Perry Kennerly, a lawyer of 913 Jefferson street northwest, and the brother of Jerome Kennerly, a half-breed Blackfoot Indian.

Jerome Kennerly, whose mother was a full-blooded Blackfoot, was born in 1887 at Browning, Mont. He started on his way to fight the Germans from that place. At the age of six Kennerly entered the Carlisle University, where for two years he was the youngest scholar. His schooling was interrupted for a few years when he returned to his mother's ranch, but he returned once more to the college in 1898. His second period of schooling lasted but a year, when he again answered the call of the plains. From

the time of the closing of his school career to the outbreak of the war he led the life of the plainsman. By turns cowboy, rancher, forest ranger, and guide in America's great National Parks he kept up to the standard of his Indian ancestors.

Joins the Colors.

When America answered the call of civilization and took up the sword in the cause of Democracy the young man was among the first to join the colors. Leaving his Montana home he went to Spokane, Washington, where he enlisted as a private in the aviation corps. From the time of his enlistment to the date of his embarkation on the Tuscania, with the exception of a short furlough, he has been in training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

His brother, an attorney of this city, last saw him in December, when with his wife he visited his mother's ranch at Browning. When the unit of which the young man was a member passed through Washington to the port of sailing Mr. Kennerly tried without success to see his brother again.

Mr. Kennerly said this morning that he has not as yet wired the news that his brother was on the Tuscania to his mother as he felt that he did not want to cause her needless worry in case Kennerly was among those saved.

"Washington (DC) Times" Friday 8 Feb 1919 p 11 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/80668251/>

Birth:

V. S. No. 8
DEPT. OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

Original Record for State Registrar
CERTIFICATE OF DELAYED BIRTH REGISTRATION

State File No. **2113**
Bureau of V. S.

Registrar's No. _____ STATE OF MONTANA Date of Birth **July 6, 1888**

Name at Birth **JEROME KENNERLY**

Birthplace **Blackfeet Ind. Reservation, Teton, Montana** Sex **male**

(City or Town) (County) (State)

FATHER Full Name Henry A. Kennerly Color or race Indian. Birth year ? Birthplace ? Missouri (City or Town) (State or Country)	MOTHER Full Name Mary Kennerly Color or race Indian Birth year ? Birthplace ? Montana (City or Town) (State or Country)
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Signature of Person Registered *Jerome Kennerly*

(Exactly as used at present time)

*If married woman sign maiden name here also

STATE OF **CALIFORNIA** } ss. **ABSTRACT OF EVIDENCE**
COUNTY OF **LOS ANGELES** (If additional space is needed, use reverse side)

1. Certificate of Baptism, dated 4-8-41, signed by Rev. M. J. Halligen, Pastor R. C. Church Little Flower, Browning, Montana, "Jerome Kennerly (child of Henry and Ma. Good Killer) born on the Blackfeet Reserve, Mont. on July 6, 1888 was baptized on the 3rd day of November, 1899, etc."
2. Letterhead United States Department of Interior Office of Indian Affairs, Field Service, Blackfeet Agency, Browning, Montana, June 18, 1941. re history of Jerome Kennerly's family, showing him born July 6, 1888 son of Henry A. and Good Killer. "We are satisfied that he is a citizen of the United States and as such is entitled to employment the same as other citizens." "Carlisle Indian School pupil."
3. Letterhead AMERICAN RED CROSS, San Pedro, Calif. July 7, 1941. re to Stanley K. Bernard Field Director Am. Red Cross. re Jerome Kennerly. "We are attempting to assist the above named veteran in (OVER) E. C. STAMBUK, a Notary Public, have examined THREE documents of different origins, which I have abstracted hereon, and to my best knowledge and belief the evidence submitted above is true.

Subscribed and sworn to by me this **12th** day of **July** 1941

Notary Public in and for the County of **Los Angeles**, State of California

(SEAL) (Signature) *E. C. Stambuk*

This certificate of delayed birth registration is not valid until approved by the Montana State Registrar of Vital Statistics or his designated agent.

Date received by Local Registrar **July 20-1941** Approved *W. F. Loganell*

Local Registrar's Signature *H. W. Bateman* Date **7-19-41** by *H. W. Bateman*

securing a birth registration. Among documents needed is the military record.

Mr. Kennerly has sent his discharge papers to San Diego in connection with an application for a civil service job and does not know when they will be returned. We are therefore asking you check the records of Mr. Kennerly which are on file at the Veterans Administration Facility in connection with his claim and report to us the data shown as to date of birth, place of birth and parentage.....

"7-8-41 4 PM. Memo. to Miss Peterson: Attention Miss Tremaine
Records indicate veteran born in Browning, Montana July 6, 1888,
Parents names not of record in file."

Delayed MT birth record documentation – 12 Jul 1941 - indicates his mother is Good Killer -
https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/61591/images/48414_302022005556_1817-00125?treeid=&personid=&hintid=&usePUB=true&usePUBJs=true&pId=884422

Piegan heritage:

Jerome Kennerly

United States, Native American, Census Rolls, 1885-1940

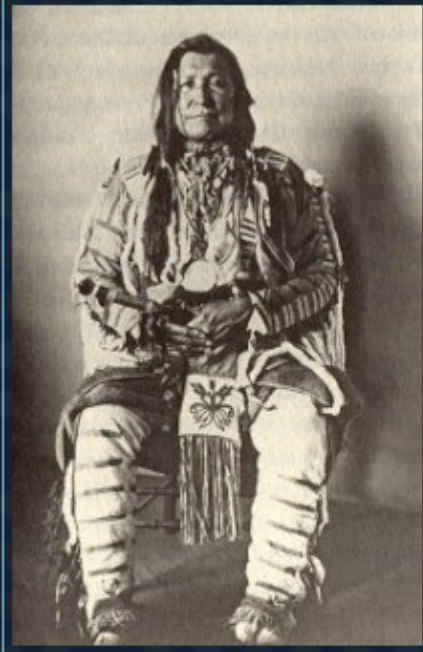
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Event Type:	Census
Name:	Jerome Kennerly • Edit
Sex:	Male
Age:	4
Event Date:	1892 • Edit
Event Place:	Montana, United States • Edit
Event Place (Original):	Blackfeet • Edit
Birth Year (Estimated):	1888
Tribe or Clan:	Blackfeet Blood And Piegan
Relationship to Head of Household:	Son
Source Collection Identifier Number:	75
Source Collection Title:	Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs

1814	Bertrand Kennerly	M	Son	15
1815	Perry Kennerly	"	"	13
1816	Hattie Kennerly	F	Daughter	9
1817	Agnes Kennerly	"	"	6
1818	Jerome Kennerly	M	Son	4
(473)				

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-99W4-GLZ3?cc=2761958&personaUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3A74ZV-27N2>

●●● Mountain Chief (Ninastoko)



1848-1942. Mountain Chief, aka, Frank Mountain Chief, Black Weasel, Big Brave, the Blackfeet's last hereditary leader, was born on Old Man River in southern Alberta. Mountain Chief began his career as a warrior leader in 1866 at age eighteen, when he led a Blackfoot war party against the Crows at Cypress Hills. In 1867, he went to war against the Kutenai and survived a hand-to-hand fight with the Kutenai leader Cut Nose. In an 1873 battle against the Crow, he was badly wounded in one of his legs. Mountain Chief limped for the rest of his life.

During his work as a negotiator, Mountain Chief met four U.S. presidents-McKinley, Taft, Theodore Roosevelt, and Wilson. He also worked with General Hugh L. Scott for several years to record Plains Indians' sign languages. In his later years, Mountain Chief frequently assisted tourists at the Glacier National Park. He went blind late in life and died in 1942 at age ninety-four at his home near Browning, Montana. His father was Mountain Chief, sometimes referred to as Mountain Chief #1. His 1/2 sister was Margurite Mountain Chief, born to Mary Black Bear and Mountain Chief #1 was married to Rock Gobert, Henry Kennerly and Jim Kipp.

His uncle Mountain Chief 2 (Ninastoko), the last hereditary leader of the Blackfeet, the half-brother of his mother Margurite – from the Lamar website -

<http://blackfeetfamily.blogspot.com/search?updated-max=2008-12-19T13:05:00>

Carlisle Industrial Indian School:

Education-
Schools
20571-1911
23803-1911
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Former
pupil.

MAR 24 1911

FOR FILE.

FILED BY C. P. F.

Mr. Henry Kennerly,
Cut Bank, Montana.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Carlisle Indian School has called the attention of the Office to a letter to him from you concerning his son, Jerome Kennerly, a former student at that school.

The Office has investigated the matter and has ascertained that your son is now employed in the blacksmith shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Enola, Pennsylvania. It does not seem, however, that he is in a destitute condition and such prior training as he had at Carlisle would render him capable of supporting himself.

As to his transportation from Enola to his home in Montana, the Office has no authority to expend Government funds for such purpose. It has received, however, a letter from your son himself, dated March 13, saying that there are funds to his credit at the Carlisle School. The Office has written to the Superintendent for information concerning such funds.

Respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke,

3-WEA-22

Second Assistant Commissioner.

20571/1 Carlisle 821



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL.

CARLISLE, PA.

Education-
Schools.
20571-1911
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March 16th, 1911.



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The Honorable,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

FILED BY C. P. F.

Sir:

Advising as was directed in Office letter of March the 14th, this is to state that Jerome Kennerley's record indicates that he is now 23 years of age and that he is a half-blood member of the Piegan Tribe. He deserted from the School on December 27th, 1910, and had previously deserted from this school on May 13th, 1908. He was absent from the School at that time from May 13th to June 2nd.

He became undesirable as a student for the reason that he drank intoxicating liquors and because of his influence over other young men who would have behaved but for such harmful influence.

It has been ascertained that this young man is not employed at Hershey, Pennsylvania, but that he is working in the blacksmith shops of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Enola, Pennsylvania. Whether he is earning enough to support himself comfortably could not be learned, but with the training he has had at

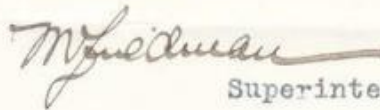
-2- Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Carlisle he is capable of doing so.

The young man's father has been informed as was further directed by the Office.

Very respectfully,

HMM.



Superintendent.

Jerome is a "deserter" from the Carlisle Indian School -
http://carlisleindian.dickinson.edu/sites/all/files/documents/NARA_RG75_CCF_b031_f18_20571.pdf

CARLISLE INDIAN SCHOOL DIGITAL RESOURCE CENTER

Student file of Jerome Kennerly (The Calf takes a seat), a member of the Piegan Nation, who entered the school on March 2, 1893 and ultimately departed on February 8, 1911. The student did not attend the school continuously, but left and reentered. The file contains letters/correspondence, an outing record, a progress/conduct card, an application for enrollment, trade/position cards, student information cards, a medical/physical record, a photograph, and a report after leaving.

The report after leaving indicates that Jerome was a laborer Cut Bank, Montana in 1911. Correspondence between Jerome and the school then shows his residence in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1913 and his marriage to former Carlisle student Miss Fannie Charley. Lastly, correspondence between the school and Kennerly family including Jerome indicates that Jerome was a soldier serving on the S.S. Tuscania when it was sunk by the

Germans in 1918. Jerome survived and ended up in England with the 158th Aero Squadron.

Jerome Kennerly (The Calf takes a seat) Student File

August 21st, 1913.

Mr. Jerome Kennerly,

2561 N. 11th St., Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August the 19th, I have to state that under no circumstances would I consider an application from you for a position at Carlisle.

I have noted what you report in your letter, and I earnestly hope that you will make a better effort to live right than you did during the latter part of your stay here and since you left Carlisle. The records we have on file here are certainly not to your credit, and it will take a great deal of manly accomplishment to offset what is entered against you.

You have my best wishes for success in anything you undertake that is legitimate.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN A NON-RESERVATION SCHOOL

Full name of child.....Jerome Kennerly.....Indian name is
The Calf. Takes A Seat.....Name of Father.....Henry Kennerly.....
 Name of Mother.....Mary Kennerly.....Tribe.....Piegan.....
 Reservation.....Blackfeet.....Degree of Indian blood of child.....one-half.....
 Is either parent white, if so, which?.....Father.....Are either or both allotted?.....Neither.....
 On what reservation?.....X. X......Age of child.....Eighteen.....
 What reservation school attended?.....Catholic Mission.....How long?.....one year.....
 If ever enrolled in a non-reservation school, name of school.....Ft. Shaw, Montana.....
 When?.....1900.....How long?.....Three years.....
 If ever dismissed from a school, where?.....Never was dismissed from school.....
 and for what reason?.....X. X. X......
 (Signed).....Jerome Kennerly.....

CONSENT BLANK

I.....Henry Kennerly.....parent, guardian or next of kin of the
 above-named child,.....Jerome Kennerly.....do hereby consent to.....his.....
 transfer enrollment for a period of five (5) years in the Indian School at Carlisle, Pa.
 Dated at.....Browning, Montana.....on the.....Jan. 21st.....
 day of.....1907.....
 (Signed).....H. A. Kennerly.....
 (Parent, Guardian or next of kin.)

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that I have personally examined the above-named.....Jerome Kennerly.....
and have found.....his.....physically sound, and recommend
 the transfer so far as.....his.....health conditions are concerned. Dated at.....Browning, Montana.....
 on the.....21st.....day of.....January.....1907.....
 (Signed).....John R. Kallaway.....
Assistant Agency Physician

AGENT'S OR SUPERINTENDENT'S INDORSEMENT

BLACKFEET AGENCY, MONTANA......Jan. 21....., 1907.....
 The statements concerning the above named.....Jerome Kennerly.....are
 believed by me to be correct, and I hereby recommend the transfer.
 (Signed).....[Signature].....
 CAPT. U. S. A. RETIRED, U. S. Indian Agent or Superintendent.

NOTE—Age limits, twelve to twenty years. Preferably fourteen to eighteen. Students must be at least one-fourth Indian, preferably full Indian. Special cases beyond the age limit can be given consideration.

Circular letter giving subscription price sent Feb.15,1918

3401

913 Jefferson St. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.
Feb. 14, 1918.

Mr. C. V. Peel,
Chief Clerk,
Indian School, Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In acknowledging receipt of your kind favor of the 12th inst., I wish to thank you for your efforts to find a photograph of my brother Jerome.

I have been officially notified in a telegram from the Adjutant General that Jerome is among the survivors of the Tuscania disaster.

Kindly place my name on your list of subscribers for your weekly and monthly publications.

Yours very truly,

P.H. Kennerly

913 Jefferson St. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.
February 9, 1918.

Supt., Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Daer Sir:

My brother, Jerome Kennerly, was enlisted in the 158th
Aero Squadron which was aboard the Tuscania.

I have been requested by editors of papers here in ,
Washington to furnish a picture of my brother, but as I haven't
a photograph of him in my possession at this time, I am writing
to ask you to kindly send me any good photographs of him that
you might have at the school.

Jerome was a student at Carlisle at two different times.
During his first stay there in the early nineties, he was, I believe,
the youngest pupil ever enrolled at Carlisle, and a good picture
was taken of him at that time.

I would like to have one of those photographs and also any good
likeness of him during his second stay there or after he had
grown up and which might be found at the school.

I would feel greatly obliged to you for your kindness
in this matter.

Up to this hour I am unable to ascertain as to whether
or not he is among the survivors.

Yours very truly,

P. H. Kennerly

 Y.M.C.A. PATRON Y.M.C.A. NATIONAL COUNCIL H.M. THE KING.	Y.M.C.A. WITH H.M. FORCES ON ACTIVE SERVICE	 Y.M.C.A. PATRON MILITARY CAMP DEPT. H.R.H. DUKE OF CONNAUGHT
<i>Some where in England.</i>		
Reply to _____ Company _____ Bat. _____ Regt _____		
Stationed at _____		
<i>March, 3, 1918</i>		
3401 <i>Supt. Carlisle Indian School;</i> <i>Carlisle, Pa;</i> <i>Dear Sir:-</i> I am writing you, to acknowledge the receipt of the "Carlisle Paron and Red Man" the first mail I have received, since my arrival in England some time ago, and I sincerely feel, that it is an obligation on my part, to inform you of the great pleasure, it has brought me, and I only wish that I could be at Carlisle to express my many thanks, to you and the entire school for its kind remembrance		

of me, and I am pleased to inform you
in return, that I am enjoying the best
of health, and getting along first rate in
capacity as a soldier in Uncle Sam's Army.
It ^{my} interest you to know that I am

In reading thru, "The Carlisle Arrow and
Red Man," I notice, a number of my former
Class and School mates of Carlisle are
in different branches of the army, which
I must say, is glad news to me, but
so far I have been unable to meet any
of my former Carlisle friends, yet, hope
to meet some of them, when I get to
France; There are very few Indian's in
this branch of the Service. My self being
the only Indian in this Squadron, the
158th and I assure you that I will do

all in my power to make a good record,
 for my self, to show my appreciation of
 the training I received at Carlisle, and
 I trust, that on my return to the States
 I will have the pleasure of visiting Carlisle
 to thank you, and the Printing Society, for
 the little paper, which brought me so
 much pleasure.

So hoping to remain a credit to
 Carlisle, I close with best wishes to
 all; I remain Very Respectfully yours,
 Yours Sincerely,

158th Aero Service Sqdn, A, S, S, C.

A, E, F, via London

 PATRON Y.M.C.A. NATIONAL COUNCIL H.M. THE KING.	 Y.M.C.A. WITH H.M. FORCES ON ACTIVE SERVICE	 PATRON MILITARY CAMP DEPT. H.R.H. DUKE OF CONNAUGHT
Reply to _____ Company _____ Bat. _____ Regt _____ /9/		
Stationed at _____		
<i>one of the "fortunate" or "unfortunate"</i> <i>survivors of the S.S. Tuscania, the disaster</i> <i>of which, no doubt, you have read about;</i> <i>After being torpedoed about six-fifty-five</i> <i>P.M. our rescue was made possible. Through</i> <i>the brave efforts of the British sailors</i> <i>aboard the Destroyer, who risked their</i> <i>own lives, in order to pull us along side</i> <i>of the doomed Tuscania, But am pleased</i> <i>to inform you that, out side of a few</i> <i>accidents, the Officers and men behaved</i> <i>very manly. We all landed at different</i> <i>ports, in Ireland, where we remained</i> <i>for several days, before crossing the</i> <i>Irish Sea to England; This Aviation</i> <i>School being the second we have been</i> <i>at in England, and now long we will be</i> <i>here, I cannot say.</i>		

CARLISLE PLAYERS ARE REPORTING NOW

COACH WARNER HAS WEALTH OF
FOOTBALL MATERIAL TO
WORK ON.

Carlisle, Pa., Sept. 24.—The Carlisle Indian football squad has been slow in gathering, but there has been a wealth of material for Coach Glenn S. Warner to work upon, although the majority of the squad is light in weight. A number of other football coaches have been on the ground for the past two weeks. The squad of about fifty-five will be cut down next week to about forty-five men. Signals will be taken up next week.

Warner's assistants are two extremely competent Indian coaches. "Jimmie" Johnson, who is general assistant, and who pays attention to the backs, and Albert Exendine, in charge of the second team and special coach for end candidates. Much attention will be paid to filling the Indian ends.

The members of the 1908 Indian squad follow: Harry Cries-for-Ribs, James Plasano, David She-Bear, Joel Wheelock, Ambrose, Miguel, Richard Hinman, Benjamin Penny, Noble Thompson, William Aragon, John Aiken, Peter Houser, George Thompson, Bruce Goes-Back, William Weeks, Samuel Bird, John Russian, Howard Purse, John Simpson, Hugh Wheelock, George Grennell, Mike La Clair, Moses Friday, William Yankee Joe, John Balenti, Napoleon Barrel, Jerome Kennerly, Jesse Kenjockerty, Ernest Quick Bear, George Garner, Isaac Lyon, William Garlow, Joseph Northrup, David Little Old Man, William Little Wolf, William Owl, Philip Cornelius, David Wounded Eye, Fred Tall Crane, William Martell, Samuel McLean, Emil Houser, Michael Balenti, Albert Payne, Joseph Libby, Victor Kelly and Fitz Hendricks.

"Butte (MT) Daily Post" Thursday 24 Sep 1908 p 6 – Jerome Kennerly's name appears in the 10th row from the bottom in this clipping -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/348809553/?terms=%22jerome%20kennerly%22&match=1>

HAIR-LIFTERS.

INDIANS GOING AT FAST GAIT.

COACH WARNER WORKS HARD IN DRILLING REDSKINS.

More Oddly-Named Aborigines in Carlisle Squad Than in Any Previous Football Aggregation at Government School—Hard Schedule Ahead for Warriors.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.]

CARLISLE (Pa.) Sept. 19.—Beginning later than usual their rudimentary work, such as tackling, falling on the ball, punting, charging and catching punts, the Carlisle Indian football squad is now hard at work. Coach Warner's methods of putting through elementary practice are changed sufficiently from those of last year, so as not to allow the work to become monotonous. Several days ago the table was started in the training house and it is much appreciated by the players. Physical training has

progressed slowly, and the aborigines have been slow to harden, not being able to do rough work on the field, which is very hard, because of dry weather.

There seems to be an unusually good spirit among the football players this year. Capt. Emil Waseuka is a man who has the entire confidence of his fellow-players, and who is an unusually able leader. Mr. Warner is being aided by two very competent Indian Coaches, "Jimmie" Johnson, who is general assistant, and who pays attention to the backs, and Albert Exendine, in charge of the second team, and special coach for end candidates.

Much attention will be paid to filling the Indian ends, because there Carlisle has suffered material loss. Several good defensive ends are in sight. Numerous college football coaches have been on the ground for the last two weeks, observing the redskins' work during the practice period from 4 until 5:30 o'clock. The squad of about fifty-five will be cut down next week to about forty-five men. Signals will be taken up next week.

The 1908 squad has probably more oddly named Indians than any previous football aggregation at Carlisle. The squad members are David Wounded Eye, Joseph Two Hearts, Peter Jordan, William Martell, Samuel Afraid-of-a-Bear, Emil Houser, Michael Balenti, Albert Payne, Joseph Libby, Victor Kelly, Fritz Hendricks, Harry Cries-for-Ribs, James Piassano, Samuel Bird, John Russian, Howard Purse, John Simpson, Hugh Wheelock, George Grennel, Mike La Clair, David She-Bear, Bruce Goes-Back, William Weeks, Noble Thompson, William Aragon, Moses Friday, William Yankee Joe, John Balenti, Napoleon Barrel, Jerome Kennerly, Jesse Kenjockety, Ernest Quick Bear, George Gardner, Isaac Lyon, William Garlow, Joseph Northrup, David Little Old Man, William Little Wolf, William Owl, Philip Cornelius, Fred Tall Crane, William Winnie, Joel Wheelock, Ambrose Miguel, Richard Hinman, Benjamin Penny, John Aiken, Peter Houser, George Thompson.

The squad has been late in getting in to Carlisle, but there has been a wealth of material for Coach Glenn S. Warner to work upon, although the majority of the squad are light in weight. Warner has not definitely placed his players in their respective positions, but with the five practice teams into which he divides his squad, he has been able to place his men temporarily at least in different positions for trying-out purposes.

Following is the schedule for the team this season:

September 26—Villanova and Carlisle Indians, at Carlisle.

October 3—Pennsylvania State and Carlisle Indians, at Wilkesbarre.

October 10—Syracuse University and Carlisle Indians, at Buffalo.

October 17—Susquehanna University and Carlisle Indians, at Carlisle.

Jerome Kennerly's name appears on the Carlisle Indian School squad (10th line from bottom on the left-side clipping) "Los Angeles Times" Friday 25 Sep 1908 p 11

INDIAN SCHOOL NEWS FROM "THE ARROW."

Rev. Diffenderfer led the afternoon service last Sunday. It is always a pleasure to listen to the interesting messages he brings to us. He said that if we do not take the opportunities given us and make the best use of them, we rebel against the light.

Captain Joe Libby, Sam Bird and Jerome Kennerly have decided that in case the football team does not win from the U. of P. they will come home on a hand car.

Coach Warner is of the opinion that the Indians could beat Pittsburg on a dry field. He says Pittsburg is not as strong a team as State.

The reserve team plays the Norristown High School team at the latter place Saturday.

"Carlisle (PA) Sentinel" Saturday 30 Oct 1909 p 6

Pre-war troubles with the law:

POLICE ARRESTS

Jerome Kennerly was arrested yesterday and charged with forging a check which he tried to cash at the Stockholm beer hall. Joe Kipp, a merchant on the Blackfoot reservation and who was former United States Indian agent on the reservation, was the man whose name Kennerly sought to use on the check. Kennerly was caught at the Great Northern depot. Other arrests made were Peter Westling for drunkenness; Thos. McAllen on the same charge; William Hlepas for vagrancy, Francis Hurley, drunkenness.

Arrested for forgery – check he forged was that of his mother’s 3rd husband, Joseph Kipp –
 “Great Falls (MT) Tribune” Wednesday 21 Jun 1911 p 6 -

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Jerome Kennerly pleaded not guilty to bootlegging and will be tried July 7.

“Butte (MT) Miner” Monday 26 Jun 1916 p 6 -

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Changes Mind; Pleads Guilty

After entering a plea of not guilty several days ago, Jerome Kennerly, indicted by the grand jury on the charge of having stolen a horse valued at \$100 on the Blackfeet reservation, yesterday changed his mind and decided to change his plea to guilty. Judge Bourquin decided to defer the passing of sentence until next Monday.

Kennerly was indicted jointly with Joseph Monroe, who is now being held on the same charge. Monroe has entered a plea of not guilty, but the time for his trial has not yet been fixed.

"Helena (MT) Independent-Record" Thursday 6 Jul 1916 p 10 -

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- Brings in Prisoner—Charles H. Monroe, indicted jointly with Jerome Kennerly for the theft of cattle on an Indian reservation, was brought to Helena last night by Deputy United States Marshal H. J. Hanson.

"Helena (MT) Independent-Record" Saturday 8 Jul 1916 p 5 -

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When the jury in the United States district court came in yesterday morning the verdict which had been sealed by the jury the previous evening was opened. It was the verdict in the case of the United States against Joseph Monroe, charged with stealing a horse. The verdict was one finding Monroe not guilty.

Following the reading of this verdict, Jerome Kennerly was brought from the county jail to the court to receive his sentence on a plea of guilty. Kennerly and Monroe had been charged jointly in the indictment with stealing the horses and Kennerly had pleaded guilty when arrested about six months ago and had been in the county jail since. Taking into consideration the jail term already served, the court fixed Kennerly's punishment at two months in the Cascade county jail.

"Great Falls (MT) Tribune" Friday 15 Sep 1916 p 6 -

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World War I, military & Tuscania:

Another Home Waits.

Among the homes eagerly awaiting more information on the Tuscania sinking is that of Perry Kennerly, a lawyer of 913 Jefferson street northwest, and the brother of Jerome Kennerly, a half-breed Blackfoot Indian.

Jerome Kennerly, whose mother was a full-blooded Blackfoot, was born in 1887 at Browning, Mont. He started on his way to fight the Germans from that place. At the age of six Kennerly entered the Carlisle University, where for two years he was the youngest scholar. His schooling was interrupted for a few years when he returned to his mother's ranch, but he returned once more to the college in 1898. His second period of schooling lasted but a year, when he again answered the call of the plains. From

the time of the closing of his school career to the outbreak of the war he led the life of the plainsman. By turns cowboy, rancher, forest ranger, and guide in America's great National Parks he kept up to the standard of his Indian ancestors.

Joins the Colors.

When America answered the call of civilization and took up the sword in the cause of Democracy the young man was among the first to join the colors. Leaving his Montana home he went to Spokane, Washington, where he enlisted as a private in the aviation corps. From the time of his enlistment to the date of his embarkation on the Tuscania, with the exception of a short furlough, he has been in training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

His brother, an attorney of this city, last saw him in December, when with his wife he visited his mother's ranch at Browning. When the unit of which the young man was a member passed through Washington to the port of sailing Mr. Kennerly tried without success to see his brother again.

Mr. Kennerly said this morning that he has not as yet wired the news that his brother was on the Tuscania to his mother as he felt that he did not want to cause her needless worry in case Kennerly was among those saved.

"Washington (DC) Times" 8 Feb 1918 p 11 -

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MONTANA BOY'S GRAPHIC STORY OF LOSS OF TUSCANIA WITH MONTANA MAN ON HER

Washington, April 24.—One of the most graphic descriptions yet received in Washington of the sinking of the Tuscania—laden with hundreds of troops, including a number of Montana men bound for the front in France—is contained in a letter just received by Perry H. Kennerly, a Washington attorney, from his brother, Jerome Kennerly of Montana, 25 years old, now in the American aviation forces with the Pershing expedition.

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His letter follows, in part:

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we started out of the harbor one beautiful morning in January. About noon we all took a look at the disappearing shore of the good old U. S. A., some of us, alas! for the last time some of us never dreaming of what lay in store for us but a few days off.

"Our fleet of vessels, with the S. S. Tuscania in the center of the convoy, seemed as secure and safe from harm as the pet deer in the center of the National park. We then went in a northerly course to a port of an island of the north, at which place we remained for a day.

"As we steamed out of the harbor we all stood on deck looking at the setting sun, passing joking remarks about the 'joy ride,' as many of the boys called it. And for ten days we settled down to seasickness and other minor disappointments, myself sharing the seasickness for one day, after which I felt first rate. We all passed the time reading, playing games, boxing, and other forms of exercise, when the sea was not too rough.

"On the thirteenth day of our

voyage, we were all on deck watching the boxing matches, which were going on all afternoon, thereby causing every one to be out on deck and in the rigging of the mast. It will always be my opinion that it was then that we were sighted by the submarine, as it could be plainly seen that our ship was a heavy loaded troop ship, and as I have already told you, we were in the center of the convoy, besides the (deleted by censor) we had picked up a day or two previous. The sub managed to break through the convoy to get at us.

"As I understand it, the subs had been after the Tuscania for a long time and failed to get her on a number of trips. Hence, another reason for them to pick us out for a target on that awful night.

"About 5:30 p. m. a number of us had gone below for our supper, all in the best of spirits, the main point of our conversation being the sub. Finishing our meal, we went on deck, just as the order came for every one of us to be on deck with life preservers on. At or near 5:55 p. m. I stopped in the hallway just outside my state room to speak to a friend. It was then that I had one wish granted in less time than I can mention.

His Wish Is Granted.

"In a joking way I said, 'I wish a torpedo would hit us, just for a little excitement.' A loud crash, and I knew that my wish had been granted. The explosion was beyond

description. The lights went out, throwing the ship in darkness, and I could hear the mad rush for the outer decks, but luck was with me. I was knocked to the floor and my hand cut on a fragment of an electric globe, which happened to be at the foot of the main stairway to the upper deck. I kept my wits collected and helped another boy to find his way on deck.

"After getting out I saw that the doomed ship had listed quite a little to starboard. For a few minutes there was quite a little confusion, but soon all quieted down and in a few minutes one would hardly have known that we had been torpedoed, judging from the conversation while waiting for the lifeboats to be lowered. We were all expecting to hear the explosion of the boilers, but as we learned later the explosion of the torpedo had broken the main steam pipe, letting out the steam and saving us the danger of another explosion.

"When I had been on deck a short while I noticed a number of the boys without coats or hats and ~~some without life belts, so two or~~ three boys and I volunteered to go back into the ship to get coats and belts. We made six or seven trips down to get coats and belts, bringing up at each trip all we could handle.

Lifeboats Unavailable.

"I then stood by, waiting for the lifeboat I was to go in, but it never came down. The ropes were

all broken. Some of the lifeboats broke in two, spilling their occupants into the sea. We were helpless to aid those in the water—those I knew we would never see again. The sights in the water I cannot describe in words.

"In about an hour and a half after being hit by the torpedo, I went below once more to my stateroom to get some of my personal articles, including photographs of friends at home, and while I was on my way up the ship lunged twice to starboard and remained listed over very far, making it quite difficult to get to the deck. I saw that a destroyer had pulled up alongside to take off the troops, and after about 300 men had got off safely, the little destroyer pulled away. It seemed that we few who were left on the deck were to be left to make the best of it. There were no signs of any help coming to us, so we contented ourselves by agreeing to die like soldiers; the ship's gunner firing the three-inch gun mounted on the stern of the ship and the signal rockets were sent up, making the sky look like a Fourth of July night.

The Rescue.

"There was nothing that we could do, as the lifeboats had all gone or were broken. All at once we could see a dark object a short way off, coming toward us, which proved to be another British destroyer. The ship had now listed

for the starboard and we were all expecting to go down at any moment. We slid down the ropes onto the deck of the destroyer, it being quite a task to do so, as the sea was running very rough by then. There were about 15 still on board the Tuscania when I came off, but they, too, soon slid safely to the deck of the destroyer.

"We then backed away from the doomed transport and had gone about 100 yards when a torpedo scraped the keel of the destroyer we were on. The signal was given for full steam ahead, and the little destroyer started with its human cargo of about 370 lives for an Irish port, where we all shook hands and congratulated one another on our safety aboard the destroyer. We landed in a little port town in Ireland about 3 a. m. February 6. The people of the town treated us as I have never been treated before. The best of everything was none too good for us.

"The sailors of a British destroyer told us a day or so after our arrival in Ireland (deleted by censor) that the Tuscania—'our home' for a few days—had gone to the bottom shortly after the last of us had come off."

letter home with full Tuscania details printed in "Helena [MT] Independent-Record" 28 Apr 1918 p 15 - he went below 6 or 7 times to get lifebelts, didn't find out for 2-3 days after landing in Ireland that the ship had sunk -

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BLACKFOOT INDIAN VIVIDLY PICTURES TUSCANIA TRAGEDY

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the rest of the story is as quoted in the Helena MT newspaper above

"Washington (DC) Times" Friday 19 Apr 1918 p 6 -

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Many of the men experienced danger firsthand from the German submarines. **Clarence W. Bizer** (Lummi) served eleven months in the war zone where he encountered five German submarines and engaged in battle with four, including the one that sank the *U.S.S. Tippecanoe*. **Sam Shebingus** (Chippewa) was on a convoy ship when it was torpedoed off the Irish coast and sank. Nearly all the crew were rescued, including Shebingus, who was picked up by a rescue ship, after having been afloat for two hours. Shebingus wasn't the only one who suffered a close call. **Jerome Kennerly** (Blackfeet) was a private in the 158th Aero Squadron when his transport ship the *S.S. Tuscania* was attacked.

"It may interest you to know that I am one of the "fortunate" or "unfortunate" survivors of the S.S. Tuscania; the disaster of which no doubt you have read about. After being torpedoed about six fifty-five p.m. our rescue was made possible thru the brave efforts of the British sailors aboard the destroyers, who risked their own lives in order to pull-up alongside of the doomed Tuscania. But am pleased to inform you that outside of a few accidents the Officers and men behaved very manly. We all landed at different ports, in Ireland, where we remained for several days, before crossing the Irish Sea to England."

Jerome Kennerly (Blackfeet), 158th Aero Squadron

<https://www.worldwar1centennial.org/index.php/american-indians-in-ww1-branches-of-service/american-indians-in-ww1-branch-navy.html>

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His US Veterans Administration Military Index card has a correct serial number & death date. He was NOT discharged 23 Jan 1918, the day before he sailed on *Tuscania*. His birth date is 6 Jul 1888 on most records. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS1R-DCFN-6?cc=2968245&personaUrl=%2Fark%3A%2F61903%2F1%3A1%3AQPTV-4SNC>

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Form No. 724-1½, A. G. O. March 12, 1920. 3-7688

* Insert "R. A.", "N. G.", "E. R. C.", "N. A.", as case may be, followed by place and date of enlistment. † Give place of birth and date of birth, or age at enlistment. ‡ Give dates of departure from and arrival in the United States. § Give date.

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Family:

HENRY ATKINSON KENNERLY, son of George Hancock and Alzier M. Kennerly; born at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis County, Missouri, December 2d, 1835. Place of departure for Montana, St. Louis, Missouri; route traveled, up Missouri River to Fort Union at mouth of Yellowstone River, thence across country *via* Valley of Milk River to Fort Benton; arrived at Fort Benton, last of August, 1855. Occupation, ranchman. Residence, Kipp. Montana, east of the mountains, was then part of the Territory of Nebraska, and known as "Indian Territory." Mr. Kennerly was one of the Secretaries of the Commissioners who concluded the treaty at the mouth of the Judith with several of the Northwestern tribes of Indians in October, 1855. Member House of Representatives, Fourth and Extra Sessions, 1867, Territorial Legislative Assembly.

From his **father** Henry Atkinson Kennerly's Find A Grave 141622396



Standing, from left to right: Mose Solomon, Bob Mills, John Largent;
Seated, Joe Kipp, Henry Kennerly.

Henry Kennerly was another American Fur company man, having been employed from the early 60's as a clerk and bookkeeper. During the last years of his life he was entirely blind and he died at Cutbank a few years ago.

The most interesting character of the group was Joe Kipp, who was born at Fort Union in 1847, the son of James Kipp, the famous American Fur company factor, who was in what is now Montana as early as 1822.

Most of Joe Kipp's youth was passed at the trading post at Fort Union and at Fort Benton, and he thus became acquainted with the various tribes of the country, including the Blackfeet, Crows, Gros Ventres,

Sloux, Mandans and Aricarees, and learned to speak the language of each tribe.

In 1865, when George Steel and Mat Carroll bought out the American Fur Company at Fort Benton, Young Kipp entered their employ, and thereafter his life was one of adventure.

Blackfeet Steal Fine Horse.

George Steel, who was a well known trader in early days and later had a store at Sun River crossing, had at that time in Fort Benton a black horse, the swiftest and best trained buffalo runner in the country. One of young Kipp's duties was to care for the animal, which was kept in the stables at the rear of the fort. One morning Joe found the stable door broken open and the horse gone. The Piegans, or Blackfeet tribe had taken it, having long coveted the animal and offered a fabulous price for it.

Joe Kipp knew that the horse was in the big camp over the hill on the Teton, and from there it did not seem possible to recover the horse. Several of the Blackfeet had been killed recently by miners in Last Chance gulch, and the tribe had sworn vengeance against the whites. Even the traders and their employers were forbidden to enter the camp.

The story continues with more details about Kipp

Jerome Kennerly's father Henry is at bottom left (seated) while his mother's 3rd husband, Joseph Kipp, is at left, front, seated - Conrad (MT) Independent" Thursday 19 Jul 1917 p 3 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/353908184/?terms=%22henry%20kennerly%22&match=1>

Traffic Injuries Fatal to Wichitan

Bertrand L. Kennerly, 70 year old Wichitan, of 2217 North Market, who was critically injured Friday night when he was struck by a car, died Tuesday in St. Francis hospital.

His death was the eighth traffic fatality in Wichita during 1947.

As he crossed West 21st street at 9:15 p. m. Friday, Kennerly was struck by an auto driven by Barney J. Hader, 22, of 212 West 26th. Hader told officers that he didn't see the man until he was "upon him," tried to miss him but could not.

Funeral arrangements will be made upon the arrival of relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kennerly of Bremerton, Wash., who called Wichita police Tuesday to say they would come to Wichita. The body is at the Flanagan Bourman mortuary.

Death of relative Bertrand Kennerly – Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Kennerly reside in Bremerton WA –
"Wichita (KS) Eagle" Wednesday 3 Sep 1947 p 1

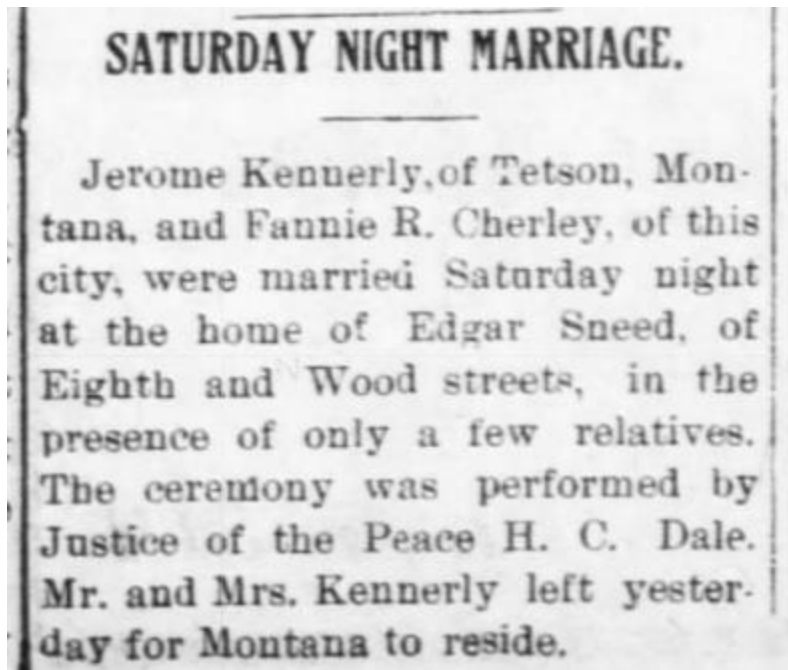
Post-war:

Mrs. James H. Pierce had some interesting guests last week—Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kennerly of Hollywood. Kennerly is an Indian chief of the Blackfoot tribe named Unistya-Copi, meaning Sitting Calf. He is now under contract at Hollywood, where he is working on the picture The Sea Hawk. Mrs. Pierce knew him years ago when he was a student at the Carlisle Indian school and a member of the famous Carlisle Indian school football team, coached by "Pop" Warner. The acquaintance was renewed when Kennerly and Mrs. Pierce's husband met in the veterans' hospital at Sawtelle, where they were taking treatments several years ago.

"Visalia (CA) Times-Delta" Monday 8 Apr 1940 p 5 -

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Marriage – Fannie Charley in KS, 1913



Marriage to Fannie Charley 19 Jul 1913 – “Galena (KS) Evening Times” Monday 21 Jul 1913 p 1

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Fannie Charley Student File

Student file of Fannie Charley, a member of the Peoria Nation, who entered the school on September 20, 1901, and ultimately departed on June 21, 1909. The student did not attend the school continuously, but left and reentered. The file contains student information cards, news clippings, a former student response postcard, a returned student survey, a physical record, an application for enrollment, a position record card, a conduct card, and a report after leaving indicating Charley was working as a domestic in Galena, Kansas in 1913.

Note: Charley married fellow student Jerome Kennerly.

http://carlisleindian.dickinson.edu/student_files/fannie-charley-student-file

(First published in the Galena
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PUBLICATION NOTICE.

In The District Court Of Cherokee
County, Kansas, Sitting at Galena.
Fannie Charley Kennerly, Plaintiff,
vs.

Jerome B. Kennerly Defendant.
To The Above Named Defendant,
Jerome B. Kennerly, Greeting:

You are hereby notified that you
have been sued in the above named
plaintiff in the above entitled court,
and that plaintiff's petition is now
on file with the clerk of said court,
and that you must answer said peti-
tion on or before the 16th day of
July, 1920, or said petition will be
taken as true and judgment rendered
against you granting the plaintiff an
absolute decree of divorce and giving
her the care, custody and control of
your minor child, Bertrand Kennerly,
and plaintiff will be given such other
relief as to the court may seem just.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1920.

Fannie Charley Kennerly,
Plaintiff,

By E. B. Morgan,
Her Attorney.

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Divorce action by Fannie Charley Kennerly – "Galena (KS) Weekly Republican" Friday 18
Jun 1920 p 7



Left: <https://ancestors.familysearch.org/L5NX-PGR/fannie-rhueamy-charley-kennerly-thorne-1891-1986> – Right:

Fannie Charley Kennerly & son George Bertrand Kennerly -

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Clintonians Watch T-V & 'See Grandmother'

When members of the George Kennerly family gather around their television set at their Artesian Avenue home, some family member is apt to remark:

"Look, there's Grandmother."

And, it is Grandmother. For Fannie Charley Kennerly, who is visiting in Clinton in her son's home this week, works as a movie and television extra and has been doing so since 1937.

A Peoria Indian who moved to California from Oklahoma in the 1930s, she is an imposing looking woman who does not confine her extra roles to Indian parts. She laments the lack of many Indian extras and says the most 'Indians' audiences see in movies and t-v plays are really Mexicans and Italians.

Mrs. Kennerly has visited Clinton on several occasions and was here last April to greet the arrival of her first grandson, Gary Haines, now five months old, and her third grandchild.

Her son, George Kennerly, has lived here since 1957 and is a boilermaker on the Montrose construction project.

Mrs. Kennerly alternates her time in Hollywood with visits to Clinton and Oklahoma and has worked for nearly every studio in Hollywood. Her last television appearance was an Alcoa Presents play presented last week.

A special Indian column in the Miami, Oklahoma Daily News Record of August 16 carried the following article on Mrs. Kennerly:

"You've seen her many times, but unless you know her you would not remember. Fannie Charley Kennerly, a Peoria Indian born in Ottawa county and transplanted to Hollywood makes her living as an 'extra' in the never-never land of movies and television.

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working in television. Fannie says—real Indians, that is. She is happy to be a representative of her race.

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"But for Fannie—not too much make-up. The classic Indian features and dark eyes need little touching up. She does own a big wardrobe of all kinds of Indian costumes, (but mostly I wear buckskin in portraying Indians).

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"Henry County Democrat" (Clinton MO) Thursday 17 Sep 1959 p 1 -

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Once a year Fannie Kennerly leaves the artificial glamor of Hollywood for the real beauty of a moonlit night over Oklahoma's Grand lake. This is when she comes back to the Seneca-Cayuga country for the Greencorn feast.

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"Miami (OK) News-Record" Sunday 16 Aug 1959 p 21 -

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THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN

Tuesday, November 22, 1977

Commerce Woman Remembers Jim Thorpe as Bashful

By Ed Kelley
Staff Writer

COMMERCE — The world's greatest Indian athlete "was always kinda bashful."

And television's Matt Dillon is a polite man who prefers fishing to acting on pretty days.

On the other hand, the late star of "Wagon Train" was somewhat cantankerous when

things didn't go his way.

Name-dropping comes natural for Fannie Kennerly, an elderly Commerce resident who, for more than 30 years, rubbed shoulders with some of sports' and Hollywood's most elite.

A star herself? Hardly. Mrs. Kennerly, now 86, was an "extra," a

bit player whose face was often cast with thousands of others in major film and television productions of a bygone era.

Most of the time, she was a professional Indian, performing perfunctory chores of what modern-day directors thought squaws did — or should have done — while the white man won the West.



Fannie Kennerly

Her appearance, however, fooled more than a few producers.

"Most people think I am a full-blood, because I look like one," she said.

She leaned forward, and confided, "I'm not though; I'm only a quarter. But I never say anything about it unless somebody asks."

Mrs. Kennerly returned to this small Ottawa County community about 10 years ago from Los Angeles following her last movie, "Cheyenne Autumn." Her eyesight is poor — operations for cataracts have not been successful — and her hearing is falling.

Yet she misses the bright lights of Hollywood, and wonders aloud what would have happened had she pursued a career as an actress, instead of an extra.

"I was sorry I ever came back here," she said recently in the living room of her modest home, a place filled with photos of Indians, some of them relatives, some friends.

"Everything was so open and big out there, and here there ain't nothing to do," she said.

Being a regular screen performer "would have been more interesting if I had been interested," Mrs. Kennerly said. "But I was just having fun."

A good time, she admits, has always been at the top of her list.

It began years ago, shortly after the turn of the century, when her father, who was part Dutch, sent her scurrying off to Carlisle Indian School from their Galena, Kan., home.

There, Mrs. Kennerly and her sister, Bessie, met Jim Thorpe, the

legendary Sac and Fox Indian from Oklahoma who later starred in the 1912 Olympics.

"He was my classmate; he sat right behind me," she said. "He used to put my hair in the inkwell, and get it all messed up. He was funny."

At the same time, the young Thorpe was shy, and stayed away from all social functions at the Pennsylvania school.

But Thorpe attended a dance once, "and my sister grabbed him by the arm, and said, 'Jim,

you're going to dance.' She took him out on that dance floor, and he was just as graceful as he could be. After that, you couldn't keep him off the dance floor," Mrs. Kennerly said.

And thanks to the two sisters, Thorpe became acquainted with Glenn S. "Pop" Warner, Carlisle's famous coach, she said.

Of Thorpe, she said, "We always figured he would be great later on. He'd always go to the athletic field, and instead of going through the gate, he'd jump over it," she said.

One day, Bessie's boyfriend pointed Thorpe out to Warner, advising the coach that "there's your high jumper," Mrs. Kennerly said.

The rest, of course, is history. Following his Olympic feats, Thorpe played professional football before ending up in California, where he appeared in a few films. He died in 1953.

Years after her time at Carlisle, Mrs. Kennerly and her son, George, went to southern California in hopes the warm dry weather would successfully relieve her arthritis.

There, she met other Indians — Mrs. Kennerly is one-fourth Peoria — who encouraged her to join them on Hollywood film lots as extras in large productions. When she started in the mid-1930s, the pay was \$5 per day.

"We used to play in the good pictures, and we got to later play in these shorts for TV," she said. "Wherever there was an Indian part, they'd give us a chance."

Mrs. Kennerly re-

members few of the films she played in. She does know she was once in a major Cecil B. DeMille production, and still owns a buckskin gown from "Cheyenne Autumn," made in the mid-1960s.

In between, she played in countless episodes of television series, including "Gunsmoke," "Wagon Train," and "Daniel Boone."

On James Arness, Gunsmoke's Matt Dillon: "He was very nice.

One time while we were out, he was resting on the balcony. He said, 'Gee, I wish I was out fishing.'

"I said, 'well, why aren't you?' He said, 'I'm just trying to earn some money just like you.'"

On the late Ward

Bond, star of "Wagon Train": "He was pretty nice, but if anything didn't suit him, he'd just walk off."

Most of the roles Mrs. Kennerly played were those of an Indian woman curing animal skins, cooking over an open campfire, or walking with a papoose.

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Tuesday 22 Nov 1977 p 33 -

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Fannie Kennerly

Film, TV Extra Back for Visit

MIAMI, Aug. 22—Once a year Fannie Kennerly of Los Angeles treks back to the Seneca-Cayuga Indian country of northeastern Oklahoma to join her friends in celebrating the Green Corn Feast. Exchanging the artificial glamor of movies and television for the real beauty of moonlit nights on Grand Lake is one of the most anticipated events of her busy life.

She was born Fannie Charley, the daughter of Peoria Indian chieftains of Ottawa county. Now, transplanted to Hollywood, she makes her living as an "extra" in the movies and television.

When Fannie stirs a kettle over a campfire while the stars of "Wagon Train" live out their story; when she dons a pioneer dress and sunbonnet to become a homesteader's wife in a "Gun Smoke" story; when her buckskin and beads and long, black braids are in the background scenes of "Andy Burnett Saga" or "Death Valley Days," or "Wells Fargo," you scarcely notice her. Her name is not up in lights.

But Fannie is happy to be a representative of her race in the world of television and movies. There are not many Indians working in this field she says.

"Many of the 'Indians' who ride on war parites or stalk the enemy are Mexicans or Italians and you should see the make-up it takes to make them look like Indians!" she laughed.

But for Fannie—not too much make-up. Her classic Indian features and dark eyes need little touching up. She does own a big wardrobe of all kinds of Indian costumes, "because the pay is higher for the 'extra' who has a big wardrobe."

What is the Indian costume most in demand? The traditional buckskin and beads, of course.

For the Greencorn dances last week, Fannie wore the full-skirted dress and fancy apron of the Seneca women with whom she is visiting. She added a beaded head-band — Seneca women do not wear these.

"Daily Oklahoman" (Oklahoma City OK) Sunday 23 Aug 1959 p 88 -

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Marriage to Margaret Blanche Gunnell – first in VA in 1919 & next in WV in 1920

Jerome Kennerly

Virginia, Bureau of Vital Statistics, County Marriage Registers,
1853-1935

Tools

Event Type:	Marriage Registration
Name:	Jerome Kennerly
Age:	29
Birth Year (Estimated):	1890
Birthplace:	Teton, Mont.
Race:	White
Father's Name:	Henry
Father's Sex:	Male
Mother's Name:	Marion
Mother's Sex:	Female
Spouse's Name:	Margaret Gunnell
Spouse's Age:	37
Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated):	1882
Spouse's Birthplace:	Richmond, Va.
Spouse's Race:	White
Spouse's Father's Name:	William
Spouse's Father's Sex:	Male
Spouse's Mother's Name:	Mary
Event Date:	24 Nov 1919
Event Place:	Alexandria, Virginia, United States
Event Place (Original):	Alexandria

Marriage in Alexandria VA on 24 Nov 1919 to Margaret Blanche Gunnell -

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:DZ4D-156Z>

LEGAL NOTICES

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY,
118-4wp Clerk.

VIRGINIA.

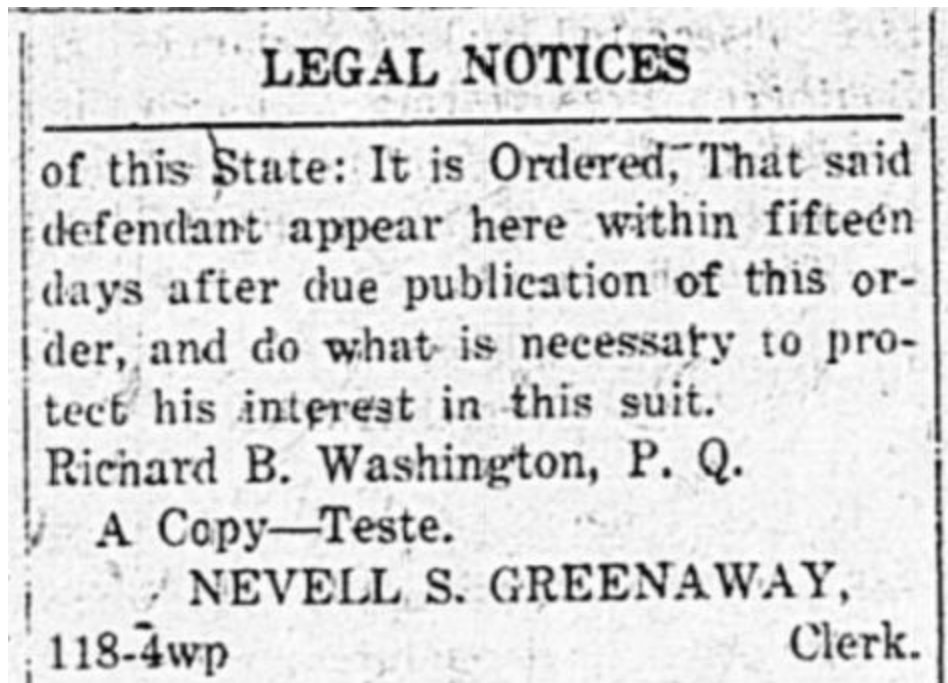
In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, on the 13th day of May, 1920.

Margaret Blanche Kennerly, complainant vs. Jerome Kennerly, defendant. In Chancery No. 630.

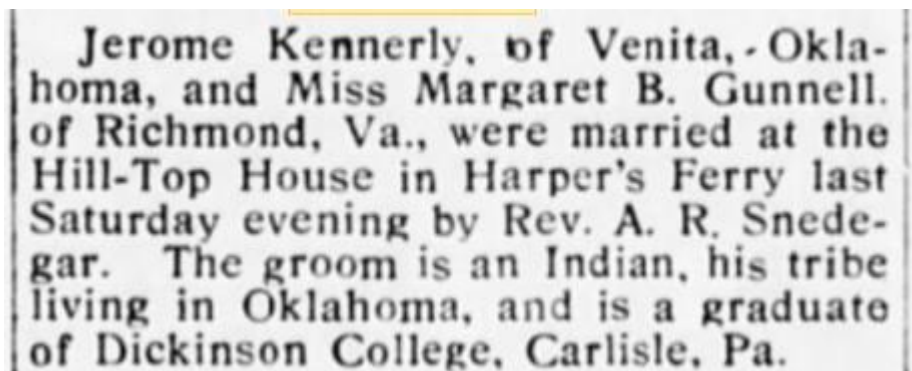
MEMO.

The object of this suit is to annul the marriage heretofore solemnized between the parties to this suit, and for general relief.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this cause that the defendant Jerome Kennerly is a non-resident



Margaret Blanche Gunnell Kennerly brings court action on 13 May 1920 to annul her marriage to Jerome Kennerly - "Alexandria (VA) Gazette" Monday 24 May 1920 p 3



Then Jerome Kennerly & Margaret Blanche Gunnell remarry, this time in Harper's Ferry (or Jefferson Co. WV) on Thursday, 25 Nov 1920 - "Shepherdstown (WV) Register" Thursday 2 Dec 1920 p 1 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/466269527/?terms=%22margaret%20gunnell%22%20kennerly&match=1>

Jerome Kennerly

in the West Virginia, U.S., Marriages Index, 1785-1971

Name:	Jerome Kennerly
Gender:	Male
Spouse's Name:	Margaret B Gunnell
Spouse Gender:	Female
Marriage Date:	1920
Marriage Place:	Jefferson, West Virginia, United States

WV marriage in 1920 - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/927765:2538?tid=&pid=&queryId=699f262ed95f0d4bff65a833add1cdd1&_phsrc=hFB21729&_phstart=successSource

Marriage to Therian Viola Panther in WA, 1942 & 1956

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STATE OF WASHINGTON, }
County of King } ss. **Marriage Certificate** Series A 83856

THIS CERTIFIES, that the undersigned Justice of the Peace
by authority of a License bearing date the 29th day of October A. D. 1942
and issued by the County Auditor of the County of King, did on the 3rd day of December
A. D. 1942, at the hours of 8:30 p.m. at 404
County and State aforesaid, join in LAWFUL WEDLOCK Jerome Kennerly
of the County of King and Therian Viola Panther
of the County of Shawnee, Okla. with their mutual assent, in the presence of
James O. Kennerly and Frank Merchant witnesses.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness the signatures of the parties to said ceremony, the witnesses and myself, this
3rd day of December A. D. 1942.

WITNESS: <u>Frank Merchant</u> <u>James O. Kennerly</u>	PARTIES: <u>Jerome Kennerly</u> MALE. <u>Therian Viola Panther</u> FEMALE.	OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN OR OFFICER: <u>Justice of the Peace</u> P. O. ADDRESS <u>Seattle</u> WASHINGTON.
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Filed DEC 31 1942 1942

W. B. STEEN
CLERK
DEPUTY

CARROLL CARTER
CLERK
DEPUTY

This Certificate must be filed out and filed with the County Clerk of the County where the ceremony is performed, within 30 days after the ceremony.—See Chapter 172, Laws of Washington of 1927.

The County Clerk's Fee for recording this Certificate is One Dollar, to be paid by the party applying for the license at the time each license is issued.—Pierce's Code, Sec. 2713.

Failure to make and deliver Certificate to the County Clerk within 30 days is punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$300.00.—See Pierce's Code, Sec. 2714.

NOTE—THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY WHERE CEREMONY IS PERFORMED.

First married to Therian Viola Panther on 3 Dec 1942 in King Co. WA -

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Date of Application..... Application No..... Date License Issued..... License No.....

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss. AFFIDAVIT OF MALE APPLICANT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE
County of Mason } Must Be Filled In By Male ApplicantThe undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes as follows: That I am the MALE applicant for the issuance of a marriage license by the County Auditor of Mason State of Washington. I am not feeble-minded, imbecile, insane, epileptic, a common drunkard, we are not related, and I am not afflicted with pulmonary tuberculosis in its advanced stages nor with contagious venereal disease and that Iam 65 years of age, Color..... Occupation painterBirthplace Birmingham, Mont. Single..... Widowed..... Divorced..... Under Control of Guardian.....Signature: Harold Nessnerly Address Bremerton, Wa.
For Past Six MonthsStreet Address Pt. L. B. 296, BoxSubscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Feb, 19 56Shirley Holman
Dep Auditor Mason County, Washington.
Notary Public

being a minor, I hereby give my consent to the issuance of above named license, in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington.

Witness:..... Parent or Guardian.....

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss. AFFIDAVIT OF FEMALE APPLICANT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE
County of Mason } Must Be Filled In By Female ApplicantThe undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes as follows: That I am the FEMALE applicant for the issuance of a marriage license, by the County Auditor of Mason State of Washington. I am not feeble-minded, imbecile, insane, epileptic, a common drunkard, weare not related, and I am not afflicted with pulmonary tuberculosis in its advanced stages and that I am 41 years of age,Color..... Occupation Housewife Birthplace Hickory, Okla. Single.....

Widowed..... Divorced..... Under Control of Guardian.....

Signature: Therian Viola Parthur Address Oklahoma City, Okla.
For Past Six MonthsStreet Address 4108 14th St.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Feb, 19 56Shirley Holman
Dep Auditor Mason County, Washington.
Notary Public

Parent or Guardian.

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss. AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESS
County of Mason

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: I am personally acquainted with
Jerome Kennerly of Box 2962 B-X Bismington, Wn
Name of Male Applicant Bona Fide Residence

who is 65 years of age; and with
Therian Viola Panther of Oklahoma City, Okla
Name of Female Applicant Bona Fide Residence

who is 41 years of age; that neither of said persons is a habitual criminal or related and I know of no legal impediment to their being joined in marriage.

WITNESS FOR BOTH PARTIES:
Name Martina R. Sail Address Box 2956A-X Bismington Wash
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Feb, 19 56
Shirley Halman
Notary Public Mason County, Washington.

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Marriage to Therian Viola Panther on 21 Feb 1956 in Mason Co. WA –

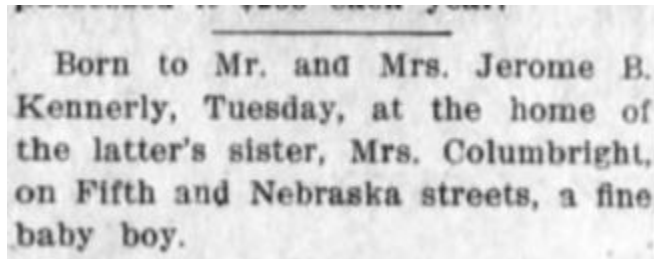
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Children:



His son George Bertrand Kennerly, 1914-2011, by Fannie Charley -

<https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/6795186/person/6113688364/media/d598190f-13af-4bb1-ba11-678b87063f86>



Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome B. Kennerly, Tuesday, at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Columbright, on Fifth and Nebraska streets, a fine baby boy.

Birth of son George Bertrand Kennerly – “Miami (OK) Record-Herald” Friday 21 Aug 1914 p 4

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Jerome's son George Bertrand Kennerly with his wife Elizabeth Brown Kennerly & daughter Reta -

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Obituary & death

JEROME KENNERLY DIES

PAWHUSKA (Special) — Funeral services are pending at Bowring, Mont., for Jerome Kennerly, a resident of this city for the past year, who died there while on a business trip to the Blackfeet Indian Agency.

Kennerly was born July 5, 1888 in Montana, was educated at Carlisle Indian School, Carlisle, Pa., where he was a member of the famed football team with Jim Thorpe, who was chosen as an All-American player. In the silent motion pictures Kennerly was a stunt man, using the name "Chick Davis." He was an aerial gunner in World War I.

Survivors include a son, George Brite Kennerly, Kansas City, Mo.; the widow of the home here and a granddaughter, Reta, of this city.

Obituary of Jerome Kennerly, a resident of Pawhuska OK for 1 year before he died in Bowring MT on a business trip - "Bartlesville (OK) Examiner-Enterprise" Friday 14 Jun 1963

14		WW I	WW II	KOREA	62MR A-14/M. Enisbach 7/31/63		ORIGINAL
1. NAME OF DECEASED - LAST - FIRST - MIDDLE (Print or Type)				12. NAME AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY (City and State)			
Kennerly, Jerome				Browning Cath. Browning, Montana			
2. SERVICE NUMBER		3. PENSION OR VA CLAIM NUMBER		IMPORTANT - Item 18 on reverse side must be completed. See attached instructions and complete and submit both copies.			
249994				15. This application is submitted for a stone or marker for the unmarked grave of a deceased member or former member of the Armed Forces of the U. S., soldier of the Union or Confederate Armies of the Civil War or for an unmarked memorial plot for a non-recoverable deceased member. I hereby agree to accept responsibility for proper placement at the grave or memorial plot at no expense to the Government.			
4. ENLISTMENT DATE (Month, day, year)		5. DISCHARGE DATE (Month, day, year)		NAME OF APPLICANT (Print or Type)			
Nov. 21, 1917		May 26, 1919		Therian Kennerly			
6. STATE		7. MEDALS		RELATIONSHIP			
Mont.		no records		wife			
8. GRADE OR RANK		9. BRANCH OF SERVICE, COMPANY, REGIMENT, DIVISION		ADDRESS OF APPLICANT (Street address, City and State)			
Pvt.		158 Aero Squadron ASAC		East Glacier, Montana			
10. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year)		11. DATE OF DEATH (Month, day, year)		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE	
7-6-1888 1889		6-12-1963		Therian Kennerly		6-15-63	
12. RELIGIOUS EMBLEM (Check one)		13. CHECK TYPE REQUIRED		16. FREIGHT STATION			
☒ LATIN CROSS (Christian)		☐ UPRIGHT MARBLE HEADSTONE		Browning, Montana			
☐ STAR OF DAVID (Hebrew)		☐ FLAT MARBLE MARKER		17. NAME OF CONSIGNEE WHO WILL TRANSPORT STONE OR MARKER			
☐ NO EMBLEM		☒ FLAT GRANITE MARKER		W.E. Riddle BROWNING			
		☐ FLAT BRONZE MARKER		ADDRESS OF CONSIGNEE (Street address, City and State)			
				Browning, Montana CATHOLIC CEMETERY			
FOR VERIFICATION		DO NOT WRITE HERE		I HAVE AGREED TO TAKE THE STONE OR MARKER TO THE CEMETERY.			
JUL 22 1963		ORDERED		SIGNATURE OF CONSIGNEE			
B/L 3742		11 SEP 1963		W.E. Riddle			
		CONTRACTOR					
		JAMES H. MATTHEWS					
		PITTSBURGH, PA.					
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He was buried in the Browning (MT) Catholic Cemetery, i.e. St. Michael's, where his family is also buried - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2375/images/2375_05_00006-00205?usePUB=true&usePUBJs=true&pld=2551213

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STATE OF MONTANA
Birth No. 26a

ORIGINAL FOR STATE REGISTRAR
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
Bureau of Vital Statistics
State File No. **63 180053**

1. PLACE OF DEATH
a. COUNTY Glacier
b. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Browning
c. LENGTH OF STAY IN ID Life
d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION PHS Indian Hospital
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☒

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: Residence before admission)
a. STATE Montana
b. COUNTY Glacier
c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION East Glacier, Montana
d. STREET ADDRESS ---
e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES ☐ NO ☐ f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES ☐ NO ☒

3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)
First Jerome Middle - Last Kennerly
4. DATE OF DEATH
Month June Day 12 Year 1963
5. SEX Male 6. COLOR OR RACE Indian 7. MARRIED ☒ NEVER MARRIED ☐ 8. DATE OF BIRTH
Month 5 Day 6 Year 88
9. AGE (In years last birthday) 75 10. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) UNK. 11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Montana 12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.

13. FATHER'S NAME Henry Kennerly 14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Good Killer
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) (If yes, give war or dates of service) Yes World War I 16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. UNK. 17. INFORMANT Hospital Records, Browning, Montana Address ---

18. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).)
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Cerebral Vascular Accident
Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last:
DUE TO (b) Cerebral Arteriosclerosis disease
DUE TO (c) Diabetes mellitus
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a) --- 19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES ☐ NO ☒

20a. ACCIDENT ☐ SUICIDE ☐ HOMICIDE ☐ 20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of item 18.) ---
20c. TIME OF INJURY Hour --- Month --- Day --- Year --- a. m. --- p. m. ---
20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK ☐ NOT WHILE AT WORK ☐ 20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e. g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.) --- 20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION --- COUNTY --- STATE ---

21. I attended the deceased from 6-8-63 to 6-12-63 and last saw him alive on 6-12-63. Death occurred at 8:18 P. on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.
22a. SIGNATURE (Degree or title) Glen W. Hartman, M.D. 22b. ADDRESS Browning, Montana 22c. DATE SIGNED 6-17-63

23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial 23b. DATE 6-15-63 23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Browning Cemetery 23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) (State) Browning, Montana
24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR Beck Funeral Home, Browning, Montana ADDRESS --- Emb. Lic. No. --- 25. DATE RECD. BY LOCAL REG. 6-17-63 26. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE Appl. Lambert Smith

His MT death certificate lists his mother as his father Henry Kennerly's 1st wife, Good Killer.

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Name: Jerome Kennerly – in Piegan: Calf Takes A Seat

Name variations: Uni-stya-copi ("Calf Takes a Seat") in Piegan Military:

On Tuscania: 158th Aero Squadron - private

Serial number: 249,994

Entered service from: Washington DC [may be Bureau of Indian Affairs address or that of his brother]

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Jerome Kennerly

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": brother Perry Kennerly, 913 Jefferson St. NW, Washington DC

Returned from war on: "Von Steuben" Apr 1919, "cases requiring no dressing" - Convalescent Detachment #170

Sailed on return ship as: Jerome Kennerly

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: brother Leo Kennerly, Browning MT (pvt, C 39 A Squad)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Jerome Kennerly - b. 6 Jul 1888 Blackfoot Reservation MT; res: Browning MT. Single. Blacksmith. Military experience: 4 years Indian School, Carlisle PA, 2nd lieutenant. Race: Indian. Medium height, stout build. [This record is indexed as "Kennedy" but that is a misreading of his name]

World War II draft registration (1942): as Jerome Kennerly [middle name: none] - b. 6 Jul 1888 Browning MT; res: National Military Home, Los Angeles, Los Angeles CA. NOK US Veterans' Administration, Los Angeles CA. Not employed. Race: Indian. "scar above right and left eyes" Height: 5'11" – 185 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: Serial 249,994

Enlisted 21 Nov 1917

Discharged 23 Jan 1918 [error, as this was the day BEFORE he sailed on Tuscania] [he was discharged 26 May 1919]

Address: 438 W. 116th St., New York NY

Rank/unit: private, Co. C, 39th Aero Squadron

MT, WWI military record: Jerome Kennerly, serial 24,994 [error, 249,994], Resident of Browning, Glacier MT. Born Browning MT. Entered Army at Fort George Wright WA on 21 Nov 1917 at age 28 years 4 months. In 158th Aero Squadron to 3 Aug 1918; in 638th Aero Squadron to discharge. Rank: private. Overseas 24 Jan 1918 to 19 Apr 1919. Discharged 26 May 1919. 0% disabled.

Birth & death:

Born: 6 Jul 1888 Browning, Glacier MT (Blackfoot Indian Reservation)

Died: 12 Jun 1963 Browning, Glacier MT (or in Beaverhead Co.?)

Find A Grave record:

Burial location: Browning, Glacier MT

Cemetery: St. Michael's Cemetery (according to his veteran tombstone application, his obituary indicates his funeral was to be in "Bowring" MT & his MT death certificate reports burial in Browning MT)

Tombstone:

Father: Henry Atkinson Kennerly, 2 Dec 1835 Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis Co. MO – 9 Jul 1913 Cut Bank, Glacier MT. Son of George Hancock Kennerly & Modeste Alzire Menard. Henry came to Fort Benton MT in 1855 & was 1 of the oldest White pioneer residents of northern MT. He worked for the federal government & assisted in effecting a treaty with the Native Americans of northern MT in 1857 at the mouth of the Judith River. He helped construct the Mullen wagon road, served 2 terms in the territorial legislature & was assessor of Chouteau County in the early 1880s. He was also a trader, a rancher & a county treasurer. He became blind a few years before his death. Henry was White. A biography of Henry appears in the "Great Falls Tribune" 27 Apr 2014 P L1&L3.

His first wife was Mary Successful Kill (Good Killer) Wright (1847-1935 Glacier Co. MT), whom he married in 1874. She was the daughter of Spotted Eagle & Bead Woman. Her 3 husbands were William Wright, Henry Kennerly & Chief Split Ears. Her burial location, on private property, is unknown. F: 219618901

Find A Grave: 141622396.

Mother: Margurite Neat-A-Sin-Ne ("Maggie") Blackweasel Mountain Chief Gobert Kennerly Kipp, 2 Jan 1855 Fort Benton, Chouteau MT – 14 Jan 1925 Browning, Glacier MT. Margurite's nicknames were Maggie & Masie. She was the daughter of Mountain Chief 1 & Mary Blackbear.

Margurite's 1st marriage was to Roche Gobert in 1869 in Fort Benton MT. Roche, also known as Rock or John Rock Gobert, who had immigrated from Switzerland in 1858, owned a prosperous brewery business in Fort Benton & later a prosperous farm. He was earlier married to Mary Ahkahtah, who died Dec 1870. Margurite's children by Gobert included Mary (Mollie), Joseph, Edward Rock, Catherine Martha, Agnes & Annie. Roche Gobert (1836 Switzerland – 1888 MT) is buried in St. Peter Mission Cemetery, Saint Peter, Cascade MT. F: 106050553

Following her marriage to Henry Atkinson Kennerly, while he was still alive, Margurite married Joseph Raven Quiver Kipp on 17 Mar 1911 in Fort Benton, Chouteau MT. Joseph Kipp (1849-1913) was born in Dakota, near the Heart River according to accounts, which is near Mandan & Bismarck ND. He was the son of James Kipp, a "legendary fur trader" & Marita (Mary, also found as Martha) Earth Woman Garno (Garneaux) of the Mandan people. Joseph was age 40 & Maggie Kennerly age 45 when they married in 1911. Joseph's full biography can be found on his Find A Grave website, F: 108739378. He is buried in St. Michael's Cemetery, Browning, Glacier MT. Joseph had married Martha Heavy Runner on 14 May 1898 & had 3 children. On 9 Jan 1902 Joseph Kipp married Margaret (Maggie) Simon Wetzel (1856-1904) in Spokane WA; she died in 1904. Then he married Margurite Kennerly in 1911 & he died in 1913.

In her later years Margurite lived with her sons James Otis Kennerly & Leo Menard Kennerly.

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Parents' marriage: in Fort Benton, Chouteau MT.

Spouse: Fannie Rhueamy Charley Kennerly Thorne (Kish-e-koh-ke-quah), 18 Jul 1891 – 14 Jan 1986 Galena, Cherokee KS. SSN 445-22-7786. Daughter of James Charley Jr. (1860-1908) & Alice Manley (1854-1896). A member of the Wea tribe, which had confederated with the Peoria in 1876. A student at the Carlisle Indian School in PA, which she entered 20 Sep 1901 & left 21 Jun 1909. She recounted sitting in class in front of famous Native American athlete, Jim Thorpe. She was employed as a movie & television "extra" portraying a Native American, although she confessed to a reporter in Nov 1977 that she was only one-fourth Native American. She appeared in the movie "Cheyenne Autumn" and on TV in "Gunsmoke," "Wagon Train" and "Daniel Boone." She became almost blind in the 1970s.

Had a son found listed as James O. Thorne or Jim Thornton, who allegedly died in Miami, Ottawa KS. Buried in the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery, Miami, Ottawa KS but not on Find A Grave as of 2 Jun 2021.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: Married 19 Jul 1913 in Galena, Cherokee KS, at the home of Edgar Sneed, 8th & Wood streets, by justice of the peace H.C. Dale. Fannie sued Jerome Kennerly for divorce in Jun 1920. They had 1 child listed in the action, Bertrand Kennerly.

Spouse: Margaret Blanche Gunnell Kennerly, ca. 1882 Richmond VA - . Daughter of Henry & Marion Gunnell.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 24 Nov 1919 Alexandria VA. Jerome Kennerly, age 29, son of Henry & Marion Kennerly, b. Teton MT – Margaret Gunnell, age 37, daughter of William & Mary Gunnell, b. Richmond VA.

Margaret brought suit to annul this marriage in Dec 1919. Then they apparently remarried on 25 Nov 1920 in Jefferson Co. WV in 1920.

Spouse: Therian Viola Panther, ca. 1915 Skiatook, Osage or Tulsa County OK - who survives him & appears on his veteran headstone application.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: Jerome Kennerly & Therian Viola Panther were first married on 3 Dec 1942 in Foy, King Co. WA by a justice of the peace. Then they married again – with a license obtained 21 Feb 1956 Mason Co. WA. Jerome Kennerly, age 65, of Route 6, Box 296, Bremerton WA, divorced, painter, b. Browning MT & Therian Viola Panther, age 41, of 4108 – 14th St. Oklahoma City OK, housewife, single, b. Skiatook OK

Children: by Fannie Charley

- George Bertrand Kennerly, 18 Aug 1914 Miami, Ottawa OK – 6 Jun 2011 Barnsdall, Osage OK. SSN 447-03-5205. Enlisted in the US Army on 25 Feb 1941 in Oklahoma City OK; listed as divorced. Husband of Ina May Purvis (1922-1997). Husband of Elizabeth Brown (1908-1985). Member of the Blackfoot & Peoria tribes. US Army veteran of WWII. Died in the Barnsdall Nursing Home. Survived by a daughter & son. His brother, who preceded him in death, is listed as Jim Thornton (married to Evelyn). Buried in Wiggins Cemetery, Wiggins, Stone MS. F: 71141327
- George Brite Kennerly – resident of Kansas City MO – or is this George Bertrande?

Siblings: Had 2 brothers, 2 sisters, adopted sister Sarah Wright (Allison). Family is buried in St. Michael's Cemetery, Browning, Glacier MT

- Perry Hancock Kennerly, 9 Jul 1879 MT – Jun 1949 District of Columbia. Husband of Ada A. Lowry (1873-1959). He had lived in Washington DC for the 30 years preceding his death, serving as legal counsel to the Blackfeet tribe & employed by the US Department of Commerce. He was educated at the Carlisle Indian School & a business college in MN before passing the bar to become an attorney in the state of WA. Buried in Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington DC. F: 181771580
- Harriett Kennerly, ca. 1883 Glacier Co. MT – 24 Feb 1896. Her listing on the Piegan rolls show her to be 5 years older than Jerome. Listed in the 1910 She was Henry Kennerly's oldest daughter. She died at Henry's residence of consumption. Presumably buried in Saint Michaels Cemetery, Browning, Glacier MT. F: 141080917
- James Otis Kennerly (Sr.), 27 Mar 1896 MT– 10 Sep 1946 Seattle, King WA. Married Ora/Orrie R. Cobell (1908-1953), daughter of Joe Cobell & Eliza McGowan, on 27 Mar 1936 in Great Falls, Cascade MT when he was 38 years old & Ora was 27. He married Catherine Kittson, daughter of Mike Kittson & Mary Magee, on 14 Nov 1938 in Browning, Glacier MT when he was age 42 & she was age 26. He was a private 1st class in the US Army in WWI. Buried in Saint Michaels Cemetery, Browning, Glacier MT. F: 107194613
- Leo Menard Kennerly, 1 Jun 1899 Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Browning, Glacier MT – 30 Sep 1981 Kalispell, Flathead MT. Husband of Sadie Hagan (1895-1988). His MT death certificate lists him as a consultant for the Blackfeet Indian Tribe. Buried in Fisher

Cemetery, St. Mary, Glacier MT but not on Find A Grave as of 2 Jun 2021. Also buried in Fisher Cemetery is his nephew, son of his brother James – James Otis Kennerly Jr. (1940-2011, F: 78646227)

- Mrs. Lorenzo White.
- Carrie Kennerly

Half-siblings: by his mother Margurite's 1st marriage, to Roche Gobert

- Mary (Mollie) Gobert, 28 Dec 1874 Blackfoot, Glacier MT - Age 6 in 1880 census
- Joseph Gobert, born 1876 MT. Age 4 in 1880 census
- Edward Rock Gobert, 28 Apr 1880 Fort Shaw, Cascade MT – 18 Dec 1967 Browning, Glacier MT. Married Mary Johnson on 25 Dec 1901 in Fort Shaw MT at the Fort Shaw Indian School, officiated by Rev. Little of Great Falls MT. "Eddy" Gobert was age 22; Mary was age 21. She was the daughter of Ma-Chew-Ne-Ka ("nice kill"). They had at least 2 children. On 28 Nov 1910 in Kalispell, Flathead MT, Edward, a widower, age 30, "half-Indian," married Abigail ("Abby") M. Devereaux, age 19, single, half-Indian, daughter of E.J. Devereaux & Mary Englishilde. They had at least 3 children.
- Catherine Martha Gobert, 30 May 1883 Fort Shaw, Cascade MT
- Agnes ("Round Face") Gobert, 13 Jul 1885 Fort Shaw, Cascade MT
- Annie Gobert, 1887 Fort Shaw, Cascade MT

Notes:

Jerome's mother, Margurite Neat-A-Sin-Ne Blackweasel Mountain Chief was the daughter of Mountain Chief 1 & Mary Blackbear. His maternal grandmother Mary Blackbear's mother was Black Bear, who was born ca. 1765. Black Bear, Jerome's maternal great-grandmother, saw the Lewis & Clark Expedition, the first time anyone in her camp had seen a White man. Even decades later, in 1875 & afterwards, Black Bear would tell this story. In the 1880 census, Black Bear was listed as age 115.

His mother Margurite's brother was the famed Mountain Chief 2, the last hereditary chief of the Blackfeet.

"Our Blackfeet Family" website by Walter Lamar, the grandson of Edward Rock Gobert.

<http://blackfeetfamily.blogspot.com/search?updated-max=2008-12-19T13:05:00>

Jerome was enrolled at age 6 at the Carlisle Industrial Indian School in Carlisle PA. This was the flagship Native American boarding school, where the motto was "Kill the Indian – Save the Man." It operated from 1879 to 1918, with over 10,000 students from 140 tribes who attended during that time. Children spoke English, had their long hair cut and their Indian names changed. When Jerome was in attendance, the Carlisle Indians were a national football powerhouse, playing games against the Ivy League and the Naval and Military academies. The coach was coached by the legendary Glenn S. ("Pop") Warner. The team is credited as "the team that invented football" with the introduction of the forward pass & the spiral throw. Jerome played on the line.

Jerome was a fellow student of famous athlete & Olympics star, Jim Thorpe. The 1910 Indian Census Rolls show Jerome Kennerly, age 22, Piegan, as a student. Also listed is James Thorpe, age 24, Sac & Fox. Some sources say he played on the football team with Jim Thorpe.

Jerome left the school twice, once on 13 May 1908 for a few weeks, and then on 27 Dec 1910. He was termed a "deserter" for these departures. The school informed his father on 11 Mar 1911 that Jerome had been located, gainfully employed, as a blacksmith at the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. in Enola PA. His record includes drinking intoxicating beverages & influencing other young men in such conduct.

"Wilkes-Barre (PA) Evening News" Friday 11 Feb 1910 p 9 – The Carlisle Indian School will award its letter "C" tonight. One of those receiving a letter award in football is Jerome Kennerly. A talk will be given by Athletic Director Glenn S. Warner.

On 21 Aug 1913, the school superintendent wrote Jerome at 2561 N. 11th St., Philadelphia PA that "under no circumstances would I consider an application from you for a position at Carlisle." [Applying for a job?]

Jerome got in trouble before the war in MT – forgery in 1911, horse theft & bootlegging in 1916.

Jerome's paternal grandfather was a nephew (by marriage) of William Clark (of the Lewis & Clark Expedition). His maternal great-grandmother Black Bear actually saw the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

"Spokane (WA) Spokesman-Review" Tuesday 20 Nov 1917 p 11 – Enlisted yesterday in the Army: Jerome Kennerly, age 28, machinist, Browning MT, 23rd Engineers

"Washington (DC) Times" 8 Feb 1918 p 11 – Jerome Kennerly is the brother of Perry Kennerly, a lawyer, 913 Jefferson St. NW, Washington DC. Jerome is a "half-breed Blackfoot Indian." His mother a full-blooded Blackfoot. He was born in 1887 in Browning MT. At age 6, he entered Carlisle University, the youngest student there for 2 years. Then he left school for a few years at his mother's ranch. Returned to Carlisle in 1898 but stayed only 1 year, returning to "the plains." In MT Jerome was a cowboy, forest ranger, national park guide. Was 1 of the first to enlist, leaving MT for Spokane. Trained at Ft. Sam Houston TX, taking only 1 short furlough. His brother Perry last saw him Dec 1917 when Perry & his wife visited his mother's ranch at Browning MT. Perry tried to see him when his unit came through Washington DC but could not. Perry has not yet wired mom that Jerome is on ship.

"Washington (DC) Evening Star" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 7 – With the arrival of 2 more names, it has been determined that all Washington DC men on board Tuscania are safe. One of the two last names was that of Jerome Kennerly, 913 Jefferson St. NW, Washington DC.

Post-war:

When his brother Perry Kennerly died in Jun 1949, Jerome was a resident of Bremerton WA.

Biographies list him as a Hollywood stuntman named “Chick Davis.” That man is assigned in movie databases to Chief Thundercloud or Chief Thunderbird. Chief Thundercloud, the chief being a self-applied honorary title, perhaps Cherokee, was born Victor Daniels (1899 OK – 1955 CA).

Both the 1954 & 1955 Bremerton WA city directory

Kennerly, Jerome (Therian), painter, Bremerton Federal Housing Administration, resident of 805 Poindexter Ave.

1959 Bremerton WA city directory

Kennerly, Jerome (Therian V.), painter Union 801, resident of 1203 Poindexter Ave.

Obituary:

Social Security number: 568-09-4473

Censuses:

1900 Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Teton Co. MT – his parents & siblings

Household Members	Age	Relationship
Henn A Kennerly	64	Head
Margrate Kennerly	45	Wife
Agnes Gobert	15	Stepdaughter (Step Daughter)
Olis Kennerly	4	Son
Leo Kennerly	1	Son
Eddie Gobert	21	Stepson (Step Son)
Catherine Gobert	17	Stepson (Step Son)

Henry A. Kennerly, 64 MO, Dec 1835, father b. VA, mother b. LA, white, blind [no occupation]

Margrate (her name is blurred at the top entry & in the lower “Indian questions” section), 45 MT, Jan 1855, parents b. MT, gave birth to 10 children, 7 are living, ration Indian [wife]

Agnes Gobert, 15 MT, Jul 1884, ration Indian [stepdaughter]

Otis Kennerly, 4 MT, Mar 1896, under age – R [the form to enter a “ration Indian” under age 10] [son]

Leo Kennerly, 1 MT, Jun 1899, under age – R [son]

Eddy Gobert, 21 MT, Apr 1879, ration Indian [stepson]

Catherine Gobert, 17 MT, May 1883, ration Indian [stepdaughter]

In the expanded Indian section below:

Henry A. Kennerly, white, parents white, lives in a taxed dwelling

Margrate, Blackfeet, parents Blackfeet

& for all the children: father white, mother Blackfeet, all ½ Indian

Next door lives Margurite's future husband, Joseph Raven Quiver Kipp, whom she marries the next year (1911):

Joseph Kipp, 49 Dakota, Nov 1859, single, stock grower, with his daughter & 2 sons. Race of all: Indian

1900 Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Teton Co. MT – he is at boarding school, Holy Family Mission – conducted 18 Jun 1900

Jerome Kennerly, 12 MT, Feb 1888, father b. MO, mother b. MT, Indian, pupil

1910 Middlesex, Cumberland PA – Boys Dormitory No. 21 [indexed as No. 2]

Jerome Kennerly, 22 MT, parents b. MT, race: Indian, "ration Indian" (An Indian totally dependent on the US government for support)

1930 Jersey City, Hudson NJ – Ogden Ave.

Jerome Kennerly, 38 MT, single, race: Indian, ranchman, rancher [sic/rancher], WWI veteran, lodger with:

Elise Mayer, 33 NY, divorced, mended [sic], factory – her son Vincent Vicori (9 NY) - her stepbrother Ernest Schiess, 30 Switzerland, salesman, electric. They are White.