The Chilocco Indian Agricultural School, located in north central Oklahoma, operated from 1884–1980 as one of a handful of federal off-reservation Indian boarding schools in the United States. Thousands of students, from over 127 tribes, passed through the school’s iconic entryway arch during its nearly century-long existence. In addition to an oral history collection that documents first-person stories of alumni, the Chilocco Indian Agricultural School Collection at Edmon Low Library, Oklahoma State University, contains over 1,100 images of campus facilities, students and staff, activities, and events.

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