

104-1-14.

Ottawa, March 26, 1931.

Rev. Sir:

Referring to that portion of your letter of the 19th instant in which you request that one waggon complete with high box and broad tires be supplied for the use of the Old Sun Indian Residential School, I regret to inform you that we will have no funds to provide the cost of this equipment.

Your obedient servant,

*A. F. MacKenzie*  
A. F. MacKenzie,  
Secretary.

*T. B. R. Westgate*  
Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, D.D.,  
Field Secretary, M.S.C.G.,  
39-43, The Bible House,  
Alexander Ave.,  
Winnipeg, Man.

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OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

B.12.

Gleichen, Alta

July 10th. 1931.

Dear Sir:-

On a recent visit by Mr. Inspector Christianson to Old Sun School the matter of securing a new bull for the school was taken up as the bull now in use has been there a number of years and should be disposed of. Mr. Christianson mentioned the fact that Dr. Murray of the Sarcee Reserve had a bull on hand which might be suitable for the Old Sun School and I would like to ask the Department if arrangements could be made for an exchange of bulls, that is, if Dr Murray is prepared to accept the bull now in use at Old Sun.

I may say that the Old Sun school bull is inclined to be somewhat ferocious and perhaps would not be suitable for the Sarcee Reserve. If an exchange is not acceptable to Dr. Murray the bull could be disposed of in some other way. In any case, the bull now at the Sarcee Reserve can be taken over by the Old Sun School.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,  
Dept. of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, Ont.

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Ottawa, July 16, 1931.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 10th instant, relative to securing a new bull for the Old Sun Indian Residential School.

In this connection I have to say that if Dr. Murray, of the Sarcee Reserve, will agree to the exchange of the bull which he has, for the bull at present at the Old Sun School, the Department will approve of this arrangement being carried out. Please take this matter up with Dr. Murray and, if he agrees, you could arrange for the exchange.

Your obedient servant,

*T. R. L. MacInnes*  
T. R. L. MacInnes,  
Acting Secretary.

*G. H. Gooderham*  
G. H. Gooderham, Esq.,  
Indian Agent,  
Gleichen, Alta.

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GLEICHEN, Alberta... *Aug 31* 192*3*

In Account with

**R. S. McQUEEN**

MINUTE CARTAGE SERVICE

AGENT IMPERIAL OIL LTD. GALT, NEWCASTLE AND MIDLAND COAL

Accounts due when rendered

8% interest on overdue accounts

*Aug 20 Hauling fuel  
from Sarsse River*

*1000*

*Sept 24 9-31*

*2992*

EXAMINED and  
found correct.

*M. J. Lanning*  
23/9/23

Verified correct Material Supplied  
Price fair and just.

*J. H. Frankham*  
Indian Agent

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Indian Education Vote.  
Indian Education Vote.

Letter No.....

Office of the.....Blackfoot.....Indian Agency,

.....September 17th.....1931.....

Sir,

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 241 .....

amounting to \$ 10.00 .....in favour

of R.S. McQueen Gleichen, Alta. ....

for Hauling bull to Sarcsee Reserve from Old Sun School

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental

Letter No. Estimates..... dated 1931/32.....

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

Form No. 101

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OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

Gleichen, Alta.

August Sept. 17th. 1931.

RE: Voucher 341.

Dear Sir:-

Reference your letter of July 16th. I submit herewith a voucher in favour of R.S. McQueen for the sum of \$10.00 for taking the bull from Old Sun School to Sarcee Reserve. This represents one-half of the cost of making the exchange of bulls from these two places, the Principal of Old Sun School is meeting the other half of the bill. I trust that this arrangement will be satisfactory.

The Secretary,  
Dept. of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Your obedient servant,

Indian Agent.

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104-1-14

Blackfoot Reserve, May 1938.

EXTD.

Sirs

1938.

I beg to submit my report for the month of May

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Both schools were visited. The Old Suns school graduates put on a banquet and dance on the 11th. The banquet was at the school and the dance at Crowfoot Hall. It was a creditable performance and we were impressed particularly by the fine meal prepared by school girls under staff supervision. This school has crops and garden seeded where irrigation is available and has also broken about 50 acres to raise feed. The acreage is a bit large, I feel but we will see what is done with it.

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G.H. Gooderham.  
Indian Agent.

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AGENT'S REPORT ON BLACKFOOT AGENCY FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 1938.  
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Schools

The writer visited both residential schools in connection with repairs and improvements. The children, of course, were still on holidays and did not return until the sixth of July. The improvement and repair work to the Crowfoot school was being carried out with local labor and the acting Principal is to be commended on the class of work and the amount that he was able to do with very limited expenditure. This school was in good shape to properly care for all the pupils this year. The crop at this school was excellent and is now being threshed. At the Old Sun School the staff was concentrating on the harvesting which came off irrigated lands. This land has produced abundance of feed and a good garden as well as some threshed grain. Both schools had done well with their exhibits at the Calgary Fair and prize money was here for the pupils on their return this fall. This coming year more stress will be given to handicraft work and the general work will undoubtedly be more pleasing to the Indian pupils.

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G. H. Gooderham.  
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AGENT'S REPORT ON BLACKFOOT AGENCY FOR SEPT. 1938.

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EXTD.

At the Old Sun School, the irrigated farm produced 850 bushels of oats, 225 bushels of wheat, 50 tons of alfalfa, and 75 tons of hay; besides a garden which was a revelation as to what irrigation will do. For example; they raised 20 tons of potatoes; 2000 cabbages; 100 pumpkins; 100 marrows; 10 sacks of cucumbers; 50 bags each of turnips; carrots and parsnips and numerous other small vegetables.

The cattle herd totals 34 head, of which there are 20 milch cows.

Classwork and vocational work was proceeding in an orderly fashion and generally everything was quite satisfactory at this school.

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MAR 14 1939

Blackfoot Indian Agency,  
Gleichen, Alta., Mar. 6, 1939.

Dear Sir:

I beg to submit herewith my report for the  
month of February 1939.

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Both schools have ample feed for stock and it  
was noted that the children were being fed a good varied  
diet, as they had lots of vegetables and milk.

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G.H. Gooderham.  
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Gleichen, Oct. 5, 1939.

AGENT'S REPORT ON BLACKFOOT AGENCY FOR SEPTEMBER 1939.

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The outfits working on the reserve threshed the crops on both school farms. The Old Sun School had 400 bushels of wheat and over 1500 bushels of coarse grain. This farm produced, also, sufficient alfalfa, greenfeed and hay to carry their herd through the year and the garden is quite good, although the potato crop is lighter than last year. This is true all over Alberta, however, where the potato crop is light.

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G.H. Gooderham.  
Indian Agent.

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104-1-14  
Blackfoot Indian Agency.  
Gleichen, Dec. 8, 1941.

Dear Sir:

Herewith my report for the month of November, 1941.

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SCHOOLS

Arrangements were made with both Principals for one boy pupil to feed a calf, the property of the parent, under the scheme put out by the Alberta Junior Livestock Clubs. The boy or girl must feed, water and care for this calf from the 1st of December until the early summer when it is hoped that some competition with other clubs can be arranged and a prize given to these boys. The main reason for this is to encourage and educate these young Indians in the care and feeding of stock. At least one other, outside the schools, will also care for a calf so that we will have a local competition at any rate. An ex-pupil of the Old Sun School was sent to Calgary to take the Dominion Provincial Youth Training course in mechanics; this boy is paying his own expenses. Four pupils of this school and nine ex-pupils of the two schools were started on a 6 weeks course in farm mechanics, carpentry, blacksmithing and agriculture under supervision of the Dominion Youth Training project. This school is held in Gleichen and arrangements were made for the boys to live at Crowfoot Community Hall where the wife of the Indian caretaker supplies the meals. An allowance is given by the Government for transportation and board, and this will be turned over to this woman. The boys are getting something out of this course at very little cost to their parents.

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G.H. Gooderham,  
Indian Agent.

The Secretary  
Indian Affairs Branch  
Ottawa.

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ORIGINAL ON  
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Blackfoot Indian Agency,  
Gleichen, Jan 5, 1942.

Dear Sir:

Herewith my report for the month of December, 1941.

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SCHOOLS:

Both schools were visited. The writer was particularly impressed by the number of stock at the Old Sun School; there were 55 head of cattle, of which 16 cows are milking. There were three sows with three large litters of young pigs, besides 25 feeders and one boar. Two hundred odd hens were laying an average of 5 dozen eggs daily. Owing to the male staff being the manual training supervisor at Old Sun could only give a small part of his time to carpentry work. At Crowfoot a good start has been made in this and the building used for this purpose has been fitted with benches and was sufficiently large to handle all those who are taking this work. More or less as an experiment and also because children had been retained in school almost continuously since summer holidays the pupils of both school got a week's holidays at Christmas time. Rations were issued to their parents and it was the first time that I have ever noted that the parent or guardian realized he had a responsibility to look after his own. The enthusiasm of getting the children out wasn't so great when they realized that they would have to feed them and keep them warm and in good health for the period that the Indian normally ran here and there all over the country. The pupils are now back in school and I believe they are mostly in good health. I have noted one thing that there was less travel to the city and fewer ~~at~~ Indians drunk and in trouble than in former years; possibly this is due to the fact that they had to remain at home and look after their family - at any rate it was good training for the parents.

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G. H. Gooderham,  
Indian Agent.

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 Blackfoot Indian Agency.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD JUNE 27th, 1945.

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EXD.



RE DAMAGE OF SCHOOL CROP BY INDIAN STOCK:

A letter from Mr. House, Principal of Old Sun Indian Res. School about damage of School crop by Indian cattle and horses, the Councillors showed regret and discussed this situation.

1. They will broadcast it at the Sun Dance camp. and do all in their power to preserve this farm intact.

2. They recommend that signs be made and placed on fences and gates where some Indian may be inclined to enter or pass then through the farm.

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Blackfoot Indian Agency  
Gleichen, Alberta.  
January 4, 1948.

AGENT'S REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

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Education: Two boys are attending Gleichen High School  
in grade 10; they are doing alright.

There are 200 pupils at the two residential Boarding  
Schools. They are healthy and happy. Vocational training  
has been improved and the calibre of the instructors satis-  
factory.

Classroom work always appears to be lacking in some-  
thing; possibly this is due to lack of interest by the  
pupil but it is so easy for a teacher to get in a rut and  
lack that spirit which the child needs so much to retain  
its interest and enthusiasm. Indian children love to sing  
and they are good singers. We need to practice a little  
more psychology to get nearer the desired results.

All children who were school age and physically fit  
at the beginning of the term are attending the schools.

At both institutions, the farms produced ample feed  
for stock. Good milch herds are retained while the  
flocks of fowl produced sufficient eggs. Some cattle  
and pigs are slaughtered for school consumption. The  
Crowfoot School has a splendid lot of pigs. The Old Sun  
School had a splendid garden on its irrigated farms.

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G.H. Gooderham,  
Indian Agent.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
CANADA

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414 Public Building  
Calgary, Alberta  
November 29, 1949.

Mr. W.P.B. Pugh  
Superintendent  
Blackfoot Indian Agency  
GLEICHEN, Alberta

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of November 26th, relative to testing of the dairy cattle at the Old Sun Indian Residential School, Gleichen, and the Crowfoot Indian Residential School, Cluny.

In reply, I may say that while it is realized here these herds have not been tuberculin tested since April, 1945, I would suggest that you take the matter up with Dr. T. Childs, Veterinary Director General, Dept. of Agriculture, Confederation Building, Ottawa, as I have been requested to suspend all tuberculin testing under supervised herd plan in the Calgary District indefinitely in order that more time may be given to Restricted Area Work.

Yours truly

(signed)  
H. C. Storey  
District Veterinarian.

HCS/SC

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PLEASE QUOTE

FILE...104-15-8

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Blackfoot Indian Agency  
Gleichen, Alberta  
December 10, 1949

Doctor T. Childs  
Veterinary Director General  
Department of Agriculture  
Confederation Building  
OTTAWA, Ontario

Dear Doctor Childs:

I beg to inform you that I have asked Mr. Storey, District Veterinarian for Calgary, to test two cow herds of approximately twenty animals each, located at the Old Sun Indian Residential School, Gleichen, and the Crowfoot Indian Residential School, Cluny, located approximately fifty-five miles east of Calgary. The herds have not been tested since April 1945. I enclosed a copy of Mr. Storey's letter which is self-explanatory.

If you could take the matter up with our Department in Ottawa it would be much appreciated and if the herds can be done, this would also be appreciated.



Yours truly

W.P.B. Pugh  
Superintendent

WPBP/EB

Copy to: Education Division  
Indian Affairs Branch  
Department of Mines & Resources  
OTTAWA, Ontario

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758-14 (E1)

December 15th, 1949.

Mr. W.P.B. Pugh,  
Superintendent, Indian Agency,  
Gleichen, Alberta.

Re: Old Sun's Indian Residential  
School

We are in receipt of a copy of your letter of the 10th instant which you have written to the Veterinary Director General with regard to testing the herds at the Old Sun's Indian Residential School.

It is considered that this is a wise precaution to take, but I would point out that any expenditure in connection with it will have to be paid from school funds, as the livestock is considered the property of the school management.



Bernard F. Neary,  
Supt. of Indian Education

PP/ST

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Your file: 758-14 (E1)

PLEASE QUOTE

FILE 104-15-8

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Blackfoot Indian Agency  
Gleichen, Alberta  
December 29, 1949

Indian Affairs Branch, Dept. of Mines & Resources, Ottawa, Ont.

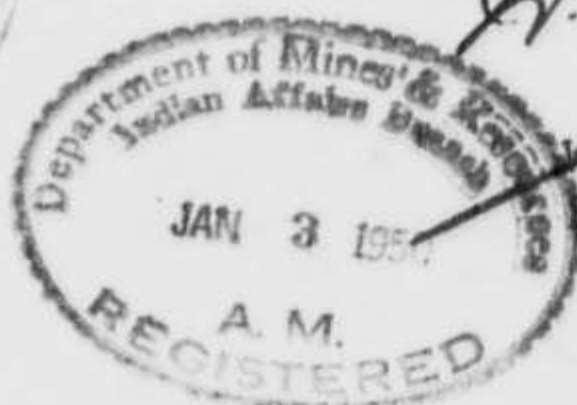
ATTENTION: Indian Education

RE: T.B. Testing of Dairy Herds

Reference to your letter of December 15th last, in which you approve of the T.B. testing of dairy herds at both Crowfoot and Old Sun Indian Residential Schools, I beg to state that your last paragraph is contrary to what has happened in my experience in the past, in so far the Department have always paid the costs, if any, for carrying out these tests, and not the school authorities.

May I suggest in view of the immense amount of money being spent on T.B. hospital cures, I think this charge should be borne by Appropriation, in so far that I think it is a good preventative and the school milk should be protected from T. B.

Needless to say, the school authorities do not approve of paying the costs of the T. B. tests. Trust you will reconsider the matter.



W.P.B. Pugh  
Superintendent

WPEP/EB

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758-14 (E1)

January 6th, 1950.

Mr. W.P.B. Pugh,  
Superintendent, Indian Agency,  
Gleichen, Alberta.

Re: T.B. Testing of Dairy Herds  
Your File 104-15-8

We have your letter of the 29th ultimo  
and we feel that the school management is responsible  
for testing the herd at the Old Sun's Residential  
School if there is any expenditure.

It is doubtful if the officials of the  
Agriculture Department will charge for their services.  
Many of our residential schools in Canada have their  
herds tested at frequent intervals at their own expense.

PP/T

Bernard F. Neary,  
Supt. of Indian Education

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FILE NUMBER 758-14 VOLUME 1

SUBJECT OLD SUNS RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL  
LIVE STOCK

CORRESPONDENCE FROM DEC. 1923  
TO JUNE 1950

NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE  
TO BE PLACED ON THIS FILE

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matter of this closed file see

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