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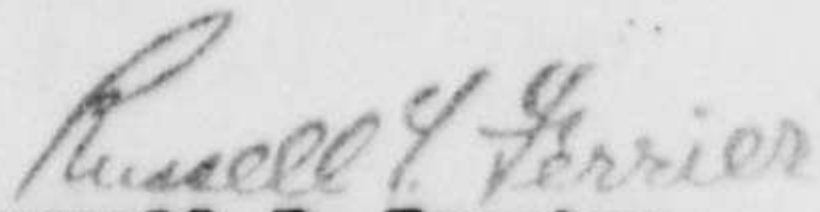
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Ottawa, November 19, 1931.

Dear Mr. Rhodes:

I am informed that you are seriously considering discontinuing the cadet corps, concerning which the Department has received rather favourable reports. I am aware that, at the United Church Conference, there was a resolution in this connection, but it is my opinion that the intention was to discourage cadet corps in the public schools in Canada. Residential schools are another proposition, and I believe you will find that a cadet corps at an Indian institution will assist greatly with both the esprit de corps and the discipline. You, of course, are on the ground and know what is best for the File Hills School, but I am of the opinion that you should seriously consider the matter before taking drastic action. Might I have a report from you in this connection.

Yours very truly,


Russell T. Ferrier,
Supt. of Indian Education.

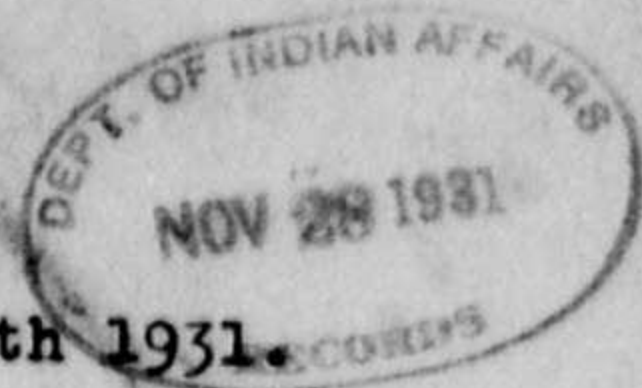

F. Rhodes, Esq.,
Principal,
File Hills Residential School,
Balcarres, Sask.

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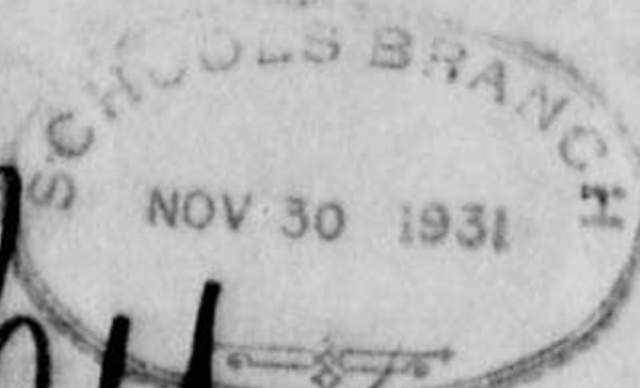
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Your File: 111-1-17

Nov 25th 1931

The Secretary.
Department of Indian Affairs.
Ottawa. Ont.



Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 19th inst having reference to the disbanding of the Cadet Corps at this School, I beg to advise that I was guided by the resolution passed by the General Conference of the United Church of Canada at London, Ont.

It has been noted for some considerable time that the Boys were not so interested in the work and it was felt that better results would be obtained if we were to disband for the time being and re-organize later when more interest and enthusiasm would be shown by the smaller boys growing up. I may say that at this School there is a certain amount of military discipline maintained at all times, more so than in Public Schools, as there the Boys only gather together for a short period each day, whilst in the Residential School they are together all the time and are constantly under supervision.

I cannot quite understand the concern of the District Cadet Officer for M.D.12 at the disbanding of our Corps, he seemed to be quite perturbed when I was talking the matter over with him last August. I explained to him that we had no facilities at this School for carrying on Drills, Musketry etc, the only room of any size in this Building is the Dining room which is 16 feet wide and 75 feet long, to prepare this room for Cadet activities necessitates removing 9 large Dining tables and 18 Benches, quite a lot of exercise in itself, regarding Musketry practice, we have not any place where this can be carried out, true we might take up theory but that becomes very dry and uninteresting in time as I know from practical experience, I have made several requests for an addition to the Building with the view of having a large playroom or Gymnasium in the Basement, this would give us training facilities without the necessity of the Boys having to do such extensive manual labour to prepare the room.

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In Summer the Boy's time is pretty well taken up with Sports and Games, and I know that the Boys resent being called off the Football field or the Baseball diamond, especially the bigger boys who may have been following the Harrows or the Seeder all day.

It is however the intention to re-organize at some future date, when the matter will be taken up with the District Cadet Officer.

Yours truly,

J. Rhodes.

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CADET SERVICES OF CANADA

APPLICATION TO FORM A CADET CORPS

Place **File Hills Residential School,**
Balcarres, Sask.
Date **March 14th 1941.**

To the District Officer Commanding
Military District No. **12.**
Regina, Sask.

Sir, —

Having reference to the Regulations for The Cadet Services of Canada, 1928, I have the honour to apply for authority to form a Cadet Corps, organized into **one** Companies, in connection with (a) **File Hills Indian Res School,** at (b) **Balcarres,** in the Province of **Saskatchewan.** to be designated (c) **FILE HILLS** Cadet Corps.
"The....."

Annexed hereto is the organization roll of the proposed Corps. Each lad is of the prescribed age, is of suitable physique, and has signed with the approval of his parents or guardian.

Endorsed hereon is the sanction of (d).....

The room which it is proposed to use as an armoury or storeroom for the accoutrements, arms and other equipment which may be loaned by the Department of National Defence for the use of said Cadet Corps is situate in (e) **The File Hills Indian Res School,**

and is commodious and dry.

I hereby undertake that the said arms, accoutrements and equipment shall be used for no other purpose than the drill and training of said Cadet Corps; that the same when not in actual use for drill and training, shall be kept in good order; that the Militia authorities shall at all reasonable times be given access to the said armoury or storeroom for the purpose of examining into the state of said arms, accoutrements and equipment; and that the said arms, etc., shall be delivered back to said Militia authorities whenever the same shall be required by them in good and proper condition, fair wear and tear and accidents by fire and tempest excepted.

It is proposed that the uniform of the said Corps shall be as follows: —

(f) **Khaki Shirt & Trousers.**
Wedge Cap. Brown leather belt.

It is proposed that **Mr F. Rhodes,** **File Hills Indian Res School,** of **Balcarres,** who holds a (g) **Sergt. C.E.F.** shall be the instructor of said Corps.

Annexed hereto are the forms recommending appointments as cadet officers of the said corps.

I have the honour to be Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. Rhodes
Headmaster, Secretary, etc. **Principal.**

M.F.B. 252
1M — 6-40 (5476)
H.Q. 1772-39-511

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- (a) Name of College, School, or Organization.
- (b) Name of Place.
- (c) Name of proposed Cadet Corps.
- (d) Official title of the head of Educational Department, or of the Board of Management of the College or School.

or

In the case of a Non-School Cadet Corps, whichever of the following applies: The official title of the head of the Municipality; Provincial Division of the Navy League of Canada; The Officer Commanding the Military or Air Force Unit with which the Cadet Corps is to be affiliated.

- (e) Describe the building and its situation.
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**CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED FOR CADET CORPS CONNECTED WITH
A COLLEGE OR SCHOOL**

I hereby consent to the formation of a Cadet Corps in connection with the College or School at.....in the Province of.....
as proposed by the within application.

Dated at.....this.....
day of.....19.....

.....
Minister or Superintendent of Education ~~for the~~

Province of.....

or

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Chairman of the Board of Management of
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CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED FOR A NON-SCHOOL CADET CORPS

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OF AGENCIES


CANADA
DEPARTMENT
OF
MINES AND RESOURCES



INDIAN AFFAIRS
BRANCH

File #306-11B

[Handwritten signature]

Regina, Saskatchewan,
March 19th, 1941.

Dear Sir:

I am attaching Application Form for the organization of a Cadet Corps at the File Hills Residential School. This is signed, as you will note, by Mr. F. Rhodes, the Principal of the School.

However, on the other side of the Application Form there is a certificate to be signed by the Minister or the Superintendent of Education, and I am forwarding this for your consent and signature.

Yours truly,

[Handwritten signature of M. Christianson]
M. Christianson,
General Superintendent of Agencies.

MC/ed

The Secretary,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines & Resources,
OTTAWA, - Ont.

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OFFICE
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT
OF AGENCIES

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CANADA
DEPARTMENT
OF
MINES AND RESOURCES

INDIAN AFFAIRS
BRANCH

File #306-11B



Regina, Saskatchewan,
April 15th, 1941.

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Dear Sir:

I wish to refer you to my letter dated March 19th, File No. 306-11B, to which I have attached an application form for the organization of a Cadet Corps at the File Hills Residential School.

In the above mentioned letter I asked that the application form be signed by the Minister or the Superintendent of Education, but so far have not heard from the Branch. I am today again in receipt of a letter from Major George Whelen, Department of National Defence, referring me to this application and asking whether this matter was given the necessary attention.

Will you please advise me what steps were taken in this regard.

Yours truly,

M. Christianson,
General Superintendent of Indian Agencies.

MC/ed

The Secretary,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines & Resources,
OTTAWA, Ont.

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