

165-0-5.

Ottawa, November 26, 1935.

Rev. Sir:

The Department is in receipt of a copy of letter addressed to you, dated the 21st instant, from the Progressive Engineering Works, Vancouver. It appears from this letter that you have been requesting quotations on automatic coal stokers for the St. George's Indian Residential School.

This appears to be the first intimation the Department has received regarding this matter, and I wish to point out that no change should be made in the heating system at the St. George's School without first receiving our approval. The cost of providing stokers has been noted, and, at the present time, the Department has no funds for this purpose.

Yours truly,

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

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Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
St. George's Indian Residential School,
Lytton, B.C.

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C O P Y

November 27, 1935.

Dear Mr. Dawson:-

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to Metals Limited, which states that our hot-water jacket, installed November, 1934, has again burst. This is the fifth installation in this school since we moved in, in 1928.

We were careful to follow out all directions in regard to draining the water and also in keeping the pressure down to below fifty pounds.

I will be glad if you will take this up with Mr. Arnall, as he knows of the installation and also of the trouble we are and have been having.

Hoping for your earliest attention to the matter.

Yours very sincerely,

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. Dawson,
Dominion Public Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C.

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C O P Y

November 27, 1935.

Dear Sirs:-

The hot-water jacket you shipped us, in November of last year, has again broken out and we are truly at a loss to know why this continues to happen. This is the fifth heater installed since the new school was built--seven years ago.

We have taken special care with this one, and cannot quite understand why we are obliged to, in such a short time, replace it.

If it should happen that your representative will be travelling this part, please ~~inform~~ ^{ask} him to visit us at his earliest.

Yours very sincerely,

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Metals Limited,
Vancouver, B. C.

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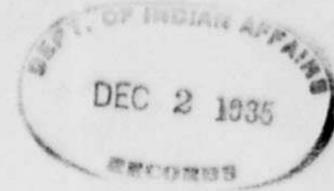
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 } THE BISHOP OF NEW WESTMINSTER
PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, S.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., November 27, 1935.



Dear Mr. McKenzie:-

Please find enclosed copies of letters to the manufacturers of the heater installed to take care of the domestic hot-water supply in the school, and also to Mr. Dawson of the Dominion Public Works in Victoria.

This is the fifth heater that has broken out in this way, and has cost the school in the neighborhood of five hundred dollars over a period of seven years. We have done everything we can to carry out advice with regard to draining the water and flushing the heater daily, but to no avail. We cannot understand why these heaters are continually breaking as they do, and we ~~now~~ feel unable to take care of the expense.

I would be glad if the Department could help in anyway towards a re-installation of a new heater, and also to take up with the authorities, the possibility of, in some way, eliminating this continuous expense.

Yours very sincerely,

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. A. F. McKenzie,
Sec. Dept. of Indian Affairs,
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165-0-5.

Ottawa, December 4, 1935.

Rev. Sir:

I have your letter of the 27th ultimo, with reference to the water heater at the St. George's Indian Residential School.

The contents of your letters to Metals Limited and to Mr. Dawson have been noted. Please let me know what replies you receive. When advising the Department, you might let me know the approximate cost of a new heater.

Yours truly,

A. F. MacKenzie
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Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
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PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.



Lytton, B.C., December 2, 1935.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter No. 165-0-5, dated November 26th, regarding the Progressive Engineering Works in Vancouver and their quotation on an Automatic Stoker for the school. Their representative came to me and asked if I was interested; needless to say, I told him I was, stating that if he could persuade the Department to make such an installment, it would be of benefit to the school, but made no arrangement for installment to be made, expecting to take care of same out of per capita grants.

An automatic stoker, for at least one boiler, would make a difference in regulating the heat of the building and would materially reduce the cost of firing the boilers.

Unless the Department can do this there is no possibility of the school taking care of this cost. This was made clear to the Progressive Iron Works representative.

Trusting the information will be satisfactory regarding this proposition.

Yours very obediently,

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. A. F. McKenzie,
Secretary Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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{ THE BISHOP OF NEW WESTMINSTER
PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., December 6, 1935

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Dear Mr. Sutherland:-

By the time this arrives, you will have received the Inspector's Report regarding the progress of the school and it's need as to class-room reorganization.

He proposes a new class-room to be housed in the Chapel basement, and to be used as a preparation and feeder room for the remaining class-rooms in the school.

The Basement of the Chapel lends itself very nicely to the establishment of a Primary room. It could also be used as a playroom for these younger children; with very little expense, other than extra desks and blackboard, this could be made an Ideal place.

I have been hoping for such a room for some time, but felt that unless I could have a guarantee of a special grant from the Department or have extra available children, who would become per capita earners, brought in, I could not possibly carry this extra incurred expense of a teacher's salary. There are now in the school one hundred sixty-two and four in the hospital who will, I expect, shortly be returned, making a per capita earning capacity of one hundred sixty-four, which does not warrant the expenditure of another fifty dollars a month, cash, with twenty-five dollars for room and board. I believe this number could be materially increased if pressure by the Agent was brought to bear on some of the parents now holding their children out of school, and a number maintained closer to our maximum of one hundred eighty. With an average of one hundred seventy-five children I feel I could undertake such an expense.

It would seem that I should rather talk, not from a money point of view, but for the cause of Education take steps immediately to establish a new classroom. I would appreciate your advice in this matter.

I would also call attention to the straggly manner in which children enter the school. If more attention were paid to time of entry it would make the classroom work much easier. In September we had sixteen entries due mostly

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Barr's report of 7/23/35
Does not recommend
another building
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to my own activities and also to those of the missionary. Beginning October 22nd we had three local children brought in and two belated ones from Ashcroft--making five in all. This fact is very upsetting and a Principal cannot expect efficiency from a teacher if her numbers are constantly being added to. With a little interested diplomatic activity, on the part of the Agent, the Indians could easily be led to observe September and February as times of entrance and it would make a very great difference in getting efficiency and maintaining it, especially in the lower class-rooms--children coming in at any time is upsetting to both children and teachers.

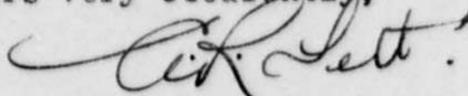
The Inspector will report adversely on the Primary Room and this fact is not all due to the teacher, she has been terribly handicaped by straggly entrance. Personally, I cannot do more than ask, and feel that more sympathetic and interested co-operation should be forthcoming. The school is now in good shape and has regained it's standard. We have not had any truants and the children and staff are happy.

It is unfortunate, that durning an epidemic of nasty sore throats, we had one death, cause of death phneumonia. This girl's father has always objected to his children going to school and held them out until the latter part of October when she was brought in at the Agents demand. I made a special trip for the girl and her sister at the beginning of the term, and, together with the Department's Constable, saw these people in the hop-fields, a promise was given by the father that his girls would be sent up the following Wednesday, September 11th, with no results; no further notice was taken until October 22nd. I feel, that had the father been made to carry out his promise and the girl had had a month and a half's good food regularly, I would not have lost her. She came in in a run-down condition and covered with impetigo, consequently she did not rally in the crisis. In every case of phneumonia, twelve in all, we were able, with reasonable nursing, to pull the children through and I am sure this would also have applied to pupil No. 0170, Lily Smoker.

I shall be glad of an early reply, for then I can make the necessary preparations.

If available children are brought in I am sure they would increase our number up to one hundred seventy-five, or one hundred eighty.

Yours very obediently,



A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. J. D. Sutherland,
Supt. of Indian Education,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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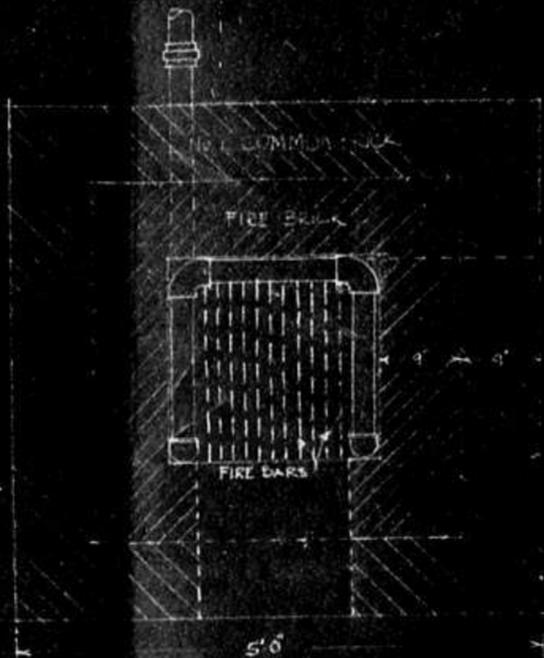
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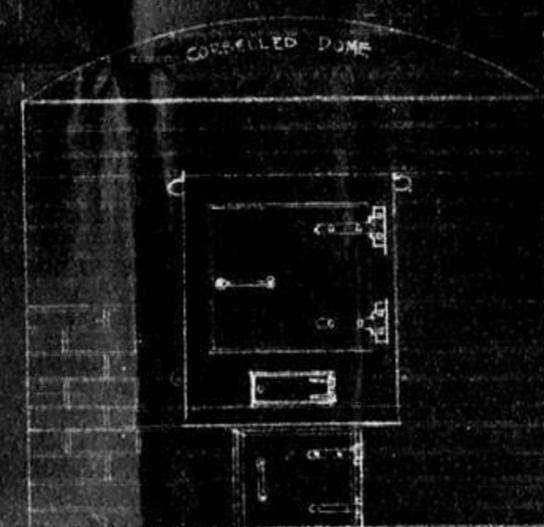
ST. GEORGE'S INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, LYTTON, B.C.
 PROPOSED BRICK ENCLOSED BRASS COIL
 FOR DOMESTIC HOT WATER

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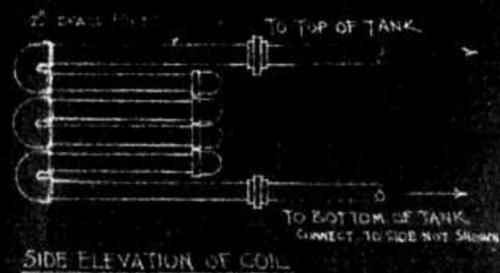
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PLAN VIEW WITH TOP REMOVED



FRONT ELEVATION



SIDE ELEVATION OF COIL



END ELEVATION

SCALE: 1" = 1'-0"

S. George's School
Lytton, B. C.

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A. F. MacKenzie, Esq.,

Secretary,

Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, Ontario.

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DISTRICT RESIDENT ARCHITECT'S OFFICE

Victoria, B.C., December 17th, 1935.

A.R. Lett, Esq.,
Principal,
St. George's Indian Residential School,
Lytton, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Having reference to your letter of the 2nd instant with regard to the water jacket which takes care of the domestic hot-water supply, I have taken this matter up with Mr. Arnall, our Engineer, and he states that he cannot do any more than was suggested in his report of the 8th January, 1935. In this report, paragraph 5, it was stated the holes should be drilled and tapped to allow the removal of scale in the restricted passages. He noted that you had a flush valve installed, but Mr. Arnall states that this would not help much as the scale deposited is quite hard and would not wash out. The hard scale is what is causing the heaters to crack and they will continue to do so under present conditions.

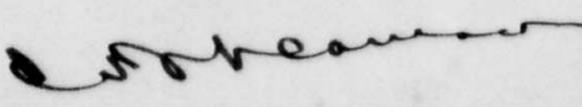
In his report, Mr. Arnall also stated that a 2-inch continuous brass coil encased in a brick-lined metal casing would give much better satisfaction.

I requested Mr. Arnall to give me a sketch of what would be required to eliminate this trouble and he suggests that a brick encased brass coil heater be built according to the enclosed sketch. The approximate cost of this would be Two Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$220.00).

Mr. Arnall states that if this is installed and proper precautions taken to clean it out at regular intervals there should be no further trouble.

Trusting this will be the information you require and wishing you the Compliments of the Season, I am,

Yours faithfully,


C.F. Dawson
Dist. Res. Architect.

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a copy of this.*
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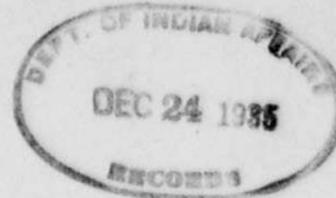
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PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., December 20, 1935.

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Dear M. McKenzie:-

Please find herewith enclosed plan of the heating system for the domestic hot-water supply, submitted by the Department of Public Works, also a letter from Mr. Dawson, chief of the Public Works Department. This letter and plan is the out-come of a great deal of consideration in regard to the trouble we have had with our hot-water heating jacket, and also with testing of water for the purpose of ascertaining what would be the best installation with the view to eliminate trouble and extra costs.

I am submitting this in accordance with your letter numbering 165-0-5, dated December 4, 1935. I will be exceedingly glad to go ahead with the installation with your sanction of the approximate expenditure, I would also be glad of an early reply, as our water system is very much in need of this repair and change.

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Yours very obediently,

A. R. Lett

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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REQUISITION FOR CHEQUE

TO BE USED FOR ADVANCES OR AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS FOR WHICH THERE ARE NO ACCOUNTS

DEPT. NO.....
FYLE NO. **165-0-5.**
TREAS. NO.....

DEPARTMENT **INDIAN AFFAIRS**
BRANCH **SCHOOLS** DATE **December 27, 1935.**

APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE FOR THE ISSUE OF THE FOLLOWING CHEQUE OR CHEQUES:—

CHEQUE NO.	IN FAVOUR OF	AMOUNT
	<p style="text-align: center;">Rev. A. R. LETT, Principal, St. George's Indian Residential School, Ly t t o n, B. C. -</p>	<p>\$220.00</p>

STATE BELOW WITH DETAILS IN EVERY CASE, WHETHER (a) STANDING ADVANCE, (b) ADVANCE FOR SPECIFIC JOURNEY—ESTIMATING NUMBER OF DAYS, (c) OTHER ACCOUNTABLE ADVANCE, OR (d) AUTHORIZED PAYMENT

(d) Grant for Current Expenses. The New England Company, of London, England, is assisting the Department with the maintenance costs at the St. George's and Mohawk Indian Residential Schools. The money is funded in the Department and is being paid to the management of the respective schools, or is being used for replacements and repairs, as required.

CHARGE TO { VOTE PAY FROM ACCOUNT NO. 460. ENC. NO.....
 ALLOTMENT.....
 SUB-ALLOTMENT.....

I CERTIFY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS MADE UNDER THE REQUISITE AUTHORITY, AND THAT THE EXPENDITURE IS NECESSARY IN THE INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

[Signature]
HEAD OF BRANCH

[Signature]
DEPUTY HEAD

TREASURY OFFICE APPROVAL

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Ottawa, December 30, 1935.

Reverend Sir:

Your letter of the 6th instant was received, but our reply has been delayed due to the fact that we awaited receipt of Inspector Barry's report. This has just arrived, and he comments very favourably on the staff and work.

Mr. Agent Strang is being written and instructed to recruit all available Protestant children. I trust that his action in this matter will bring the enrolment to the full number for which grant is provided, viz., 180.

With regard to preparing the basement of the chapel for use as a classroom, the Department considers that it would be advisable to delay action in this matter until your enrolment increases. The Inspector's report shows that there are already four classrooms. We understand, of course, that the number in the primary room is too large, due to the condition mentioned in your letter. The Inspector's report shows, however, that he recommended promoting some of the children from the primary room to the next classroom, and this will relieve the congestion in the former room to a certain extent.

I would appreciate if, about June first, next, you would again remind the Department regarding the difficulties you have experienced in the past in having children return to the school promptly upon the expiry of their leave. You might state the agencies where the greatest difficulty occurs, and the Agents concerned will be definitely instructed to co-operate with you in having children return promptly.

Yours truly,

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

AGM

Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
St. George's Residential School,
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165-0-5.

Ottawa, December 30, 1935.

Rev. Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 20th instant, the Department is forwarding, under separate cover, a cheque for \$220, which will enable you to place the domestic hot water supply system in the St. George's Residential School in good condition.

Yours truly,

over
A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

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Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
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C O P Y .

December 20, 1935.

Dear Mr. Henry:-

I have your letter regarding the insufficiency of paint and also the fact that you are carrying over the sum of \$762.70 until March 13, 1936, which amount you suggest I place before the Department in my requisition for supplies for 1936.

For your information I might say that we do not requisition for supplies and therefore cannot favor you in this manner. I shall however send a copy of your letter to Ottawa and would suggest that you get into touch with them direct.

Yours very sincerely,

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

Mr. W. H. Henry,
Manager Paint Dept.,
McLennan, McFeely & Prior, Ltd.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Dec. 18th. 1935.

Rev. A. R. Lett,
St. George's Indian Residential School,
Lytton, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Regarding the Martin Senour Paint supplied you for painting the buildings of St. George's Indian Residential School at Lytton, the quantity supplied was not sufficient to do the job.

Might say that the reason it took so much more material to cover these buildings was the extreme weather beaten and dried out condition of same that the buildings just soaked the Paint up. Therefore it was necessary to ship twice as much paint to finish the job which I hope you will be able to put in your 1936 requisition for supplies. We are carrying a balance of \$762.70 on our books here until March 1936.

Hope you will be successful in getting this O.K.'d by the Indian Department at Ottawa.

Yours very truly,

McLennan, McFeely & Prior, Ltd.

W. H. Henry
MANAGER PAINT DEPARTMENT

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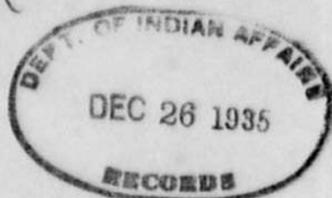
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Lytton, B.C., December 20, 1935.



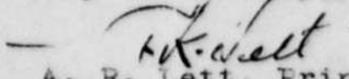
Dear Mr. MacKenzie:-

I am enclosing copy of a letter received from the representative of the Martin Senour Paint Works. These people had their representative come to the school in June last to look over the needs in painting and quote on the paint necessary, according to this man, to do the job. They have now pointed out that it has taken twice the amount of paint expected to do the outside work, and are asking that they be considered.

In this regard I might say that unless the Department feels they should be, wholly or to a degree, recognized, this company will be entirely at a loss for this amount. In other words, the Department need not make any further payments. The company entirely admit that they under estimated the conditions of the buildings. I might also say that I was very careful to point out, to the men who came here from the paint company in Vancouver, the condition of the buildings, and asked them to examine them carefully so that they would be in a position to supply the paint without further payments being asked for as the Department had given me a grant and they would expect me to keep within these figures.

I trust this will be satisfactory explanation regarding the present relation of the school to this company. This quotation was to supply sufficient paint to do the painting both inside and outside. The company, in supplying sufficient paint have not fallen down on the fulfillment of the contract. It will be entirely in your hands to allow part or whole of this extra cost of paint over and above what they originally thought should do the work.

Yours very obediently,


A. R. Lett, Principal.

Mr. A. F. McKenzie,
Sec. Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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Ottawa, January 3rd, 1936.

Rev. Sir:

The Department has received your letter of the 20th ultimo, with reference to the cost of painting at the St. George's Indian Residential School.

The arrangements for the painting at your school was placed in your hands. You were forwarded, at the end of last June, a cheque for \$1,500, of which amount \$1,400 was intended to cover the cost of purchasing paint, varnish, etc., and to carry out minor repairs to the school building.

It was expected that you would keep the expenditure within the amount provided, and, as arrangements were made by you, the Department does not understand why you advised McLennan, McFeely & Prior, Limited, in letter dated the 20th ultimo, to communicate with us. We are not aware what your understanding with the firm was, and, consequently, the matter should be adjusted between yourself and the firm in question.

Yours truly,

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

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[Signature]
Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
St. George's Indian Res. School,
Lytton, B.C.

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EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF MR. INSPECTOR BARRY ON
HIS INSPECTION OF THE ST. GEORGE'S INDIAN RESIDENTIAL
SCHOOL - (Date of inspection February 27-28th, 1936).

Original on No. 165-0-6.

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The Matron asked me to recommend that two new Singer
TAILOR machines be given to the school as they are so badly
needed for this vocational training. I would recommend
that consideration be given to this request, which I believe
to be a reasonable one in view of the fact that so much
construction work is done at St. George's School. Much
money is saved by the making of the girls' dresses and
other clothes in place of buying them, and the training
given of necessity to the girls is of the greatest value.

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I wish to draw the attention of the Department to the
fact that at night although the ordinary doors of the
dormitories are locked the doors leading to the fire
escapes are not locked or protected with seals or in any
way. It is claimed that on one occasion about a year and
a half ago boys got into the girls' dormitory. I also
understand that the Indians complain that their girls are
left without protection in this way.

I would strongly recommend that LIGHT WEIGHT HASPS with
SMALL PADLOCKS be fixed to all doors leading to fire
escapes on the girls' side of the school and on the boys'
side also. If this is considered a dangerous practice it
would be made perfectly safe if fire axes be kept in glass
fronted boxes beside each door and also spare keys to the
little padlocks kept in glass fronted boxes near the fire
axes.

Mr. Phelan made suggestion to the Principal that electric
bells be connected to the Supervisor's rooms, but the Principal
does not like the idea. I believe the provision of light
locks on the doors would do two things, take away one of the
Indians' objection to sending the children to this school,
and prevent the boys leaving the school at night by means
of the fire escapes.

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EXD.

Ottawa, April 20, 1936.

Dear Sir:

The following is an extract from Mr. Barry's report regarding his recent inspection of the St. George's Indian Residential School:-

"I wish to draw the attention of the Department to the fact that at night, although the ordinary doors of the dormitories are locked, the doors leading to the fire escapes are not locked or protected with seals or in any way. It is claimed that on one occasion, about a year and a half ago, boys got into the girls' dormitory. I also understand that the Indians complain that their girls are left without protection in this way.

"I would strongly recommend that LIGHT WEIGHT HASPS with SMALL PADLOCKS be fixed to all doors leading to fire escapes on the girls' side of the school and on the boys' side also. If this is considered a dangerous practice it would be made perfectly safe if fire axes be kept in glass fronted boxes beside each door and also spare keys to the little padlocks kept in glass fronted boxes near the fire axes.

"Mr. Phelan made suggestion to the Principal that electric bells be connected to the Supervisor's rooms, but the Principal does not like the idea. I believe the provision of light locks on the doors would do two things, take away one of the Indians' objection to sending the children to this school, and prevent the boys leaving the school at night by means of the fire escapes."

The Department does not consider it advisable to carry out Inspector Barry's suggestion. We favour the installation of an electric bell to connect with the supervisor's room, and, on the occasion of your next visit to the school, you should take up this matter with the Principal and have him arrange for the installation. While the dormitories are occupied, the doors should not be locked. The installation of the electric bell would warn the supervisor, in the event of any child trying to leave the dormitory during the night.

A. F. MacKenzie
Yours truly,

A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

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A. Strang, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
L Y T T O N, B. C.

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 } THE BISHOP OF NEW WESTMINSTER
PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., May 11, 1936.

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Mr. J. D. Sutherland,
Supt. of Indian Education,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Sutherland:-

May I resurrect again the possibility of purchasing a light truck, referring you to letters dated October 8, 1935 and again on November 2nd?

This machine would be very handy as pointed out last autumn and we would be very grateful if the Department could see fit to let us have it. e.g. I have fourteen children to take to Kamloops for eye-test and with the car will be obliged to make two trips whereas with a light-truck the trip, in numbers, could be disposed of in one day. Many times we have been confronted with trips of this kind and considerable could be saved.

Yours very sincerely,
[Signature: A. R. Lett]
A. R. Lett,
Principal.

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May 16, 1936.

MEMORANDUM:

The Honourable the Superintendent General,-

The Principal of the St. George's Indian Residential School, Lytton, B. C. (Federal Electoral District of Cariboo), has forwarded several requests to be supplied with a light Ford truck, station wagon type, with standard equipment. He requires this truck in transporting pupils to and from their homes and also in freighting supplies from the town of Lytton to the school - a distance of three miles. The school has at present a big truck. The Principal states that this truck is cumbersome and also expensive to send on long trips and, owing to the condition of the roads, there is considerable expense for repair bills. He estimates the cost of supplying a light truck, with standard equipment and heavy duty tires, plus freight, to be approximately \$1,100.

The New England Company, London, England, provides a grant of £1,000 (\$4,860.) per annum, which is funded in the Department to the credit of the school, to be used as the Department sees fit, in providing equipment, repairs to buildings, etc. At the present time, there is to the credit of this fund the sum of \$9,518.

I would recommend that a light truck be supplied, the cost to be paid from the New England Company grant, and there would be no charge against public funds in this connection.

I would request your approval for the expenditure and to be informed of the name of the dealer from whom the truck should be purchased. I may say that, last fall, the Principal forwarded a quotation from Boyd Motors Limited, Merritt, B. C., for the supplying of a Ford truck, of the type mentioned above, with standard equipment, for the sum of \$1,106.60, f. o. b. Lytton.

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Deputy Superintendent General.

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EXTRACT from Report of Inspector G. S. Pragnell, Inspector of Indian Agencies, regarding his inspection of the ST. GEORGE'S INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL on May 20, 1936.

Original on File 77-165.

Rev. Mr. Lett, Principal of the school, is obtaining a couple of drums of oil to see if the immediate vicinity of the school can be oiled so as to abate this dust nuisance. He also took me down to see the new hot water boiler in the boiler room. This school has had to install a number of these boilers since it was built. Apparently, the trouble is caused by the presence of calcium carbonate and calcium sulphate which, when heated, causes scale in the pipes. As I have seen advertised in English papers some remedy for this, I am going to let the Principal have some information at a later date. I am afraid the installation of this boiler is going to cost more money than was originally expected. It seems that Rev. Mr. Lett obtained an estimate from Mr. Dawson of the Public Works Department, which he submitted to the Department, for \$220.00. Unfortunately, Mr. Dawson had not estimated in this certain brick and other work that had to be done, and apparently, the final cost will be around \$360.00. I don't think this could be avoided.

I am afraid that the school is going to be very hard up for water for irrigation purposes this year, as apparently, some of the white users opened the gates to Botanie Lake where there is storage. There seems to be some mix-up, too, regarding the closing of these gates early in the fall for storage purposes, and the Dominion Water Rights Engineers, I understand, thought that it was not safe to keep the storage fairly full throughout the winter, owing to a possible early and excessive run-off, in the spring. However, this year, there was very little snow on the watershed, and the consequence is that the storage naturally did not have a chance to fill up, as it might have done if the gates had been kept closed earlier and the lake gone into the winter with some storage from last year. I am not absolutely clear in this matter, but the next time I see Mr. Webb, I will make enquiries.

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CANADA

OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL
OTTAWA

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APPROVED
W.C.

Harold W. Hill

Deputy Superintendent General.

DR. MCGILL: Delivery of this light Ford Truck (station wagon type) can be made through Mr. Newt. Claipe, Ford dealer Williams Lake, B.C.

June 22.

O.W. Jackson
O.W. Jackson,
Private Secretary.

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EXD.

Ottawa, June 25, 1936.

Reverend Sir:

Referring to your request to be supplied with a light Ford truck, station wagon type, with standard equipment, for use in transporting pupils to and from their homes and also in freighting supplies from the town of Lytton to the school, I now have to inform you that approval is granted for the purchase of the truck - payment to be made from the New England Company grant.

The Department has been directed to have you arrange the purchase from Mr. Newt. Claire, Ford dealer, Williams Lake, B. C. Please secure prices, f. o. b. Lytton, B. C., on a truck of the type mentioned above, and submit same to the Department, and, if satisfactory, a cheque will be sent you from the New England Company grant, to cover the cost of the truck.

You might give this matter your prompt attention and forward Mr. Claire's quotation for the approval of the Department.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
A. F. MacKenzie,
Secretary.

[Signature]
Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
St. George's Residential School,
L y t t o n, B. C.

*Also see
Principal's letter
of June 18/36
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PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., June 18, 1936.

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EXD.



Mr. J. D. Sutherland,
Supt. of Indian Education,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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Dear Mr. Sutherland:-

We have had a very successful year with music and a number of the older girls have asked that they might return in order that they ~~keep~~ ^{continue} up their music, feeling themselves that it would be of help to them in their homes and in their communities.

I would ask the Department if it is possible to spend say \$250.00 with which to purchase an additional Piano. We find it very hard to work in practice time for the children.

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If this is possible please let me know so that I can have same installed at the beginning of the term.

Yours very sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]

A. R. Lett,
Principal.

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150 Mile House, B.C.

July 4th 1936

The Principal,
St George's Ind. Res. School. Lytton, B.C.
Dear Sir,

In response to your kind enquiry of the
29th ult. we have pleasure in quoting you on
a Ford de Luxe Station-wagon, as follows:-

De Luxe Station Wagon.

Factory price.	921.00
Oil bath air-cleaner.	6.50
	<u>927.50</u>

Discount, 7½% on 927.50	69.50
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Retail delivered price F.O.B

Lytton B.C. including taxes & freight

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Less 7½% discount

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Trusting to hear from you favourably, we are

Yours truly,

150 Garage

per N. H. Clare.

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PRINCIPAL: REV. A. R. LETT, L.S.T.

Lytton, B.C., July 6th 1936

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Mr A.F. MacKenzie
Sec. Dept. of Indian Affairs
Ottawa.

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
JUL 11 1936
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Dear Sir-

In accordance with yours numbering 165-0-5 dated the 25th ulto. I wrote Mr. Newt. Clare regarding the purchase of a light Ford truck, station wagon type, and find herewith his quotation which I trust you will find order.

I wish to thank the Department for its favorable consideration of this requisition. It will greatly help in our general transportation.

Yours very obediently

A. R. Lett

Principal

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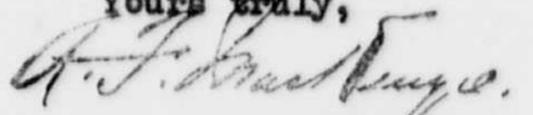
Ottawa, July 14, 1936.

Reverend Sir:

I have your letter of the 6th instant, regarding the purchase of a light Ford truck, station wagon type, for use at the St. George's Indian Residential School and enclosing a quotation which you received from N. H. Clare, dealer, 150 Mile House, B. C., for the delivery of the truck, viz.: \$1073.00, f. o. b. Lytton. I have, also, your letter of the 18th ultimo, regarding the supplying of a piano, in order that the older girls may continue their music and requesting authority to incur an expenditure of \$250 for the purpose.

It is considered that a good second hand piano could be obtained at a much lower cost. You are being sent, under separate cover, a cheque for \$1,225.00 from the New England Company grant, to cover the cost of the truck and payment towards the cost of the piano.

Yours truly,


A. F. Mackenzie,
Secretary.
Rev. A. R. Lett,
Principal,
St. George's Residential School,
L y t t o n, B. C.

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