

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Dom. Water Power & Hydro. Bureau BRANCH Alberni School  
STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

Of Vancouver Office for the month of March 1935

DATE	RECIPIENT	SERVICE	Acct. No.	CHEQUE OR VOUCHER NUMBER	GENERAL EXPENSES		MECHANICAL TRANSPORT	
Mar 27	Island Freight	Cartage		1	6	63		
TOTALS						6	63	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE							6	63

I hereby certify that the above account is correct and just in all respects, and that the whole expenditure was incurred on Government business.

APPROVED: *[Signature]*  
District Chief Engineer

Signature.....*[Signature]*.....  
Title.....*[Signature]*.....

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# BALANCE SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Dom. Water Power & Hydro. Bureau Branch

E.R. 2689

Vancouver, B.C. March 30 1935

Balance Sheet of Alberni School for the month of March 1935

DATE		DR. ADVANCES	CR. DISBURSE- MENTS
	<b>Dr.</b>		
	Balance on hand.....		
	Advance Cheque No. <u>March 25</u> .....	100 00	
	“ “ .....		
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">                     VOTE.....                      AGENCY.....                      ALLOT..... E. R.....                      Materials Supplied                      Services Performed                      Prices Fair and Just.                      Approved for Payment.                      Cr. <i>[Signature]</i> </div>		
	Expenditure.....		99 53
	Balance returned		47
		100 00	100 00

Examined

.....  
For Financial Controller

*[Signature]*  
.....  
Recommended for Payment

*[Signature]*  
.....  
DIRECTOR

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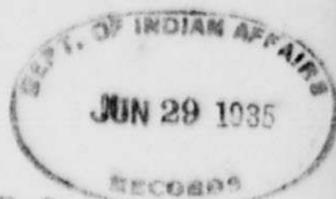
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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT



*[Handwritten signature]*

Port Alberni, B.C.  
June 22nd, 1935

The Secretary  
Dept. of Indian Affairs  
Ottawa, Ont.



Dear Sir,-

Re Alberni Indian Residential School.

Accompanied by Acting Agent Nightingale I visited this school on the 20th instant.

Mr. Nightingale will write you later regarding the best method of expending the \$300.00 provided in this year's appropriation for this school.

When you receive his letter I would recommend approval of Mr. Nightingale's suggestions, -as he is in close touch with the Principal and is fully aware of what is most needed at this school.

*Account acts letter*  
*[Handwritten signature]*

Your obedient servant

*Philip Nelson*

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Indian Residential School

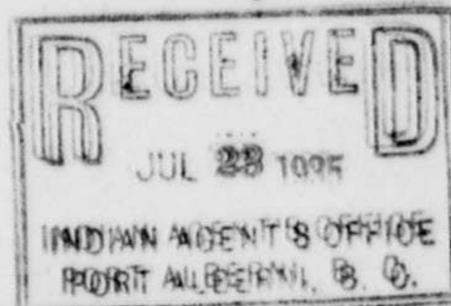
REV. F. E. PITTS, B. A., PRINCIPAL

Alberni, B. C. June 29, 1935.

Dept. of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, Canada.

Dr. to Alberni Residential School:

Money paid to A. S. Hanna for emergent plumbing as per  
voucher attached.....\$7.15. ✓



*F. E. Pitts*

*OK  
WON  
T.C.*

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Vote No. ....  
Treaty No. ....

# DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

To.....**Rev. F. E. Pitts**.....

**Alberni Residential School**

252

.....**Alberni, B. C.**.....

DATE	SERVICE	AMOUNT
	Emergency repairs to school plumbing <i>May 1935</i>	\$ 7 15
<b>TOTAL,</b>		\$ 7 15

TRIPPLICATE FOR FILE  
6-8-35  
Voucher in duplicate detached  
for Accountant to pay.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

*H. J. [Signature]*  
.....  
**Acting Agent**

FORM No. 506

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30/15/40983.

August 24, 1935.

Dear Mr. Nightingale:

In view of Mr. Warren's report on the water supply system for Alberni Indian Residential School, of which you will have a copy, and of the contents of your letter to me dated August 21st, instant, I am of the opinion that you and Rev. Mr. Pitts, Principal, should consult with the City Engineer of Alberni and see what the City is prepared to do toward the installation of adequate piping with sufficient pressure for all requirements of the school, both domestic and fire-fighting. I consider it is just as much the business of the School Principal to investigate the possibilities arising out of Mr. Warren's report as of any other official, more particularly as he is most familiar with the local conditions as well as being on the ground.

If you and the Principal will look into this matter and make a definite recommendation, I shall be glad to submit any reasonable proposal with a report to Ottawa. As the City is receiving revenue for the water supplied, it is felt that its engineer should be consulted in the matter.

Your obedient servant,

C. C. Perry.  
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.

P/AG

H. P. Nightingale, Esq.,  
Acting Indian Agent,  
Port Alberni, B.C.

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Department of Indian Affairs  
Canada

258/35/C.-S.1.

Office of Indian Agent

West Coast Agency,  
Port Alberni, B.C.,  
Aug. 21, 1935.

Sir:-

I have the honour to enclose herewith, a copy of a letter received in this office from the Reverend Principal of the Alberni School and a copy of letter No. 257/35/D.-D.1. from this office to the Department dealing with the water supply for the Alberni School.

I am forwarding these letters to you for your information, knowing that you, from your knowledge of local conditions and the position of the Alberni School, on a bench, above the river, will bring the matter to the attention of the Educational Branch of the Department. I am given to understand that Inspector Barry has reported this matter to the Department.

If there should be a fire it would not reflect to advantage on the Department if the water pressure was not sufficient to reach the roof of this building.

I will endeavor to obtain prices of a storage tank (approximately 100,000 gallons capacity) and will then forward same to the Department. In the meantime, however, I would appreciate instruction re this matter.

Your obedient servant,

"H. P. Nightingale"

Acting Indian Agent.

Enc. 2.

C. C. Perry, Esq.,  
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.,  
Victoria, B.C.

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Ottawa, September 4th, 1935.

Sir,-

The Department finds it necessary to return your voucher No. 341, in connection with the cleaning of the septic tank at the Alberni Indian Residential School. The receipts from the persons who did the work should show the number of days employed and the rate per day.

Your obedient servant,

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

*H. P. Nightingale*  
H. P. Nightingale, Esq.,  
Acting Indian Agent,  
Port Alberni, B. C.

PP/O'M.

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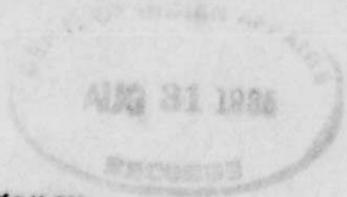
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Letter No. 308 C 35



Office of the West Coast Indian Agency,



August 26th 1935

Sir,

*Ret.*

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 341,

amounting to \$ 20.00 in favour

of Rev. F. E. Pitts

for cleaning septic tank Alberni Residential School,  
July, 1935.

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental

Letter No. .... dated .....

Your obedient servant,

*A. D. [Signature]*

Acting Indian Agent.

The Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

Form No. 101

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*44/44*

Ottawa, August 28, 1935.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your 257/35/D.-S.1 of the 21st instant, enclosing copy of letter received from the Principal of the Alberni Residential School.

Please let me have an estimate of the cost of enlarging the pipe line and installing a storage tank. On receipt of this information, further consideration will be given to the Principal's request.

Your obedient servant,

*A. F. Mackenzie*  
A. F. Mackenzie,  
Secretary.

*H. P. Nightingale*

H. P. Nightingale, Esq.,  
Acting Indian Agent,  
Port Alberni, B.C.

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DEPT. OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
AUG 26 1935  
RECORDS



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA  
257/35/D.-S.1.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
AUG 27 1935

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

West Coast Agency,  
Port Alberni, B. C.,  
Aug. 21, 1935.

Sir:-

I have the honour to enclose herewith, a copy, of a letter, received in this office from the Reverend Principal of the Alberni Indian Residential School.

The letter, dealing with the water supply to that school is self explanatory.

Further dealing with the pressure, I have seen the hoses turned on and the water has not reached the roof (eaves) by approximately fifteen feet. As this school is situated near a standing forest and in event of a fire catching in the trees, it would be impossible to wet the roof of the building, except by buckets.

*Supply statement*

It is the opinion of this office that the pipe line should be enlarged and a storage tank installed with a pump for fire fighting purposes. The pump could be used both for filling the storage tank and for fire fighting. Approximate figures for this work will be obtained and submitted for the information of the Department at a later date.

If further work is to be done, this season, it would have to commence soon as with the fall rains the river would be too high for work in laying new pipe.

Your obedient servant,

*[Handwritten signature: H. P. Nightingale]*

H. P. Nightingale,  
Acting Indian Agent.

Enc. 1.

The Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

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Indian Residential School

Rev. F. E. Pitts, B. A., Principal.

Alberni, B. C. Aug. 19th. 1935

Mr. H. P. Nightingale,  
Acting Indian Agent,  
Port Alberni, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to call your attention to the fact that when our water supply pipe for the Residential School was replaced last March after being torn out by the flood it was understood that the repairs were temporary owing to the high water and swift current.

The repairs consisted of about 300 ft. of 2" pipe- the pipe lengths being connected by rubber hose and wired to a cable laid on the surface of the river bed.

We get our water supply from the City of Alberni and pay by the cubic foot with the meter on the far side of the river. Twice since March these hose connections have slipped and caused a heavy leakage. So much so that the City generously discarded the meter and jumped the account.

It is now<sup>the</sup> time of low water and<sup>if</sup> work is to be done in the river it should be done soon.

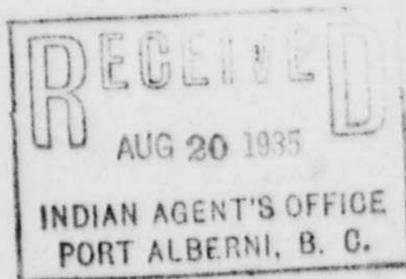
I greatly fear that the present pipe will not stand the winter rains and consequent swift current. In this connection I wish also to call your attention to the fact that the school stands fully 75 ft. above the bed of the river. The building is about 50 ft. high. With a 2" pipe we do not get pressure enough to put water on the roof of the building.

Engineers Warren of Vancouver and Arnall of Victoria and Inspector Barry have reported the fire protection to be inadequate.

Would it be possible to have the Department look into this matter before permanently fixing the water supply pipe?

Yours sincerely,

"F. E. Pitts".



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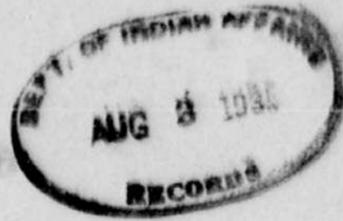
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Letter No. 229.C.35

Office of the WEST COAST Indian Agency,

July 23, 1935 19.....

Sir,

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 252, amounting to \$ 7.15 in favour of Rev. F. E. Pitts, Alberni, B. C. for emergency repairs to plumbing at school, May 1935.

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental Letter No. .... dated .....

Your obedient servant,

[Handwritten signature] Acting Indian Agent.

The Secretary, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

Form No. 101

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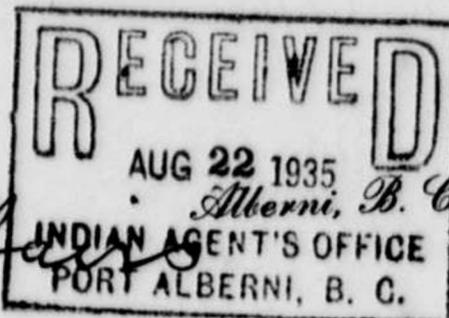


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Indian Residential School

REV: F. E. PITTS, B. A., PRINCIPAL



Dept. of Indian Affairs  
Ottawa

Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1935

\$2 to Alberni Indian School.

Money Paid for cleaning Septic Tank  
as per vouchers -

July 31<sup>st</sup> William Lalovich \$10.00

" " Edward Lalovich 10.00

\$20.00

F. E. Pitts, Principal

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September 26, 1935.

MEMORANDUM:

The Honourable the Superintendent General,-

Owing to a severe storm last February, there was a serious break in the water main supplying the Alberni Indian Residential School (Electoral District of Comox-Alberni), B. C.

Temporary repairs were made at that time, but the Indian Agent now advises that further work will be necessary in order to insure this school having an adequate water supply for the winter.

Mr. C. C. Webb, District Chief Engineer of the Dominion Water Power Bureau, has visited Port Alberni and has recommended an installation costing \$1,360.

The installation will have to proceed at the earliest possible date, as, if delayed until later in the season, no work could be done owing to high water. Funds for the purpose are available in the Appropriation for Indian Education, and I should appreciate your concurrence in authorizing Mr. Webb to proceed with this work.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Deputy Superintendent General.

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Letter No. 379.C.35

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Office of the WEST COAST Indian Agency,

*[Handwritten signature]*

September 19, 1935 19.....

Sir,

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 423  
amounting to \$ 18.50 in favour  
of Rev. F. E. Pitts, Alberni, B. C.  
for emergent plumbing repairs at Alberni Residential  
School, August 1935.

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental  
Letter No. .... dated .....

Your obedient servant,

*[Handwritten signature]*

Acting Indian Agent.

The Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa.

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Vote No. ....

Treaty No. ....

# DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

To... Rev. F. E. Pitts .....

Alberni, B. C. .....

423

DATE	SERVICE	AMOUNT
	Emergent repairs to plumbing of Alberni Residential School, August 1935.	\$ 18 50
TOTAL,		\$ 18 50

TRIPPLICATE FOR FILE  
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 Voucher in duplicate detached  
 for Accountant to pay.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Voucher is correct, that the material has been supplied, the work performed and that the charges are fair and just; also that the expenditure has been incurred legitimately and that each item of the same is a fair and just charge against the Government of Canada.

FORM No. 506

..... *[Signature]* .....  
 Acting Agent

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Indian Residential School

REV. F. E. PITTS, B. A., PRINCIPAL

Dept. of Indian Affairs    Alberni, B. C.    Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 1935.  
Ottawa.

Alberni Residential School -

Money Paid to A. S. Hanna for summer genl.  
Plumbing as per Vouchers - \$1,850

F. E. Pitts  
Principal

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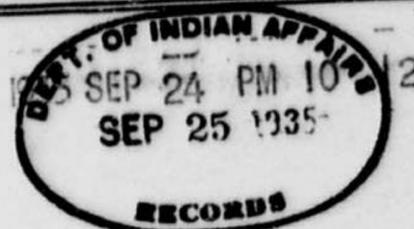
DEPT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS OTTAWA ONT

DOMINION WATER BRANCH CHIEF ENGINEER RECOMMENDS IMMEDIATE  
EXPENDITURE THIRTEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY DOLLARS PER REPORT ALBERNI  
INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL WATER SUPPLY STOP CAN THIS BE AUTHORIZED  
NOW AS INSTALLATION LATER SEASON IMPOSSIBLE DUE HIGH WATER

C C PERRY.

This is a Collect message and  
will be charged to your account  
unless we are notified at once to  
the contrary.

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A.S.*



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Public Building  
Victoria, B. C.

DATED . August 1st. 1935..

Mr. C. F. Dawson,  
District Resident Architect,  
Department Public Works,  
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I beg to report that I have this day inspected Boiler  
No. 43367 B.C. owned by the Department of Indian Affairs.  
and located at Indian Residential School, Alberni.  
and have found it in the following condition:

Type of Boiler- <b>Horizontal Return Tubular</b>	
Condition of Plates- <b>Good</b>	Condition of stays- <b>Sound</b>
Condition of Rivets- <b>Good</b>	Condition of tubes- <b>Good</b>
Hydrostatic Test- <b>45 lbs.</b>	Hammer Test- <b>Sound</b>
Deflection Test- <b>Normal</b>	Condition under Test- <b>Good</b>
W.P. allowed, - <b>30 lbs.</b>	Water Gauge- <b>To be repacked</b>
Test Cocks- <b>Good</b>	Steam Gauge- <b>2 lbs. light</b>
Safety Valves set to- <b>10 lbs.</b>	Fusible Plug- <b>Good</b>
Blow off pipes- <b>Fair</b>	Blow off cock- <b>Fair</b>
Brick side walls- <b>Slight repairs</b>	Brick Bridges- <b>Good</b>
Brick Front Walls- <b>Good</b>	Brick Back walls- <b>Good</b>
Brick Front Arches- <b>Good</b>	Brick Back Arches- <b>Good</b>
Smoke Pipes and Breaching- <b>Good</b>	Firebars - <b>Good</b>

REMARKS:- Main steam valve leaking should be ground in and made tight.  
Main steam valve stem to be repacked.  
Main return valve and return check valves to be ground in  
and made tight.  
Laundry machinery in good condition.  
Water pressure practically useless in case of a fire in the  
top storeys or roof of School.

*T. J. Small*  
.....  
Engineer, D.P.W.

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Public Building,  
Victoria, B.C.

Date: **August 1st, 1935**

Mr. C.F. Dawson,  
Dist. Resident Architect,  
Dept. Public Works, Canada,  
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I beg to report that I have this day inspected the Machinery  
owned by the DEPARTMENT of: **Indian Affairs**  
and located at: **Indian Residential School, Alberni.**  
and have found it in the following condition:

Service  
Fire Pumps.  
Condition: **Very Poor**

Condensate Pumps.  
Condition:

Boiler Feed Pumps.  
Condition:

Vacuum Pumps.  
Condition:

Electric Lighting Plants.  
Condition: **Power Purchased**

Laundry Machinery.  
Condition: **Good**

Steam Engines.  
Condition:

Gasoline Engines.  
Condition:

Diesel Engines.  
Condition:

REMARKS:

*T. J. Small*  
Engineer, D.P.W.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF CANADA,

Certificate of Inspection of Steam Boilers,

This Certificate expires **July 31st, 1936** .....

I hereby certify that I have this day inspected  
the steam boilers No. **43367** **B.C.** .....  
of **Indian Residential School, Alberni, B.C.** .....  
in the Province of British Columbia, where .....  
**Rev. F. E. Pitts, r. Engineer** ..... is in  
charge, and having carefully examined the said steam  
boilers have found the same in **Good** .....  
condition, and, therefore, authorize a steam pressure  
of **10 lbs.** ..... pounds per square inch and  
no more.

Dated this **1st** ..... day **August, 1935** .....

Type of Boilers **Horizontal Return Tubular** .....

Horse-Power **84** .....

Inspection No. **1935** .....

*T. J. Small*  
.....  
Engineer, D.P.W.,  
Victoria, B. C.

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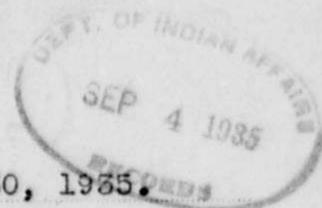


DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
NO. 30/15/41042.  
ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
P.O. BOX 666

VICTORIA, B.C., August 30, 1935.



Sir:

I have the honor to refer to Departmental telegram dated March 7th, last, in which I was advised that the Dominion Water Power Branch was authorized to make temporary repairs to the water supply system serving the Alberni Indian Residential School, West Coast Agency, B.C. In this connection I beg to advise that Mr. Acting Agent Nightingale has furnished me with copy of his letter dated August 21st addressed to the Department, with which was enclosed copy of a letter dated August 19th received by him from Reverend Principal Pitts concerning the inadequacy of the temporary work which has been installed, more particularly as to the fire fighting purposes. I now beg to transmit copy of letter received from Mr. Nightingale dated August 21st, also copy of my reply dated August 24th.

These letters will be self-explanatory, except that it should be pointed out that the report of the Dominion Water Power Branch dated February 9th, 1935, makes no provision for or reference to a storage tank in connection with the proposed installation. This is, I believe, an idea of Mr. Nightingale's, and it is understood that the elevation of the school buildings is not such as to ensure sufficient pressure for fire fighting purposes to be obtained from the City of Alberni's water system, the elevation of which is understood to be not higher than the second story of the Residential School, and a suitable storage tank or other installation would have to be made in order to obtain fire protection for the entire institution. It would seem desirable that the Dominion Water Power Branch should be requested to consult also with the authorities of the City of Alberni as suggested in the report of Mr. W.C. Warren of February 9, 1935, so whatever work is authorized should be carried out with a view to the greatest possible efficiency as well as economy. In the letter of Mr. C.E. Webb, District Chief Engineer to his Director at Ottawa covering Mr. Warren's report he stated that if the Department wished he would be pleased to take up with the city of Alberni the question of the extension of their largest service main as far as the Indian service pipe. No information has been received at this office as to the Department's intentions in this connection. In the meantime I felt it was safe to instruct Mr. Nightingale to confer with the Principal and the City authorities at Alberni in a preliminary way as the issue seems to be one of considerable importance as affecting the interests of the school.

Your obedient servant,

C. C. Perry.  
Asst. Indian Commissioner for B.C.

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

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*Frederick*

Ottawa, November 1, 1935.

Sir:

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, in which you state that the General Electric Company, Vancouver, have tendered on commercial refrigeration for the Alberni Indian Residential School.

In reply I beg to say that this Department has not authorized the installation of commercial refrigeration in the Alberni Residential School nor have we any funds for this purpose at the present time.

Your obedient servant,

*A. F. MacKenzie*

A. F. MacKenzie,  
Secretary.

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A. W. Neil, Esq., M.P.,  
Port Alberni,  
B.C.

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Canada

Alberni, B. C. Oct. 28th. 1935

*Ames*  
The deputy Supt General of Indian Affairs  
Ottawa

Dear Sir,

I am informed that it is proposed to establish commercial refrigeration at the Indian School here, and that the General Electric Co of Vancouver have put in a reasonably priced estimate for the total cost installed.

I beg to recommend same and to enquire what is the situation.

Yours faithfully

A. W. Neill

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PLEASE ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO  
THE DIRECTOR OF DOMINION WATER POWER  
AND HYDROMETRIC BUREAU  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
OTTAWA, CANADA



159-1-5  
DIRECTOR, J. T. JOHNSTON, C.E., M.E.I.C.  
ASST. DIRECTOR, V. MEEK, B. SC., M.E.I.C.

PLEASE REFER TO ONE SUBJECT IN A  
LETTER, AND IN YOUR REPLY QUOTE  
FILE NO. 2543-A

MFC:HMB.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA  
DOMINION WATER POWER AND HYDROMETRIC BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
Your file 159-1-5

OTTAWA, ONT.

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October 30th, 1935.

Sir,-

I have received your letters of the 28th and 29th instant with reference to repairs required to the water supply system serving the Alberni Indian Residential School. Copies of these have been sent to Mr. Webb as his authority for proceeding with this work and completing same as soon as possible under the superintendence of Mr. E.H. Tredcroft.

A telegram has been received from Mr. Webb today stating that he proposes to send Mr. Tredcroft to the job on Friday unless otherwise advised and a telegram will be sent him instructing him that Mr. Tredcroft may be employed on this project for a period not exceeding thirty days.

Mr. Webb also states in his telegram that he has called for additional tenders from Vancouver firms for the materials required to supplement tenders previously received.

Your obedient servant,

J.T. Johnston,  
Director.

A. F. MacKenzie, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
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*per M.F.C.*

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Ottawa, October 29, 1935.

Sir:

Referring to that portion of telegram dated the 26th instant, addressed to you, from C. E. Webb, Vancouver, B. C., recommending temporary employment, Tredcroft, 30 days, to superintend the work of carrying out the repairs required to the school water supply system at the Alberni Indian Residential School, I have to say that the Department will approve of Mr. Tredcroft's temporary employment for a period not exceeding 30 days. It will not be necessary to obtain a certificate for his temporary employment for a period which does not exceed 30 days.

Your obedient servant,

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

*J. T. Johnston*  
J. T. Johnston, Esq.,  
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Ottawa, October 28, 1935.

Sir:

I have your No. 2543-A of the 22nd instant, with reference to the carrying out of the repairs required to the water supply system serving the Alberni Indian Residential School.

In this connection I have to inform you that an accountable cheque, to the amount of \$1,430, will be sent you, under separate cover, to pay the cost of the material and labour. I would request that you instruct Mr. Webb to proceed with this work and complete same as soon as possible. Itemized accounts, in triplicate, should be obtained for all materials and time sheets, in triplicate, for labour employed. The labour returns should show the number of days or hours each man was employed and the rate paid. Mr. Webb can pay the accounts for the material and also for the labour, from the advance which has been sent, and he should see that the accounts are properly receipted as paid, before forwarding them to this Department in accounting for the expenditure. He should make purchase of material from the best source of supply and engage the necessary labour.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie,  
Secretary.

J. T. Johnston, Esq.,  
Director,  
Dominion Water Power & Hydrometric Bureau,  
Department of the Interior,  
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*E. P.  
No. 3855*

*[Handwritten signature]*

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DIRECTOR DOM WATER POWER & HYDROMETRIC BUREAU  
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RE YOUR LETTER OCTOBER TWENTY SECOND ENCLOSING COPY LETTER  
INDIAN DEPARTMENT OCTOBER TWENTY FIRST AUTHORIZING PROCEED  
IMPROVEMENTS ALBERNI INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL AT ONCE  
MAKING PURCHASES FROM BEST SOURCES OF SUPPLY AND ENGAGING  
NECESSARY LABOUR AND YOUR NIGHT LETTER OCTOBER TWENTY FIFTH  
INSTRUCTING SUBMIT TO OTTAWA REGARDING INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
PURCHASING MATERIAL AND HIRING PERSONNEL STOP I TAKE IT  
YOUR WIRED INSTRUCTIONS SUPERSEDE LETTER HOWEVER IMPERATIVE  
ALBERNI PROJECT BE UNDERTAKEN IMMEDIATELY IF IT IS TO BE  
DONE THIS FALL SUGGEST THEREFORE I BE AUTHORIZED PURCHASE  
MATERIAL FROM W C HAMILTON AS PER HIS TENDER STOP YOU TO  
ADVISE ME IMMEDIATELY NAMES OF HALF DOZEN LABOURERS  
ELIGIBLE FOR EMPLOYMENT STOP RECOMMEND TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT  
TREDCROFT THIRTY DAYS SAME SALARY TO SUPERINTEND THIS WORK  
STOP PLEASE WIRE REPLY IMMEDIATELY AS WATER CONDITIONS NOW  
SATISFACTORY

C E WEBB.

*20 employees  
up to 30 days  
without  
Certificate from  
C. S. C.*

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