

Ottawa, Sept. 10, 1923.

Sir:

I have to inform you that there will be shipped from Ontario, this week, 40 Holstein milch cows to F. L. Deacon, Esq., Indian Agent, Balcarres, who has been advised of the shipment. 25 of these animals are for the Qu'Appelle, and 15 for the File Hills Institution.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie over
A. F. MacKenzie,
Acting Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

W. M. Graham
W. M. Graham, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, Sask.

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Ottawa, Sept. 10, 1923.

Reverend Sir:

I have to inform you that 25 head of Holstein milch cows are being shipped early this week from Ontario, for the Qu'Appelle Residential School. Arrangements have been made to have the animals detrain at Balcarres, Sask., under the supervision of Mr. Indian Agent Deacon. You should get in touch with Mr. Deacon, who will advise you when the cattle arrive. You would do well to arrange for a member of your staff and several boys to be at Balcarres, for the purpose of driving the cattle to the Qu'Appelle School.

Your obedient servant,

A. F. MacKenzie
A. F. MacKenzie,
Acting Asst. Deputy & Secretary.

G. Leonard
Rev. G. Leonard,
Principal,
Qu'Appelle Res. School,
Lebret, Sask.

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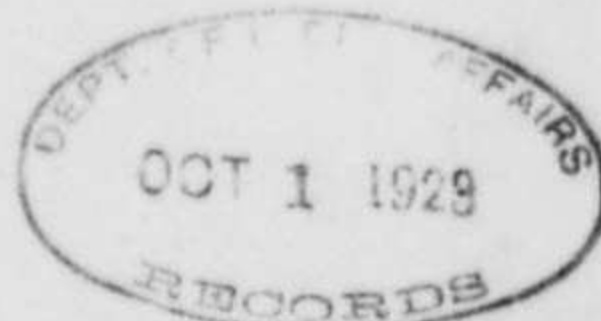
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 306-11-A.

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

REGINA, SASK. September 27, 1923...



Sir: -

Referring to your letter of the 10th instant, No. 114-0-14, I beg to say that on receipt of this letter I made arrangements with Indian Agent Deacon to call up the Principal of the Qu'Appelle Industrial School on the arrival of the animals referred to at Balcarres, and to alternatively choose animals until each had their share.

This would be the fairest way of dividing them so that there would be no preference. Twenty-five will go to Lebret and fifteen to File Hills.

Your obedient servant,

W. M. Graham,
Indian Commissioner.

The SECRETARY,
Department Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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114-0-14

Original on File 111-1-14.

Balcarres, Sask.,
October 2nd, 1923.

Sir:

I beg to advise that I received on Thursday, the 27th ultimo, forty two head of cattle, which had been shipped to me by the Department for distribution to the Qu'Appelle Industrial School and the File Hills Boarding School. I was informed by Mr. R. H. Abraham, the Department's Agricultural Representative, that only forty head had been purchased, fifteen of which were for the File Hills Boarding and twenty-five for the Qu'Appelle Industrial School. As forty two arrived I gave File Hills sixteen and Qu'Appelle School twenty-six.

In making the distribution I took care that each school had their correct proportion of cows coming fresh each month. Both Father Leonard and Mr. Rhodes were satisfied with the division.

The cattle arrived here in excellent condition.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) F. L. Deacon,

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.
J.T.W.

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(Original on 111-1146)

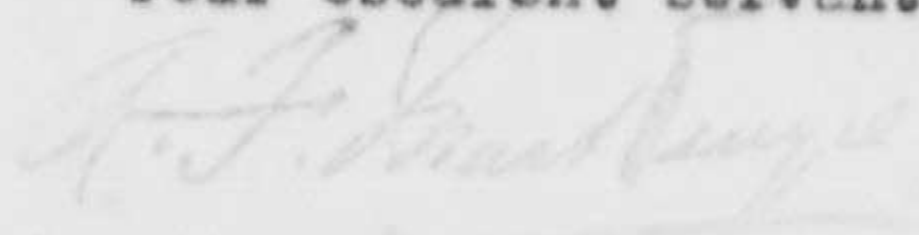
Ottawa, October 6th, 1923.

Sir:


I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, informing the Department that 42 head of cattle had arrived at Balcarres and that you had distributed them to the Qu'Appelle Industrial School and the File Hills Boarding School.

In reply I beg to say it is noted that you have given 16 head to the File Hills School and 26 head to the Qu'Appelle School, and that in making the distribution you took care that each of these schools had their correct proportion of cows coming fresh each month. We note that both Principals were satisfied with the distribution, and that the cows arrived at Balcarres in excellent condition. It is hoped, now that the cattle have been delivered, that there will be a sufficient and regular supply of milk for the pupils of each of these schools.

Your obedient servant,



A. F. MacKenzie,
Acting Asst. Deputy and Secretary.



F. L. Deacon, Esq.,
Indian Agent,
Balcarres, Sask.

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Vote No.

Treaty No.

Department of Indian Affairs

To F.L. Deacon,

Bellevue, Sask.

DATE	SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
Sept. 20	Hay	2 52
20	Unloading and loading } Car 153810	2 000
	Hay	2 40
	Loading and unloading } Car 153869	2 00
22	Hay	3 85
	Loading and unloading } Car 153180	2 00
22	Hay	3 85
	Loading and unloading } Car 153869	2 00
24	Hay, straw, cleaning cars etc	26 30
		56 92
INDIAN EDUCATION		
Expenses incurred bringing two cars of cattle from Ontario for File Hills Boarding School and Qu'Appelle Industrial School.		
Charge to Qu'Appelle Industrial School		1 35.24
Charge to File Hills Boarding School		21.68
		56.92
Fifty six dollars and ninety two cts TOTAL.		

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.

F.L. Deacon
Agent.

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Letter No.

Office of the

Indian Agency,

OCT 15 1923

Balcombs Lake

1923.

I enclose herewith Vouchers Nos. 590

amounting to \$ 56.92 in favour

H. Deacon, Balcombs Lake

for expenses incurred bringing cattle
from Ont. to Balcombs Lake for feeding
Browning School.

This expenditure was authorized by Departmental

Letter No. dated

Your obedient servant,

J. L. Deacon

Indian Agent.

The Secretary,
Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa.

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,



IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 314-11-A:
306-11-A:

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

REGINA, SASK., October 31, 1923.



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Sir : -

copy on 111-1-14

I beg to inform you that it will be necessary to purchase two Holstein bulls, one for the File Hills Indian Boarding School and the other for the Qu'Appelle Industrial School, and would be glad to/your authority to make the purchases.

Your obedient servant,

W.M. Graham
W.M. GRAHAM,
Indian Commissioner.

The Secretary,
Department Indian Affairs,
OTTAWA.

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314-11-A
306-11-A.

Ottawa, Nov. 5th, 1923.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, in which you recommend the purchase of 2 Holstein bulls, one for the File Hills Residential School and the other for the Qu'Appelle Residential School.

In reply I beg to say that the purchase of two bulls is approved.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLean,
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

W. M. Graham
W. M. Graham, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, Sask.

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TWO HOLSTEIN BULLS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR HERDS SUPPLIED TO
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 HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS FOR BOTH
 W M GRAHAM.



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Send the following Night Letter, subject to the terms on back hereof which are hereby agreed to

Ottawa, November 10th., 1923.

W.M. Graham
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, Sask.

May purchase two Holstein bulls for Qu'Appelle and File Hills
Schools.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. Scott".

Duncan C. Scott.

Charge Dept. Indian Affairs.

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF MR. COMMISSIONER GRAHAM,
REGINA, ON THE QU'APPELLE INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL.

No. 314-11.

May 2, 1928.



Dear Mr. Scott: -

I beg to enclose herewith a report on
the Qu'Appelle Industrial School, which was recently
inspected by Mr. Murison.

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There does not appear to be a sufficient
number of cows to supply milk for this institution.
You are aware we supplied some cows a few years ago
and by this time there should have been a large enough
number by natural increase. The farming has been
carried on in a profitable way, as the finances of the
school show.

(Sgd.) W. M. Graham,
Indian Commissioner.

*Same report
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Hebert*
Duncan C. Scott, Esq.,
Deputy Supt. General,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
OTTAWA.

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EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF MR. INSPECTOR MURISON,
DATED APRIL 26, 1928, ON HIS INSPECTION OF
THE QU'APPELLE INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL.

Original on No. 114-O-1.

*Notes
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The horse and cow barns are good buildings. A silo has been built between the two barns. It was tried out this winter for the first time and has proven very satisfactory. The cow barn provides accommodation for 24 cows, and a calf pen. They have 23 milch cows, 1 bull, and 21 head of young stock. A shed is provided for the young stock. They should have at least 35 milch cows at an institution of this size, and in order to accommodate this number it would be necessary to extend the barn at least 30 feet. At the time of my visit they were milking 14 cows, which is not sufficient to provide milk for approximately 250 persons. They should have at least 35 in order to keep at least 20 milking steadily. I may say that the cattle are all Holsteins.

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

314-11B

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

W. REGINA, SASK., 10th December, 1928.



Sir:-

I have received a letter from the Provincial Government drawing attention to the Dairy Convention to be held in Prince Albert, January 29-30-31 next, and in this connection to the work of one of their Field Staff who has greatly interested himself in herd improvement work at one or two of our Indian schools, particularly at Crooked Lake and Lebret. The Field Inspector states that he has found the boys at these schools keenly interested in live stock and is anxious to see a team of Indian boy contestants in the Dairy Cattle Judging Competition this year. Father Leonard is equally enthusiastic that the boys should go to Prince Albert.

I am sure that the training which they will receive in taking part in such a contest will be of great educational value to the boys, and I wish to recommend that a team of boys be allowed to go from Lebret. I think the only expenditure in connection with the arrangement would be that of their transportation and perhaps one day's board at Prince Albert. I shall be glad if the Department will sanction and provide for the small expense which will be entailed.

Your obedient servant,

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

W. M. Graham,
Indian Commissioner.

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Ottawa, December 15, 1928.

Sir:

I have your No. 314-11B of the 10th instant, relative to the sending of a team of Indian boys from the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School to take part in the Dairy Cattle Judging Competition at the Dairy Convention to be held in Prince Albert at the end of January, next.

In reply I beg to say that the Department will pay the cost of the transportation of the boys sent from the School, which will be paid upon receipt of the usual vouchers. It is considered that the school authorities should provide for the maintenance of the boys during the time they are in Prince Albert. This visit by the boys of the Qu'Appelle School will, no doubt, lead to greater interest by them in live stock, and also be of educational value to them.

Your obedient servant,

J. D. McLEAN

J. D. McLean,
Asst. Deputy and Secretary.


W. M. Graham, Esq.,
Indian Commissioner,
Regina, Sask.

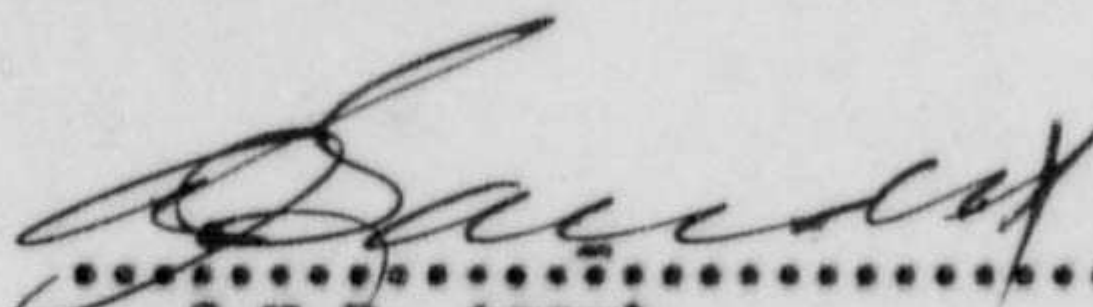
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Lebret, Sask.,

January 28th, 1929.

Received from Rev. G. Leonard, Principal of the Indian
Industrial School, Lebret, Sask., the sum of thirty-one
dollars and sixty-five cents (\$31.65) in payment for
three tickets to Prince Albert, Sask..


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C.N.R. Agent.

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Expenses of boys attending the Dairy Convention
in Prince Albert, Sask.,
(V. Bellegarde, B. Pinay & A. Whitehawk)

Mond. Jan. 28th, 1929.	
Dinner on diner	\$ 4.50
Taxi to University	1.50
Suppers	1.50
Lunch in Prince Albert	.90
Validation of tickets	.75
Tuesday Jan 29th, 1929.	
No expenses	
Wednesday Jan. 30th, 1929	
Return fares for boys	15.60
Lunch	.90
Supper	1.80
Room	3.00
Breakfast	1.20
Sundries	2.70
Trainer's fare (S.P.Regan)	15.60
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	\$49.95



Received from Rev. G. Leonard, Principal of the Indian Industrial
School, Lebret, Sask., the above mentioned amount.

...S. P. Regan.....

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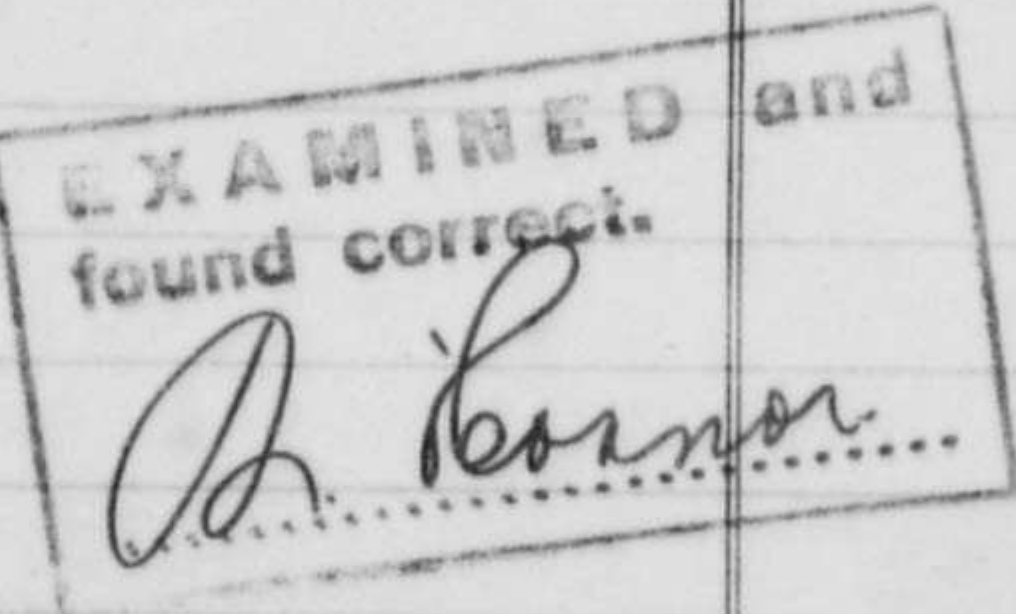
To Indian Industrial School,

Lebret, Sask.,

March 5th, 1929.

DATE	SERVICE.	AMOUNT.
1929 Jan. 28	Fares for three boys attending the Dairy Convention in Prince Albert (single fares) as per attached receipt, in quadruplicate.	\$31 .65
" 28 & 30	Return fares for boys, meals, room and sundry expenses, fare for trainer, etc., as per attached receipt, in quadruplicate.	\$49 .95
" 23	Freight on boiler flues from Regina as per receipted freight bill	.85
TOTAL,		\$82.45

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.



Certified Correct
Rev. G. Leonard
Principal. XXXIX

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IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO

No. 314-11

ALSO TO DATE OF THIS LETTER

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

REGINA, SASK., 9 March 1929

Sir,

I beg to forward and recommend for payment a voucher in favour of the Indian School at Lebret amounting to \$82.45. Of this amount, \$81.60 represents the expense incurred in sending three boys to a Dairy Convention at Prince Albert under Department authority 114-0-14 of 15th December 1928. The remaining 85¢ is an item of freight on boiler tubes. All the items are covered by receipts.

Your obedient servant,

Wm. M. Graham

W. M. Graham
Indian Commissioner

The Secretary,
Indian Department,
Ottawa, Ont.,

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EXTRACT from Inspector Hamilton's Report regarding his inspection of the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School on the 7th and 8th of March, 1932.

Original on File 114-0-6.

The cow barn was clean and the 26 head of milk cows in splendid condition. The Reverend Father now has over 100 head of good Holstein cattle. He is certainly crowded for stable room and at present is renting a barn. His calves and young stock were in excellent condition and are being well fed and looked after. The Reverend Father is anxious to obtain a good herd of milk cows sufficient to supply milk and butter for the school, about 260 people, consequently more barn accommodation is necessary. The girls are given lessons in milking during the late spring and in the fall when the weather is good. I understand that the girls, on being discharged, are able to milk.

The horse barn is in good repair and was clean. The horses are in excellent condition and are receiving the best of care.

At present, they have about thirty growing pigs and during the recent months sixty fat hogs had been butchered. Six or eight brood sows are kept.

Poultry is also kept and with fair success. The proceeds from this branch are entirely consumed by the school.

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PROVINCIAL DU CANADA

OTTAWA, April 16th 1946
ONTARIO

The Secretary,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Ottawa.

Re: Ex-pupils agricultural training, Lebret, Sask.

Dear Mr. Phelan:

Rev. Father Paul Piché, O.M.I., principal of Qu'Appelle Indian Industrial School, has leased a section of land, in close proximity to the school, for the purpose of training ex-school pupils in farming and stock raising.

This enterprise is to be operated on a cooperative basis and all the profits from it will be distributed in equal parts to the group of ex-pupils who will be employed.

The school already has 1 tractor which can be used part time on this project but to make it a success, the acquisition of another tractor is imperative.

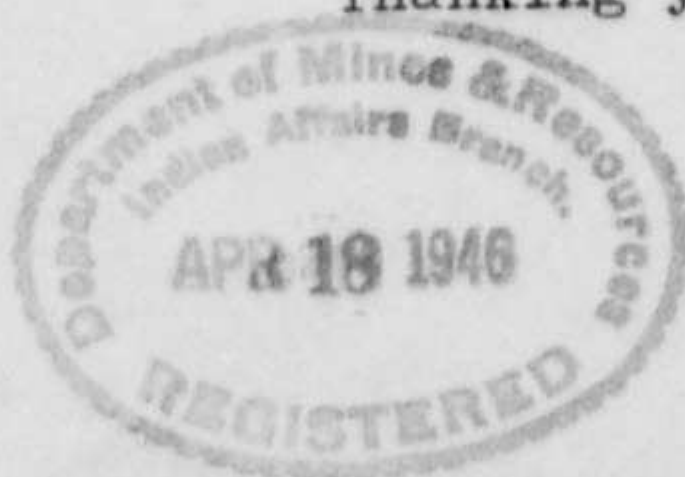
Would you be good enough to explain the project to the director and to ask him for his help in the purchase of this new tractor with probably that of a few minor agricultural implements which experience will prove necessary.

As time will play a very important part in this development, I hope you will be good enough to impress upon the director the necessity of an immediate decision.

Thanking you in anticipation, I remain,

Yours very truly,

J. O. Plourde, O.M.I.



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Ottawa, April 17, 1946.

Mr. J.P.B. Ostrander, Inspector of Indian Agencies,
414 Federal Building, Regina, Sask.,

Reverend J.O. Plourde, O.M.I. acting in
place of Reverend P. Piche, O.M.I. Principal of the
Qu'Appelle School has recently brought to our attention
a new project proposed by Father Piche.

It appears that Father Piche has leased land
in close proximity to the Qu'Appelle School for the
purpose of training ex-pupils in farming and stock
raising.. This enterprise is to be operated on a
co-operative basis and all the profits from it will be
distributed in equal parts to the group of ex-pupils
who will be employed. We are requested to assist the
project by purchasing a small tractor at an approximate
cost of \$1500.00.

I discussed this proposal with the Director
yesterday and he suggested that I communicate with you.
I have also written to Father Plourde to have Father
Piche discuss the project with you.

As Father Piche desires to proceed at once
it is important that he have your views at the earliest
possible date.

Philip Phelan,
Chief, Training Division.



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AIR MAIL

DEPARTMENT
OF
MINES AND RESOURCES

File #640-315-11 ARC.


Regina, April 20th, 1946.

Indian Affairs Branch, Department of Mines & Resources, OTTAWA.

With reference to Department letter of the 17th instant, No. 114-0-1, in connection with the proposed purchase of a tractor for the Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School I have to say that I had discussed this matter with Reverend Father Piche yesterday and I would recommend that the tractor be purchased for use at the school in the training of ex-pupils in farming and livestock raising.

Reverend Father Piche does not agree to operating the tractor on a strictly co-operative basis and I believe he is right in this. His wish is to operate the tractor entirely under the direction of the school but the profits of the leased land which will be operated in the training of pupils and ex-pupils will be set aside in a special account and the proceeds of this account will be used to assist deserving ex-pupils after they have had a satisfactory training and have shown that they are deserving of special consideration.

*Air mail
J.P.B. Ostrander
to
Mr. Laurier*


J.P.B. Ostrander,
Inspector of Indian Agencies.



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AIRMAIL

Ottawa, April 26, 1946.

Dear Father Lavigne:

We are prepared to submit to our Purchasing Branch a request to purchase a tractor for use at the Ex-pupils' Farm at the Qu'Appelle Residential School.

When you were in the office you stated that you knew where you could secure a tractor. Please let me have full particulars regarding the type of tractor which you stated you could secure, also the name and address of the person from whom the tractor can be purchased and its approximate cost.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Phelan,
Chief, Training Division.

Very Reverend M. Lavigne, O.M.I.,
Juniorate of the Holy Family,
340 Provencher Avenue,
St. Boniface, Manitoba.

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Extract from Annual Report of Rev. Paul Piche, O.M.I.,
Principal, Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School, for
fiscal year ended March 31, 1946.

Notwithstanding the many difficulties, the School is bringing progress among the Indians. The progress is noticeable from one generation to another. In judging the Indians' problems, one must never forget that the work of civilization is a work of generations. Men are not remade overnight. The process of full adjustment of a people to a civilization finds itself handicapped by centuries of traditions, ways of living, habits which are deeply rooted in the very soul. We cannot expect the Indians to have achieved a transition from the bow and arrow to the atomic age in sixty years.

We consider that it would be one of the Department's duties to establish a plan for the post-scholar aid to the school graduates. When boys and girls are dismissed at 16 years of age, they are too young to have acquired during their school years either a trade or a training which can fit them to undertake the task of earning their own living. Nowadays it is left to the parents to continue the graduates' training. Whereas many parents are not in an economical position to give this help, the graduates are left to themselves, destitute of any means towards this end. It befalls the Indian Affairs Branch to provide these graduates with a follow-up system that could fit them to earn their living.

The Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School wants to experience the following plan: We have rented a farm near the school. This farm has 360 acres under cultivation. Our aim is to have the graduates who want to continue their training at school work this land under our supervision. The net profit would create a fund to help not only the graduates who would be working on the land but all those who would stay at school for a higher training. The aid to be given to each graduate when leaving could be based on the length of time he has remained in school after 16 years of age, also on his character and good behavior and his sense of responsibility.

..... These boys

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These boys staying for post-scholar training would not be under the same regulations as the other pupils. I am satisfied with the following experience made with the three boys to whom the Department has granted, this year, a school extension: I provided them with a home near the school building. An old reliable Indian lady stays with them to take care of the house and to supervise them. They sleep there but take their meals at the school. They have a radio, books, reviews. They are given more freedom in order to develop their sense of responsibility.

The satisfaction that this system has brought this year inclines me to think that such a plan could be a solution to that difficult period of transition the graduate has to go through when leaving school:- that of a followed-up supervision at school to a total freedom at home.

Out School will always try to co-operate with the Indian Affairs Branch to the welfare of the Indians especially of the Indian children.

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INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

LEBRET, SASKATCHEWAN

Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School
Lebret, Sask.
May 6th 1946.

Schultz
Mr. Philip Phelan
Chief, Training Division,
Indian Affairs Branch
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Phelan:

Very Reverend M. Lavigne O.M.I. has asked me to send you the address where a tractor can be purchased for our Ex-pupils Farm. The International Harvester Company, 2358 Atkinson St. Regina, Sask. has the following tractor:

McCormick-Deering-Tractor- Model W-6 equipped with pneumatic tires. Price.....	\$1644.60
Fluid in Tires.....	27.00
	<hr/> 1671.60
Less Dominion ^{9%} Discount 7%.....	<hr/> 117.01
Total net price F.O.B. Regina.....	\$ 1554.59

This scheme of Ex-pupils Farm has received the enthusiastic approval on the part of all the Indians. They understand that it is an attempt of the Indian Affairs Branch to help solving the problem of the School graduates.

My report for the fiscal year ending March 31st 1946, question 11 "Matters of interest to the Department" gives you the outlines of this plan.

Mr. Doucet, on his recent visit at our School has taken note of this scheme and will be in measure to instruct the Indian Affairs Branch about it.

Sincerely yours,

P. Piché
P. Piché O.M.I.
Principal.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES

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Ottawa, May 13, 19 46.

Requisition No.

To The Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa, (File 114-0-14)

Order No.

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF

For Ex-pupils' Farm - Qu'Appelle Residential School

VOTE

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ALLOTMENT

ALLOCATION SYMBOLS

SHIP TO

Reverend Paul Piche, O.M.I., Principal, Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School,
LEBRETT, Saskatchewan.

Purpose for which required.

QUANTITY		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	Tractor		
<p><u>Note:-</u></p> <p>The Principal states that the International Harvester Company, 2358 Atkinson Street, Regina, Sask., has available at the present time one McCormick-Deering Tractor - Model W-6 equipped with pneumatic tires, and their quotation is as follows:</p> <p>Price \$1644.60 Fluid in Tires 27.00 \$1671.60 Less Dominion Gov't. Discount 7% 117.01 Total net price f.o.b. Regina \$1554.59</p> <p>The management of the Qu'Appelle Residential School has rented a farm of 360 acres near the school. They are arranging to have ex-pupils work this property under the supervision of some of the members of the staff of the Qu'Appelle Residential School. It is intended to divide the profit from the farming operations among those who help to work the land. The school management is very anxious to give the arrangement a fair trial as it is felt that, in this manner, pupils who have received training in farming will establish themselves more quickly. In order to break up the land this Spring, a tractor is required. Funds are available in this year's appropriation, as we have included an amount for "Assistance to Ex-pupils".</p>			

I hereby certify that I have personal knowledge that all the above articles are required in the Department and for Departmental purposes only. The expenditure required by this requisition is strictly unavoidable and the public interest will suffer if it is not made.

SIGNED—

APPROVED—

Dire

- NOTE:— 1. In ordering stationery and printed matter use separate sheets.
2. Order numbered forms by number or send sample.
3. Orders for unnumbered forms should be accompanied by samples.
4. Orders for books should be accompanied by sample pages or folios.
5. Orders for which purchase orders will issue should give as full details as possible for each item.
6. All Requisitions should be submitted in duplicate. One copy will be returned as acknowledgment.

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Ottawa, May 17, 1946.

MEMORANDUM:

- MR. JACKSON -

In response to your request for additional information with respect to the purchase of a tractor at the Qu'Appelle Indian residential school, I am sending forward herewith file No. 114-0-14.

The desirability of providing additional training for graduates of this school has been under consideration for a number of years. The project now under consideration represents an attempt to provide practical instruction in agriculture for a group of boys who have reached the age of sixteen, but who have not the resources or necessary experience to undertake farming operations without careful supervision. This matter was referred to Inspector Ostrander on April 17th and you will notice his reply dated April 20, 1946. In view of all the circumstances, if a tractor can be secured at this time, I would recommend that the project be given a fair trial and that reports on its success be submitted by Inspector Ostrander from time to time.

Requisition approved

With respect to the carload of cement requisitioned for the Fort George R.C. school, I may state that this is a small church-owned building, with an authorized pupilage of twenty and a per capita rate of \$200.00. You will note that in the 1946-47 estimates there is an item of \$400.00 for repairs and maintenance at this school. The reports from our officials indicate that the basement and foundation of the building should be re-built. The proposal is to purchase the cement from this year's appropriation, on the understanding that the

... repairs will be

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repairs will be undertaken by the church authorities. The item in the estimates will be insufficient to meet the total cost of the cement and a request will have to be made to Bishop Bellean to provide the additional amount required. Mr. Doucet has visited this school on a number of occasions and is anxious to have vocational courses provided for the Indian boys and girls, particularly the Indian boys, who will in all probability engage in hunting and trapping after graduation. The records indicate that we have spent little on repair work at this school since its establishment by the Bishop, and I am disposed to think the repairs now requested should be undertaken if this cement can be secured.


Director.

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