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Ottawa, August 18, 1950.

Chief, Engineering and Construction Service,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept. of Citizenship and Immigration,
Ottawa.

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Re: Cecilia Jeffery Indian Residential School, Kenora, Ont.

The aboved named school was visited on Friday, July 21st, 1950, for the purpose of inspecting and reporting on the following:-

1. Fire escapes.
2. Condition of plaster in entire building.
3. Lighting in classrooms.
4. Seepage from sewage system appearing on surface of ground.

1. Fire Escapes.

The existing fire escapes are located on the outside of the building as marked on the attached plan and are of steel construction with landings at each floor level. Exits are through windows in each staircase well with a small wooden ladder placed at each window from floor level to sill. In winter the escapes are covered with ice and snow and would provide a very hazardous means of exit from the building in case of fire, particularly when used by small children. If fire occurred in either of the staircase wells the escapes would not be accessible.

The dormitories in this school are situated on the top floor of the building, one at each end, are the full width of the structure and accomodate approximately 75 pupils each. It would, therefore, appear logical, that the fire exits should be located in such a position that they can be easily reached from the dormitories in case of fire in the centre portion of the building.

It is recommended that, for maximum safety, two fire-proof stair case wells with fire-proof stairs should be constructed one at each end of the structure, in the positions marked on the attached drawing. The stair wells should be provided with landings at each floor level and with fire-proof doors having automatic escape mechanism hardware, to give access to the stairs on each floor. The existing outside steel fire escapes could remain as they are to provide exit from the centre portion of the building.

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2. Plaster.

An inspection of the condition of the plaster in the entire building revealed that, in general, it does not require attention. On the walls of the stair wells three or four places were noted on which a small repair job should be done.

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3. Classroom Lighting.

The lighting in the three classrooms and sewing room is provided by fixtures of an obsolete type and they are too few in number. It is recommended that fluorescent lighting fixtures should be installed to provide sufficient foot candles for school room lighting in accordance with modern standards.

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Hydro will do.

Pub Health Engineering Div.
Dept of Health + Welfare
Ottawa
Mr. W. R. Edwards

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4. Seepage from Sewage System.

The original septic tank, constructed when the school was built, was remodelled and extended in October 1939 by the Winnipeg office of the Dept. of Mines and Resources in accordance with the attached drawing. No drawing of the layout of the distribution tile bed was available and whether or not the bed was extended at this time is not known.

The tile bed is laid in a field adjacent to the building and extensive seepage is visible. The Principal reported that, about a year ago, the tile was uncovered, examined and replaced or repaired in certain sections, but the trouble was not overcome.

In this case, it is recommended that advice should be obtained from some person experienced in sewage disposal systems.

Attached is a drawing showing the existing septic tank and, also, a drawing of Septic Tank Disposal System prepared by the Sanitary Engineering Division of the Dept. of Health of Ontario.

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J. H. Boulter.

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August 31st, 1950.

Mr. N. Paterson,
Superintendent, Indian Agency,
Kenora, Ontario.

Re: Cecilia Jeffrey Indian
Residential School

On reporting on his recent inspection of the above school, Mr. J.H. Boulter states that on the walls of the stairwells there are 3 or 4 places where the plaster should be repaired. You may arrange for this.

We are enclosing forms which you should complete for the lighting of the classrooms and return to us. We will then submit the information which you supply to the Hydro Electric Power Commission for their consideration, so that they can make certain the proper fixtures are secured.

We are communicating with the Department of National Health and Welfare regarding the seepage from the sewage system.

PP/ST

Bernard F. Neary,
Supt. of Indian Education

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August 31st, 1950.

Public Health Engineering Division,
Department of National Health & Welfare,
Jackson Building, Ottawa, Ont.

Attention: Mr. W.R. Edmonds

Dear Mr. Edmonds:

Re: Cecilia Jeffrey Indian
Residential School

With reference to our recent telephone conversation, one of the officers of our Engineering Services recently visited this school and reports as follows regarding the seepage from the sewage system:

"The original septic tank, constructed when the school was built, was remodelled and extended in October 1939 by the Winnipeg office of the Dept. of Mines and Resources in accordance with the attached drawing. No drawing of the layout of the distribution tile bed was available and whether or not the bed was extended at this time is not known.

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It would be appreciated if you could find it possible to have one of your representatives visit this school with a view to advising us what steps should be taken to remedy the condition.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard F. Neary,
Supt. of Indian Education

PP/ST

The school building is in a very poor condition and it is necessary to have one of your representatives visit this school with a view to advising us what steps should be taken to remedy the condition.

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Kenora, August 28th, 1950.



Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept of Citizenship & Immigration,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Re: Hobart Mixer & Hotel Size Washer,
Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School

Reference your letter dated the 25th of
May, 1950, file 461-5(E1) in connection with
the supply of the above items.

In your letter you advise that "We are
requesting the Departmental Purchasing Agent
to secure the mixer and washer".

As no further word has been received to
date we would ask you to look into this matter
and advise this office.



Norman Paterson

Norman Paterson,
Superintendent,
Kenora Indian Agency.

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Kenora, August 28th, 1950.

Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept of Citizenship & Immigration,
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Stoker,
Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School

Reference your letter dated the 30th of
May 1950, file 461-5(E1) in connection with
the report of the Engineering Branch received
in connection with the above noted.

We have this date received a letter from
the Principal of the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian
School copy of which is attached for your
information, in the same regard.

It is recommended that Mr. Ross' request
be given further consideration.



Norman Paterson

Norman Paterson,
Superintendent,
Kenora Indian Agency,

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Cecilia Jeffrey School,
Kenora, Ontario,
August 26, 1950.

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AUG 28 1950
INDIAN AGENCY

Mr. Norman Paterson,
Superintendent,
Kenora Indian Agency.

Dear Mr. Paterson:

Re STOKER? G. J. SCHOOL:

Further to your letter, file I29/6-I-461:

I am grateful indeed to receive the comments of your Engineering Branch, who are well qualified to decide upon such matters as this.

Paragraphs 1 to 3 refer of course to previous improvements made, and to the unfortunate situation in which we found ourselves while unable to obtain the services of a young man for this work. (I need not remind you that, operating as we do on a very restricted budget, we are seldom able to offer wages which will attract first-class men) I am at present trying out a younger man for the important job of firing the boiler referred to.

Thank you for drawing to my attention the fact that the ashes would still have to be removed, and that, with a hopper-fed stoker, it would require filling with coal about three times a day.

Thank you too for emphasizing the fact that the combustion efficiency would certainly increase. Since receiving your letter, I have been told by others concerned with heating problems that the cost of installing a stoker is soon paid for by the reduction in fuel consumption due to increased combustion efficiency. If that is true, it would be well to have a stoker installed as soon as possible, would it not?

Is it possible that someone from your Engineering Branch could give me some idea of the probable saving which might be effected by the installation of a stoker in this school? There is about 4600 feet of radiation, and, during cold days in the winter, our consumption of coal is often as much as two tons per day.

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I am glad to have had expert opinion expressed on this subject. All too often we are prone to consider such installations only as they affect the comfort and well-being of the school, as we see it. The comments of your Engineering Branch have emphasized to me the one important, practical consideration involved in this case: increase in combustion efficiency. If the cost of maintaining this school can be reduced by installing this piece of equipment, that is of course of even more interest to your Department than it is to me, is it not?

Could your Engineering Branch, please, give me expert advice as to the advisability of having a bin-fed or hopper-fed type of Stoker installed. I should very much appreciate authoritative information on this question.

We have this day received your report of the Engineering Branch received in connection with the above noted.

We have this day received your report of the Engineering Branch received in connection with the above noted.

Sincerely yours,

T. G. Ross, Principal.

P.S.

If it is the wish of your Department that, in order to affect this saving as soon as possible, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ a stoker be installed with as little delay as possible, I should be prepared to put up with whatever discomfort was involved during the installation, even if it was necessary to have this done during the first few weeks of term.

KENORA
AUG 28 1950
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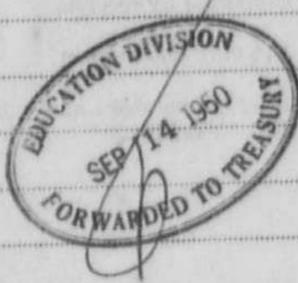
TREASURY ONLY

CHEQUE No.
DATE

Pay to Harrisons and Crosfield (Canada) Ltd.,
Address 1377 Winnipeg Ave.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

(To be typed or in Block Letters)

1950	SERVICE	AMOUNT
August 29	To supplying two demis of Chlorox for the Hypochlorinator at the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School on July 25th, 1950.	4 80
Total		4 80



FOR USE BY INDIAN SUPERINTENDENT

Voucher No. 397 Date 29-8-50
 P.O. E.R.
 Charge to Vote 516 Allot
 Band Funds
 Emergency Expenditure
 Dept'l Letter File No.
 Dept'l Cheque No.
 (Credit Voucher only)

CERTIFICATE
 I Hereby Certify that the material has been supplied, the work performed, that the charges are fair and just and the expenditure has been incurred on Government business.

Recommended for payment:

W. S. Selous
 Superintendent

FOR USE BY HEAD OFFICE

Vote.....
 Allot.....
 Amount.....
 Approved for Payment.....
 Date.....

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PLEASE QUOTE
FILE 129/6-1-461

Kenora, August 31st, 1950.

Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept of Citizenship & Immigration,
Ottawa, Ontario

Re: Painting Barn,
Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Res. School.

Please find attached a copy of a letter
received from Mr. T.C. Ross, Principal of
the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School,
and covering requisition for 50 gallons of
Red Barn Paint.

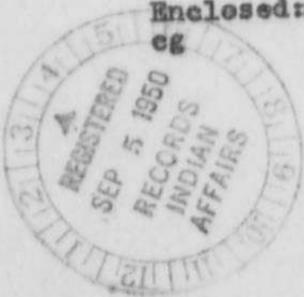
It is recommended that Mr. Ross' request
be granted and authority be given for this
expenditure.



Norman Paterson

Norman Paterson,
Superintendent,
Kenora Indian Agency.

Enclosed:
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ORDER FOR SUPPLIES

Regulation No.
Order No.

Gecilia Jeffrey School,
Kenora, Ontario,
August 29, 1950.

Mr. Norman Paterson,
Superintendent,
Kenora Indian Agency.



Dear Mr. Paterson:

R. PAINT:

I have just been offered a particularly good value in bank paint by Lindstrom & Nilson of Kenora. They have a quantity of a line which is going out of stock, and are prepared to let me have this for \$1.95 per gallon. They would be able to sell about fifty gallons.

May I request that authority be granted for this purchase, please. Several of the farm buildings are sadly in need of paint.

Sincerely yours,
T. G. Ross
T. G. Ross,
Principal.

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REQUISITION FOR SUPPLIES

August 31st 19 50

Requisition No.

Order No.

To The Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa,
PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Res. School

VOTE 516 PRIMARY 691 OBJECT 691 DATE REQUIRED early date.

SHIP TO Principal, Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School,
Kenora, Ontario

MAIL INVOICES TO Norman Paterson, Supt. Indian Agency, Kenora.

Purpose for which required painging barn at School.

QUANTITY		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
50	gal. Red Barn Paint	1 95	97.50
As per quotation received by Principal from: Lindstrom and Nilson, Kenora, Ontario.			
Total			97.50

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 [Signature]
Norman Paterson

APPROVED—

Director

- (1) Group requisitions for equipment, supplies, and material according to commodity, i.e. books, stationery, printing, electrical goods, hardware, machinery, provisions, transportation equipment, etc.
- (2) Avoid issuing requisitions for one item, only, except in cases of emergent necessity.
- (3) Furnish exact details of product required.

Form 57A--

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September 12, 1950.

Memorandum:

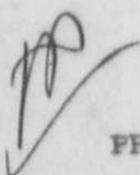
DEPARTMENTAL PURCHASING AGENT

Re: Cecilia Jeffrey Residential
School

On May 6th, 1950, we forwarded you a requisition for 1 Hobart Model A-200 Mixer, 20 qt. On the same date there was a requisition for 1 Beatty Washer, hotel size.

We do not appear to have received any purchase orders for these two items, and the Principal of the School is urging that they be supplied immediately.

Please let us know when the purchase orders will be issued.



PP/ST

Bernard F. Neary,
Supt. of Indian Education

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September 12th, 1950.

Mr. N. Paterson,
Superintendent, Indian Agency,
Kenora, Ontario.

Re: Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School
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With reference to your letter of the 31st
ultimo, the Department approves the purchase of 50
gallons of red barn paint at a cost of \$97.50.

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PP/ST

Bernard F. Neary,
Supt. of Indian Education

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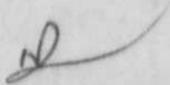
September 12th, 1950.

Mr. N. Paterson,
Superintendent, Indian Agency,
Kenora, Ontario.

Re: Cecilia Jeffrey Indian
Residential School
Your File 129/6-1-461

With reference to your letter of the 28th
ultimo enclosing a letter from the Principal regarding
a stoker, we are prepared to purchase this.

Please forward a requisition for the type of
stoker required, and you should keep in mind that
our engineer considers that a stoker having a maximum
capacity to burn ordinary stoker coal at a rate of 320
lbs. per hour will be required. You should also state
whether you require an AC or DC motor. The catalogue
number and type of stoker needed should be supplied
in order to assist our Purchasing Branch.


Bernard F. Neary,
Supt. of Indian Education

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August 24, 1950.

**Col. B. F. Heary,
Superintendent of Education.**

**Re: Cecilia Jeffery Indian Residential School,
Kenora, Ontario.
St. Mary's Indian Residential School,
Kenora, Ontario.
McIntosh Indian Residential School,
Sioux Lookout, Ontario.**

Forwarded herewith are duplicate copies of a report on each of the above institutions, prepared by Engineer Boulter of this Service following his visit to north-west Ontario in July last.

Amplification of the information will be necessary when it is decided what items should be initiated with funds included in the 1950-51 Estimates.

The drawings to which Mr. Boulter refers will serve no purpose with you; but are available in this office for any discussion that may arise.

Chas H. Buck
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Chas. H. Buck,
Chief, Engineering and
Construction Service.

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CECELIA JEFFREY

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

CORRESPONDENCE FROM NOVEMBER 1949

TO SEPTEMBER 1950

NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE

TO BE PLACED ON THIS FILE

NOTE: For subsequent correspondence relevant to the subject matter of this closed file see

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