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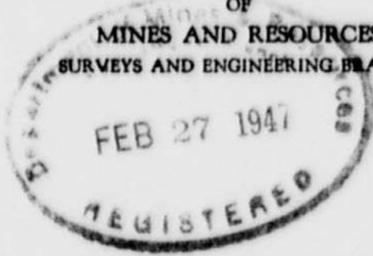
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SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH



OTTAWA

February 26, 1947.

W.A. -1

Re: Shelter to Basement Entrance,
Day School, Shubenacadie
Indian Agency, N. S.

With reference to your memorandum of the 14th ultimo, in connection with the above, we are forwarding herewith four blueprints of our drawing, Index No. 780A, Sheet No. D-4.

You will note that the Basement entrance to this school is not in the same relative position to the windows, as those at the Eskasoni School. It has therefore been necessary to somewhat revise the design of the shelter to meet conditions.

Unless advised to the contrary in the next few days, we will forward copies of this sketch to Mr. Ross at Shubenacadie and instruct him to obtain an official tender for erection by the contractor now carrying out other construction work at the Agency.

It will be necessary to furnish funds to cover the cost of erection, to the amount of the contractor's estimate.

T. S. Mills

R. A. Hoey, Esq.,
Director,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
O T T A W A.

T. S. Mills,
Chief Engineer.

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Ottawa, February 28th, 1947.

Memorandum:

DIRECTOR OF SURVEYS & ENGINEERING BRANCH

Re: Shelter to Basement Entrance, Day School,
Shubenacadie, Indian Agency, N.S.

We have your memorandum of February 26th in connection with the above, and we approve the action that you state in the third paragraph of your memorandum you intend to take.

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Borden
5/2/47

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Director.

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R.D.

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Completing school, teacher's residence, power and water system at Shubenaesdie Indian Agency - - - - - \$5,000.00

(This work is under the direction of the Surveys and Engineering Branch)

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SHUBENACADIE, N. S. March 31st 1947

Department of Mines & Resources

Ottawa, Canada.

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A. J. REID & SONS

GENERAL MERCHANTS

"DAY SCHOOL"

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| 2 | Brooms | @1.50 | 3.00 |
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Mr. Hoe;

Re your memorandum of February 13th last and for your information.
23/5/47 J.M.W. J.M.W.
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I.A. 1156-4

Ottawa. May 21, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Indian Day School,
Shubenacadie Indian Agency, N.S.

Further to recent correspondence regarding infiltration of water at points on the hipped roof of the above, Mr. Ross has reported to this Service that after careful observation he is satisfied that the leaks are caused by insufficient or faulty installation of metal flashings called for at the junctions of the roof with the two small end gables.

Since the item is one which must receive attention, Mr. Ross has been authorized to have one of the tinmiths who will shortly be carrying out sheet metal work on the new buildings at Shubenacadie, carry out the necessary work, and submit the account to the Indian Agent for payment. This procedure has been approved by the Superintendent of Welfare and Training for Indian Affairs.



J. J. Mills
Chief Engineer.

J.M. Wardle, Esq.,
Director,
Surveys and Engineering Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
OTTAWA, Ont.

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P.A.

Ottawa, June 3rd, 1947.

Memorandum:

DIRECTOR, SURVEYS & ENGINEERING BRANCH

Re: Shubenacadie Indian Day School

Mr. Emmett Morris, Acting Inspector of Indian Agencies, recommends that the plan of the cover over the entrance to the basement at the Eskasoni Indian Day School should be sent to Mr. H.C. Rice, Indian Agent, Shubenacadie, N.S., in order that a similar cover may be placed over the entrance to the basement of the Shubenacadie school.

The work can be done under the direction of Mr. Ross of your Branch. Please arrange to do this.

PP
PP/MGD

[Signature]
Director.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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[Handwritten signature]

Shubenacadie, N.S.
May 30, 1947.



Indian Affairs Branch,
Ottawa, Ont.

Re- Shubenacadie Day School.

With reference to the above. I find that this Building is in need of redecorating both inside and out. I have gone over same very thorough with Mr. Ross, and we have both come to the same conclusion regarding Gyproc being retaped and the paint is in very bad shape. Mr. Morris can also advise you regarding this as we discussed this matter the last time he was here.

I am enclosing a price submitted by R. H. Russell, who is doing the painting for the Kenney Construction Company on the present buildings here. His work is very satisfactory. Both Mr. Ross and myself agree that the price he has submitted is very fair. If other tenders are required will try and obtain same but feel where he is on the job with his equipment, etc., and the class of work that he has already done, has been very satisfactory, that his tender should be considered.

Will you kindly advise.

[Handwritten signature: H. C. Rice]

H. C. Rice,
Indian Agent.

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Kentville, N. S.
May 30th. 1947.

To H. C. Rice,
Indian Agent,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines & Resources,
Shubenacadie, N.S.

Dear Sir:

I have examined the Indian Day School on the Shubenacadie Indian Reserve and offer to do the painting required to put this Building in a first class condition as listed below and at the following prices:

Interior - 4 classrooms, halls and entrances

To clean out all old filler in joints of Gyproc, ceilings and walls.

Refill and retape all joints and make ready for painting by giving the new work sizing and two coats of paint.

Finish with one coat of paint (semi gloss enamel) over entire walls and ceilings.

Give all woodwork above floors one coat of semi gloss enamel.

Clean and revarnish floors and stairs with one coat of floor varnish.

Colors for the above to be approximately the same as at present.

Stock and labor for the sum of One thousand and fifty four dollars (\$1,054.00).

Basement - 3 rooms and lobbies.

Clean out all old filler and joints of Gyproc.

Refill and retape all joints and make ready for painting by giving the new work sizing and two coats of paint.

Finish with one coat of semi gloss enamel over

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sement cont'd - entire Gyproc walls and ceilings.
Give cement walls, woodwork and floors
one coat of paint.
Stock and labor for the sum of three hundred
& ninety dollars (\$390.00).

Exterior - All exposed woodwork including storm sash
and screens.
Give all wood finish two coats of white lead
paint.
Stock and labor for the sum of three hundred
& eighty eight dollars (\$388.00).

Total for the above (\$1832.00).

If authorized to carry out this work I would be in a position
to commence same about July 1st. 1947.

Yours truly,

R. H. Russell

R.H. Russell,
Box 395,
Kentville, N.S.

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Ottawa, June 6th, 1947.

Memorandum:

DIRECTOR, SURVEYS & ENGINEERING BRANCH

Re: Shubenacadie Indian Day School

Enclosed please find a copy of an estimate for repairs to the Shubenacadie Indian Day School.

This school was built recently and the amount of \$1,832. for repairs was not anticipated.

Your comments on this would be appreciated.


Director.

AJD/MGD

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Mr. Hoey

For your information
and attention, please.
13/6/47 J.M.W. J.M.W.

*no action
RT Morris 51-1-5*

FIXED.

I.A. 1156-4-2



*Request from Mr. Pettys
June 11, 1947
20/6/47*

MEMORANDUM

Re: Shubenacadie Indian Day School.

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With reference to Mr. Hoey's memorandum of June 3rd, and your notation thereon dated the 5th instant, you will recall that in a memorandum dated January 14th last, Mr. Hoey asked us to arrange for the installation of a cover over the basement door at the above school, according to plans and specifications used at the Eskasoni School.

As, however, the basement entrance to the Shubenacadie school is not in the same relative position to the windows as that of the Eskasoni school, it was necessary to revise the design of the shelter to meet conditions.

This we did, and four blueprints of our drawing, Index. No. 780 A, Sheet No. D3 were forwarded direct to Mr. Hoey with covering letter on February 26th last.

A copy of our letter referred to is attached for your information.

Shortly after forwarding the blueprints, Mr. Buck was requested verbally by Mr. Morris to defer action in the matter.

Regarding the first paragraph of Mr. Hoey's memorandum of the 3rd instant, it is assumed that Indian Agent Rice will be furnished with one of the blueprints already forwarded to Indian Affairs. Additional blueprints will be forwarded from this office to Mr. Ross at Shubenacadie, who will be instructed to obtain an official tender from the Kenney Construction Company, and to supervise the carrying out of the work from funds to be provided by the Indian Affairs Branch.

J.M. Wardle, Esq.,
Director,
Surveys & Engineering Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
OTTAWA.

J.M. Wardle
Chief Engineer



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File: I.A. 1156-4

February 26, 1947.

Re: Shelter to Basement Entrance,
Day School,
Shubenacadie Indian Agency, N.S.

With reference to your memorandum of the 14th ultimo, in connection with the above, we are forwarding herewith four blueprints of our drawing, Index No. 780A, Sheet No. D-3.

You will note that the Basement entrance to this school is not in the same relative position to the windows, as those at the Eskasoni School. It has therefore been necessary to somewhat revise the design of the shelter to meet conditions.

Unless advised to the contrary in the next few days, we will forward copies of this sketch to Mr. Ross at Shubenacadie and instruct him to obtain an official tender for erection by the contractor now carrying out other construction work at the Agency.

It will be necessary to furnish funds to cover the cost of erection, to the amount of the contractor's estimate.

T.S. Mills,
Chief Engineer.

R.A. Hoey, Esq.,
Director,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
OTTAWA.

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INDIAN EDUCATION

June 23, 1947.

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Completion School, Teacher's Residence, Power and
Water System at Shubenacadie Indian Agency -----

\$15,000.00

(This work is under the direction of the
Surveys and Engineering Branch)

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Ottawa, July 17th, 1947.

Mr. H.C. Rice, Indian Agent,
Shubenacadie, N.S.

The Department finds it necessary to re-
turn your voucher No. 846. The first item of the
account covers labour. It should show the dates
on which the men were employed, the number of
hours they worked and the rate per hour. The
same applies to other items covering labour.

PP

[Signature]
Bernard F. Neary
Supt. of Welfare & Training.

PP/MGD

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[Handwritten signature]

Shubenacadie, N.S.
July 23, 1947.

Indian Affairs Branch,
Ottawa, Ont.

Re: Shubenacadie Day School.

On May 30th. I wrote you regards the above being in need of redecorating both on the inside and out; also submitted a price from H. R. Russell, who is doing the painting for the Contractor on the buildings now under construction. Up to the present time I have no word from you regards this. Will you kindly advise.

[Handwritten signature: H. C. Rice]
H. C. Rice,
Indian Agent.



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EXT'D.

Ottawa, July 28th, 1947.

Mr. H.C. Rice, Indian Agent,
Shubenacadie, N.S.

With reference to your letter of July 23rd, the contents of your letter of May 30th were submitted to the Surveys and Engineering Branch.

The school was built so recently that it is difficult for us to understand why it is necessary to expend approximately \$2,000. more. We have not yet received any reply from the Surveys and Engineering Branch.

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Bernard F. Neary
Supt. of Welfare & Training.

PP/MGD

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Mr. Hoey:

I.A. 1156-4

Re your memo of June 3rd last - blueprint herewith. Mr. Mills' recommendation concurred in that Mr. Ross be authorized to build this shelter by day labour, accounts to be forwarded to you for payment. Please advise if foregoing agreeable to you.

July 25, 1947.

28/7/47

J.A.P. J.A.P.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Shelter to Basement Entrance,
Indian Day School,
Shubenacadie Agency, Nova Scotia.

In accordance with a discussion between Mr. Pounder and our Chief Architect, Mr. Ross now at Shubenacadie was requested to analyse, with a view to reducing the cost, a tender submitted by the Kenney Construction Co. Ltd., the above.

Mr. Ross has now replied to our query, advising that an error in extending his figures, had resulted in the estimate being \$111.80 too high and that the revised estimate was \$715.00.

This estimate is based on cost plus 10%, and includes a contingency amount of 10%.

Even the reduced estimate of \$715.00 appears excessive to this Service, but Mr. Ross advised that if the work is carried out, by day labour in conjunction with the erection of the water supply pump house structure, the cost may be somewhat reduced. He expects to have the latter build during the latter part of August.

It is recommended therefore, that authority be obtained for Mr. Ross to have the shelter built by day labour, under the arrangements he suggests, and that accounts for labour and materials upon his certification, be forwarded directly to the Indian Affairs Branch for payment.

The Indian Affairs Branch should be prepared to make approximately \$700 available for payment of such accounts.

If this recommendation is approved, we will issue the necessary instructions to Mr. Ross.



T. S. Mills
Chief Engineer.

J.M. Wardle, Esq.,
Director,
Surveys and Engineering Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
OTTAWA, Ont.



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▼ ~~Mr. Morris~~
7th floor
Please see
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REFER TO RICES LETTER MAY 30TH FILE 51-1-5 WITH TENDER ATTACHED FOR REDECORATING DAY SCHOOL STOP HAVE EXAMINED THE SCHOOL AND CONSIDER THAT THE WORK SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED IMMEDIATELY AS IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE BUILDING BE IN FIRST CLASS CONDITION FOR THE SCHOOL OPENING IN SEPTEMBER STOP WORK NECESSARY BECAUSE OF WEAR DURING TWO SCHOOL YEARS AS WELL AS THE QUALITY OF MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP AVAILABLE FOR WAR TIME CONSTRUCTION STOP THE COST APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS COVERS WORK LISTED IN TENDER AS WELL AS SANDING FLOORS WITH ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND TWO ADDITIONAL COATS OF VARNISH STOP THE PRICE IS REASONABLE MEN AND EQUIPMENT ARE AT THE SITE ENGINEER ROSS WILL SUPERVISE THE WORK STOP MR RICE SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED BY WIRE TO COMMENCE WORK IMMEDIATELY=

J E MORRIS



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Ottawa, August 2nd, 1947.

Memorandum:

DIRECTOR, SURVEYS & ENGINEERING BRANCH

Re: Shubenacadie Indian Day School.

Attached for your information is a copy of a telegram received from Acting Inspector J.E. Morris, with reference to the Shubenacadie day school.

In this connection I would refer you to my memorandum of June 6th to which we have received no reply.

We would appreciate it if you would let us have your comments on the necessity for this work. It appears to be a large expenditure we would be obliged to make in a school that was constructed so recently.

PP/MGD

Director

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TELEPHONE (SHOP 3069
HOUSE 3127)

TRURO, N. S. June 27 1947

M. Dept. of Indian Affairs

Shubenacadie, N.S.

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C. F. COX

AIR-CONDITION ENGINEER

STOVES, RANGES and FURNACES

COPPER, SHEET METAL WORK

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| 1947 | June 18 | To. Time at School House Flashing 9 hrs - 2 men @ \$1.05 (each) | | | | 18 | 90 |
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July 26, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Indian Day School,
Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia.

Your notation dated the 23rd ultimo, on a memorandum from Mr. Hoey of June 6th last, requests a report on the condition of the interior finish at the above.

In this connection we may comment as follows:-

It will be recalled that this school was built at a time in 1945, when subsequent delays in obtaining materials resulted in the admittance of considerable moisture to the interior of the building and as a consequence the gypsum board finish was applied over damp studding. When the building was put into use and the heating system began operation, the drying out process began and shrinkage of materials with subsequent movement caused the breaking up and expulsion of the joint filler between gypsum board sheets.

During his present assignment at Shubenacadie, our Mr. Ross noticed this condition and reported it to this office. He stated that when the joints were filled, the standard practice of applying tape over the joints before painting was not observed. It should be stated that this phase and construction was carried out while our supervising officer was unavoidably recalled to Ottawa, at which time Indian Agent Rice was endeavouring to observe and report on progress. It is evident that Mr. Rice was unable to interpret our specification.

There is no doubt that the existing situation is unpleasant and it was as the suggestion to this Service through Mr. Ross, that a tender for refilling and taping the joints was to have been obtained.

It was not our opinion however, that complete interior re-painting would need to be carried out, or hardwood floors re-varnished, although these items have been included in the tender submitted.

When Mr. Ross was in Ottawa recently, he stated that the exterior paintwork had not stood up, and that interior paintwork appeared to be an unsatisfactory job.

When it is considered that the Contractor D.A. McDonald submitted a tender for \$17,000 for this school which was accepted and that a similar school recently completed at Eskasoni cost in the neighbourhood of \$33,000, it is obvious that through his poor estimating McDonald lost money and it now appears that the paintwork is one item on which he skimmed.

The tender for refilling and taping the joints and for re-executing a large portion of the school paintwork obtained by the Indian Agent and forwarded here by

J.M. Wardle, Esq.,
Director,
Surveys and Engineering Branch,
Department of Mines and Resources,
OTTAWA.



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Mr. Ross quoting an amount of \$1832 for all items, is reasonable for the amount of work involved and the school should benefit greatly by the expenditure, however, if the joint filling and taping is carried out and painting is restricted to the necessary retouching, the price could be considerably reduced.

It is felt, however, that Indian Affairs would be well advised to authorize Indian Agent Rice to have all the work covered by the tender carried out.

While Mr. Ross could provide supervision, the accounts after certification by the Indian Agent, should be forwarded directly to the Indian Affairs Branch for payment.

When we are advised that a decision has been reached, we will issue the necessary instructions to Mr. Ross.

T. S. Mills

Chief Engineer.
TSM

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SURVEYS AND
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Ottawa, July 30, 1947.

Mr. Hoey

Re: Indian Day School,
Shubenacadie, Nova Scotia.

Reference is made to your memorandum of June 6th last to which was attached a copy of a tender from Mr. R. H. Russell for re-painting the recently constructed Indian day school at Shubenacadie and regarding which you asked for our comments.

For your information I am enclosing copy of a memorandum from Mr. Mills dated July 26th which is self-explanatory.

It would appear that during construction of the school lumber was used which was not completely dry partly due to uncontrollable circumstances. Also, it would seem that when the contractor learned he was going to lose money on the project, he skimmed on the paint job, probably on the quality of the paint, and which job may not have been sufficiently closely inspected.

The combination of these two causes has resulted in the present unsatisfactory condition. I may say that similar conditions exist in many recently erected buildings in Ottawa.

In view of all the circumstances we concur in Mr. Mills' opinion that Indian Agent Rice should be authorized to have all the work covered by Mr. Russell's tender carried out.

If you should decide to have this done and wish for supervision by Mr. Ross, will you kindly so advise us.

John A. Bunker

General Executive Assistant.

Enc.

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Indian Education

August 7, 1947

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Painting and other Repairs to the Shubenacadie Day School -- \$1,832.00

(This work being done under the supervision of the Surveys and Engineering Branch.)

MP

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*Mr Buck phoned
and advised that
painting work approved
by S & E*

19/8/47
Ottawa, August 7th, 1947.

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Memorandum:

DIRECTOR, SURVEYS & ENGINEERING BRANCH

Re: Indian Day School, Shubenacadie, N.S.

We are in receipt of Mr. Pounder's memorandum of July 30th in connection with the necessary repairs required at the above school.

Please arrange to have the repairs carried out under the supervision of your official.

We are setting up an Encumbrance for \$1,832. and we will forward copy of this to you as soon as it is received from the Treasury Branch.

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[Signature]
Director.

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