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Kenora Agency - Sioux Lookout Residential  
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Kenora Agency - Sioux Lookout Residential  
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EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM A. G. HAMILTON,  
Inspector of Indian Agencies, 538 Dominion Public Bldg.,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, dated February 16, 1945.

Original on 129-6-1

The kitchen range is apparently quite old and in need of several repair parts. I suggested to the Principal that he list the parts needed and find out if they are available; and if so, the price. The wash sink leaks and consequently dirty water has got in around the stand which holds the tubs. The result is quite a sour smell. These tanks should be renewed.

The kitchen floor is cement and very hard on the feet. If Battleship linoleum is available the floor should be covered. The full size of the kitchen is 16' x 25'. All should be covered, but if funds are not available, then the portion most essential measures 10' x 16'. This is between the kitchen range and the table where the staff member does most of the work. AA quality of linoleum should be supplied.

The boiler room was quite tidy and the equipment in fair condition. This boiler room is very cold and a lot of heat is lost even before it reaches the school. I would recommend that the roof of the room be sealed in with plaster board and gyprock insulation be used overhead. The doors should be repaired and refitted. The above improvements will save many a cord of wood and I am sure the heating of the school will not be the problem it is today.

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QUARTERLY REPORT ENDING MARCH, 1945, ON SIOUX LOOKOUT AGENCY

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Schools:

During the quarter visits were made to both the McIntosh and Sioux Lookout Indian Residential Schools. At McIntosh an attempt was made to have the children familiarize themselves with the outside pole-type fire escapes. The boys were very proficient but the girls, especially the younger ones were unable to use the escape with any degree of confidence. However, the Reverend Principal Assured me he would see to it that they had plenty of practice in future. I might add that under certain conditions in the winter months, the iron pole fire escapes are dangerous for the inexperienced.

At the Sioux Lookout School the poles are inside the building. This arrangement permits the pupils to have more practice, although the efficiency of the arrangement is open to question. At the Sioux Lookout School twenty-two of the older pupils are enrolled in the Air Cadets. They are being trained by Miss Richardson, a staff member who was previously in the Women's Division of the R.C.A.F. These boys are all greatly interested in this movement and look very smart in their uniforms.

At both Residential Schools in this Agency lack of recreational and athletic opportunities is very noticeable. I believe that much more thought should be given to this phase of school life, as the Indian children seem to enjoy sports and games even more than out own children do. Under proper supervision this would go a long way toward developing character and physique.

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G. Swartman,  
Indian Agent.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES

31st August 1945

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Requisition No. ....

Order No. ....

File: 129-6-5

To The Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa,

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF

Sioux Lookout Indian Residential School

NOTE 76 ALLOTMENT ALLOCATION SYMBOLS

SHIP TO Rev. A.B. Cheales, Principal, Sioux Lookout Indian Residential School.

Purpose for which required

| QUANTITY | DESCRIPTION                  | UNIT PRICE | TOTAL |
|----------|------------------------------|------------|-------|
| 12 ea.   | Single School Desks (Small)  |            |       |
| 12 ea.   | Single School Desks (Medium) |            |       |

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P.O. - 5272 - Sept 4/45

Vilas Furn. Co. Ltd

Essexville O.

NOTE: While the desks should be sent to the Principal, the account should be forwarded to Mr. G. Swartman, Indian Agent, Sioux Lookout, Ontario.

Blue slip mailed Sept 7/45.

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

Director

- 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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EXTRACT FROM REPORT OF J. M. RIDGE, addressed to  
Dr. Moore, dated October 1, 1945, from 30 Ferndale  
Ave., NORWOOD, Man. (Re: Treaty trip)

Original on 76-144

During the interval between treaty payments, I took the opportunity to visit Pelican School, in company with Mr. Swartman. Generally the condition of the school was good, but attention should be drawn to two features which have in one case direct, and in the other indirect relation to the physical welfare of the pupils. Firstly, the boys' dormitory and to a lesser extent the girls' are overcrowded. In the former the beds are so close that they touch at the sides. This is bad, especially where the children are as susceptible to respiratory disease and tuberculosis as are Indians. It might be possible to put up quarters outside the school for the farm employees, who at present occupy an entire upper dormitory, freeing this space for pupils. Alternatively, double-decker beds, 18" to 2' apart, would be better from a droplet-infection standpoint. Until something permanent can be done, the pupils should sleep head to foot alternately. I do not wish to be over-critical, but from the standpoint of public health the designation of a couple of three-bed rooms in Indian schools as preventoria is a travesty; if the entire residential school is not a preventorium what are we spending our money for?

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LIST OF REQUIREMENTS AT THE  
 SIOUX LOOKOUT INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

JULY, 1946

|     |   |                             |                         |
|-----|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| I,  | Paint----                                     | Light Ivory                 | 2 X 5 gal.              |
|     |   | Sky Blue                    | 1 X 5 "                 |
|     |   | For Lettuce Green           | 1 X 5 "                 |
|     |   | Cream                       | 2 X 5 "                 |
|     |   | Interior Inside Gloss White | 2 X 5 "                 |
|     |   | Pale Green                  | 1 X 5 "                 |
|     |   | Silver Grey                 | 1 X 5 "                 |
| 2,  | Oil ----                                      | Linseed Oil (Raw)           | 1 X 5 " ✓               |
|     |   | Linseed Oil (Boiled)        | 2 X 5 " ✓               |
|     |   | Turpentine                  | 2 X 5 " ✓               |
| 3,  | Floor Oil                                     | -----                       | 2 X 5 " ✓               |
| 4,  | Varnish (Floor)                               |                             | 1 X 5 " ✓               |
| 5,  | Linoleum Cement                               |                             | " 40 gal. ✓             |
| 6,  | Carpet Felt, or Hercules Sheathing            | 3 X 432 ft rools            | 3 rolls <i>auth</i>     |
| 7,  | Lime -Hard Wall Plaster                       |                             | 5 X 50 ✓                |
| 8,  | Cement ---                                    |                             | 6 X 50 ✓                |
| 9,  | Tremco, Roofing Material                      |                             | 1 X 25 gal. <i>P.O.</i> |
| 10, | Mattresses (single bed) URGENT                |                             | 2 doz.                  |
| 11, | Chairs (Dining Room) URGENT,                  |                             | 1 doz. <i>auth</i>      |
| 12, | Save Troughing                                |                             |                         |
| 13, | Roller Coaters, (for applying paint) to walls |                             | 3 only <i>auth</i>      |
| 14, | Paint Brushes                                 | -----                       | 1 --1½" <i>auth</i>     |
|     |   |                             | 2 --2" <i>auth</i>      |
|     |   |                             | 2--2½"                  |

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL  
 SIOUX LOOKOUT, ONT.

*H. B. Chealer*  
 Principal

In addition to the above will of course, be a sum sufficient to cover salary of labourers.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES  
SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH  
DOMINION WATER AND POWER BUREAU.

532 Dominion Public Bldg.,  
Winnipeg, October 26, 1946.

Re:- Indian Residential School, Sioux Lookout, Ontario.

We have your letter of the 23rd instant drawing to our notice our lack of attention to this subject.

Due to lack of personnel available in this office, we had our Resident Engineer at Keewatin accompany Mr. Swartman, Indian Agent, on an inspection of this Indian Residential School at Sioux Lookout, some six weeks ago. However, his report was not in sufficient detail to permit us to outline definitely what was considered necessary and some additional data were required. These data have now been received and we are having a plan prepared, together with an outline of what is considered necessary to overcome their difficulties. As the work will involve excavation and etc., it is not considered advisable to proceed with the same during the present fiscal year. However, an estimate of what is required together with the probable cost will be prepared and forwarded so that money can be made available early in the coming fiscal year.

(Signed) D. B. Gow.

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District Chief Engineer.

T. S. Mills, Esq.,  
Chief Engineer,  
Engineering and Construction Service,  
Department of Mines and Resources,  
Ottawa, Canada.

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