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The Indian School Administration

of the

Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada

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REV. CANON H. G. COOK, D.D.

July 6, 1949

File: S.I. 1

Mr. P. N. Phelan,
Chief, Training Division,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept. of Mines & Resources,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Phelan:


Furniture - Principal's Residence
Anglican Indian School, Sioux
Lookout, Ontario.

During my recent visit to Sioux Lookout I found that the undermentioned articles are needed in the Principal's residence.

- (a) Electric Refrigerator, Domestic type
- (b) Washing Machine, family size.
- (c) Mattresses -- Two spring-filled mattresses, full-sized double bed.
- (d) Vacuum Cleaner (to be used in the School as well as in the residence).

Can you do anything in regard to supplying the above articles this summer, please? If so we shall instruct the Principal to furnish your Mr. Swartman with particulars of type, catalogue number, etc.

Yours sincerely,


Henry G. Cook,
Superintendent.

1. Mr. [unclear]
2. J.A. Schools

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September 30, 1949

3. (NHWS)

Dr. W. J. Wood,
Medical Supt.,
Indian Health Services,
Dominion Public Bldg.,
Winnipeg, Man.

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SUB-REGISTRY
Department of Indian Affairs & Resources
Winnipeg Branch
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Dear Doctor:

On September 28th I visited the Sioux Lookout Indian residential school and made a thorough inspection.

In general there has been a vast improvement under the present principal Rev. Wilson and I was very pleased indeed with the many changes he has made and with the present attitude of both staff and children. A great deal of painting has been done with brighter colors and the building is clean, which condition has not prevailed for several years. The children's body and clothes were clean and good discipline is maintained. I had the privilege of having dinner with them and there has been a great improvement in the way the food is prepared and served. I presume the Department dentist will visit the school this Fall as there is considerable work required. I feel that the Department should make an extra effort to alter a few discrepancies in their Department now that the school is being run competently and I would like to recommend the following:

1. The road to the school should be widened so that the snow plough could pass through and keep it open in the winter. At present the road is too narrow for a snow plough.
2. There is in wet weather a continuous seepage into the basement through the foundation. Often water is 1" or 2" deep and this constitutes a real hazard to the children's health not to mention the inconvenience of working in such a condition. I think most of this water comes from the roof and I would suggest that an eaves-trough be placed around the entire building and the water from same be conducted away from the building.

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3. The boys' lavatory requires considerable work. The room itself needs plastering. The present 3 tubs should be removed as the shower room is adequate. All of the boys' toilet bowls should be removed and replaced by new ones. The present scheme is very bad and cannot be rectified. There is leakage from the present concrete toilet block which creates an odor through the building and the situation in general is unsanitary and a danger to the health of the children. This is inside work and can be done even after "freeze-up". I feel that the Department should undertake this work immediately.

4. There should be mechanical refrigeration supplied for the kitchen as the present one does not function and cannot be repaired. The large refrigerator is working well but the kitchen staff cannot go to the large refrigerator for small items as this would mean opening and closing the door of same incessantly and a low temperature could not be maintained. I would suggest that this new refrigerator be a kerosene type although the present electrical plant might possibly carry the extra work of an electric refrigerator ~~which~~ is fairly heavily loaded at present. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours very truly,

G. L. Bell

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