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Income Last Month

		Head of Household	Wife
Wages - Head of Household \$ _____	Unemployment Insurance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Wife _____	War Veterans Allowance	_____	_____
Others _____	Workmen's Compensation	_____	_____
Rentals _____	Disabled Persons Allowances	_____	_____
Fur _____	Blind Persons Allowances	_____	_____
Fish (sold) _____	Old Age Assistance	_____	_____
Handicraft _____	Old Age Security	_____	_____
Farm Produce _____	Social Security (USA)	_____	_____
Value of game, fish, etc. taken for domestic use _____	Pension (Other)	_____	_____
\$ _____	Other miscellaneous income	_____	_____
		\$ _____	\$ _____

Total income from all sources last month including evaluation of farm and garden produce or country food available but exclusive of Family Allowances \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total income for past 12 months \$ \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is your usual occupation? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Where have you worked during the past two years? \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Unemployment Insurance No. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Are you eligible for benefits? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (yes or no)
13. On what date did you last register for employment at your National Employment Office?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach Unemployment Insurance Card Form U.I.C. 711 if you have one - it will be returned to you)
14. If medically unfit, certified by whom? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
15. Are you receiving relief food assistance? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Are you eligible for Workmen's Compensation? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Name natural food sources available (wild meat, fish, berries, farm and garden produce, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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18. What equipment do you own? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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The above is a true statement and I agree to notify the person in authority of any change occurring in my income or that of my family. To the best of my knowledge, I have not concealed or omitted any information respecting the income of myself or family.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant







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# MEMORANDUM

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Indian Affairs Branch

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October 31, 1962

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FROM  
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Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation & Water Supply - Fort Rae

This will refer to previous correspondence concerning a water supply and sanitary conditions at Fort Rae.

Attached are two copies of the minutes of a meeting held at Fort Smith on October 19, 1962 to discuss this matter.

It might be noted that the road construction programme proposed for this fall will not likely be started. This will in no way interfere with the proposed delivery in the interim of trucked water, as the water points proposed are accessible by existing roads.

The responsibility accepted by Indian Affairs Branch are:

- (1) As outlined on Page 4 of minutes of meeting in Ottawa on September 21, 1962 - to provide bucket type privies for the Indian households in Fort Rae,
- (2) To ensure each Indian household has a fresh water container (preferably a 45 gal. drum), cleaned, painted with bottom spigot.

Estimates and requisitions are presently being prepared by Supt. Kerr.

The provision of waste water containers was not considered too urgent. When the interim water supply and sewage disposal systems go into effect a charge of \$50.00 per year per household is proposed. Details are to be worked out but it is felt a monthly billing of each household plus an educational programme could produce the desired results over a period of time. The Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources will accept responsibility for collection.

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The Branch will be requested to pay these charges for indigents, etc. I am requesting Mr. Kerr to assess the number of households which could fall within this category.

There are approximately 80 Indian households in Fort Rae. Charges to Indians would amount to \$4,000. per year at the minimum rate.

If the collection of charges from Indians at Fort Rae are completely unsuccessful to a large per cent, the Department of Northern Affairs will probably request assistance from the Branch to defray costs.

I am wondering if an agreement such as the one worked out for Latham Island with the town of Yellowknife might be proposed, if necessary. The Branch in this case undertook to underwrite those charges not collected from Indians for the first twelve months and thereafter accepted no responsibility. The actual per centage of Indians not paying for services was surprisingly low. Your comments regarding this would be appreciated.

An Educational Workshop as proposed was discussed at some length. Conditions at Fort Rae are exaggerated beyond any which will be encountered either at Fort Providence or Fort Norman.

In November and December - at the three settlements mentioned - few of the Indians who might be suitable delegates are available, being out of the settlement on their traplines.

Dr. Butler, Indian & Northern Health Services stated he had already recommended the workshop be deferred to a more suitable time.

The decision of the meeting was to recommend an Educational programme be started immediately with the people at Fort Rae by the local representatives of Northern Affairs & National Resources, Indian Affairs Branch and Indian & Northern Health Services. They could call on any specialists from I & N H S to assist them. This programme could be used as a pilot plan for later projects for the Fort Norman and Fort Providence people.

I shall be in Yellowknife November 1st & 2nd to discuss further with Supt. Kerr and Mr. Hawkins, District Engineer, Dept. N.A. & N.R., the details and progress of the proposals made and will advise you further on my return.



A.K. Harris

AKH DR  
Att.2

c.c. Supt. - Y'knife  
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*OK  
NFB*  
*They should pay if & rec from bill NFB.*

*This seems to be a more sensible approach - NFB.*

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REPORT OF A MEETING HELD AT 1:00 P.M., FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1962, IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE NORTHERN AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, FORT SMITH, N.W.T., TO DISCUSS HEALTH AND SANITATION AT RAE, AND OTHER SETTLEMENTS IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

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In attendance were:

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| Northern Admin. Branch:      | C.L. Merrill, Administrator of the Mackenzie (Chairman)<br>F.G. Wagner, Asst. Admin. of the Mackenzie<br>K.W. Hawkins, District Engineer<br>R.J. Green, Superintendent of Welfare<br>P. Templeton, Regional Administrator, Yellowknife<br>A. Ivasiuk, Regional Engineer, Yellowknife |
| National Health and Welfare: | Dr. K.F. Butler, Zone Superintendent<br>J. Grainge, Public Health Engineer   |
| Indian Affairs Branch:       | A.K. Harris, A/Regional Superintendent<br>K. Kerr, Indian Agent, Yellowknife   |

In his opening remarks to the meeting the Chairman reviewed briefly conditions at the settlement of Rae where the use of contaminated water had contributed to a serious outbreak of water borne diseases. He outlined the decisions reached at a meeting held on September 21 in Ottawa which was attended by representatives of the Northern Administration Branch, National Health and Welfare and the Indian Affairs Branch. Representatives at this meeting had requested that field officers of the Departments concerned make plans to implement immediate remedial measures and the Chairman observed that this basically was the purpose for today's meeting.

It was noted that trucked water and sewer systems were planned for Rae, Fort Norman and Fort Providence for 1962-63. Drawings and specifications had advanced to the point of calling for tenders when the government cut-back on expenditures suspended this action. Three systems have been included as high priority programs in 1963-64 and tenders should be called in the very near future. Provided the 1963-64 Estimates are tabled early in 1963, all three systems should be in operation by the end of next summer.

Immediate remedial measures were now called for at Rae however and the Chairman listed the following points that he suggested should be given careful consideration by the meeting.

1. Essential services required to alleviate sanitation problems at Rae.
2. A review of equipment and facilities required for the immediate introduction of essential sanitary services.
3. The integration of immediate remedial measures with the established plans for sanitation in the settlement.
4. An examination of costs and of cost sharing aspects of the proposed program.
5. The consideration of training workshops for local residents to familiarize them with the facilities to be provided and the policies involved.

Essential Services - The meeting in reviewing services required in the immediate future considered that the following were necessary:

- (a) A trucked water system
- (b) A source of pure water

- (c) A trucked sewage and possibly garbage pick-up system
- (d) A suitable location for depositing sewage and garbage
- (e) A system of roads to facilitate the trucking operations

Equipment and Facilities - The meeting next considered how the essential services might be provided. Northern Administration representatives advised that a government owned vehicle, that could be converted into a water truck, was now available. Several modifications would be required but these could be undertaken without too much difficulty. The meeting decided that this unit should be assigned the task of providing trucked water for Rae.

In examining various sources of water, consideration was given to the use of a well point in Marian Lake, Stagg River and nearby springs. Before a final decision is reached a further check will be made on the relative quality of these sources and treatment that must be given the water before it can be used.

Completion of the proposed road construction program for Rae would play an important part in the provision of trucked services. The District Engineer advised that approval had just been received to proceed with this construction and if the present fine weather holds this work would be completed in a relatively short time.

It was decided that the water truck would convey water to three heated water storage points. Individuals would draw their water from these points as required. Later, when it might be possible to provide added service, deliveries could be made to individual households.

Indian Affairs representatives advised that they would acquire the necessary barrels to be used as water containers. These barrels would be trucked by Northern Affairs from Yellowknife to Rae where residents of the settlement would convert the barrels into water containers, which would be painted on the inside and provided with a cover, spigot and stand. Northern Affairs would arrange for the barrels to be steamed.

In considering sewage disposal the Committee noted that there would be many problems to overcome. Indian Affairs advised that they would finance and arrange for the construction of individual privies for each Indian residence at Rae. These privies would utilize buckets and plastic bags. The homes are small and indoor facilities were not recommended. Northern Affairs officers reported that a truck could likely be obtained for the pick-up service that would be necessary and various configurations for this unit were discussed. It appeared that a steel truck box would be required to pick up the frozen sewage in winter and that a tank arrangement would be necessary for the summer. A suitable sewage dump outside the settlement had already been located. The meeting noted that priority should be given to a pure water supply and the possibility of postponing a temporary sewage pick-up system until the main program was introduced next summer was reviewed briefly. The meeting agreed that emergency sewage arrangements if implemented would not be designed to accommodate garbage or waste water.

It was considered that contamination from waste would still be a problem even after emergency sanitary services were installed and that a safe water supply was much more important than sewage disposal at this settlement. However, the committee favoured proceeding with facilities for sewage disposal.

Integration of temporary plans into permanent installation - It appeared that there would be no difficulty in extending the trucked water system from delivery to supply points only, to the homes of the residents. This would of course increase the cost of the service and some adjustment in the rates charged would be necessary.

The road system planned for this fall for Rae would be the system necessary to provide for home delivery and pick-up services and therefore would require no future modification.

Sewage and garbage disposal posed a much bigger problem but it appeared to the meeting that a basic sewage pick-up system could be expanded by acquiring additional equipment to accommodate garbage, waste water and sanitary privies.

It was agreed that emergency measures arrived at to meet the immediate problem should fit in well with long range planning and it appeared that in most respects the proposals made would meet this requirement.

In outlining the plans for the permanent installation of trucked water and sewage systems for the community, the District Engineer explained that plans and specifications had been established by a consultant. Water was to be provided from a reservoir located in Marian Lake and sewage would be disposed of through a sewage treatment plant and a lagoon. Some rather serious questions were raised on the consultant's recommendations by Mr. Grainger. He particularly questioned the quality of the water that might be found in a reservoir located in the lake and the necessity for a sewage treatment plant. The Chairman suggested that any recommendations on these or other points would be most welcome and that there was still time to alter the plans if this appeared desirable.

Capital and Maintenance Costs and Service Charges - It was agreed that the Indian Affairs Branch would arrange for the construction and equipping of privies and for the supply of suitable water containers with the residents of the settlement to supply as much labour as possible toward the construction and provision of these items. Northern Affairs would provide the necessary trucks, operators and maintenance facilities and would establish an appropriate water source as well as a sewage disposal field. The District Engineer was asked to prepare cost estimates for these items as soon as possible.

The meeting recommended that the cost of the proposed basic services would be \$50 per year per family. This would provide for water being trucked to delivery points and for sewage pick-up from privies. Every effort would be made through a public relations and education program to impress upon residents the advantages that they derive from the new programs and that the necessary charges represent a normal part of community development.

As the trucked water, sewage and garbage disposal programs become further refined it was the opinion of the meeting that it would be necessary to increase the basic charge of fifty dollars to a point where the improved services could be justified. It was agreed that no home should be denied the services because the occupants were unable to pay their way. It would be emphasized that if the full amount of \$50 could not be paid a portion of this amount relative to the individual's ability to pay would be quite acceptable. It was clear however that local residents must generally pay their way and that we would have to be very strict in this regard.

Educational Workshops - The timing, location and sponsorship of educational workshops was discussed at some length. It was decided that initially, only one workshop be held and that this would be arranged with the problems at Rae primarily under consideration. The meeting would be held in Yellowknife in December or early in the new year and would be directed by Mr. Templeton of Northern Affairs, Mr. Kerr of Indian Affairs and Dr. Kinloch of Northern Health Services. They would be responsible for developing a suitable workshop program, making contact with representatives of the Rae community to attend and

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arranging for any specialist who they might wish to be in attendance as advisors. The timing of the meeting would coincide with the presence in Rae of the maximum number of residents.

It was decided that it was too early at this time to bring in representatives from Fort Providence and Fort Norman and that the emergency measures being developed for Rae were not too applicable to the program proposed for the other two locations. It was suggested that after the initial experiences from the Rae operation had been reviewed and studied further, meetings or workshops with representatives from Fort Providence and Fort Norman could be held. These subsequent meetings would benefit from the initial workshop and the experiences gained at Rae which would be considered as a pilot operation.

Mr. Grainger voiced the opinion that by establishing a pure water supply approximately 80% of the health problem at Rae would be solved, with improved sewage and garbage facilities an improvement of about 10% could be expected, but a total abatement of the problem would require the relocation of the entire community. The wastes from over 500 dogs in the settlement was cited as a particularly difficult problem to meet.

#### Summary of Recommendations

The Chairman summarized the actions recommended by the committee as follows:

1. Northern Affairs would undertake to provide a suitable water truck and to construct three heated water points. It was expected that this might be accomplished within six weeks.
2. Investigations would commence immediately by Northern Affairs to determine the type of equipment necessary for a trucked sewage program. Sewage would be removed from privies and would be hauled to a disposal field adjacent to the settlement.
3. Indian Affairs would undertake to make suitable indoor storage facilities available for pure water and would also arrange for the construction of privies. Local residents at Rae would be asked to contribute labour for the provision of these items.
4. A rate of \$50 per residence would be established for the basic services that would be initially provided. As further services are made available this basic charge would be increased.
5. A workshop will be held in Yellowknife under the direction of a committee representing the three Government Agencies concerned. This workshop would deal primarily with the problem at Rae and would be held in co-operation with local residents.
6. Northern Affairs, Indian Affairs and the workshop committee should feel free to call at any time on Northern Health Services for technical advice and advisory services on medical matters and public health.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



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Indian Affairs Branch

# MEMORANDUM

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October 24, 1962

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Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation & Water Supply - Fort Rae

*W.H. McSk  
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Carter's letter on Oct. 19  
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of the decision  
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This will refer to a letter dated October 12, 1962 from the Director regarding sanitation problems at Fort Rae.

A meeting was held in Fort Smith at 1 PM Friday, October 19th with Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources and Indian & Northern Health Services representatives, Indian Affairs being represented by Mr. Harris and Supt. Kerr. The minutes are presently being typed and will be forwarded in the next day or so.

Briefly the recommendations made are as follows:

Northern Affairs will provide as soon as possible,

- (1) Potable water trucked to several water points in Fort Rae,
- (2) Sewage disposal by suitable truck to a lagoon.

Indian Affairs Branch will accept the responsibility of,

- (1) Seeing each Indian household is provided with a suitable water container,
- (2) Seeing that adequate bucket type privies are available for each Indian household.

These interim proposals would in no way interfere with the permanent water and sewage disposal systems proposed.

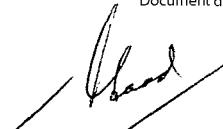
The services proposed would be offered at a cost of \$50.00 per year per household. This is a minimum cost. Payment would be encouraged but not pressed. The principle of payment for services was to be upheld but services would not be denied for non-payment.

The question of a workshop was discussed. The time suggested was most inopportune. Few families remain in the settlements at this time and the most suitable delegates, those with influence particularly will be on their traplines and would not be returning to the settlements until Christmas. It was also mentioned by Dr. Butler ( I. & N.H.S.) that Miss Martens would

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possibly not be available until later also. It was suggested that Fort Rae be used as a pilot project and a local work shop or educational programme be started immediately at Fort Rae. A local committee of Mr. Templeton, Regional Administrator, Yellowknife; Superintendent Kerr; Dr. Kinlock, Medical Officer Fort Rae (also a Doctor of Public Health) and Mr. J. Atkinson, Public Health Nurse, Yellowknife were to formulate and institute an educational programme for Fort Rae.

Supt. Kerr will be submitting costs for the provision of water containers and privies.

Forty-five (45) gallon drums are available without cost in Yellowknife and the Department of N.A. & N.R. will co-operate in transporting them to Fort Rae. Local Indian labour can be utilized to cut tops off and clean. It will be necessary to purchase paint, material for tops and spigots. Supt. Kerr will be forwarding requisitions for these materials - also for the construction of bucket type privies.

Upon receipt of the minutes of the meeting each point will be dealt with in detail.

The above is for your information in the meantime.

Attached is a copy of a letter dated October 18, 1962 from Superintendent Kerr and a copy of a letter dated October 9, 1962 from Dr. Kinlock, Medical Officer, Fort Rae, regarding a further death which has occurred at Fort Rae.



A.K. Harris

AKH DR  
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c.c. Supt. - Y'knife

*Costs can be met from privies*  
*W.P. 29/10/62*



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Report of a Meeting held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, September 21, 1962, in the Board Room of the Northern Administration Branch, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to discuss Health and Sanitation at Aas and similar Settlements in the Northwest Territories

In attendance were:

Northern Admin. Branch:

- Mr. F.A.G. Carter, Asst. Director
- Mr. W.G. Brown, Chief, Territorial Division
- Mr. C.W. Gilchrist, Territorial Division
- Mr. A.B. Connelly, Chief, Engineering Division
- Mr. A.H. Yates, Engineering Division
- Mr. C.C. Johnson, Engineering Division
- Mr. W. Rudnicki, Chief, Welfare Division
- Mr. T.J. Stewart, Welfare Division
- Mr. A.H. Crawford, Welfare Division

National Health and Welfare:

*South Branch*

- Dr. J.S. Willis, Chief, Northern Health Division
- Dr. G. Graham-Cunning, Co-Ordinator, Public Health Services
- Mr. W.R. Edmonds, A/Chief, Public Health Engineering
- Miss E.G. Martens, Health Educator
- Miss L.J. Whiteford, A/Principal Nursing Officer

Indian Affairs Branch:

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- Mr. W.J. Brennan, Indian Agencies Division
- Mr. G.J. Bowen, Engineering Division

Mr. Carter acted as Chairman and Mr. Gilchrist as Secretary.

The meeting was convened to consider improvements in the sanitary conditions at the Settlement of Aas where the use of contaminated water had contributed to a serious outbreak of dysentery which claimed six lives and hospitalized over 100 residents. The health and sanitary conditions in Fort Providence and Fort Norman were also reviewed.

The Settlement of Aas is located on the shore of Marian Lake approximately 70 <sup>miles</sup> northwest of Yellowknife. The permanent population is made up of 300 Indians and 30 Whites. Health facilities consist of a Mission Hospital staffed by nurses with a Medical Officer of the Department of National Health and Welfare in attendance. The present Medical Officer has been trained in Public Health. The terrain of the settlement has very little soil for seepage and most of the surface water drains into the lake. As there is no organized sewage or garbage disposal in the settlement, the lake water becomes contaminated and is at its worst following spring break-up.

The Northern Administration Branch had placed before the Inter-departmental Committee on Federal-Territorial Financial Relations the need for trucked water and sewer systems in many settlements in the North. Branch officers, supported by Northern Health Service, were able to obtain agreement from the Interdepartmental Committee that the standard of service to be provided for most communities in the Northwest Territories would consist of a system that delivered potable water to homes and collected and disposed of sewage by tank-truck.

The Territorial Government was designated as the authority for initiating such systems but the Federal Government also recognized that the high cost of northern construction and operation made it economically impossible for local residents and the Territorial Government to finance adequate systems. The Federal Government was also anxious to have water and sewage facilities available for its own installations. Rather than install its own system and have two standards in a community, the Federal Government agreed to financial support for water and sewer systems on the following basis:

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- (1) the Federal Government to assume 100% of the capital and operating costs for its own installations;
- (2) the Federal and Territorial Governments to assume 50% of all capital and operating costs for local residents provided the charges to the residents do not fall below certain reasonable levels. The split between the Federal and Territorial Governments will be governed by the ethnic origin of the local residents - Federal assuming the share of Indians and Eskimos and the Territorial all other;
- (3) the Federal Government to be responsible for individual Indians and Eskimos who cannot meet their share of the cost; and
- (4) the Territorial Government to be responsible for other individuals who cannot meet their share of the cost.

The Interdepartmental Committee agreed that 10 such systems would be installed during the five-year period covered by the financial agreement at an average cost of \$90,000 per system. Three of these systems, for Rae, Fort Norman and Fort Providence, were planned for 1962-63. Drawings and specifications had advanced to the point of calling for tenders when the Government cut-back on expenditures suspended further action. The three systems have been included as high priority programs in 1963-64 and tenders will be called in the very near future. Provided the 1963-64 estimates are tabled early in 1963, all three systems should be in operation by the end of next summer - not much later than the original plan. In addition the Branch hopes to start work on a system at Tuktoyaktuk in 1963-64.

Officers of the Northern Health Service commended and supported the program for trucked water and sewer systems. What was also needed was an improved and stepped-up health education program so that maximum advantage of the facilities would result. The interior or home facilities still had to be provided. Minimum requirements in the home would be a sanitary privy of the bucket type that could be used with disposable plastic bags or cartons, a suitable container for potable water - such as a cleaned and sterilized oil drum with a tight-fitting cover and a spigot, and a tank for the collection of waste wash water. The present program of health education through public health nurses and schools has not been too effective and in any event has not prepared the local residents for community sanitary services such as a water and sewer system.

Indian and Northern Health Services had developed a Community Health Worker Program for Indians in Manitoba that is proving effective. Under the program, 13 Indians had been selected from reserves in Manitoba, primarily for their leadership abilities. This group gathered health statistics and opinions from other Indians on their reserve for a period of two months and came to the training program with some idea of what was required in their own areas. The training program of 6 - 7 months includes instruction in basic skills in teaching, organization and special training. Women are trained as assistants to the public health nurse and men are trained in sanitation with particular reference to clean water supply and disposal of waste.

The trainees return to the reserves as Community Health Workers where the Indians are reported to accept them willingly. Improvement has been shown in the number of privies being built - the boiling and chlorinating of water and an increase in pre-natal and post-natal care of mothers. The trainees are presently hired as casual employees and if the satisfactory results continue, the Department intends to ask for Civil Service positions for these people and to expand the program. The Health Services Plan, N.W.T., 1962-67 provides for the training and employment of 31 such Health workers.

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As an adjunct and follow-up of the trainee's work the Health Department is also holding workshops of approximately a week's duration at convenient centres. Groups of Indians are brought in to discuss health and sanitation on their reserves. Transportation is usually provided by Indian Affairs Branch and costs are kept as low as possible by billeting the Indians in a hospital, if space is available, or in an Indian village. The professional staff of N.H. & W. operate both the training courses and the workshops and other costs are met by either Indian Affairs or N.H. & W.

A workshop is to be held at Edmonton in early November and could take one or two Indians from Rae for training. However, since Fort Norman and Fort Providence are in a similar position to Rae with a new water and sewer system to be introduced, residents of these areas would also benefit from workshop training. As it was not possible to add any more members to the Edmonton workshop, Indian and Northern Health Services will try to organize a workshop at Fort Smith or Yellowknife in late November or early December for Indians in the Mackenzie District. The details of cost will be worked out between Northern Affairs and Indian Affairs Branch.

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Report of a Meeting held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, September 21,  
1962, in the Board Room of the Northern Administration Branch,  
Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to  
discuss Health and Sanitation at Rae and similar Settlements  
in the Northwest Territories

In attendance were:

Northern Admin. Branch: Mr. F.A.G. Carter, Asst. Director  
Mr. W.G. Brown, Chief, Territorial Division  
Mr. C.W. Gilchrist, Territorial Division  
Mr. A.B. Connelly, Chief, Engineering Division  
Mr. A.B. Yates, Engineering Division  
Mr. C.O. Johnson, Engineering Division  
Mr. W. Rudnicki, Chief, Welfare Division  
Mr. T.J. Stewart, Welfare Division  
Mr. A.M. Crawford, Welfare Division

National Health and Welfare: Dr. J.S. Willis, Chief, Northern Health Division  
Dr. G. Graham-Cunning, Co-Ordinator, Public  
Health Services  
Mr. W.R. Edmonds, A/Chief, Public Health Engineering  
Miss E.G. Martens, Health Educator  
Miss L.J. Whiteford, A/Principal Nursing Officer

Indian Affairs Branch: Mr. W.J. Brennan, Indian Agencies Division  
Mr. G.J. Bowen, Engineering Division

Mr. Carter acted as Chairman and Mr. Gilchrist as Secretary.

The meeting was convened to consider improvements in the sanitary conditions at the settlement of Rae where the use of contaminated water had contributed to a serious outbreak of dysentery which claimed six lives and hospitalized over 100 residents. The health and sanitary conditions in Fort Providence and Fort Norman were also reviewed.

The Settlement of Rae is located on the shore of Marian Lake approximately 70/miles northwest of Yellowknife. The permanent population is made up of 300 Indians and 50 Whites. Health facilities consist of a Mission Hospital staffed by nurses with a Medical Officer of the Department of National Health and Welfare in attendance. The present Medical Officer has been trained in Public Health. The terrain of the settlement has very little soil for seepage and most of the surface water drains into the lake. As there is no organized sewage or garbage disposal in the settlement, the lake water becomes contaminated and is at its worst following spring break-up.

The Northern Administration Branch had placed before the Inter-departmental Committee on Federal-Territorial Financial Relations the need for trucked water and sewer systems in many settlements in the North. Branch officers, supported by Northern Health Services, were able to obtain agreement from the Interdepartmental Committee that the standard of service to be provided for most communities in the Northwest Territories would consist of a system that delivered potable water to homes and collected and disposed of sewage by tank-truck.

The Territorial Government was designated as the authority for initiating such systems but the Federal Government also recognized that the high cost of northern construction and operation made it economically impossible for local residents and the Territorial Government to finance adequate systems. The Federal Government was also anxious to have water and sewage facilities available for its own installations. Rather than install its own system and have two standards in a community, the Federal Government agreed to financial support for water and sewer systems on the following basis:

- (1) the Federal Government to assume 100% of the capital and operating costs for its own installations;
- (2) the Federal and Territorial Governments to assume 50% of all capital and operating costs for local residents provided the charges to the residents do not fall below certain reasonable levels. The split between the Federal and Territorial Governments will be governed by the ethnic origin of the local residents - Federal assuming the share of Indians and Eskimos and the Territorial all other;
- (3) the Federal Government to be responsible for individual Indians and Eskimos who cannot meet their share of the cost; and
- (4) the Territorial Government to be responsible for other individuals who cannot meet their share of the cost.

The Interdepartmental Committee agreed that 10 such systems would be installed during the five-year period covered by the financial agreement at an average cost of \$90,000 per system. Three of these systems, for Rae, Fort Norman and Fort Providence, were planned for 1962-63. Drawings and specifications had advanced to the point of calling for tenders when the Government cut-back on expenditures suspended further action. The three systems have been included as high priority programs in 1963-64 and tenders will be called in the very near future. Provided the 1963-64 Estimates are tabled early in 1963, all three systems should be in operation by the end of next summer - not much later than the original plan. In addition the Branch hopes to start work on a system at Tuktoyaktuk in 1963-64.

Officers of the Northern Health Service commended and supported the program for trucked water and sewer systems. What was also needed was an improved and stepped-up health education program so that maximum advantage of the facilities would result. The interior or home facilities still had to be provided. Minimum requirements in the home would be a sanitary privy of the bucket type that could be used with disposable plastic bags or cartons, a suitable container for potable water - such as a cleaned and sterilized oil drum with a tight-fitting cover and a spigot, and a tank for the collection of waste wash water. The present program of health education through public health nurses and schools has not been too effective and in any event has not prepared the local residents for community sanitary services such as a water and sewer system.

Indian and Northern Health Services had developed a Community Health Worker Program for Indians in Manitoba that is proving effective. Under the program, 13 Indians had been selected from reserves in Manitoba, primarily for their leadership abilities. This group gathered health statistics and opinions from other Indians on their reserve for a period of two months and came to the training program with some idea of what was required in their own areas. The training program of 6 - 7 months includes instruction in basic skills in teaching, organization and special training. Women are trained as assistants to the public health nurse and men are trained in sanitation with particular reference to clean water supply and disposal of waste.

The trainees return to the reserves as Community Health Workers where the Indians are reported to accept them willingly. Improvement has been shown in the number of privies being built - the boiling and chlorinating of water and an increase in pre-natal and post-natal care of mothers. The trainees are presently hired as casual employees and if the satisfactory results continue, the Department intends to ask for Civil Service positions for these people and to expand the program. The Health Services Plan, N.M.T., 1962-67 provides for the training and employment of 31 such Health Workers.

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C O P Y.

Rae, NWT.  
October 9, 1962.

Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone,  
Northern Health Services,  
12702 - 114 Avenue,  
EDMONTON. Alberta.

Subject : Shigellosis at Rae.

The approach of winter and the exodus of many from the settlement to the hunting rounds has resulted in a drop in the actual numbers of new cases, if not in the incidence; but the cases which do occur are severe. A seventh death due to the disease, and an eighth where it was a contributing factor have occurred. Both were under two years. A further two infants are critically ill.

How many more will die before we receive some support in instituting effective preventive measures ?

Sgd. David R. Kinloch M.D., D.P.H.  
Medical Officer, Rae.

cc: P. Templeton, Northern Affairs and National Resources, Yellowknife.  
K. Kerr, Indian Affairs, Yellowknife.

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# MEMORANDUM

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TO : Officer in Charge, District of Mackenzie  
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YOUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
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OUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
Notre dossier

FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency  
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DATE

October 18, 1962.

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SUBJECT : Sanitation Conditions - Fort Rae.  
Sujet

I attach for your information a copy of memorandum as received from Dr. D. Kinloch, M.D., D.P.H., Medical Health Officer, Fort Rae.

Dr. Kinloch advises that on October 9 there had been eight deaths which could be attributed to existing sanitation conditions at Fort Rae.

For your information.

K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

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Copy for Mr. W. Brennan.



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NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

CANADA  
DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

OF  
NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

OTTAWA, October 19, 1962.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. C.L. BRILL,  
Administrator of the Mackenzie,  
Fort Smith, N.W.T.

Trucked Water and Sewer Systems in the Mackenzie  
Health and Sanitary Conditions in Settlements

In my memorandum of October 3, 1962, I referred to a sanitation "Workshop" that the Department of National Health and Welfare hoped to organize for selected representatives from Rae, Fort Norman and Fort Providence. Whatever planning can be done here has advanced rapidly and we now require a great deal of assistance from you to make local arrangements.

Our thinking on the "Workshop" is as follows:

**Time:** The Workshop will last approximately 5 days and Miss Martens and the two other instructors from National Health and Welfare can go to the Territories to conduct the Workshop during any of the 3 weeks commencing November 19, November 26 or December 3 next, and in that order of preference.

**Delegates:** Experience has shown that conflict often results when several delegates are selected from the same Settlement and the value of the program is nullified or greatly reduced. Each Settlement will, therefore, be limited to 3 delegates - probably 2 men and one woman. Delegates will attend from Rae, Fort Providence, Simpson and Fort Norman.

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Three or four delegates will also be asked to attend from the community in which the Workshop is held.

It is expected that all of the delegates will be Indians and Indian Affairs Branch is asking its local agents to select the delegates after consultation with field officers of this Branch and of Northern Health Services.

**Location:** The location will be determined primarily by the availability of reasonable living accommodation and a meeting room or rooms in which to conduct the workshop. Room and board will be required for 12 delegates and if a hostel or other institution is not available lodging may be found in local residences or the hotel. The meeting place will have to be large enough to permit the showing of slides and films to the sixteen delegates and also have space available for observers who do not take part in the discussions. The meeting place should be large enough to permit the delegates to break up into 3 or 4 groups for discussion. The meeting room should be equipped with chairs and several tables for the discussion groups.

The two locations we considered are Fort Smith and Yellowknife with Yellowknife favored as the more central. If held at Yellowknife, the old Liquor Store would make a suitable meeting place provided the remodelling is not in progress.

**Transportation:** Air transportation will be required for the delegates from Fort Lorman and Fort Simpson and possibly from Fort Providence. This matter should be discussed with the Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies at Fort Smith as the Indian Affairs Branch will be responsible for getting the delegates to the workshop. It is expected that

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representatives of Indian Affairs Branch and Northern Health Services stationed at Fort Norman and Fort Simpson will attend the workshop and provision should be made for these 4 people on any flight from Fort Simpson and Fort Norman.

**Costs:** The Department of National Health and Welfare will meet all of the Instructors' Costs. Indian Affairs Branch will look after the cost of travel to get the delegates to and from the Workshop and we will use Vocational Training funds to maintain the delegates during the Workshop course and to meet incidental expenses of operating the Workshop.

The above is all of the information we have at this time but should be sufficient to enable you to make some firm arrangements. Your immediate task will be to determine the best location and date for the Workshop. The Regional Supervisor of Indian agencies is being asked to select delegates as quickly as possible and he will have to know the time and location of the Workshop to do this.

Miss Martens of the Health Services should be in Fort Smith later this month and will get in touch with you to discuss problems and details. In the meantime, if you require any further information, please let me know.

Please let me have reports on your progress in planning for this workshop.

  
Director.

MINUTES OF A MEETING

held  
in Board Room, Booth Building  
on  
October 3, 1962

Present:	Mr. W.J. Brennan	-	Indian Affairs Branch
	Miss Margaret Payne	-	" " "
	Mr. C.W. Gilchrist	-	Northern Affairs
	Mr. A. Martin	-	" "
	Mr. T.D. Stewart	-	" "
	Dr. G. Graham-Cumming-		Medical Services, Dept. of National Health & Welfare
	Miss E. Martens	-	" " "

Purpose of Meeting:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the details of a workshop in sanitation to be held in the Northwest Territories as decided at a meeting on September 21st, when the sanitation facilities at Fort Rae and other communities in the Mackenzie were discussed by representatives from the three Departments.

Location and Dates:

After much discussion, it was decided to recommend a five-day workshop to be held in Yellowknife, not later than the week of December 3. The week of November 19th or 26th would be preferable to Medical Services' personnel. It was agreed to advise the local field staff accordingly and request they determine the final selection of dates.

Composition

It was proposed to have 16 delegates, three from each of the following settlements: Fort Simpson, Fort Norman and Fort Rae and four from Yellowknife (two from the settlement at the end of town and two from the reserve across the lake). Where three delegates were to be selected, it was suggested that there be two men and one woman -- preferably including a married couple, one of the men to be the Chief or head of the community.

It was agreed to ask the local field staff to discuss selection of delegates with the local leaders immediately.

Attendance at sessions of Administrative Personnel:

If possible, the representative of the Indian Affairs Branch, Northern Affairs Administration Branch, and of the Northern Health Services should attend sessions as observers in order to be well informed of discussion and therefore in a better position to lend support to the

delegates or representatives on their return to their communities.

Administrative and Financial Arrangements:

It was agreed that Mr. Merrill, Northern Administrator, should be asked to act as general co-ordinator.

The Northern Administration Branch would be responsible for providing suitable accommodation for the delegates and a suitable meeting place for the Workshop. In this connection the possibility of the Gold Range Hotel should be investigated. At least two rooms would be necessary for the meeting place, one for the observers and staff to meet in for discussion, while the Indians discussed their problems in the other.

The Indian Affairs Branch would assume the main responsibility for arranging the selection of delegates and the major cost of transporting them to Yellowknife.

The Department of National Health and Welfare would provide staff to conduct the Workshop and meet the cost of transporting them and other Medical Services personnel attending. If one chartered plane can be arranged, all co-operating Departments will share the cost in proportion to the number of personnel transported for which each is individually responsible.

Preliminary Discussions:

Local field staff are to be requested to start planning discussions immediately. Miss Martens, Health Educator, Medical Services, will be available in Edmonton and area as from 22nd October and proposes to contact the staff at Fort Smith early in November.

Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

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Chief, Agencies Division

Sanitation & Water Supply - Fort Rae

October 19, 1962

I wish to thank you for your letter of October 16th to which was attached the front page of 'News of the North' of October 11th reporting on the situation at Fort Rae.

No doubt you have already received the Director's letter of October 12th advising you of the proposed sanitation workshop to be held at Yellowknife either during the week of November 26th or the week of December 3rd. I expect Mr. Morrill, who has been appointed co-ordinator for this project, will be getting all interested parties together to discuss details.

In the same issue of the 'News of the North' and directly opposite the editorial on the Fort Rae situation, I noticed an article referring to the missing plane from Ptarmigan Airways. Many of us here who have had an opportunity of visiting the Northwest Territories, especially the Director, were very well acquainted with Mr. Ken Stockall, the pilot, and we were indeed sorry to hear that he was included among the missing. We would certainly appreciate receiving any additional details on this incident if they are available, as I am sure the Director will be very interested.

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L.L. Brown

# MEMORANDUM

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Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

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Sanitation & Water Supply - Fort Rae

This will refer to your letter of October 3, 1962 and the Director's letter of October 12th regarding the water supply and sanitation at Fort Rae.

A meeting has been scheduled by Mr. Merrill, Administrator of the Mackenzie, for 7 p.m. Friday, October 19, 1962. Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources officials from Yellowknife and Fort Smith, officials from Indian & Northern Health Services will be attending to discuss this problem. I will be present myself and arrangements have been made for Superintendent Kerr to attend.

For your information I am attaching the front page of the 'News of the North' of October 11th on which is an editorial by Mr. Horton, the editor, entitled "Death takes no holiday at Rae".

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

A.K. Harris

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c.c. Supt. = Y'knife

# Death takes no holiday at Rae ◀ Still missing ▶

(News Editorial)

Seven have died at Fort Rae since June directly or indirectly as a result of drinking the water available there to the native people.

Five of the deaths are the direct result of the contaminated water and the two others can be traced to it, since each was a patient suffering from some other disease whose resistance had been so weakened by dysentery caused by the water that they could not fight back long enough.

There is nothing new about this---doctors, sanitary engineers, health officials and others have protested loud and long---and warned something like this was sure to happen. And now it has.

It is comforting to be told that a meeting was held in Ottawa last week to talk about the problem---but meetings in Ottawa do not really supply the water truck which should be used to bring the people fresh spring water.

Just at this time the Government of Canada and the people of Canada are spending thousands of dollars in an effort to find four missing men in the Nahanni Valley and no one begrudges the expenditure---and the eyes of Canada watch this because its dramatic.

But there's nothing dramatic about an Indian dying of dysentery, so Canada is indifferent it seems. It would take only a modest expenditure to save this situation and perhaps countless other lives.

Where is the money?

## NEWS from Discovery

By Vince McCaffrey

It is our pleasure to extend the hospitality of Discovery to Mrs. Gunther Rahn, who arrived on Saturday to take up residence here. Mrs. Rahn a newcomer from Germany was accompanied by her husband who has been a long time Discovery employee on her flight from Edmonton.

Miss Christa Nendsa spent the week end at the home of her parents. She is a student at the Federal School in Yellowknife.

Barbara Salo, also a student in Yellowknife spent the Thanksgiving Holiday with her mother here.

Culinary expert Pat Graham will be out of circulation for the next three months. He is now a patient at the Stanton Hospital, after being flown Friday to the Gold Metropolis with a troublesome ticker.

Another Discoveryite of renown has returned to the mine after a long absence spent mostly at Rayrock. Sam (Dr Sam) Huydena, with his store house of dry wit and humor, will be a very interesting addition to Discovery's underground crew.

High on the list of Discovery's Glamour Boys, Speed Taylor spent a couple of days in the Gold Metropolis during the past week.

Jake Artuso, who has been convalescing in Yellowknife for the past week is now back at Discovery.

In a Ceremony at the YK court house Eleanore Kleine was awarded her citizenship papers. Eleanore has spent her entire stay in Canada as a resident of Discovery. The good wishes of all at Discovery go out to her for a long and prosperous life in the land of Hera's adoption.

Dr. Case made the regular monthly visit of the Yellowknife medical fraternity to the mine last Friday.

With the arrival of NWT Election meastro, Brief Case Bob Borden the traditional peace and quiet of No2 bunkhouse has erupted into volcanic perforations.

Funeral services for Ernestine Lockhart 8 month old daughter of Chief and Mrs. J. Lockhart of Snowdrift were held from St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church on Tuesday morning. The child died in the Stanton Yellowknife on Friday.

Mrs. Vic Searle left Monday for Edmonton where she will take a course in teaching retarded children.

R. Yaegan, L. Wrigglesworth and George Dundas of Giant Mines motored to Edmonton last weekend to attend the football game.

Mrs. N. Belrose and children Laurie and Debbie-Lou leave on October 20th, for their home in Fort St James after visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lessard.

## Speaking of mosquitos

There's an intriguing scientific note in the latest issue of the Arctic Circle, published in Ottawa, which tells of research carried out on Ellesmere Island during the summer.

There are quite a few bugs to plague the few people who dwell on that austere land. S. Windisch, a member of the party, and a man who is known in Yellowknife--tried a little experiment. He stood in a spot and pushed an aerial mosquito net about in the air for a timed five minutes and collected approximately 1,100 mosquitoes.

That, my friends, is a hell of a lot of mosquitoes to be attacking one such as Windisch.

A question for the Scientists--what do mosquitoes do in those vast stretches of the north where there are no people or animals to supply them with a target?

## September

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Mrs. S. Frodsham talked on her work as a medical missionary in Angola at the United Church Women's meeting on Tuesday evening.

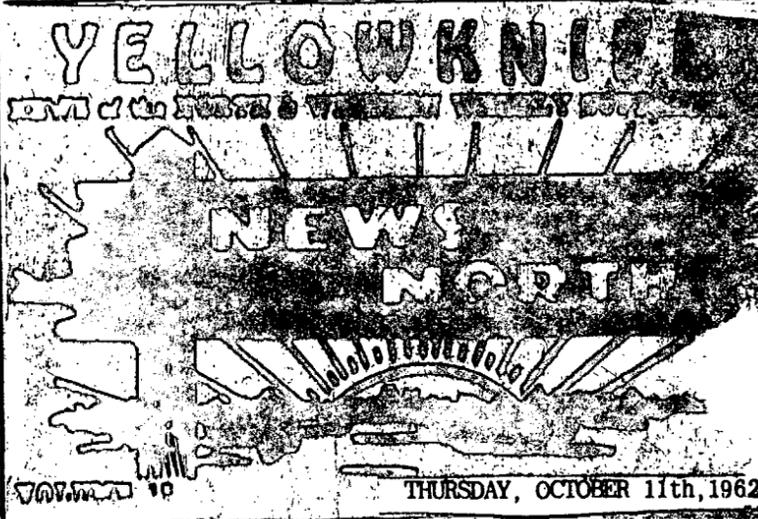
Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. Stanford (nee Paula Stanton) in Old Bosham, Sussex on September 29th, a son.

No word has yet been heard of the plane from Ptarmigan Airways reported missing a week last Sunday in the Nahanni Valley, but search efforts have been hampered severely by foggy and unpleasant weather which makes the search more difficult.

Well over a dozen planes have been made available and have made sorties over the

area each time weather permitted, but the latest estimate indicates that only slightly more than 50 per cent of the district has been covered.

Missing are Ken Stockall, pilot; Henry Busse photo-grapher; Gunther Goertz, and H. Hudon the latter employees of Giant Mines.



## Town annual meet this Monday

Annual meeting of the electors of the Municipal District of Yellowknife is to be held in the Public School Auditorium on Monday evening, October 15th.

It is at this meeting that the mayor and council present the reports of their stewardship for the past year and have, in the past, been subjected to barrages of questions on various aspects of municipal affairs.

It does not appear at the moment that any new subjects have appeared since last year, but it is possible that electors have questions which could arouse interest and some discussion.

Municipal elections--this year to choose four members of the council are to be held in December. The election for mayor does not take place until a year from now.

## POST OFFICE BREAK-IN

A whole bag of last week's News of the North was among the loot taken from the Post Office in a break-in on Saturday night.

At the same time the robber made off with some first class mail, but a much greater quantity of third class none of which is a great deal of value.

Reports indicate that none of the parcels which were awaiting claimants were touched--and most of the valuables, stamps and money is locked in a vault at night in any case.

A suspect has been apprehended and is being held by RCMP in the local barracks, while identification is being readied.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Lowe returned Monday from holidays outside.

## Local and District news

On Sunday last at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church Irene daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Golchert was baptised. Rev. Father Beaugard officiated. Godparents were Mr. and Mrs. F. Vippler. A reception followed at the Golchert home.

The monthly inter-church prayer meeting will be held in Holy Trinity Anglican Church on Thursday, October 18th at 8:00 pm. Rev. K. Gange will be the speaker.

St. Patrick's Men's Club, are sponsoring a Bingo to be held in St. Patrick's High School on October 19th, at 8:00 p.m.

On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. B. Robshaw entertained at a cocktail party. On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. J. Dines were hosts at an evening party, at which Rev. Father Beaugard presented the guests of honor with

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Hunting is not dangerous. However, some of the people who hunt are dangerous, because they do not obey the simple rules of courtesy and safety. These same people are equally dangerous when they disregard the simple rules of courtesy and safety at the wheel of their automobile, the rudder of a boat, on the diving board, the golf fairway or on the ski run.

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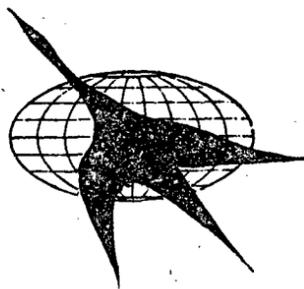
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Ottawa 4, October 12, 1962.

A.K. Harris, Esq.,  
Officer in Charge,  
District of Mackenzie  
Regional Headquarters,  
Box 169,  
Fort Smith, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. Harris:

As a result of meetings with the Department of Northern Affairs and National Health and Welfare on the sanitation problems at Fort Rae, a decision was reached to hold a sanitation workshop at Fort Smith some time this fall. The purpose of this workshop will be to introduce representative Indians from certain settlements to the basic principles of sanitation.

The workshop has been discussed fully with Indian and Northern Health Services under whose auspices it will be held and instructions have already been sent to Mr. Herrill, Administrator of Mackenzie, who will act as the co-ordinator for the project. I expect that Mr. Herrill will be getting in touch with you to go into the details of planning and I would ask that you give him every co-operation.

It is proposed to have three delegates attend the workshop from each of the following settlements: Fort Norman, Fort Simpson, Providence, Rae and Yellowknife. The meeting itself will be held at Yellowknife and I understand that the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources will be responsible for providing suitable living accommodation for the delegates. Our responsibility will be concerned mainly with the transportation of the Indian delegates from the settlements involved, and the cost will be borne mainly by the Welfare Division of this Branch, with an adequate share being assumed by the Indian and Northern Health Services Branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare.

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JPS*

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It is considered desirable that members of our field staff at Fort Norman, Fort Simpson and Yellowknife attend the sessions to become acquainted with the information given to the Indian representatives. It has also been suggested that Indian and Northern Health Services staff located in the settlements above mentioned be brought into Yellowknife for the workshop.

Tentative dates have been established and arrangements can be made to hold the workshop either during the week of November 26 or during the week of December 3. No doubt Mr. Merrill will be discussing this point with you and other representatives so as to determine a firm date. Your main responsibility will be the selection of suitable delegates from the settlements named and providing for adequate transportation. I assume that it will be necessary for you to arrange for a chartered aircraft to bring delegates from such places as Fort Norman, Fort Simpson and Providence.

I think that the proposed workshop will be of considerable benefit to representative Indians from the five settlements mentioned, particularly Fort Rae where there is certainly need for improved sanitation facilities. I would ask again that you give Mr. Merrill, the District Administrator at Fort Smith, your full co-operation in planning for this workshop.

You were advised by the Chief, Agencies Division on October 4 of the earlier meeting with representatives of the Department of Northern Affairs held in Ottawa. So that you may be fully aware of the matters discussed, I am attaching hereto a copy of the minutes of the meeting held on September 21.

I would appreciate being kept informed of developments.

Yours sincerely,

Original Signed by  
H. M. JONES

H.M. Jones,  
Director.



Copy sent to Min Masters  
of I.H.N.S for Information

W.P. 15/10/62



# MEMORANDUM

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YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No.  
Notre dossier 139/17-10(A1)

FROM  
De

Assistant Chief, Agencies Division

DATE

October 12, 1962

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation - Yellowknife Agency

On Friday, October 5, the undersigned, accompanied by Miss M. Payne of the Welfare Division, met with Miss Martens and representatives from the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to discuss the proposed sanitation workshop to be held at Fort Smith this fall.

The course is scheduled to be held either during the week of November 26 or the week of December 3 and the location will be Yellowknife rather than Fort Smith.

It was agreed that three Indian representatives should be brought in from each of the following settlements: Fort Norman, Fort Simpson, Rae and Providence. As the workshop would be at Yellowknife it could accommodate at least four Indians from the Yellowknife Band.

The Welfare Division were prepared to spend up to \$2,000 to help meet the costs of bringing the Indian delegates to this conference. It was agreed that Indian Affairs responsibility would be limited to the selection of suitable delegates and the arrangements for transporting them to and from Yellowknife. It was also considered desirable to have members of our field staff present during the five-day workshop to become acquainted with the information passed on to the Indian representatives. It is possible that Indian Health Services will assume some part of the transportation costs, particularly air charters from Fort Norman, Fort Simpson and Providence, as no doubt I.H.N.S. representatives would be travelling with the delegates.

Mr. Merrill, Administrator of the Mackenzie, has been named as Co-Ordinator for the project and he will be getting in touch with Mr. A.K. Harris our Officer in Charge at Fort Smith. A letter has been prepared for the Director's signature to Mr. Harris outlining certain aspects of the project.

*W.J. Brennan*  
W.J. Brennan

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DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Ottawa, 27 September, 1962.

To: Mr. W.J. Brennan

-- I attach a draft report of the meeting held Friday  
-- last to discuss Health and Sanitation at Rae and similar  
Settlements in the Northwest Territories. Also attached is  
a copy of the memorandum the Director proposes to send to the  
Administrator of the Mackenzie regarding action to be taken  
in the field.

It will be appreciated if you will review the report  
and memorandum and let me know if there are any errors or  
significant omissions. If you wish any changes to be made,  
will you please let me know by phone, local 2-0636, as the  
Director would like to send his memorandum to Mr. Merrill by  
Monday next.

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Field should  
be advised - of the  
meeting & our  
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*C. W. Gilchrist*  
C.W. Gilchrist,  
Territorial Division,  
Northern Administration Branch.

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I have been in touch with Mr Brown of Northern Affairs & Mr. Willis of I.N.H.S and they are back. A copy of the report prepared by Mr. J.W. Keeney of the Public Health Engineering Division. This report hardly alters the situation as reported in my memorandum of Sept 26 but will I assume be the basis of any proposals recommended by the District Administration at Dor Smith. I expect another meeting will be called by Northern Affairs -

WFD.

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Can we not fret about the holes & plastic bags & at least make sure a reasonable quantity of water is available



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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
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DATE

FROM : Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie  
De

September 19, 1962

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SUBJECT : Sanitation & Water Supply - Fort Rae  
Sujet

This will refer to previous correspondence regarding the water supply and sanitary conditions at Fort Rae.

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter dated September 14th from Dr. Falconer to Dr. Kinlock, Medical Officer, Fort Rae with attached report from Mr. J.W. Grainge, Public Health Engineering Division, Dept. of National Health and Welfare.

I have been in touch with Mr. K. Hawkins, District Engineer, Dept. of Northern Affairs & National Resources and he advises he has received no authority or funds from his Headquarters to implement any recommendations made by the Dept. of National Health & Welfare or the Medical Officer, Fort Rae.

You will be advised of developments.

*A.K. Harris*  
A.K. Harris

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ORIGINAL SIGNED BY  
A. K. HARRIS

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Dr. D.R. Kinloch,  
Medical Officer,  
Fort Rae, N.W.T.

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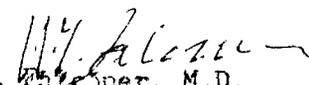
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Regional Superintendent,  
Foothills Region.

Sept. 14, 1962

Report - Sanitation - Fort Rae, N.W.T.

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W. L. Wilson, M.D.,  
Regional Superintendent

/an  
Att:

cc: Mr. Hawkins - Dist. Engr. - Fort Smith, N.W.T.  
Mr. McGillp - Reg. Supr. Indian Agencies, Fort Smith  
Mr. Kerr - Supt. Yellowknife Indian Agency

DEPARTMENT OF  
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Public Health Engineering Division  
541 Federal Public Building  
Edmonton, Alberta

August 31, 1962

REPORT RE SANITATION

RAE, N.W.T.

Rae is an Indian settlement, situated on a rocky point on the eastern slope of Marian Lake, 60 miles by road west of Yellowknife. The permanent population is roughly 800 with only 38 white persons including children. However, there have been as many 1200 persons living there at certain times of the year. In the settlement there is a hospital which is operated by the R. C. Mission, a Hudson's Bay Co. trading post, a two-man R. C. M. P. detachment, a Medical Officer of Health, and a Game Warden.

During the last 24 years, Public Health Engineers of this office have reported from time to time on the unsatisfactory conditions at Rae. Therefore, it suffices here to say that these unsanitary conditions still prevail.

For the past several years it has been observed that many of the population suffer gastro-intestinal infections resulting in several deaths each year. Dr. Zinlich, the present Medical Officer of Health for the settlement, has pointed out this year that "there have been 87 admissions to the hospital since break-up for infectious diarrhea; there were 2 deaths and would have been many more without the skilled care given by Dr. Jones and the Sisters." Water samples have been taken in recent months by the former Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Jones and by Dr. Kinloch. The bacteriological results from these, which are attached, show clearly that the water used for drinking is greatly contaminated by human wastes.

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The writer has been given to understand that a water treatment plant for the settlement is at present being planned. When this is put into operation, the existing situation will obviously be greatly improved. However, since this may take considerable time to complete, and in view of the existing health hazard, it is recommended that some immediate steps be taken to temporarily provide a safe water supply for the inhabitants.

It is thought that the most practical arrangement would be to haul water by tank truck from a more suitable source, probably Franks Channel seven miles distant, and chlorinate it on the truck. Treated water storage would be required, and possibly this phase of proposed construction could be provided.

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Report by T.C. Brown, P. Eng.

J. W. Grainge, P. Eng.  
District Engineer, Dist. No. 7

Dr. D.H. Kinloch,  
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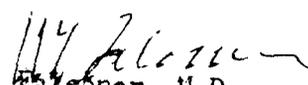
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Officer-in-Charge, District of Mackenzie

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c.c. 139/17-1

Chief, Agencies Division

October 3, 1962.

Water Supply - Fort Rae

I regret very much the delay in acknowledging your reports concerning the sanitation problem at Fort Rae, although I can assure you that the information provided was very useful to us.

Perhaps you have already heard from Mr. Merrill of the Department of Northern Affairs that the Fort Rae problem was the subject of a lengthy discussion at a meeting held with the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources and Indian and Northern Health Services here in Ottawa recently. I understand that a letter has been sent to Mr. Merrill advising him of the results of the meeting and asking for his recommendations for remedial action at Fort Rae this coming winter.

I do not know what will be involved in financing the proposals, however, I would like to give you the assurance that the Branch is prepared to put up some money to assist in correcting this very unsatisfactory situation. I have already indicated that one proposal having to do with the purchase of buckets would receive favourable consideration from the Branch and perhaps we could, if required, assist financially in the collection of garbage if this is considered essential.

I would appreciate receiving any additional reports as I assume Mr. Merrill will be getting in touch with you to go into certain matters relating to the Fort Rae problem.

  
L.L. Brown

LJB:nl

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# MEMORANDUM

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Chief, Agencies Division

*Noted by [Signature]*

NOTED BY  
D. I. A.

YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No. 139/17-10 (A1)  
Notre dossier

DATE September 26, 1962

FROM  
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SUBJECT  
Sujet

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Discussion seemed to center on what the Department of Northern Affairs was going to do at Fort Rae and other settlements in the N.W.T. next summer but very little was suggested in the way of a solution to the immediate problem. Dr. Willis of Indian and Northern Health Services informed the committee that with the advent of cold weather in the north there was no chance of an epidemic at Fort Rae and there would actually be no problem until next spring or early summer.

The major problem of course is the lack of an adequate supply of pure water for domestic use and this, coupled with the lack of adequate toilet facilities, brought about the very unsatisfactory sanitary conditions in the settlement from which some deaths resulted. A letter has already been dispatched to the District Administrator at Fort Smith and from what I can gather it will be up to him to bring forward suggestions on what might be done this winter as a temporary measure. The discussion ranged from the pros and cons of buckets and plastic bags to a long range program of education for the Indians of Fort Rae on good sanitation practices. Miss Martens of Indian and Northern Health Services who was present spent considerable time outlining the accomplishments of

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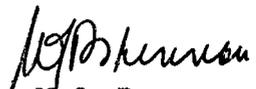
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Copies of the minutes of the meeting are being prepared by Northern Affairs and will be available shortly. It was obvious that nothing could be done until further reports and recommendations were received from the District Administrator at Fort Smith.

  
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W.J. Brennan

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we would write Harris & bring  
him up to date & indicate what  
we can assist financially what  
any temporary measures could be  
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in making a report pending  
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OUR FILE NO. 331-2/106

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DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Ottawa, 18 September, 1962.

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Colonel H.M. Jones,  
Director,  
Indian Affairs Branch,  
Department of Citizenship & Immigration,  
Ottawa.

Dear Colonel Jones,

Thank you for your letter dated August 27, 1962,  
concerning our proposed water supply and sewage disposal project  
for Rae.

This project was contained in our 1962-63 estimates  
but had to be deferred as a result of the government's austerity  
program. We have, however, included it as a priority item in our  
1963-64 estimates and are hopeful that it will be permitted to  
proceed. The plans and specifications for the project are ready  
for tender call, and, assuming Treasury Board give their approval  
for the inclusion of the project in the 1963-64 estimates, we are  
hoping to be able to award a contract in January 1963. If this  
is done, the work should be complete by the fall of 1963.

We had received word of the problem at Rae to  
which you have referred and our engineers have investigated the  
situation. As a short term solution, we would recommend that all  
water used for drinking or cooking be boiled or chlorinated.  
It may even be desirable to set up a central water point in which  
chlorinated water could be stored. We have asked our District  
Administrator to co-operate with your Regional Supervisor and  
the Superintendent of Indian and Northern Health Services in this  
regard and feel sure that suitable arrangements can be worked out  
on the ground. A copy of our letter was sent to you.

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For your information water supply and sewage disposal projects, similar to that planned for Rae, have also been planned for Fort Providence and Fort Norman and contracts for these locations should be awarded at the same time as that for Rae.

Yours sincerely,



B.G. Sivertz,  
Director.



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feels we must make every  
effort to go along with any  
reasonable request for financial  
assistance and efforts to  
educate the Indians re  
sanitation measures.

AL should have this for  
his meeting on Tuesday  
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DEPARTMENT OF NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Ottawa, 17 September, 1962.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MERRILL  
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MACKENZIE

Water Supply System - Rae

I refer to recent correspondence on this subject and in particular to your memorandum dated September 6, 1962.

You are aware that the water supply and sewage disposal project planned for Rae this year has been postponed as a result of current policy. The project has now been included in our 1963-64 estimates and is unlikely to be deleted since it has been given a high priority.

Since the plans and specifications for the project are complete we plan on calling tenders for the work shortly after the Minister's review of Estimates. In this way we would hope to be able to award a contract as soon as our 1963-64 estimates are tabled, which should be in mid-January 1963. The successful contractor should, therefore, be able to construct the reservoir while Marian Lake is still frozen and complete the project by the fall of 1963. This is almost as early as the work could have been done had the contract been awarded this summer.

In your memorandum you say that the problems resulting from contamination are not new. You do not say, however, whether the situation is deteriorating or whether the problems encountered have remained at much the same level over the past few years. While this obviously has no bearing on the need to do something, it might have a bearing on the level of interim expenditure that may be warranted.

Before dealing with your suggestions I think I should first make clear the responsibilities of the various governments and departments involved since this factor must, of necessity, govern

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the implementation of any measures to improve the situation. The Department of Citizenship and Immigration is responsible for the Indian population at Rae, the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources is responsible for its employees and, by arrangement, those of the RCMP, and the Territorial Government is responsible for the balance of the population. The Territorial Government, through employees of our Department, is also responsible for taking the lead in and co-ordinating such measures as may be proposed to improve the sanitary conditions at Rae.

I think that the problem at Rae is largely one of education and good housekeeping. Arrangements must first be made to prevent further contamination of Marian Lake and of the ground in the settlement itself. Sewage and garbage must be collected regularly and hauled to some distant location where the sewage can be lagooned and the garbage dumped and buried. Privies should be of the bucket type only using perhaps plastic bags or cartons, especially during the winter. They should be properly vented and fly-proofed. A general clean-up should also be implemented immediately.

With regard to the supply of pure drinking water, I think that your second suggestion, that of educating the population to boil all water used for drinking or cooking, is the best as an interim measure pending the introduction of trucked facilities. Fuel must be used for cooking and, therefore, is surely available for boiling the water. If it is not, then presumably the Department of Citizenship and Immigration can issue fuel as relief. While any water can be purified by boiling it would seem only common sense to draw the raw water from as far out in the lake as possible.

If it is not feasible, for some reason not apparent to us removed as we are from the scene, to boil the water, then chlorination should be resorted to. While this too involves local education the dosage is not as critical as you imply. There is much more danger involved in not adding enough Perfox than in adding too much. The taste of over-chlorinated water alone is enough to discourage a too generous use of the chlorinating agent.

Your third solution, that of setting up a number of water tanks in the settlement and arranging for a trucked supply of chlorinated water, would require the acceptance of the various departments concerned

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of the comparatively high capital and operating costs. In accordance with the federal-territorial financial agreement our Department would pay 100% of the capital and operating costs for our own employees, the Department of Citizenship and Immigration would pay 50% of the capital and operating costs for the Indians with the Indians themselves paying the balance, the Department of Justice would pay 100% of the capital and operating costs for the RCIP, and the Territorial Government would pay 50% of the capital and operating costs for the other residents with the residents themselves paying the balance. Where the Indians or other residents were unable to pay their share, the Department of Citizenship and Immigration or the Territorial Government, as applicable, would make up the balance from welfare funds.

Because the use of a trucked water system would make water more readily available in the settlement, there is a danger that it would be used more lavishly than at present. In the absence of a sewage trucking system this might lead to even more contamination of the ground in the settlement and create more problems than it would solve. I, therefore, regard it as the least desirable of the proposed interim solutions.

I suggest, therefore, that in conjunction with the representatives of the Departments of Citizenship and Immigration and National Health and Welfare, you arrange for:

- a) The boiling or chlorination of all water used for drinking and cooking.
- b) Organized sewage and garbage disposal arrangements.
- c) A general settlement clean-up.



c.c. Dr. Willis  
Col. Jones ✓

Director.

P.S. We are having a meeting with NH&W and C&I on this problem on Friday, 21 September 1962 and will advise you further on anything that results from this meeting.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

# MEMORANDUM

CLASSIFICATION



TO : Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa

YOUR FILE No. 139/8-2  
Votre dossier  
OUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
Notre dossier

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FROM : Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie  
De

DATE  
September 7, 1962

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SUBJECT : Water Supply - Fort Rae  
Sujet

**COPY**  
Placed on  
File 139/17-10

This is further to my letter of 24 August, 1962, regarding the water supply and sanitary conditions at Fort Rae.

The situation was discussed with Superintendent Kerr and Mr. P. Templeton, Regional Administrator, Dept. of Northern Affairs and National Resources, at Yellowknife on Tuesday, August 28, 1962. The local officials of the Dept. of Northern Affairs and National Resources and Indian and Northern Health Services as well as our Branch are most concerned over the situation. They have forwarded reports to their Headquarters expressing this concern and the urgency of the situation recommending measures be taken immediately on an emergency basis as human lives are at stake.

As you are aware the Dept. of Northern Affairs and National Resources had already accepted the responsibility of providing water and sewage disposal services. However, this project was deferred as an austerity measure.

A proposal has been made to provide tank water points in the settlement securing water from an uncontaminated source treating it and hauling by tank truck. The capitol expenditure would be in the neighbourhood of \$4,000.00. Authorization is required to secure Territorial funds for this project. However, no provision has been made to meet operating expenses and I have been informed funds are not available to meet this cost.

The point has now been reached where everyone agrees a serious situation exists that something should be done, plans have been suggested but no one is accepting the responsibility of costs. I would not hesitate to recommend that the Branch share in the capitol costs, but I am reluctant to even suggest any part of the operating costs be borne by the Branch as this would set a precedent which would be difficult to live up to in view of the numerous other settlements for which water supply systems are projected. I would appreciate your comments in this regard.

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In regard to Mr. Kerr's proposal to construct privies, with pail and plastic bag disposal units. I suggest this be held in abeyance until plans for a sewage disposal system are finalized. There is no doubt pit type toilets are unsatisfactory. The conditions at Fort Rae whereby the only earth is trapped in rock pockets which readily become saturated for lack of drainage, high water levels and limited sites where earth at all is available makes them not only unsuitable, but highly dangerous breeding grounds for disease. However, the appropriate alternative would depend on the type of sewage disposal, whetherby pump truck or ordinary tank truck etc.

In regard to filling swamp areas and sloughs to improve sanitary conditions I understand when the Dept. of Northern Affairs and National Resources are constructing roads some funds will be made available to do this.

I would recommend, however, \$5,000.00 be made available to Northern Affairs to ensure that land reserved for the Branch in Fort Rae is suitably filled. This would not only improve sanitary conditions, but could provide more suitable areas for building sites.



A. K. Harris

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# MEMORANDUM

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Assistant Director, Operations

YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No. 139/17-10 (06)  
Notre dossier

FROM  
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Chief, Engineering & Construction Division

DATE 12th September, 1962.

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation,  
Fort Rae, Northwest Territories.

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From our limited knowledge of the site and the history of unsanitary conditions, we are unable to offer a temporary solution or a more modest solution than a trucked system as proposed by Northern Affairs. Even the simple trucked system presents the practical problems of roads, snow removal, water containers, sewage containers, etc. Dr. Willis describes the site as "impossible terrain" which is also the opinion of other authorities on the subject of sanitation.

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CJC/DA

*S. Bowen*  
for L.H. Wickwire, P. Eng.

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ORIGINAL SIGNED BY  
G. J. BOWEN for

CJC/DA

L.H. Wickwire, P. Eng.

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ADDRESS REPL  
NORTHERN HEALTH SERVICE,  
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE



YOUR FILE NO.....

OUR FILE NO.....1050-5-110(050)

NOTED BY  
D. I. A.

OTTAWA  
24 August 1962.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. G. SIVERTZ  
DIRECTOR, NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

Insanitary Conditions and Gastroenteritis at Rae, N.W.T.

The attached copies of correspondence about an outbreak of gastroenteritis at Rae, N.W.T. remind me strongly of Dr. Moore's letter to you dated 10 August 1959, enclosing a report by Mr. J. W. Grainge, Public Health Engineer. In that report Mr. Grainge condemned the water supply and sewage disposal practices at Rae and in the covering letter Dr. Moore said: "I believe that further expansion of this settlement at this particular location will bring us serious health problems in the future".

Now we find ourselves with 87 children admitted to hospital with dysentery, of whom 26 have had to be fed intravenously to save their lives. Three children have already died. There can be little doubt that the impossible terrain, with scarcely any soil for the reception and natural purification of body wastes and with the lake providing a tempting dumping place for excreta and a convenient source of water (looking deceivably fresh and clean), has forced a situation upon us that could occur and reoccur, year after year, getting worse as more people crowd into the settlement and provide more contamination of the rocks and the lake.

I hope that this material will assist you to get the necessary support for the best possible sanitary measures that can be put into effect under the circumstances.

*John S. Willis*

John S. Willis, M.D., D.P.H.,  
Chief, Northern Health Division,  
Medical Services.

Encl.  
cc: Reg. Supt. Foothills  
Zone Supt. Mackenzie  
Director, Indian Affairs Branch  
Chief, Public Health Engineering

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INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES SPEEDIMEMO

Reply From: Regional Superintendent,  
Foothills Region,  
Charles Camshell Hospital, Edmonton, Alta.

Return To: Director,  
Medical Services.

Subject: Reported Epidemic at Rae with Deaths

Date: 15 Aug. 62

Message

This afternoon we received a call from the Territorial Division to say that they had heard that there was an outbreak of disease perhaps due to contaminated water, at Rae, NWT, and that there had already been 2 deaths.

Can you supply us with information about this outbreak, urgently please.

If contaminated water or other insanitary conditions were involved in this outbreak, the Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources, Northern Administration Branch would like to hear about it, to support their case that a proper sewer and water system, even by carefully controlled tank trucks, is urgently required. So far this has been turned down for lack of evidence of the need for it, in spite of all the support we have tried to give.

(signed) John S. Willis  
for P. E. Moore, M.D., D.P.H.

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Reply: Dr. Kinlock: Have you anything to add to your report of August 4th?  
If so drop me a line soon as possible.

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Dr. Willis: I was just sending you a copy of report from Dr. Kinlock. Will advise if any further information received. Also copy of letters arrived at Zone office to-day.

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1:30 P.M. 17 AUG 62

TO: DR. KINLOCH  
FORT RAE N W T

FROM: DR W L FALCONER  
REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT  
FOOTHILLS REGION I N H S  
EDMONTON, Alberta

IS THERE ANY CHANGE IN SITUATION AT FORT RAE RE GASTRO ENTERITIS?

AM ADVISING OTTAWA AND HOPE TO GET ACTION ON WATER SUPPLY

CC: DIRECTOR  
WALL  
FILE: 150-5-1

C O P Y

Director,  
Medical Services

150-5-1(1)

Regional Superintendent,  
Foothills Region, D.M.S.

Aug. 17, 1962

Sanitation and Water Supplies - Ft. Rae, N.W.T.

Attached is correspondence on this subject, with a covering memorandum from the Zone Superintendent's office.

Over the past few years water tests have been done on the water supply and conditions at Ft. Rae. The situation has not been corrected and due to the rocky terrain, is a difficult problem.

I think this should be fully discussed with Northern Affairs and an endeavour made to come to a permanent solution of the problem, if Ft. Rae is to continue as a permanent site.

(signed) W. L. Falconer, M.D.,  
Regional Superintendent

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Att:  
cc: Mackenzie Zone

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INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

Department of Citizenship and Immigration

Our File No.: 139/ 8-2

Fort Smith, N.W.T.  
August 14, 1962.

Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone,  
Indian & Northern Health Services,  
Charles Camshell Hospital,  
EDMONTON, Alta.

Dear Dr. Butler:

I am attaching a copy of a report we have just received from the Superintendent of the Yellowknife Indian Agency. The third paragraph in particular describes a serious situation apparently developing at Fort Rae.

"On August 10th we also met with Dr. D. Kinloch, Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae who stated that during the past month, 87 children had been admitted to Hospital with Dysentery, Shigella and Flexneri, of this 26 were fed intravenously to be kept alive and 3 children died."

I have discussed Superintendent Kerr's report with the Acting Administrator of the Mackenzie and we both feel that our first requirement is for information from the medical authorities regarding the actual situation at Fort Rae and advice from you as to what action is required.

Possibly your officers have already taken steps to remedy the situation, but I should appreciate hearing from you as soon as a medical report is available.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) J. G. McGilp,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

JGM DR  
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cc. Indian Affairs Branch  
Supt. - Yellowknife  
Administrator of the Mackenzie  
Medical Officer i/c Fort Rae

Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

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cc 139/17-10  
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cc 139/17-10

Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

Water Supply - Fort Rae

August 13, 1962.

In reply to your letter of August 9, 1962 regarding water supply and sanitation at Fort Rae.

During the past few days we have met with the Regional Administrator and Regional Roads Engineer of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to plan and discuss methods of providing a safe supply of drinking water for the people of Fort Rae.

On August 10th we also met with Dr. D. Kinloch, Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae who stated that during the past month, 87 children had been admitted to hospital with Dysentery, Shigella and Flexneri, of this 26 were fed intravenously to be kept alive and 3 children died.

Cultures were taken from the patients admitted and to date 15 of these have contained positive cultures. Dr. Kinloch is awaiting additional cultures to be returned; the doctor felt that several cultures died enroute to the laboratory.

Dr. Rhys-Jones had submitted water samples from several water points and received plate counts in excess of 3,000.

Dr. D. Kinloch has sent out additional water samples for testing from the same water points and as an interim measure he has condemned the water at Fort Rae. Dr. Kinloch has recommended to the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources that immediate steps be taken to provide a safe supply of drinking water.

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Dr. Kinloch is in the process of completing a report on the water supply at Fort Rae with his recommendations, he has promised to supply our Branch and Northern Affairs with copies of the report in order that we may submit reports and recommendations as soon as possible.

(signed) K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

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MacKenzie Zone  
Northern Health Services  
12702 - 114 Avenue  
Edmonton Alberta

1050-5-X720(A)

August 10, 1962

Mr. J. W. Grainge  
District Engineer  
Public Health Engineering Div.  
541 Federal Public Building  
Edmonton, Alberta

Dear Mr. Grainge:

Enclosed is a letter from Dr. Kinloch, who is our Medical Officer in Fort Rae. I was wondering if you knew what the latest was on anything being done for this settlement regarding water and sewage and how soon anything is likely to be accomplished.

It is realized that work has been done on this problem for the last three years at least and in that time the settlement has become "permanent" with road, improved power supply, telephone and increased house construction, yet the fundamental water and sewage treatment is neglected and babies continue to die as a result.

Yours truly,

(signed)

K. F. Butler, M.D.  
Zone Superintendent

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Encl.  
cc Dr. Kinloch

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Superintendent - Yellowknife

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Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

August 9, 1962

Water Supply - Fort Rae

During July you reported taking action at Fort Rae to improve sanitation.

In your Assistant's Monthly Report of Activities forwarded by you for June and July, the following statements appear:

June "...one death at the Farad hospital has been attributed directly to the poor water situation."

July "July brought more deaths at the hospital with no definite solution to the water problem in sight."

A serious situation appears to be developing at Fort Rae judging by Mr. Gallas' statements and I wonder if they are based on medical reports or evidence.

Will you please advise what is being done in this situation, I know that you were meeting with Northern Affairs officials yesterday to discuss building roads in Fort Rae to permit a water distribution system to be introduced probably next year, but I should like to know how serious is the present situation and if it has been discussed with Indian and Northern Health Services Public Health officials.

If there is a medical report saying that drinking water is causing deaths this should be submitted at once, with details of the victims.

(signed) = J. G. McGilp

JGM DR  
c.c. Indian Affairs Branch  
Zone Supt. - I. & N.H.S.

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C O P Y

Dr. K. Butler,  
Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone, Northern Health Service  
Edmonton

Dr. D.R. Kinloch,  
Medical Officer, Rae, NWT.

August 4, 1962

Sanitation and Water Supplies at Rae

Dear Dr. Butler,

Since I last wrote I have made a sanitary survey of the settlement and have been able to gather additional information from the Mission, from hospital records, from the inhabitants and from Mr. Templeton, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Callas. While I do not have documentary support and much as I dislike making premature criticism, the situation is so appalling that I feel no time should be lost.

From the correspondence I have seen it appears there has been a consensus for several years about the unsuitability of the sanitary and water facilities in Rae, and upon the prospect of easily remedying them. It has been suggested that the only real solution would be to re-locate the settlement and apparently with this in mind very little has been done. It appears to me that movement of the settlement is highly unlikely, particularly now that there is a road link and in view of the construction under way. Rae is here to stay and the best must be made of a bad situation.

The lack of sufficient soil in the area mitigates against the use of pit privies. Those that are in use, even though of fairly recent construction, have shallow pits and there is evidence of soil saturation around many. There are several placed directly on rock with consequent drainage into the shore water. A pipe drainage system on this terrain is not feasible and the only practical solution would appear to be the use of bucket privies with plastic liners and a regular collection system.

Water is drawn by bucket from various points along the shore. These points, though at some distance from the nearest privy are subject to a great deal of contamination. I have still been unable to locate the reports of water sampling but have found an allusion to them in some correspondence of Dr. Rhys-Jones. The results are totally unacceptable for a drinking water supply.

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Dr. Jones has successfully inculcated a distrust of the water in many and the habit of boiling it, but since the firewood has to be hauled for this purpose there is a tendency to laxity of which it is hard to be too critical. I do not feel that this is the answer to the problem - it is merely evading it. This is a permanent settlement whether we like it or not and some provision for a safe supply of water must be made NOW. There have been 87 admissions to hospital since breakup for infectious diarrhoea; there were two deaths and would have been many more without the skilled care given by Dr. Jones and the Sisters.

I think that the proposal for a treatment plant and trucked supplies represents an acceptable alternative to a piped supply, but this will require time to put into operation and will necessitate the building of roads to provide access.

I feel that in the interim period tanks of batch-chlorinated water should be placed at strategic locations in the settlement and kept supplied by tank truck. This will, of course not be very helpful when the cold weather arrives but it will be quick, easy and relatively inexpensive to set up, will provide water now and will be ready to put back into operation in the spring and possibly avoid the needless morbidity and mortality which appears to be an annual occurrence. A system such as this will provide an admirable fulcrum for health education.

The second step which requires immediate attention is the replacement of existing inadequate pit privies with bucket type. This can be accomplished in conjunction with Indian Affairs. Suitable sited privies and a rota system for maintaining cleanliness would do much to improve the sight and smell of the place and would, I am sure, with proper instruction and supervision be successful. Provision must be made for the collection and disposal of the bucket contents and also of the refuse which is so prominent in the settlement.

As an intermediate objective, I would suggest the erection of heated wash-houses at the sites of the tanks. These could operate throughout the year and could provide a spot for washing of clothes and for baths or showers. It has been said that the Indian does not appreciate baths and showers; but I suspect that it is the hauling and heating of the necessary water that he does not appreciate.

I have repeated the water sampling as a follow up to those already taken.

I would appreciate your comments and criticism of my remarks. If I appear to be aroused it is because I am writing under the stimulus of abdominal cramps.

Sincerely,

(signed)

David R. Kinloch  
M.O., Rae

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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AGENCY <b>Yellowknife</b>		FILE NO. AND DATE <b>139/17-10 July 27, 1962</b>	
VOTE <b>514</b>	ALLOT. <b>13-493</b>	F.E. NO. <b>108</b>	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED <b>\$ 550.</b>

DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT, AGREEMENT OR UNDERTAKING

To improve sanitation conditions-Fort Rae.

Reference Regional Supervisor's letter of July 10th and 23rd 1962

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AUTHORIZED BY: Chief, Agencies Division

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

**L. BROWN**  
SIGNATURE

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<i>AUG 24 1962</i>					
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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
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Mr. (Mr. Gordon) Mr. Wickwire

Comments  
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After you have received this  
correspondence I wonder if  
Mr. Cropper has any information  
on what should be done  
at home, by way of minimum  
standards, to improve the  
situation

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# MEMORANDUM

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TO  
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Assistant Director, Operations

YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No. 139/17-10 (C6)  
Notre dossier

DATE 12th September, 1962

FROM  
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Chief, Engineering & Construction Division

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Sanitation,  
Fort Rae, Northwest Territories.

Our sanitary engineer has not been to Fort Rae but the attached memo written by Dr. Willis describes what Mr. Crapper understands to be an annual occurrence.

From our limited knowledge of the site and the history of unsanitary conditions, we are unable to offer a temporary solution or a more modest solution than a trucked system as proposed by Northern Affairs. Even the simple trucked system presents the practical problems of roads, snow removal, water containers, sewage containers, etc. Dr. Willis describes the site as "impossible terrain" which is also the opinion of other authorities on the subject of sanitation.

During a telephone conversation with Mr. P. Parker of Northern Affairs, he advised that an item is presently included in their 1963-64 estimates to provide a trucked system at Fort Rae, Providence and Fort Norman. He suggested, in view of the recent serious situation at Fort Rae, that Northern Affairs may be able to take some action this year. Mr. Parker will advise us after studying the problem further.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY  
G. J. BOWEN for

  
CJC/DA

L.H. Wickwire, P. Eng.

# MEMORANDUM

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Water Supply - Fort Rae

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This will refer to previous correspondence regarding the water situation at Fort Rae.

Attached are copy of a report dated August 20, 1962 from Superintendent Yellowknife, copies of letters from the Medical Officer Fort Rae to Supt. Kerr and Mr. P. Templeton, reports on water samples taken at Fort Rae and plan of Fort Rae settlement with proposed water tank locations and roads.

The situation is serious in as much as deaths have occurred and the cause is indicated as long standing and which little was done in the past to correct.

Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources had proposed installing a water supply and sewage disposal system at Fort Rae this year utilizing water truck delivery and tank truck sewage disposal. The project was deferred this year due to funds and only some \$20,000. was to be available to build access roads for water delivery.

Mr. K. Hawkins, District Engineer, Dept. of N.A. & N.R., advised that an emergency project is presently being planned.

It is believed the water tank truck and sewage tank truck for Fort Rae may have been purchased, before the project was deferred. This is presently being checked, and if purchased delivery will be expedited.

Tanks and heated structures are to be built for treated water.

Operating funds will have to be secured.

Funds are already available for access roads.

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As their plans are finalized we will co-ordinate our efforts with their to improve the situation at Fort Rae.

With regard to Mr. Kerr's proposal to construct fifty toilets of the type recommended by the Medical Officer, I would suggest it is our responsibility to see that the Indians are provided or provide themselves with suitable sanitary facilities. However the question of type sewage collection and the responsibility of payment has not been resolved. It may be necessary if sewage is to be pumped to use septic type waterproof pits under toilets.

In regard to the question of fill, Dept. of N.A. & N.R. in their road program will have equipment available to carry out a filling operation at far less cost than any other means. Mr. Hawkins also stated that Territorial funds may be available for this type of improvement.

I will proceed to Yellowknife on Monday August 27th and discuss these matters more fully with Mr. Kerr and local Dept. of N.A. & N.R. officials.

A.K. Harris

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TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

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cc: 139/17-10

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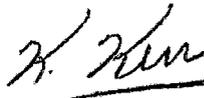
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Please advise.



K. Kerr  
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*K. Kerr*

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Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF  
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
OUR FILE No.

Rae, NWT,  
August 12, 1962.

Dear Mr. Templeton,

I wish to reiterate the dismay that has been expressed by my predecessors at Rae about the appalling state of the shore water of Marian Lake which constitutes the public water supply of this community.

A sanitary survey of the area can lead to no other conclusion than that water drawn by bucket or pumped from any location near the shore has the constitution of dilute sewage and that present conditions are not only totally unacceptable but a definite menace to the health of the community. That this is so can be borne out by annual occurrence of large numbers of cases of infectious diarrhoea. In the present year there have been 87 admissions to hospital for this condition - and three deaths. These 87 cases represent only those more serious cases which required hospital care; the numbers affected less seriously was much higher. Many of the cases admitted to hospital were desperately ill and it was due only to the skilled care of Dr. Jones and the Sisters that many fatalities were avoided.

Such a situation in any other similar sized community in Canada would have been dealt with promptly and vigorously but in the case of Rae, these outbreaks, with their high morbidity and mortality have been recurring for years, with no definitive action to thwart them. There is no doubt that overcrowding and unhygienic disposal of excreta are contributing factors, but a major vehicle of infection and one which can be quickly corrected is the polluted water which is all that is available.

I understand that a treatment plant is proposed for Rae, with delivery of treated water by truck. This is an acceptable alternative to a piped supply and its operation will do much to improve the health of Rae. BUT, it will take time to implement these proposals and too much time has been lost already. The settlement needs, is entitled to and should get pure water NOW!



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NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

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An interim measure of providing tanks of chlorinated water at strategic points in the settlement, several of them enclosed and heated so that they may be used during the winter, would be a large step toward preventing these disastrous spring and summer outbreaks.

Sincerely

David R. Kinloch M.D. D.P.H.  
Medical Officer,  
Rae.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Dr. K. Butler,  
Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone, Northern Health Service  
Edmonton

FROM: D.R. Kinloch,  
Medical Officer, Rae, NWT.

YOUR FILE:  
DATED: August 4, 1962  
OUR FILE:  
DATE:

SUBJECT:

Sanitation and Water Supplies at Rae

Dear Dr. Butler,

Since I last wrote I have made a sanitary survey of the settlement and I have been able to gather additional information from the Mission, from hospital records, from the inhabitants and from Mr. Templeton, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Callas. While I do not have documentary support and much as I dislike making premature criticism, the situation is so appalling that I feel no time should be lost.

From the correspondence I have seen it appears there has been a consensus for several years about the unsuitability of the sanitary and water facilities in Rae, and upon the prospect of easily removing them. It has been suggested that the only real solution would be to re-locate the settlement and apparently with this in mind very little has been done. It appears to me that movement of the settlement is highly unlikely, particularly now that there is a road link and in view of the construction under way. Rae is here to stay and the best must be made of a bad situation.

The lack of sufficient soil in the area mitigates against the use of pit privies. Those that are in use, even though of fairly recent construction, have shallow pits and there is evidence of soil saturation around many. There are several places directly on rock with consequent drainage into the shore water. A pipe drainage system on this terrain is not feasible and the only practical solution would appear to be the use of bucket privies with plastic liners and a regular collection system.

Water is drawn by bucket from various points along the shore. These points, though at some distance from the nearest privy are subject to a great deal of contamination. I have still been unable to locate the reports of water sampling but have found an allusion to them in some correspondence of Dr. Rhys-Jones. The results are totally unacceptable for

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE  
INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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DATED:

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DATE:

SUBJECT:

Sanitation and Water Supplies at Rae continue...

a drinking water supply. Dr. Jones has successfully inculcated a distrust of the water in many and the habit of boiling it, but since the firewood has to be hauled for this purpose there is a tendency to laxity of which it is hard to be too critical. I do not feel that this is the answer to the problem - it is merely evading it. This is a permanent settlement whether we like it or not and some provision for a safe supply of water must be made NOW. There have been 87 admissions to hospital since breakup for infectious diarrhoea; there were two deaths and would have been many more without the skilled care given by Dr. Jones and the Sisters.

I think that the proposal for a treatment plant and trucked supplies represents an acceptable alternative to a piped supply, but this will require time to put into operation and will necessitate the building of roads to provide access.

I feel that in the interim period tanks of batch-chlorinated water should be placed at strategic locations in the settlement and kept supplied by tank truck. This will, of course not be very helpful when the cold weather arrives but it will be quick, easy and relatively inexpensive to set up, will provide water now and will be ready to put back into operation in the spring and possibly avoid the needless morbidity and mortality which appears to be an annual occurrence. A system such as this will provide an admirable fulcrum for health education.

The second step which requires immediate attention is the replacement of existing inadequate pit privies with bucket type. This can be accomplished in conjunction with Indian Affairs. Suitable site privies and a rota system for maintaining cleanliness would do much to improve the sight and smell of the place and would, I am sure, with proper instruction and supervision be successful. Provision must be made for the collection and disposal of the bucket contents and also of the refuse which is so prominent in the settlement.

As an intermediate objective, I would suggest the erection of heated wash-houses at the sites of the tanks. These could operate throughout the year and could provide a spot for washing of clothes and for baths or showers. It has been said that the Indian does not appreciate baths and showers; but I suspect that

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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SUBJECT:

Sanitation and Water Supplies at Rae, continued.

It is the hauling and heating of the necessary water that he does not appreciate.

I have repeated the water sampling as a follow up to those already taken.

I would appreciate your comments and criticism of my remarks. If I appear to be aroused it is because I am writing under the stimulus of abdominal cramps.

Sincerely

*M. O. Ree*  
M. O. Ree

# BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLY

Fill in and/or underline appropriate words:

DATE SAMPLE COLLECTED August 3/62

WATER SUPPLY FOR RAE N.W.T.  
(IF PRIVATE SUPPLY GIVE NAME OF OWNER. IF PUBLICLY USED SUPPLY GIVE NAME OF TOWN, SCHOOL, CAMP, CAFE, ETC.)

POST OFFICE ADDRESS Not applicable  
OF OWNER OR PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPLY.

LOCATION OF SUPPLY Shote water Marian Lake  
(IF NOT THE SAME AS ABOVE)

IF NOT IN A TOWN GIVE 1/4 S TP R W OF

SOURCE OF WATER Marian Lake #8  
(WELL, LAKE, RIVER, STREAM, SPRING, ETC.)

HOW OBTAINED Buckets Pumps  
(FROM PUMP AT WELL-HEAD, FROM TAP THROUGH PIPE OR MAIN SYSTEM, BY BUCKET OR DIPPER, ETC.)

IF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM, STATE BUILDING OR PLACE WHERE SAMPLED Sites most frequented to collect water

AND APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED 1000

REASON FOR REQUESTING TEST Sanitary survey reveals appalling conditions enteric disease rife.

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D. Kinlock M.D. D.P.H.

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MOST PROBABLE NUMBER OF COLIFORM BACTERIA PER 100 ML.

BY STANDARD FIVE TUBE PRESUMPTIVE TEST

BY NINE TUBE FEDERAL TEST

BY MACCONKEY FIVE TUBE TRANSPORT KIT

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STANDARD PLATE COUNT OVER 3000 BACTERIA PER ML.

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IN CHARGE, SANITARY BACTERIOLOGY

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Fill in blanks and/or underline appropriate words:

DATE SAMPLE COLLECTED August 3/62

#5

WATER SUPPLY FOR RAE N.W.T.  
(IF PRIVATE SUPPLY GIVE NAME OF OWNER. IF PUBLICLY USED SUPPLY GIVE NAME OF TOWN, SCHOOL, CAMP, CAFE, ETC.)

POST OFFICE ADDRESS Not applicable  
OF OWNER OR PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPLY.

LOCATION OF SUPPLY Shore water <sup>M</sup>arian <sup>M</sup>ako #5  
(IF NOT THE SAME AS ABOVE)

IF NOT IN A TOWN GIVE 1/4, S, TP, R, W OF

SOURCE OF WATER arian <sup>M</sup>ako  
(WELL, LAKE, RIVER, STREAM, SPRING, ETC.)

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(IF NOT THE SAME AS ABOVE)

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
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# MEMORANDUM

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TO  
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Indian Affairs Branch

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YOUR FILE No.  
Votre dossier  
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**c.c. 139/ 17-10**  
OUR FILE No.  
Notre dossier  
**139/ 8-2**  
**c.c. 139/ 17-10**  
DATE

FROM  
De

Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

August 24, 1962

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Water Supply - Fort Rae

This will refer to previous correspondence regarding the water situation at Fort Rae.

Attached are copy of a report dated August 20, 1962 from Superintendent Yellowknife, copies of letters from the Medical Officer Fort Rae to Supt. Kerr and Mr. P. Templeton, reports on water samples taken at Fort Rae and plan of Fort Rae settlement with proposed water tank locations and roads.

The situation is serious in as much as deaths have occurred and the cause is indicated as long standing and which little was done in the past to correct.

Department of Northern Affairs & National Resources had proposed installing a water supply and sewage disposal system at Fort Rae this year utilizing water truck delivery and tank truck sewage disposal. The project was deferred this year due to funds and only some \$20,000. was to be available to build access roads for water delivery.

Mr. K. Hawkins, District Engineer, Dept. of N.A. & N.R., advised that an emergency project is presently being planned.

It is believed the water tank truck and sewage tank truck for Fort Rae may have been purchased, before the project was deferred. This is presently being checked, and if purchased delivery will be expedited.

Tanks and heated structures are to be built for treated water.

Operating funds will have to be secured.

Funds are already available for access roads.

*See also 139/17-10*

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As their plans are finalized we will co-ordinate our efforts with their to improve the situation at Fort Rae.

With regard to Mr. Kerr's proposal to construct fifty toilets of the type recommended by the Medical Officer, I would suggest it is our responsibility to see that the Indians are provided or provide themselves with suitable sanitary facilities. However the question of type sewage collection and the responsibility of payment has not been resolved. It may be necessary if sewage is to be pumped to use septic type waterproof pits under toilets.

In regard to the question of fill, Dept. of N.A. & N.R. in their road program will have equipment available to carry out a filling operation at far less cost than any other means. Mr. Hawkins also stated that Territorial funds may be available for this type of improvement.

I will proceed to Yellowknife on Monday August 27th and discuss these matters more fully with Mr. Kerr and local Dept. of N.A. & N.R. officials.

AKH DR  
Att.lh

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY  
A. K. HARRIS  
A.K. Harris

c.c. Supt. - Y<sup>l</sup>knife

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of Fort Rae. of  
Yellowknife Agency N.W.T.

July 24, 1972

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
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# MEMORANDUM

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Indian Affairs Branch

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YOUR FILE No.  
Votre dossier

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OUR FILE No.  
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DATE

August 24, 1962

FROM  
De

Officer in Charge - District of Mackenzie

FOLD

SUBJECT  
Sujet

Water Supply - Fort Rae

This will refer to previous correspondence regarding the water supply at Fort Rae.

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter received from the office of the Zone Superintendent, Mackenzie Zone, Northern Health Service, in answer to our letter of August 14, 1962.

There is no indication our file nor do I have knowledge of the death of two infants referred to in Para. 3. However, Dr. Pyper should certainly have knowledge as she was the Medical Officer at Fort Rae at the time.

A.K. Harris

AKH DR

c.c. Supt. - Y'knife

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DEPARTMENT OF  
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

MacKenzie Zone  
Northern Health Services  
12702 - 114 Avenue  
Edmonton Alberta

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
OUR FILE No. 1050-5-X720 (A)

August 21, 1962

Mr. J. G. McGilp  
Regional Supervisor of  
Indian Agencies  
Fort Smith, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. McGilp:

Re: Dysentery - Rae, N.W.T.  
Your file: 139/8-2

Thank you for your letter dated August 14th on the above subject together with a report from the Superintendent of the Yellowknife Indian Agency.

As soon as the medical report comes to hand, copies will be forwarded to you and to the Administrator of the MacKenzie.

Your support and interest in improving the water supply and sanitation facilities in Rae is appreciated. Perhaps something at last will be accomplished. Two infant deaths three years ago were not sufficient, perhaps the three this year will tip the balance.

Yours truly,

K. F. Butler, M.D.  
Zone Superintendent

JFP:mh

cc: Regional Supt. & M.O. - Fort Rae

*File* 139/8-2 (A1)  
UJB:RQ

Ottawa, August 27, 1962.

B. G. Sivertz, Esq.,  
Director,  
Northern Administration Branch,  
Department of Northern Affairs  
and National Resources,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Sivertz:

I received reports recently from the Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie, concerning a serious situation which seems to have developed at Fort Rae due to a contaminated water supply. The report indicates that the matter has already been referred to the Zone Superintendent of Indian and Northern Health Services at Edmonton, and perhaps you have already received some word of the problem which could very well develop into a rather serious situation. I anticipate further reports will be received in the very near future but I am sure you will be interested in the report prepared by the Indian Superintendent, Yellowknife, dated August 13, to his Regional Supervisor, a copy of which you will find attached.

Some emergency action involving the expenditure of \$550.00 was approved by this Branch in July of this year to enable the Superintendent to employ a number of Indians at Fort Rae to undertake a general clean-up of the settlement, including the digging of a number of toilet pits, hauling garbage, etc. This, by no means, solved the problem but it was something that had to be done without delay and, consequently, was undertaken by our field staff.

So far as the water supply situation is concerned, I understand that a submission has been made by your Department to Treasury Board for approval of a water supply project at Fort Rae and other settlements to be undertaken this year. I assume that the Fort Rae problem of water will

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be tackled as soon as Treasury Board approval is received. However, at this stage I thought I would bring the matter to your attention in the hope that the situation as reported will substantiate the need for urgent action on the provision of an adequate supply of good water for this settlement.

Yours sincerely,

Original Signed by  
H. M. JONES

H. M. Jones,  
Director.



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TO : Indian Affairs Branch  
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YOUR FILE No. 139/ 8-2  
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OUR FILE No. 139/ 8-2  
Notre dossier

DATE August 14, 1962

FROM : Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie  
De

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SUBJECT : Water Supply - Fort Rae  
Sujet : Yellowknife Agency

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*SEE COPY FILE 139/17-10*

On August 9th it was noted from reports submitted by the Yellowknife Agency that a serious situation seemed to be arising at Fort Rae because of a contaminated water supply. A letter of enquiry was sent to Superintendent Kerr and a copy sent to you.

I am now enclosing a copy of Superintendent Kerr's report received today. Please note the third paragraph of Mr. Kerr's letter. I think you will agree that this situation seems to be grave indeed and so I have written to the Zone Superintendent of Indian & Northern Health Services in Edmonton and a copy of my letter to him is enclosed.

I have also discussed the situation with the A/Administrator of the Mackenzie who is informing his Headquarters that some funds may be required when a doctor's report is received.

*J. G. McGilp*  
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MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

YOUR FILE No: 139/8-2  
cc: 139/17-10

FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

OUR FILE No: 139/8-2  
cc: 139/17-10

SUBJECT: Water Supply - Fort Rae.

DATE:

August 13, 1962.

In reply to your letter of August 9, 1962 regarding water supply and sanitation at Fort Rae.

During the past few days we have met with the Regional Administrator and Regional Roads Engineer of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to plan and discuss methods of providing a safe supply of drinking water for the people of Fort Rae.

On August 10th we also met with Dr. D. Kinloch, Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae who stated that during the past month, 87 children had been admitted to Hospital with Dysentery, Shigella and Flexneri, of this 26 were fed intravenously to be kept alive and 3 children died.

Cultures were taken from the patients admitted and to date 15 of these have contained positive cultures. Dr. Kinloch is awaiting additional cultures to be returned; the doctor felt that several cultures died enroute to the laboratory.

Dr. Rhys Jones had submitted water samples from several water points and received plate counts in excess of 3,000.

Dr. D. Kinloch has sent out additional water samples for testing from the same water points and as an interim measure he has condemned the water at Fort Rae. Dr. Kinloch has recommended to the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources that immediate steps be taken to provide a safe supply of drinking water.

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Dr. Kinloch is in the process of completing a report on the water supply at Fort Rae with his recommendations, he has promised to supply our Branch and Northern Affairs with copies of the report in order that we may submit reports and recommendations as soon as possible.



K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

KK:mcb.

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Fort Smith, N.W.T.  
August 14, 1962.

Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone,  
Indian & Northern Health Services,  
Charles Gamsell Hospital,  
EDMONTON, Alta.

Dear Dr. Butler:

I am attaching a copy of a report we have just received from the Superintendent of the Yellowknife Indian Agency. The third paragraph in particular describes a serious situation apparently developing at Fort Rae.

"On August 10th we also met with Dr. D. Kinloch, Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae who stated that during the past month, 87 children had been admitted to Hospital with Dysentery, Shigella and Flexneri, of this 26 were fed intravenously to be kept alive and 3 children died."

I have discussed Superintendent Kerr's report with the Acting Administrator of the Mackenzie and we both feel that our first requirement is for information from the medical authorities regarding the actual situation at Fort Rae and advice from you as to what action is required.

Possibly your officers have already taken steps to remedy the situation, but I should appreciate hearing from you as soon as a medical report is available.

Yours sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:  
J. G. McGILP

J. G. McGilp,

Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

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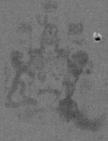
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Supt.-Yellowknife  
Administrator of the Mackenzie  
Medical Officer i/c Fort Rae

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# MEMORANDUM

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TO  
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Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa

YOUR FILE No. 139/17-10(A9)  
Votre dossier

OUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
Notre dossier

FROM  
De

Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

DATE July 23, 1962

FOLD

SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation - Fort Rae  
Yellowknife Indian Agency

Reference your memorandum of July 19, this will advise that we do not have sufficient funds under Vote 514-13 to issue an Authority for \$550.00 to cover the above project.

We should therefore appreciate if Headquarters would raise the necessary Authority from their Sanitation Allotment.

J. G. McGillp

DR:BE

cc. Superintendent, Yellowknife Agency

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Superintendent, Mackenzie District.

139/17-10 (A9)

Chief, Agencies Division.

July 19, 1962.

Sanitation Fort Rae  
Yellowknife Indian Agency.

This is in reply to your memorandum of July 10, 1962 which among other things you requested that authority for expenditure be given in the amount of \$590. to improve sanitation conditions at Fort Rae.

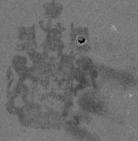
We agree in the action taken by the Superintendent and have no objection to you raising an authority for expenditure chargeable to your 514-13 appropriation P.S. 53. If however, you feel that you will not have sufficient funds to meet the expenditure due to recent reductions in your 514-13 appropriation we will endeavour to provide the funds from our Sanitation Allotment here in Ottawa.

L. L. Brown.

FLM:dd

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Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa

YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No. 189/17-10  
Notre dossier

DATE July 10, 1968

FROM  
De

Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation - Fort Rae

I am enclosing a copy of a report from Superintendent Kerr outlining the action he has taken following complaints made by the Indian and Northern Health Services doctor in Fort Rae. A copy of the doctor's letter to Superintendent Kerr is also enclosed.

(1) The doctor describes certain conditions which I believe should not have been allowed to arise in Fort Rae and I can well understand these conditions causing him to ask for the Superintendent's assistance.

(2) The Superintendent has taken emergency action involving the expenditure of \$550.00. I recommend that he be authorized to take voucher action for payment of these costs.

(3) Regarding Mr. Kerr's request for an engineer contained in the second last paragraph of his report, I have discussed this with the Northern Affairs engineers here. They advise that the Northern Affairs engineer in Yellowknife is today in Fort Rae and will assist Mr. Kerr to estimate the requirements for the programme of drainage and levelling described.

(4) The Department of Northern Affairs are planning some road construction in Fort Rae this summer. I have, therefore, asked Mr. Kerr to question the Northern Affairs Yellowknife engineer on the possibility of including the filling and levelling required at Fort Rae in the Northern Affairs road construction programme. Mr. Kerr may be able to arrange this locally. If he cannot, I shall take the matter up once more with Northern Affairs engineers here.

JGM/be

J. G. McGillp

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cc. Supt/Yellowknife Agency

MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie  
FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency  
SUBJECT: Sanitation - Fort Rae.

YOUR FILE No: 139/17-10

OUR FILE No: 139/17-10

DATE:

July 4, 1962.

On Friday, June 29th, I met with Dr. W. Rhys Jones, Medical Health Officer at Fort Rae, who informed me that at the present time he has 25 children in hospital with diarrhoea, 2 with dysentery and one child suspected of having typhoid. Dr. Rhys Jones was in the process of submitting a letter ordering our Branch to implement an immediate clean up project as Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae. I discussed the requirements with Dr. Rhys Jones and he felt that new toilet pits must be dug, toilets moved, some toilets condemned and burned, garbage removed and burned, additional garbage cans are required. One area of the settlement should be drained and other low areas filled with earth and gravel.

I inspected the settlement, finding that sanitation was poor and that facilities were overtaxed by a large influx of natives who had arrived in Fort Rae to receive treaty and X-rays. I visited Chief Brunseau explaining the sanitation problems and the danger of additional health problems at this time of the year. The Chief was very willing to co-operate and promised to call his Councillors together to start a complete clean-up of the settlement.

I met with Dr. Rhys Jones again and outlined my inspection and discussion with Chief Brunseau. The Doctor felt that immediate action must be taken on his recommendations, therefore I committed our Branch as follows:

- 1. Employment of six Indians to dig a minimum of 24 toilet pits.  
Estimated cost 24 x 5 hours @ \$1.00 per hour \$192.00
- 2. To brace and move a minimum of 24 toilets @ \$10.00 each 240.00  
(K. Kinble of Fort Rae to provide transportation of toilets)

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3. To transport 100 empty oil drums from Yellowknife - Fort Rae @ 50¢ each	50.00
4. To haul garbage cans etc. from settlement to dumping area	69.00
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Total Estimated Cost -	\$119.00

Authority for Expenditure is required in the amount of \$119.00 to pay costs of emergency action taken to date. I realize that I have acted beyond my authority, however, in view of the conditions there was no other alternative.

I would also like to submit a request for the assistance of a land surveyor or engineer who could visit the settlement and prepare estimates for drainage, dozing, levelling and fill material required to reclaim low swamp areas located in the midst of the settlement; which create terrific sanitation problems.

I have not as yet received the Medical Health Officers report, however, this will be forwarded as soon as received.

*K. Kerr*

K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

KK:neb.

Department of  
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE  
Northern Health Services,  
Rae, N.W.T.

Superintendent,  
Indian Agency,  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

June 29, 1962.

Dear Mr. Kerr:

Yesterday when on a tour of Rae settlement I noted various health hazards. The first of these are the outdoor toilets which I believe were placed at various points during this past winter by your department. These toilets are very unsatisfactory due to the fact that they are just sitting on top of the ground with no pits below them, the number of flies in and around, and the amount of overflow of excreta from them. Suggested reading about the construction and placement of outdoor toilets may be found in "Canadian Indian Homes", distributed by Indian Affairs Branch circa 1958, in chapter "Sanitation for Indian Homes" page 11, and chapter "Domestic Sewage Disposal" pages 4 and 5; "Report on a Workshop on Sanitation" by E. Martens, page 47, this Report was published in May 1960, the "workshop" was conducted on the Six Nations Reserve. The legal side may be found under Northwest Territories Ordinance, Regulations Respecting General Sanitation Under the Public Health Ordinance, short titled General Sanitation Regulations, section 23 (c) and (e).

Due to the number of people in this settlement who have diarrhoea and gastro-enteritis, one case of dysentery (*Shigella flexneri*) and one suspect typhoid, I must also quote and put into effect N.W.T. Regulations For the Control of Communicable Diseases in the N.W.T., section 12 (d). Due to the large number of people coming into the area for Treaty I suggest that these toilets be dealt with in an appropriate manner within a very short time. Due to the nature of the terrain at Rae I realize that Regulations cannot be followed to the utmost and so I would suggest that toilets should be placed in areas where pits of a minimum of four feet can be dug.

While on the subject of toilets I must state that there were some privately owned privies situated in conditions not suitable to good health, these were placed on stilts with piles of excreta under them which are accessible to dogs and children, the owners have been notified and advised as to their removal and placement on better sites.

I would also ask you to advise your department that placement of outdoor toilets not be placed on their "Winter Work" programme as it is very in appropriate.

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The second health hazard noted were various hollows in and around Rae, these are used to throw garbage in and some also contain still water most of the summer, they make wonderful breeding grounds for mosquitoes and handy drinking holes for thirsty children. The main hollows noted were in front of the new houses, the cut off section of the meec by the side of these houses, and the depression in the middle of the island. These hollows could be filled in either with disinfected garbage or clay and then covered over with sand and gravel, these areas would then be useful in the future if more room for development would be required.

Yours sincerely,

Wyn Rhys-Jones, M.B., Medical Health Officer.

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TO  
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Indian Affairs Branch

YOUR FILE No.  
Votre dossier

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OUR FILE No.  
Notre dossier

139/ 8-2

DATE August 14, 1962

FROM  
De

Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Water Supply - Fort Rae  
Yellowknife Agency

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J. G. McGillp

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TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

YOUR FILE No: 139/8-2  
cc: 139/17-10

FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

OUR FILE No: 139/8-2  
cc: 139/17-10

SUBJECT: Water Supply - Fort Rae.

DATE:

August 13, 1962.

In reply to your letter of August 9, 1962 regarding water supply and sanitation at Fort Rae.

During the past few days we have met with the Regional Administrator and Regional Roads Engineer of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources to plan and discuss methods of providing a safe supply of drinking water for the people of Fort Rae.

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*K. Kerr*

K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

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Fort Smith, N.W.T.  
August 14, 1962.

Zone Superintendent,  
Mackenzie Zone,  
Indian & Northern Health Services,  
Charles Cunnell Hospital,  
EDMONTON, Alta.

Dear Dr. Butler:

I am attaching a copy of a report we have just received from the Superintendent of the Yellowknife Indian Agency. The third paragraph in particular describes a serious situation apparently developing at Fort Rae.

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Yours sincerely,

J. C. McGill,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

JCM DR  
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c.c. Indian Affairs Branch  
Supt.-Yellowknife  
Administrator of the Mackenzie  
Medical Officer i/o Fort Rae

**Urgent**

**Superintendent - Yellowknife**

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**Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie**

**Water Supply - Fort Rae**

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**August 9, 1962**

During July you reported taking action at Fort Rae to improve sanitation.

In your Assistant's Monthly Report of Activities forwarded by you for June and July, the following statements appear:

June "...one death at the Farand hospital has been attributed directly to the poor water situation."

July "July brought more deaths at the hospital with no definite solution to the water problem in sight."

A serious situation appears to be developing at Fort Rae judging by Mr. Gallas' statements and I wonder if they are based on medical reports or evidence.

Will you please advise what is being done in this situation. I know that you were meeting with Northern Affairs officials yesterday to discuss building roads in Fort Rae to permit a water distribution system to be introduced probably next year, but I should like to know how serious is the present situation and if it has been discussed with Indian & Northern Health Services Public Health officials.

If there is a medical report saying that drinking water is causing deaths this should be submitted at once, with details of the victims.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:  
J. G. MCGILP

**J. G. McGilp**

MAIL TO: JUN DR  
c.c. Indian Affairs Branch  
Zone Supt. - I. & N.H.S.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS



# MEMORANDUM

CLASSIFICATION

TO  
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Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa

YOUR FILE No. 139/17-10(A9)  
Votre dossier

OUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
Notre dossier

DATE July 23, 1962

FROM  
De

Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation - Fort Rae  
Yellowknife Indian Agency

Reference your memorandum of July 19, this will advise that we do not have sufficient funds under Vote 514-13 to issue an Authority for \$550.00 to cover the above project.

We should therefore appreciate if Headquarters would raise the necessary Authority from their Sanitation Allotment.

  
J. G. McGilp

DR:BE

cc. Superintendent, Yellowknife Agency

Authority No. A139(262)  
(Date) 27/7/62  
m Sanitation FE108

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

TO : SAC, NEW YORK  
FROM : SAC, PHOENIX  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: [Illegible]

DATE: [Illegible]

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Superintendent, Mackenzie District.

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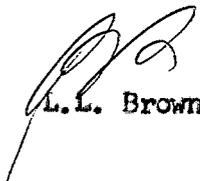
Chief, Agencies Division.

July 19, 1962.

Sanitation Fort Rae  
Yellowknife Indian Agency.

This is in reply to your memorandum of July 10, 1962 which among other things you requested that authority for expenditure be given in the amount of \$550. to improve sanitation conditions at Fort Rae.

We agree in the action taken by the Superintendent and have no objection to you raising an authority for expenditure chargeable to your 514-13 appropriation F.E. 53. If however, you feel that you will not have sufficient funds to meet the expenditure due to recent reductions in your 514-13 appropriation we will endeavour to provide the funds from our Sanitation Allotment here in Ottawa.

  
L.L. Brown.

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# MEMORANDUM

CLASSIFICATION



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Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa

YOUR FILE No.  
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OUR FILE No. 139/17-10  
Notre dossier

DATE July 10, 1962

FROM  
De

Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

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SUBJECT  
Sujet

Sanitation - Fort Rae

I am enclosing a copy of a report from Superintendent Kerr outlining the action he has taken following complaints made by the Indian and Northern Health Services doctor in Fort Rae. A copy of the doctor's letter to Superintendent Kerr is also enclosed.

(1) The doctor describes certain conditions which I believe should not have been allowed to arise in Fort Rae and I can well understand these conditions causing him to ask for the Superintendent's assistance.

(2) The Superintendent has taken emergency action involving the expenditure of \$550.00. I recommend that he be authorized to take voucher action for payment of these costs.

(3) Regarding Mr. Kerr's request for an engineer contained in the second last paragraph of his report, I have discussed this with the Northern Affairs engineers here. They advise that the Northern Affairs engineer in Yellowknife is today in Fort Rae and will assist Mr. Kerr to estimate the requirements for the programme of drainage and levelling described.

(4) The Department of Northern Affairs are planning some road construction in Fort Rae this summer. I have, therefore, asked Mr. Kerr to question the Northern Affairs Yellowknife engineer on the possibility of including the filling and levelling required at Fort Rae in the Northern Affairs road construction programme. Mr. Kerr may be able to arrange this locally. If he cannot, I shall take the matter up once more with Northern Affairs engineers here.

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cc. Supt/Yellowknife Agency

*J. G. McGilp*  
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TO: THE SECRETARY, INDIAN AFFAIRS  
FROM: THE SECRETARY, INDIAN AFFAIRS  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

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MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

JUL 9 1962

TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

YOUR FILE No: 139/17-10

FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

OUR FILE No: 139/17-10

SUBJECT: Sanitation - Fort Rae.

DATE:

July 4, 1962.

On Friday, June 29th, I met with Dr. W. Rhys Jones, Medical Health Officer at Fort Rae, who informed me that at the present time he has 25 children in hospital with diarrhea, 2 with dysentery and one child suspected of having typhoid. Dr. Rhys Jones was in the process of submitting a letter ordering our Branch to implement an immediate clean up project as Medical Health Officer of Fort Rae. I discussed the requirements with Dr. Rhys Jones and he felt that new toilet pits must be dug, toilets moved, some toilets condemned and burned, garbage removed and burned, additional garbage cans are required. One area of the settlement should be drained and other low areas filled with earth and gravel.

I inspected the settlement, finding that sanitation was poor and that facilities were overtaxed by a large influx of natives who had arrived in Fort Rae to receive treaty and X-rays. I visited Chief Bruneau explaining the sanitation problems and the danger of additional health problems at this time of the year. The Chief was very willing to co-operate and promised to call his Councillors together to start a complete clean-up of the settlement.

I met with Dr. Rhys Jones again and outlined my inspection and discussion with Chief Bruneau. The Doctor felt that immediate action must be taken on his recommendations, therefore I committed our Branch as follows:

- 1. Employment of six Indians to dig a minimum of 24 toilet pits.  
Estimated cost 24 x 8 hours @ \$1.00 per hour \$192.00
- 2. To brace and move a minimum of 24 toilets @ \$10.00 each 240.00  
(K. Kimble of Fort Rae to provide transportation of toilets)

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3. To transport 100 empty oil drums from Yellowknife - Fort Rae @ 50¢ each	50.00
4. To haul garbage cans etc. from settlement to dumping area	68.00
	<hr/>
Total Estimated Cost -	\$550.00

Authority for Expenditure is required in the amount of \$550.00 to pay costs of emergency action taken to date. I realize that I have acted beyond my authority, however, in view of the conditions there was no other alternative.

I would also like to submit a request for the assistance of a land surveyor or engineer who could visit the settlement and prepare estimates for drainage, dozing, levelling and fill material required to reclaim low swamp areas located in the midst of the settlement; which create terrific sanitation problems.

I have not as yet received the Medical Health Officers report, however, this will be forwarded as soon as received.

*K. Kerr*

K. Kerr  
Superintendent.

KK:mcb.

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Department of  
NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE  
Northern Health Services,  
Rae, N.W.T.

JUL 9 1962

Superintendent,  
Indian Agency,  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

June 29, 1962.

Dear Mr. Kerr:

Yesterday when on a tour of Rae settlement I noted various health hazards. The first of these are the outdoor toilets which I believe were placed at various points during this past winter by your department. These toilets are very unsatisfactory due to the fact that they are just sitting on top of the ground with no pits below them, the number of flies in and around, and the amount of overflow of excreta from them. Suggested reading about the construction and placement of outdoor toilets may be found in "Canadian Indian Homes", distributed by Indian Affairs Branch circa 1958, in chapter "Sanitation for Indian Homes" page 11, and chapter "Domestic Sewage Disposal" pages 4 and 5; "Report on a Workshop on Sanitation" by E. Martens, page 47, this Report was published in May 1960, the "workshop" was conducted on the Six Nations Reserve. The legal side may be found under Northwest Territories Ordinance, Regulations Respecting General Sanitation Under the Public Health Ordinance, short titled General Sanitation Regulations, section 23 (c) and (e).

Due to the number of people in this settlement who have diarrhoea and gastro-enteritis, one case of dysentery (*Shigella flexneri*) and one suspect typhoid, I must also quote and put into effect N.W.T. Regulations For the Control of Communicable Diseases in the N.W.T., section 12 (d). Due to the large number of people coming into the area for Treaty I suggest that these toilets be dealt with in an appropriate manner within a very short time. Due to the nature of the terrain at Rae I realize that Regulations cannot be followed to the utmost and so I would suggest that toilets should be placed in areas where pits of a minimum of four feet can be dug.

While on the subject of toilets I must state that there were some privately owned privies situated in conditions not suitable to good health, these were placed on stilts with piles of excreta under them which are accessible to dogs and children, the owners have been notified and advised as to their removal and placement on better sites.

I would also ask you to advise your department that placement of outdoor toilets not be placed on their "Winter Work" programme as it is very in appropriate.

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The second health hazard noted were various hollows in and around Rae, these are used to throw garbage in and some also contain still water most of the summer, they make wonderful breeding grounds for mosquitoes and handy drinking holes for thirsty children. The main hollows noted were in front of the new houses, the cut off section of the snee by the side of these houses, and the depression in the middle of the island. These hollows could be filled in either with disinfected garbage or clay and then covered over with sand and gravel, these areas would then be useful in the future if more room for development would be required.

Yours sincerely,

Wyn Rhys-Jones, M.B., Medical Health Officer.



DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

CANADA

FALSE DOCKET SLIP

NOTE: This slip to be used for passing correspondence when the main file is charged out or is not required, and must not be removed but will be attached to the main file as soon as possible.

SLIP NO. \_\_\_\_\_ FILE NO. **139/17-10**

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MAIN FILE OR CHARGE TO **A1 25/5/61**

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139/17-10 (RS)

Mr. C. L. Merrill,  
Administrator of the Mackenzie,  
Dept. of Northern Affairs and National  
Resources,  
Fort Smith, N. W. T.

Fort Smith, N. W. T.,  
July 10th, 1961.

Dear Mr. Merrill:

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- (2) Distribute garbage containers to each house in the settlement,
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- (4) Provided some transportation with which garbage has been removed.

I am attaching a copy of a report from Mr. Kerr, Superintendent of the Yellowknife Agency, and a copy of a letter from Mr. Whelan, the Secretary of the Fort Rae Community Club. You will note that Mr. Whelan has received a quotation from a contractor, Mr. K. Kimbell of Fort Rae in the amount of \$1,500.00 for a weekly garbage collection and removal throughout the year. Mr. Kimbell's bid of \$125.00 per month seems quite modest,

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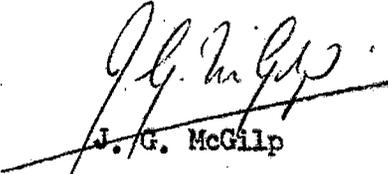
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You are aware of the fact that although the majority of the residents of Fort Rae are Indians of the Dog Rib Rae Band, the settlement itself is not an Indian reserve. For this reason, I am wondering if the residents of Fort Rae could receive some assistance from the Territorial Government to tackle this problem of garbage removal, which will result in improved health and hygiene standards. I know you will agree that the health committees have shown real initiative in the progress they have made so far, and I should be grateful if you will advise me if assistance might be forthcoming from the Territorial Government and how this assistance may be obtained.

Yours very truly,



J. G. McGilp

Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies

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Atts.2  
cc- Indian Affairs Branch  
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Mr. K. Kerr

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

TO: Chief, Welfare Division

OUR FILE: 139/17-10  
139/29-2

FROM: Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

YOUR FILE: 139/17-10 (WS)

SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services,  
Latham Island

DATE: March 16th, 1961

*WS*

With reference to your letter of January 13th, 1960, in which authority was granted to guarantee payment of water and scavenger services for occupants of houses on Latham Island, by people who were unable to pay for these services.

In this regard, attached please find Voucher #316 in the amount of \$198.00 and completed IA3-134's as requested.

*Wa. to Treas.  
23-3-61*

During the calendar year 1960, ten householders received services to the value of \$558.00. Of this amount \$360.00 was collected by the Agency Office and remitted to the Municipal District of Yellowknife on behalf of the individuals concerned.

Services were discontinued in mid-February, with the result that individual occupants were encouraged to make their own arrangements. To date six out of ten occupants have made their own arrangements with the Municipality for water and scavenger services, and in some cases payments have been made in advance.

I believe it has been firmly impressed upon the people that it is their sole responsibility to supply or be prepared to pay for their own services.

I do not expect any further problems to arise in this regard. //

In the event that some of our houses are occupied by recent T.B. rehabilitation patients (man and wife), I think we should be prepared to offer some financial assistance.

This report and submission of accounts has been delayed as the majority of the funds collected was from payment of wages to Indians who were recently employed on our winter road clearing project.

*K. Kerr*

K. KERR,  
SUPERINTENDENT

KK:mb  
cc: Mr. J. G. McGilp

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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APPLICATION FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, APPLY FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE AND IN SUPPORT OF MY APPLICATION I MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AND DECLARE THEM TO BE TRUE.

CANADA

FAMILY NAME

YELLOWKNIFE

BAND

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GIVEN NAMES

YELLOWKNIFE

AGENCY

BAND NO.

1. WHAT HELP DO YOU NEED? FOOD

2. WHY DO YOU NEED HELP? UNABLE TO OBTAIN STEADY WORK TO PROVIDE FOR MY WIFE AND SON

3. HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT YOU WILL NEED HELP? 1 MONTH OR OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT

4. SEX  MALE  FEMALE

5. AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH

6. MARITAL STATUS

MARRIED  SEPARATED  WIDOW(ER)  SINGLE  DESERTED  DIVORCED  COMMON-LAW UNION

7. DEPENDENTS

SPOUSE  YES  NO

NO. OF CHILDREN 13 TO 16 YEARS OF AGE INCLUSIVE NUMBER            12 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER NUMBER 1

OTHER DEPENDENTS EMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL UNEMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL

NAME	SEX	AGE	RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD
[REDACTED]	F	[REDACTED]	WIFE
[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]	SON

(Attach an extra sheet to list additional dependents if necessary)

<b>8 (A) INCOME LAST MONTH</b> WAGES - HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD \$ _____ WIFE _____ OTHERS _____ RENTALS _____ FURS _____ FISH (sold) _____ HANDICRAFT _____ FARM PRODUCE _____ VALUE OF GAME, FISH, ETC., TAKEN FOR DOMESTIC USE <u>30.00</u>	<b>8 (B) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD</b> UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE \$ _____ WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE _____ WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION _____ DISABLED PERSON'S ALLOWANCES _____ BLIND PERSON'S ALLOWANCES _____ OLD AGE ASSISTANCE _____ OLD AGE SECURITY (O.A.S.) _____ SOCIAL SECURITY (U.S.A.) _____ PENSION (other) _____ OTHER MISCELLANEOUS INCOME _____	<b>8 (C) WIFE</b> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<b>TOTAL</b> \$ <u>30.00</u>	<b>TOTALS</b> \$ <u>NIL</u>	\$ <u>NIL</u>

TOTAL OF COLUMNS 8 (A) \$ 30.00  
 8 (B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (C) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**GRAND TOTAL** \$ 30.00

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES LAST MONTH INCLUDING EVALUATION OF FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE OR COUNTRY FOOD AVAILABLE BUT EXCLUSIVE OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

**8 (D) TOTAL INCOME FOR PAST 12 MONTHS** 200.00      **9. CASH ON HAND OR IN BANK** 1.00

**10. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?**  
HUNTER, TRAPPER, LABORER.

**11. WHERE HAVE YOU WORKED DURING PAST YEAR?**

EMPLOYER'S NAME	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	FROM	TO	RATE OF PAY
<u>SELF EMPLOYED</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>HUNTING AND TRAPPING</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>

**12. WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED DURING PAST YEAR?**

ADDRESS	FROM	DATE	TO
<u>YELLOWKNIFE.</u>	<u>5 YEARS</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>X</u>

**13. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NUMBER** NIL      **14. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?**  
 YES       NO X

**15. ON WHAT DATE DID YOU LAST REGISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AT YOUR NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE?** NOT REGISTERED      **16. IF MEDICALLY UNFIT, CERTIFIED BY WHOM?**  
 (Attach Unemployment Insurance Card, Form U.I.C. 711, if you have one - it will be returned to you)      DR'S NAME N/A.  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**17. ARE YOU RECEIVING RELIEF FOOD ASSISTANCE?**  
 YES       NO X      (IF YES) DATE COMMENCED \_\_\_\_\_

**18. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION?**  
NO

**19. NAME NATURAL FOOD SOURCES AVAILABLE (wild meat, fish, berries, farm and garden produce, etc.):**  
FISH. MOOSE. RATS.

**20. WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU OWN? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.):**  
1 SLEIGH. 3 DOGS.

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE STATEMENT AND I AGREE TO NOTIFY THE PERSON IN AUTHORITY OF ANY CHANGE OCCURRING IN THE NUMBER OF MY DEPENDENTS OR IN MY INCOME OR INCOME OF MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY LIVING IN MY HOUSEHOLD. I WILL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS. I WILL GIVE READY ACCESS TO MY HOME AT ALL TIMES TO THE INDIAN AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR ANY OTHER EMPLOYEE OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION WHEN REQUESTED TO DO SO.

Oct. 28/60.  
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 SIGNATURE

X. Ken.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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APPLICATION FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, APPLY FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE AND IN SUPPORT OF MY APPLICATION I MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AND DECLARE THEM TO BE TRUE.

[REDACTED]  [REDACTED]  
 FAMILY NAME GIVEN NAMES  
DOG RIB RAE YELLOWKNIFE  
 BAND BAND NO. AGENCY

1. WHAT HELP DO YOU NEED? FOOD, CLOTHING, FIRE WOOD.

2. WHY DO YOU NEED HELP? HUSBAND IN HOSPITAL WITH T.B.  
NO OTHER SUPPORT.

3. HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT YOU WILL NEED HELP?  
UNTIL HUSBAND DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

4. SEX  MALE  FEMALE 5. AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH  [REDACTED]

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(Attach an extra sheet to list additional dependents if necessary)

8 (A) INCOME LAST MONTH

WAGES - HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WIFE 10.00  
 OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENTALS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FURS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FISH (sold) \_\_\_\_\_  
 HANDICRAFT \_\_\_\_\_  
 FARM PRODUCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 VALUE OF GAME, FISH, ETC. \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKEN FOR DOMESTIC USE \_\_\_\_\_

8 (B) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISABLED PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 BLIND PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE ASSISTANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE SECURITY 61034  
 SOCIAL SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PENSION (other) 110  
 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

8 (C) WIFE

\_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ 10.00

TOTALS \$ NIL

\$ NIL

TOTAL OF COLUMNS 8 (A) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (C) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL \$ 10.00

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES LAST MONTH INCLUDING EVALUATION OF FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE OR COUNTRY FOOD AVAILABLE BUT EXCLUSIVE OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

8 (D) TOTAL INCOME FOR PAST 12 MONTHS

\$ 56.00

9. CASH ON HAND OR IN BANK

\$ NIL

10. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?

HOUSEWIFE - DISHWASHER

11. WHERE HAVE YOU WORKED DURING PAST YEAR?

EMPLOYER'S NAME	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	FROM	TO	RATE OF PAY
<u>YELLOWKNIFE HOTEL</u>	<u>YELLOWKNIFE</u>	<u>DISHWASHER</u>	<u>1 DAY</u>		<u>5.00 DAY</u>
<u>GOLD RANGE HOTEL</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>10 DAYS</u>		<u>5.00 DAY</u>

12. WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED DURING PAST YEAR?

ADDRESS	FROM	DATE	TO
<u>HAY RIVER. N.W.T.</u>	<u>DEC. 18/59</u>	<u>FEB. 6/60</u>	
<u>YELLOWKNIFE. N.W.T.</u>	<u>FEB. 7/60</u>	<u>DATE.</u>	

13. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NUMBER

NIL

14. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?

YES  NO

15. ON WHAT DATE DID YOU LAST REGISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AT YOUR NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE?

NOT REGISTERED  
 (Attach Unemployment Insurance Card, Form U.I.C. 711, if you have one - it will be returned to you)

16. IF MEDICALLY UNFIT, CERTIFIED BY WHOM?

DR'S NAME N/A.  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

17. ARE YOU RECEIVING RELIEF FOOD ASSISTANCE?

YES  NO (IF YES) DATE COMMENCED JAN. 1, 1960

18. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION?

No.

19. NAME NATURAL FOOD SOURCES AVAILABLE (wild meat, fish, berries, farm and garden produce, etc.)

NIL.

20. WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU OWN? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.)

NIL.

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE STATEMENT AND I AGREE TO NOTIFY THE PERSON IN AUTHORITY OF ANY CHANGE OCCURRING IN THE NUMBER OF MY DEPENDENTS OR IN MY INCOME OR INCOME OF MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY LIVING IN MY HOUSEHOLD. I WILL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS. I WILL GIVE READY ACCESS TO MY HOME AT ALL TIMES TO THE INDIAN AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR ANY OTHER EMPLOYEE OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION WHEN REQUESTED TO DO SO.

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Sept. 1/60

DATE

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

APPLICATION FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE



I, THE UNDERSIGNED, APPLY FOR WELFARE ASSISTANCE AND IN SUPPORT OF MY APPLICATION I MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AND DECLARE THEM TO BE TRUE.

FAMILY NAME: DOG RIB RAE. BAND NO. [redacted] GIVEN NAMES: YELLOWKNIFE AGENCY

WHAT HELP DO YOU NEED? FOOD

WHY DO YOU NEED HELP? UNABLE TO PROVIDE FOR WIFE AND CHILDREN.

HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT YOU WILL NEED HELP? UNTIL ABLE TO FIND WORK.

SEX: [X] MALE [ ] FEMALE

MARITAL STATUS: [X] MARRIED [ ] SEPARATED [ ] WIDOWER [ ] SINGLE [ ] DESERTED [ ] DIVORCED [ ] COMMON-LAW UNION

DEPENDENTS: SPOUSE [X] YES [ ] NO

NO. OF CHILDREN: 13 TO 16 YEARS OF AGE INCLUSIVE NUMBER 112. 12 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER NUMBER 5

OTHER DEPENDENTS: EMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL. UNEMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL

Table with columns: NAME, SEX, AGE, RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD. Rows include WIFE, SON, DAUGHTER, DAUGHTER, SON, SON, DAUGHTER.

(Attach an extra sheet to list additional dependents if necessary)

8 (A) INCOME LAST MONTH

8 (B) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

8 (C) WIFE

WAGES - HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WIFE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENTALS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FURS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FISH (sold) \_\_\_\_\_  
 HANDICRAFT \_\_\_\_\_  
 FARM PRODUCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 VALUE OF GAME, FISH, ETC., \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKEN FOR DOMESTIC USE \_\_\_\_\_

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISABLED PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 BLIND PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE ASSISTANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 SOCIAL SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PENSION (other) \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ NIL

TOTALS \$ NIL

\$ NIL

TOTAL OF COLUMNS 8 (A) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (C) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL \$ NIL

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES LAST MONTH INCLUDING EVALUATION OF FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE OR COUNTRY FOOD AVAILABLE BUT EXCLUSIVE OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

8 (D) TOTAL INCOME FOR PAST 12 MONTHS

9. CASH ON HAND OR IN BANK

\$ 200.00

\$ NIL

10. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?

HUNTER, TRAPPER, LABORER

11. WHERE HAVE YOU WORKED DURING PAST YEAR?

EMPLOYER'S NAME	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	FROM	TO	RATE OF PAY
<u>SELF EMPLOYED - HUNTING</u>					
	<u>WILSON'S BAY ST. 23412 ST. WILSON</u>				

12. WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED DURING PAST YEAR?

ADDRESS	FROM	DATE	TO
<u>YELLOWKNIFE</u>	<u>3 YEARS</u>		<u>X</u>

13. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NUMBER

NIL

14. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?

YES  NO

15. ON WHAT DATE DID YOU LAST REGISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AT YOUR NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE?

NOT REGISTERED  
 (Attach Unemployment Insurance Card, Form U.I.C. 711, if you have one - it will be returned to you)

16. IF MEDICALLY UNFIT, CERTIFIED BY WHOM?

DR'S NAME N/A  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

17. ARE YOU RECEIVING RELIEF FOOD ASSISTANCE?

YES  NO (IF YES) DATE COMMENCED \_\_\_\_\_

18. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION?

No

19. NAME NATURAL FOOD SOURCES AVAILABLE (wild meat, fish, berries, farm and garden produce, etc.)

MOOSE

20. WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU OWN? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.)

CANOE

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE STATEMENT AND I AGREE TO NOTIFY THE PERSON IN AUTHORITY OF ANY CHANGE OCCURRING IN THE NUMBER OF MY DEPENDENTS OR IN MY INCOME OR INCOME OF MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY LIVING IN MY HOUSEHOLD. I WILL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS. I WILL GIVE READY ACCESS TO MY HOME AT ALL TIMES TO THE INDIAN AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT OR ANY OTHER EMPLOYEE OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION WHEN REQUESTED TO DO SO.

MARCH 26/60  
 DATE

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FAMILY NAME

YELLOWKNIFE. 'B'

BAND

GIVEN NAMES

YELLOWKNIFE.

BAND NO.

AGENCY

1. WHAT HELP DO YOU NEED? FOOD FOR MY FAMILY.

2. WHY DO YOU NEED HELP? RECENTLY RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL.  
UNABLE TO OBTAIN WORK.  
NO DOGS FOR TRAPPING.

3. HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT YOU WILL NEED HELP?  
UNTIL ABLE TO OBTAIN WORK OR GO TRAPPING

4. SEX  MALE  FEMALE

5. AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH

6. MARITAL STATUS  
 MARRIED  SEPARATED  WIDOWER  SINGLE  DESERTED  DIVORCED  COMMON-LAW UNION

7. DEPENDENTS  
SPOUSE  YES  NO

NO. OF CHILDREN  
13 TO 16 YEARS OF AGE INCLUSIVE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
12 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER NUMBER 4

OTHER DEPENDENTS  
EMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL  
UNEMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL

NAME	SEX	AGE	RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD
[REDACTED]	F	[REDACTED]	WIFE
[REDACTED]	F	[REDACTED]	DAUGHTER
[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]	SON
[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]	SON
[REDACTED]	M	[REDACTED]	SON

(Attach an extra sheet to list additional dependents if necessary)

8 (A) INCOME LAST MONTH

WAGES - HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WIFE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENTALS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FURS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FISH (sold) \_\_\_\_\_  
 HANDICRAFT \_\_\_\_\_  
 FARM PRODUCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 VALUE OF GAME, FISH, ETC. *etc. 100.00* \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKEN FOR DOMESTIC USE \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ *Nil*

8 (B) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISABLED PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 BLIND PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE ASSISTANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE SECURITY *250.00* \_\_\_\_\_  
 SOCIAL SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PENSION (other) *50* \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

TOTALS \$ *Nil*

8 (C) WIFE

\_\_\_\_\_

\$ *Nil*

TOTAL OF COLUMNS 8 (A) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (C) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL \$ *Nil*

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES LAST MONTH INCLUDING EVALUATION OF FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE OR COUNTRY FOOD AVAILABLE BUT EXCLUSIVE OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

8 (D) TOTAL INCOME FOR PAST 12 MONTHS

\$ *250.00*

9. CASH ON HAND OR IN BANK

\$ *Nil*

10. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?

*HUNTER, TRAPPER, LABORER.*

11. WHERE HAVE YOU WORKED DURING PAST YEAR?

EMPLOYER'S NAME	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	FROM	TO	RATE OF PAY
<u><i>SELF EMPLOYED</i></u>	<u><i>HUNTING</i></u>	<u><i>TRAPPING</i></u>			

12. WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED DURING PAST YEAR?

ADDRESS	FROM	DATE	TO
<u><i>YELLOWKNIFE</i></u>	<u><i>3 YEARS</i></u>		<u><i>X</i></u>

13. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NUMBER

*Nil*

14. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?

YES  NO *X*

15. ON WHAT DATE DID YOU LAST REGISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AT YOUR NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE?

*NOT REGISTERED*  
 (Attach Unemployment Insurance Card, Form U.I.C. 711, if you have one - it will be returned to you)

16. IF MEDICALLY UNFIT, CERTIFIED BY WHOM?

DR'S NAME *N/A*  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

17. ARE YOU RECEIVING RELIEF FOOD ASSISTANCE?

YES  NO *X* (IF YES) DATE COMMENCED *N/A*

18. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION?

*No.*

19. NAME NATURAL FOOD SOURCES AVAILABLE (wild meat, fish, berries, farm and garden produce, etc.):

*FISH. MOOSE. RABBITS.*

20. WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU OWN? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.):

*NO EQUIPMENT*

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*FEB. 22/60*

DATE

*[Redacted Signature Area]*

SIGNATURE

*H. Ken*



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[Redacted]  [Redacted]  
 FAMILY NAME GIVEN NAMES  
YELLOWKNIFE 'B' YELLOWKNIFE.  
 BAND BAND NO. AGENCY

1. WHAT HELP DO YOU NEED? FOOD FOR MY WIFE AND FAMILY

2. WHY DO YOU NEED HELP? UNABLE TO GET A JOB.  
NO WORK AVAILABLE

3. HOW LONG DO YOU EXPECT YOU WILL NEED HELP?  
UNTIL I AM ABLE TO FIND WORK

4. SEX  MALE  FEMALE 5. AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH [Redacted]

6. MARITAL STATUS  
 MARRIED  SEPARATED  WIDOW(ER)  SINGLE  DESERTED  DIVORCED  COMMON-LAW UNION

7. DEPENDENTS  
SPOUSE  YES  NO

NO. OF CHILDREN 13 TO 16 YEARS OF AGE, INCLUSIVE NUMBER 1 12 YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER NUMBER 1

OTHER DEPENDENTS EMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL UNEMPLOYABLE NUMBER NIL

NAME	SEX	AGE	RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD
[Redacted]	F	[Redacted]	WIFE
[Redacted]	F	[Redacted]	DAUGHTER

(Attach an extra sheet to list additional dependents if necessary)

8 (A) INCOME LAST MONTH

WAGES - HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD \$ 5.00  
 WIFE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_  
 RENTALS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FURS \_\_\_\_\_  
 FISH (sold) \_\_\_\_\_  
 HANDICRAFT \_\_\_\_\_  
 FARM PRODUCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 VALUE OF GAME, FISH, ETC. 200.00  
 TAKEN FOR DOMESTIC USE \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ 5.00

8 (B) HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISABLED PERSON'S ALLOWANCES \_\_\_\_\_  
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 OLD AGE ASSISTANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
 OLD AGE SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 SOCIAL SECURITY (U.S.A.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 PENSION (other) \_\_\_\_\_  
 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS INCOME \_\_\_\_\_

TOTALS \$ NIL

8 (C) WIFE

\_\_\_\_\_

\$ NIL

TOTAL OF COLUMNS 8 (A) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (B) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 8 (C) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL \$ 5.00

TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES LAST MONTH INCLUDING EVALUATION OF FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE OR COUNTRY FOOD AVAILABLE BUT EXCLUSIVE OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

8 (D) TOTAL INCOME FOR PAST 12 MONTHS

\$ 350.00

9. CASH ON HAND OR IN BANK

\$ NIL

10. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?

TRAPPING, LABORER.

11. WHERE HAVE YOU WORKED DURING PAST YEAR?

EMPLOYER'S NAME	LOCATION	TYPE OF WORK	FROM	TO	RATE OF PAY
<u>SELF-EMPLOYED</u>	<u>TAPPING</u>				
	<u>WASK AREA AT 2100 1007 1007</u>				

12. WHERE HAVE YOU LIVED DURING PAST YEAR?

ADDRESS	FROM	DATE	TO
<u>YELLOWKNIFE</u>			<u>X</u>

13. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NUMBER

NIL

14. ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?

YES  NO

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 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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YES  NO (IF YES) DATE COMMENCED \_\_\_\_\_

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No

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FISH, MEAT

20. WHAT EQUIPMENT DO YOU OWN? (car, truck, fishing boat and gear, etc.)

NIL

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FEB. 1/60.

DATE

SIGNATURE

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139/17-10

Ottawa, March 9, 1961.

J. G. McGilp, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of  
Indian Agencies,  
Fort Smith, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. McGilp:

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I agree entirely with your actions and with what you are trying to accomplish at Latham Island. At the same time, I do recognize these objectives might be difficult to achieve and I would like you to know that I am prepared to extend financial assistance to a limited degree toward the accomplishment of our objectives in special circumstances, and where you consider it is necessary in the interests of all concerned.

I am most interested in the stand being taken at Latham Island and would be pleased to be advised from time to time of developments.

Yours sincerely,

Original Signed by  
H. M. JONES

H. M. Jones,  
Director.

139/17-10 (W5)  
RDR:GT

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
 INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa

FROM : Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

SUBJECT: Water and Garbage Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife Agency

YOUR FILE No:  
139/17-10

OUR FILE No:  
139/17-10 (RS)

DATE:  
February 24th, 1961.

WZ

I attach a report from Superintendent Kerr describing differences of opinion which have arisen in Yellowknife regarding the supplying of water and garbage services to the Indian tenants of 10 welfare houses on Latham Island.

On February 21st, accompanied by Mr. Kerr, I visited the Town Clerk of the Yellowknife Municipality. I explained to Mr. Buck that we had been interested in ensuring that during their first year of occupancy, tenants of the Indian Affairs houses should be encouraged to avail themselves of the Town's water delivery and garbage collection services. To this end, we had asked the Town authorities to make the deliveries, billing the Indian tenants, but with the proviso that should payment not be forthcoming during 1960, the Indian Affairs Branch would make good the unpaid bills up to December 31st, 1960.

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This educational period was now past and we expected the Indian tenants to deal with the Town Council on the same personal basis as any other resident of the town. The Town Clerk expressed his appreciation of our viewpoint, and is in agreement with our attempts to have the Indians look upon themselves as independent residents who should deal with the Town authorities as individuals. No differences of opinion seeming to exist between the Town Clerk and ourselves, we withdrew.

Accompanied by Mr. Kerr, I then visited Mr. D. Finlayson, the Chairman of the Health and Sanitation Committee of the Yellowknife Council. I explained the matter to Mr. Finlayson in the same terms as had been used with Mr. Buck. Mr. Finlayson expressed fear that if the Indians elected to do without the town's water delivery and garbage collection services, an unsanitary and unhygienic situation might come into being. Mr. Finlayson seemed to

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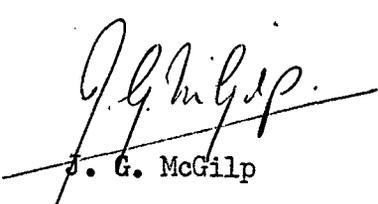
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fear the spread of disease, and mentioned "epidemics". Mr. Finlayson used the words "wards of the Government", and I explained to him that the Indians of Latham Island must not be looked upon in this way, but rather as fully independent individuals quite capable of dealing as individuals with the Town authorities.

Mr. Finlayson felt the Town Council might have more to say on the subject, and I suggested that in that event they should write to Mr. Kerr, Superintendent of the Yellowknife Agency. This interview was most amicable, and I mentioned to Mr. Finlayson that as the matter had been originally raised by Mr. Horton, the Mayor of Yellowknife, I proposed to see him. Mr. Finlayson gave the impression that if I went to the Mayor, I would be going over his head as Chairman of the Health and Sanitation Committee, and requested that I leave the matter with him.

I acceded to Mr. Finlayson's request and did not approach the Mayor, as I presume Mr. Finlayson and Mr. Buck will wish to make their reports to the Town Council in person.

I have asked Mr. Kerr to treat this matter with delicacy, and to keep us informed of any developments as soon as they arise. In the meantime, the Indian tenants will be visited regularly by Mr. Kerr who will advise them on the desirability of applying at the Municipal Office for water and garbage services and paying for these services themselves.

  
J. G. McGilp

JGM:fp  
Att.-1  
cc- Mr. K. Kerr

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

CONFIDENTIAL

TO: Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie      OUR FILE: 139/29-2  
FROM: Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency      YOUR FILE: 139/29-2  
SUBJECT: Water and Garbage Services - Latham Island      DATE: February 22nd, 1961

In January of 1960 this Agency received Branch approval to guarantee payment of water and garbage services to our houses located on Latham Island for the calendar year 1960. The Municipal District of Yellowknife agreed to provide these services and attempt to collect payment from the Indian occupants of the houses who were receiving these services. In the event that the occupants were unable to make payment, then this Agency would pay the balance of accounts due.

Early in January I visited Mr. J. Buck, Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District of Yellowknife, and informed him that we had completed our original agreement of being responsible for water and garbage accounts for our Indian houses on Latham Island. I impressed upon Mr. Buck that if the Indian people wished to continue receiving water and garbage services, they would be encouraged to personally apply at the Municipal District Office, in order to make their own arrangements for services. However, although the individuals concerned did not contact the Municipal District, they were continued to be provided with these services until mid-February.

On February 16th Mr. E. R. Horton, Mayor of the Municipal District of Yellowknife, telephoned the Yellowknife Agency Office and threatened and warned the writer that if I would not guarantee payment of all water and garbage accounts for forever and amen, then he would personally report me to the Minister of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration. I attempted to explain to Mr. Horton that we had carried out our agreement of guaranteeing unpaid accounts for the calendar year 1960. During this period of time I feel that we have five and possibly six occupants of houses on Latham Island who have joined the wage economy of the Yellowknife area to such an extent that they are capable of providing for their own services. I also informed Mr. Horton that I expected Mr. McGilp, Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies, to be in Yellowknife on February 20th, and we would discuss this question further at that time.

On February 18th I discussed Mayor Horton's warning with Mr. Buck, who informed me that he was unaware of any action or warnings, as this subject had not been discussed at any of the Council meetings.

Regional Supervisor

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February 22nd, 1961

Mr. McGilp, Regional Supervisor, arrived in Yellowknife on February 20th and was informed of what had transpired. Once again, accompanied by Mr. McGilp, I visited Mr. Buck at the Municipal Office to discuss Mr. Horton's warning. Mr. Buck was still unaware of any animosity on Mr. Horton's part, and agreed with our proposed plan of requesting individual Indians to make their own arrangements for services.

We then visited Mr. D. W. Finlayson, Councillor and Chairman of the Health and Sanitation Committee. Mr. Finlayson advised that if the Municipality has a plan or objection to raise, it would be forwarded by letter to the Yellowknife Agency Office.

Mr. Finlayson also requested that we do not visit or discuss the subject with Mayor Horton.

From observations made at a local level, it would appear that there is a rift between the Mayor and the Councillors, and I personally do not want to become involved with any part of their private or public affairs.

This report is submitted as information only, as I believe our Branch may be unduly criticised by Mr. Horton in his weekly newspaper.



K. KERR,  
SUPERINTENDENT

KK:mb



GOVERNMENT  
OF  
CANADA

# ACTION REQUEST

CGSB 6-GP-12  
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*I recommend we approve as a charge to 519-12-289.*

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# MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa, Ont.

YOUR FILE No:

FROM : Regional Supervisor - Mackenzie District

OUR FILE No:

139/17-10

SUBJECT: Garbage Containers - Fort Rae

DATE:

August 12th, 1960.

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I attach a report submitted by Superintendent Kerr concerning the provision of garbage containers for Indian residents of Fort Rae. I have already contacted Northern Affairs officials in Fort Smith, but they advised that they cannot accept the responsibility to provide garbage containers at Fort Rae.

I should recommend that Superintendent Kerr be authorized to spend \$220.00 to provide empty oil drums at Fort Rae. We are not quite sure as to which vote and allotment should be used to provide funds, and if this request meets with your approval, we should be grateful if you would advise the vote and allotment to which it should be charged.

*J.G. McGilp*

J. G. McGilp  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies

JGM:fp  
cc- Mr. K. Kerr

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MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

AUG 11 1960

TO : Regional Supervisor - District of Mackenzie

YOUR FILE No: 139/17-10

FROM : Superintendent - Yellowknife Indian Agency

OUR FILE No: 139/17-10

SUBJECT: Garbage Containers - Fort Rae

DATE:  
August 10th, 1960

In reply to your letter of August 4th, 1960, the following information is submitted for your consideration:

1. Approximately 100 garbage containers are required by members of the Dog Rib Rae Band presently residing at Rae.
2. Garbage containers should be provided at Rae to enable the Dog Rib Rae people to store their garbage in containers which they can then transport to the local refuse grounds.

At the present time some of the people at Rae are interested in attempting to clean up their settlement as they realize that discarded garbage left at their door-steps is a breeding place for disease.

The Chief and Council have appealed for our assistance in this matter, in addition to an appeal made by the Medical Health Office of Rae.

3. The local Imperial Oil agent has offered to give free of charge all condemned empty light oil drums that are presently in storage awaiting to be discarded into the local refuse grounds.
4. Estimated cost of transporting empty drums from Yellowknife to Rae -

Winter rates via road - \$200.00

Summer rates via barge - \$150.00

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August 10th, 1960

5. Heavy type hammers and chisels should be supplied to enable the local people of Rae to remove the tops from the barrels after they arrive at Rae.
  6. Estimated cost of tools - \$20.00 ✓
  7. Total estimated cost of project - \$220.00 ✓
- Attached please find Requisitions for Hammers and Chisels.

I recommend the supplying of garbage containers as they would be of great assistance to the health and sanitation problem at Rae.



K. KERR,  
SUPERINTENDENT

KK:mb  
Encl.

MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa, Ont.  
FROM : Regional Supervisor - Mackenzie District  
SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife

YOUR FILE No:  
139/17-10 (W5)  
OUR FILE No:  
139/17-10  
DATE:  
July 29th, 1960.

*WS [Signature]*

Please find attached a report submitted by Superintendent Kerr in reply to your letter of July 7th, 1960, requesting a report on the operation of water and scavenger services at Latham Island.

I am advising Mr. Kerr that if the Yellowknife Town Council finds itself unable to collect fees from the Indians, if the Council refer it to him, he is to submit completed Forms I.A.3-134, Application for Welfare Assistance, specifically related to payment for water and scavenger services. The accounts will have to be submitted with the completed forms.

In the meantime, it appears from Superintendent Kerr's report that every effort is being made to take care of the situation on Latham Island without recourse to welfare funds.

*Mr. Gordon.  
Mr. Ryan & I  
plan on reviewing this &  
other general problems on  
scavenger services  
when I return  
in late Sept.*

*J. G. McGilp*  
J. G. McGilp  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies

JGM:fp  
Att.  
cc- *File* 139/29-2  
Supt. Kerr

*[Signature]* 12/8/60

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MEMORANDUM • GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

TO : Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

YOUR FILE No: 139/29-2  
139/17-10

FROM : Superintendent, Yellowknife Indian Agency

OUR FILE No: 139/29-2

SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services - Latham Island

DATE:  
July 25th, 1960

s.19(1) In reply to your letter of July 14th, the following report is submitted as requested:

HOUSE #1 Occupied by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Yellowknife "A" Band, his wife and five children. [REDACTED] has been unable to obtain steady employment and during the winter months assistance had to be issued to him and his family. At the present time [REDACTED] has temporary employment with the Municipal District of Yellowknife, and I have made arrangements with the Town to withhold the cost of water and scavenger services from his salary. I feel that during the winter months [REDACTED] will not be able to gain employment and further assistance will have to be granted. [REDACTED] is not a trapper, but does hunt for moose and caribou in the winter months.

HOUSE #2 Occupied by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife and four children. [REDACTED] has been able to obtain temporary employment with the Department of Public Works, and efforts are being made to have him meet his own water and scavenger costs as long as he is employed. During the winter months [REDACTED] does some trapping and hunting in the immediate area. This family has not required relief assistance during the winter months.

HOUSE #3 Occupied by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife, one son and his father-in-law, [REDACTED] has been able to find temporary employment during the summer and winter months. This man is not a trapper or hunter; at the same time I have not had to issue relief rations for the maintenance of the family.

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July 25th, 1960

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HOUSE #4 Occupied by [redacted], [redacted] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife and daughter. [redacted] has been employed on a casual temporary basis during the summer months. At the present time he is employed at Fort Smith and his house is unoccupied. [redacted] is not a trapper or hunter; he and his wife and family had to be issued relief assistance during the greater part of last winter.

HOUSE #5 Occupied by [redacted], [redacted] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife and six children. Mr. & Mrs. [redacted] are both receiving Old Age Assistance and have agreed to pay their water and scavenger services to date. Prior to receiving the pension, we had to issue relief assistance to this household. I feel that [redacted] will pay for his own water and scavenger services if we are able to keep continuous pressure on him to do so.

HOUSE #6 Occupied by [redacted], [redacted] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife and four children, his sister-in-law and one child. [redacted] has temporary employment with the Department of Transport and arrangements are being made for him to pay his own water and scavenger services as long as he is employed. This family had to be maintained on relief assistance for the greater part of last winter.

HOUSE #7 Occupied by [redacted], [redacted] Dog Rib Rae Band, her daughter and one young nephew. The husband, [redacted], is a tuberculosis patient at the [redacted] Hospital in Edmonton. Louise is on permanent relief assistance as she is physically unable to provide for herself or her family.

HOUSE #8 Occupied by [redacted], [redacted] Dog Rib Rae Band, his wife and six children. [redacted] has casual temporary employment, unloading barges, during the summer months. He has received relief assistance during the winter months. This man tries to trap during the winter months but he has no equipment.

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July 25th, 1960

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HOUSE #9 Occupied by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Yellowknife "B" Band, his wife and four children. [REDACTED] has temporary employment during the summer months, but has received relief assistance during the winter. This man tries to trap but has no equipment.

HOUSE #10 Occupied by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Yellowknife "B" Band, and his mother. This family receiving permanent relief assistance as [REDACTED] is physically unable to do manual labor, or trapping.

At the present time there are fifty-five people of this Agency who are living in our housing project at Latham Island. I have recently interviewed and discussed with these people the necessity and importance of paying for their own water and scavenger services. The people themselves say that they are willing to pay for their services as long as they are employed, but as soon as employment closes then they are no longer able to make the necessary payments.

The Yellowknife Town Council has had no success to date in collecting any of their accounts. Any success that we may have in the future will be by this office keeping in contact with and keeping pressure on the individuals concerned.

For eight months of each year the only source of income the majority of these people have is Family Allowance, which is used in most cases for the purchase of food stuffs. If we were to collect water and scavenger services from Family Allowance, then I would have to increase the amount of relief assistance given to each family.

I feel that the only partial solution to this problem is to try and obtain steady employment for the people who are physically capable of work, but we will still have to assist those who are incapable of providing for themselves.

The housing project on Latham Island has drawn considerable comment from the people of Yellowknife, and

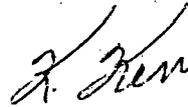
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the local Town Council is busy demolishing the houses formerly occupied by the new residents of Latham Island. This Agency was criticized by several people from the town of Yellowknife as to the amount of garbage surrounding the houses on Latham Island. This matter has now been cleared up by this office working with the people and the garbage collectors.



K. KERR,  
SUPERINTENDENT

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FORT SMITH  
JUL 28 1960  
INDIAN AGENCY

TO: SAC, FORT SMITH  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS  
SUBJECT: [Illegible]

Regional Supervisor, District of Mackenzie

c.c. 1/17-10  
c.c. 139/29-2

Chief, Welfare Division

139/17-10 (W5)

Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife

July 7, 1960

I would like to refer you to my memorandum of January 13th regarding the above, a copy of which is forwarded for your ready reference.

We do not appear to have received a report on the operation of the water and scavenger services at Latham Island and it would be appreciated if we could be brought up to date on the situation. Among other things, the report should include the number of Indians receiving these services and the success or otherwise experienced by the Yellowknife <sup>TCW</sup> Council in collecting any fees from the applicants themselves. Any other comments of a general nature would also be appreciated.

Original Signed by  
R. D. RAGAN  
J.H. Gordon.

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c.c. 1/17-10

c.c. 139/29-2

Regional Supervisor, Alberta & N.W.T.

139/17-10 (W5)

Chief, Welfare Division.

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Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife.

January 13, 1960.

Your memoranda of November 30th and December 15th, together with previous correspondence on sanitation problems in the Territories has been carefully reviewed. The whole problem of sanitation, particularly as it affects Indian communities adjacent to modern sanitary facilities, is now receiving careful attention by the Branch. It is most desirable that the Indians themselves should take the initiative in providing adequate sanitary facilities if this is at all possible. Where this is not possible the part to be played by communities, municipalities and others should be carefully assessed and the degree of assistance required from the Branch determined. In no case should assistance from the Branch be considered in perpetuity but there should be a definite cut-off date after which the Indians of the community should be expected to carry these burdens themselves the same as any other residents.

In connection with water and scavenger services on Latham Island, it is not understood why these matters were not taken into consideration when the original plan for housing was considered. In the planning of any community water and sanitary facilities must be provided for before construction commences. I trust that in the planning of future communities the problem of water and sanitation will be settled before the community develops.

It seems obvious, as far as Latham Island is concerned, that if our housing is to be occupied and this new settlement is to develop as an orderly and modern community the Department will have to make a contribution toward these desirable services. I am prepared, therefore, for the year 1960 to guarantee payment of water and scavenger services at Latham Island from public funds for those Indians who are unable to pay these fees themselves, this to be determined on a strict means test basis. The Yellowknife Town Council must look to the Indians first for these fees and arrange for collection as they would for any other resident of the area. If the fees cannot be paid, the matter should then be referred to the Agency Superintendent for completion of Form IA3-134, Application for Welfare Assistance. This

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form, which was discussed at the Banff Conference, is now being printed and will be available for distribution at an early date. If it is evident to the Superintendent, after the completion of this form, that the applicant is unable to pay the fees, the account may then be submitted by the Superintendent for payment with a copy of the completed form (IA3-134) attached.

It must be understood by the Yellowknife Town Council and by the Indians themselves that this guarantee will be in effect for the calendar year 1960 only and that after that time it is expected that the Indians will be able to pay these fees themselves. The year during which we will guarantee these payments will give the Indians an opportunity to organize and to discuss the problem from every aspect so that at the end of the period the services will continue.

Will you please have Superintendent Kerr discuss the above proposal with the Yellowknife Town Council and with the Indians concerned to ascertain whether it is acceptable. Superintendent Kerr should also continue to explore other means whereby the facilities might be made available to the Indians more reasonably or by their own efforts. Superintendent Kerr's report will be expected in due course.

Original Signed by  
J. H. GORDON

J. H. Gordon.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

139/29-2 (RS1)  
cc: 139/17-10

TO: Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa  
FROM: Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.  
SUBJECT: Welfare Houses - Latham Island

OUR FILE:  
YOUR FILE:  
DATE: December 15, 1959.

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During my recent trip to Ottawa I had occasion to discuss the payment of scavenger fees as referred to in my memo of November 30. I have now received further information from Superintendent Kerr in which he outlines the actual cost involved and states that the Yellowknife Town Council is very anxious that a decision be made so that it can plan accordingly. The houses will not be occupied until such time as a definite decision is given by the Department whether or not the scavenger fees would be guaranteed in case of default on the part of the Indian residing in the area.

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Encl.

  
R. F. Battle.

cc: Superintendent K. Kerr - Yellowknife  
Superintendent J. McGilp - Fort Smith

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

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TO: Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N. W. T.      OUR FILE: 139/29-2  
FROM: Supt., Yellowknife Indian Agency      YOUR FILE:  
SUBJECT: Welfare Houses - Latham Island      DATE: December 10, 1959

With reference to your letter dated December 3, 1959, I am inclined to agree that the proposed rental agreement contract should be dropped.

I feel that the majority of people who will be occupying the houses will be either destitute, Old Age Pensioners, Widows, unwed Mothers, or people who can not find employment due to health reasons.

I discussed Water delivery and Scavenger fees with Mr. McGilp and Mr. Horton, the Mayor of Yellowknife, who advised us that beginning in January, 1960, the Yellowknife Municipality will no longer collect Water and Scavenger fees directly, but through taxes, by raising the mill rate on assessed property.

On December 8th, 1959, I discussed Water and Scavenger services again with Mr. Horton, and he felt that the Yellowknife Town Council would be prepared to bill the Indian tenants on Latham Island quarterly, but that more than ever it would be necessary for the Town Council to be assured that the cost of providing Water and Scavenger services be guaranteed by our Department.

The costs involved would be:

Water Services	-	\$4.50 per month
Scavenger Services	-	\$4.50 per month.

Approximately 10 families are involved at present. Mr. Horton just 'phoned me requesting an early approval of the above submission, as apparently the Town will have to change some of their equipment, and methods, if they are to extend their services to Latham Island.

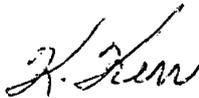
It may be possible to recover all or a part of the Water and Scavenger services in lieu of rent. This may also prove to be impossible.

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Mr. McGilp and I both feel that we should not have the houses occupied until:

1. Water and Scavenger services are settled.
2. The new stoves arrive.

The above is for your information and advice, please.



K. Kerr  
Superintendent

KK:fp  
cc- Mr. J. G. McGilp

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

TO: Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa  
FROM: Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.  
SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife.

OUR FILE: 139/17-10 (RS)

YOUR FILE:

DATE: November 30, 1959.

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*[Handwritten initials]*

No doubt you have had under consideration the problem outlined in my memo of October 29 with attachments from Mr. McGilp. I know that there is no easy solution but I thought I should send along to you a copy of Mr. McGilp's letter to me of November 8 in which he describes more fully some of the reasons for developing the housing program on Latham Island and for his recommendation that we arrange to guarantee payment for scavenger services.

*Letter received and referred to AI*

In another memo of today's date I am writing to the Agencies Division with regard to fire protection in settlements in the District of Mackenzie. These two problems are similar in that the services are required by the Indians but they do not live on reserves and consequently there is some question as to whether or not the Indian Affairs Branch should as a matter of policy become involved directly or indirectly in accepting financial responsibility for such services.

It is not likely that we will reach a solution to this problem in time to be of any help at Latham Island. May I suggest that we advise the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District of Yellowknife that we are prepared to provide the required guarantee on a temporary basis with the definite understanding that we do not acknowledge any long term financial responsibility.

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*[Handwritten signature]*  
R. F. Battle.

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Fort Smith, N.C.T.

8<sup>th</sup> November 1954.

Dear Sir,

With your permission I should like to set down some of my thoughts on the housing project on Latham Island.

In Yellowknife slim conditions exist among the Indian residents, the degradation of which are accentuated by the high standards of housing (both Federal and private) to be found there.

The policy of the Branch has appeared to me to be the raising of the social and economic standards of the Indian people, education and housing being fundamental to the changes needed.

Education in the town of Yellowknife was already the concern of the Dept. of N.A. & N.R.

A personal policy on housing seemed to me to be one of my responsibilities. But it was not possible to have a policy unless I had an objective in each settlement, some result I wanted to achieve.

In Yellowknife I wished to see decent homes provided where the people could keep their children.

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clean, comfortable warm surroundings during their school years. These increased standards of cleanliness, warmth and hygiene should also make it easier for a man to adapt himself to a wage economy in Yellowknife when the opportunity arose.

I know we are all creatures of habit. Each of us gets frayed to the breaking point if he is compelled to adjust too many of his relationships with too many people and changing circumstances all at once or in too rapid succession. I believe this is part of the difficult situation which faces us in Yellowknife where people have begun to abandon the Indian way of life, but are finding it exasperatingly difficult to fit into the non-Indian ways.

I know that orderly re-adjustment of relationships depends on not jarring too many of these relationships out of their grooves at the same time, hence we ensured canoe anchorage and space for dog teams would be immediately adjacent to the new houses.

3. By asking people to move out of their hovels, I knew we would be attacking the Yellowknife Indian's happy-go-lucky attitude to his home surroundings. While it will also be necessary to tackle their laissez-faire attitude to paying bills, I am not too happy about attacking on all fronts simultaneously. In other words, I do not like to place too much reliance on our ability to get the people to pay such things as water and garbage bills, when I am not too sure we can even get all the people to keep their homes clean and warm, while attempting to earn a living.

The juggler can keep five balls in the air at once; introduce a sixth or a seventh and he drops them all. We must not get too many balls in the air at once.

For instance, if by reducing the rental payments we can include the cost of water and garbage collection, this would only be one difficulty for the Indian to meet instead of two. But even this becomes academic if for a part of the year the tenant has to live on relief.

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Maybe I have been trying to rush things. I am fully aware that the initial impetus should come from the Indian himself. However I believe that in the context of the town of Yellowknife the attempt to raise housing standards had to be made.

I suppose I am trying to rationalize my motives in creating the housing development on Latham Island. Essentially, it was the difference between assessing the situation and accepting the inevitability of gradualness, and assessing the situation, then acting.

This has been on my mind this Sunday, and if there is anything in the foregoing you consider worthy of comment or correction for my future guidance, I should be grateful for your advice.

Yours sincerely,

J. G. Hilgip.

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c.c. 139/17-10  
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Chief, Agencies Division

1/17-10 (W)

Chief, Welfare Division

November 23, 1959.

We discussed, briefly, today the administration of policy and the division of responsibility between our Divisions in regard to the provision of such services as water and garbage disposal.

I am forwarding in this context some files dealing with the situation at Aklavik. You will note that for a number of years this Division has been paying charges for garbage disposal in this community. May I draw your attention to Mr. Battle's letter of October 29th in which the question of payment of a water service for this community is raised.

Services of this kind, I believe, are of concern to both our Divisions and, as you pointed out, it will be necessary for us to work very closely together. However, we discussed the following as a broad basis for division of responsibilities between our Divisions and I promised to submit these to you in memorandum form for your consideration:-

Under this arrangement this Division would be responsible for services on behalf of individuals. This would mean that where individual billing for water and garbage services is carried out and the individual is unable to meet these costs because of indigency, this Division would be responsible after applying a means test in very much the same manner as we would deal with requests for help with clothing, food or fuel.

Where a community or a group service is required, this would be dealt with by your Division. I have in mind the kind of situation where a municipality or other agency is unwilling to bill the individual and will provide the service only on the basis of acceptance of responsibility by the Department.

I think it would be worthwhile to clarify this potential area of confusion and I would be glad to have your views.

Original Signed by  
J. H. GORDON

J. H. Gordon.

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c.c. 139/17-10  
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1/17-10 (FA)

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Water and Garbage Disposal Services

16 November 59

The Welfare Division has been paying for garbage disposal at Aklavik for a number of years but the latest account received includes an item of \$139.75 for water services (see file 142/17-10).

In a letter dated October 29th on file 139/17-10 the Regional Supervisor in Edmonton now requests clarification as to future policy in respect to such services on Latham Island in the Yellowknife Agency and mentions a similar problem at Uranium City and Fort Smith.

I believe that if this department assumes responsibility for the acquisition of building sites for Indians on non-reserve land in the Northwest Territories, we must accept responsibility for collection of or payment for water and garbage disposal services provided by the local municipal administrations during the period of departmental land tenure when the Indians cannot or will not meet these obligations. I believe, however, that the financial circumstances of each householder who claims inability to pay these charges should be considered on their individual merits rather than on the basis of one account covering all Indian residents in any area in arrears for a period of several months, as is the present practice. I suspect that the Aklavik Utilities Association and the Municipality of Yellowknife might object but if individual billing could be arranged, the financial circumstances of those claiming inability to pay could be assessed on an individual basis in the same manner as claims regarding inability to provide for food and clothing requirements. I believe that such an arrangement would emphasize personal responsibility and reduce, as far as possible, the danger of establishing the precedent that the Branch automatically pays for these services.

I am not fully informed in respect to recent developments regarding acquisition of building sites for Indian dwellings in the

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Northwest Territories but am submitting my comments in memorandum form as I feel that the policy to be followed in the future should be decided upon for the guidance of all concerned.

Mention was made recently of the Agencies Division assuming responsibility for sewage disposal and water services and clarification in this respect would seem to be desirable at this time. In the event the Welfare Division continues to assume responsibility, I am submitting herewith a draft reply to Mr. Battle's letter of October 29th for your consideration.

C. Roberts.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

TO: Indian Affairs Branch - Ottawa  
FROM: Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.  
SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife.

OUR FILE: 139/17-10 (RS)

YOUR FILE:

DATE: October 29, 1959.

FA

I am attaching Mr. Cousineau's memo of October 21, copy of ours of October 23 raising several questions, and his of October 27 in which he concludes it will be necessary to guarantee payment of water and scavenger services accounts for Indians locating on Latham Island.

It will be observed that those Indians moving from unsatisfactory housing conditions in Yellowknife to these new dwellings on Latham Island are not at the present time meeting their accounts for these services, even though they are under much more pressure to do so than they would likely be on Latham Island. Consequently I believe it would be only realistic to assume that we can anticipate having to meet the majority or all of these accounts when due.

I am wondering if we are really approaching this problem intelligently and realistically by arbitrarily establishing goals which we expect the Indians to achieve immediately. Can we expect these people to maintain the same standards of sanitation as are required in Yellowknife or any other well organized town or city? There is obviously a real challenge in the field of community development in this new settlement that we are helping to build on Latham Island. It may be necessary for us to set the standards but it certainly would be more desirable for the Indians to attempt to do this themselves. I am not yet ready to make a firm recommendation because despite what Mr. Cousineau says, the question of precedent is involved. This matter came up at Uranium City and Fort Smith and we can expect it to develop in every settlement in the N.W.T.

Your comments would be appreciated.

R. F. Battle.

Encl.

cc: Mr. J. McGilp - Fort Smith

Mr. E. W. Cousineau - Yellowknife

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Letter from Regina  
Alberta, dated Octo

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

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TO: Regional Supervisor, Alberta & N. W. T.,  
Edmonton

OUR FILE: 139/17-10

FROM: E. W. Cousineau, A/Supt., Yellowknife

YOUR FILE: 139/17-10 (RS)

SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Services -  
Latham Island, Yellowknife

DATE: October 27, 1959

Please refer your memorandum dated October 23rd, 1959. Before dealing with your queries, may it be kept in mind that this matter was discussed fully with Superintendent McGilp, and proposals submitted October 21st were the result of a joint conference.

The following additional information is submitted for your guidance:

1. None of the prospective tenants will be able to meet scavenger and water fees all of the time. It is estimated that possibly 6 of the 10 will be able to meet these services at least half the time, and it could be estimated that 4 will not be able to meet costs of these services any of the time.
2. Your thought that if the Secretary-Treasurer of Yellowknife is advised that we will pay outstanding service fees at the end of the fiscal year was considered. It was the intention that this office would make periodic checks with a view to encouraging tenants to make regular payments.

Presently, these people are living among non-Indian families, and although they are not paying for scavenger and water services received, the Town cannot cut them off without jeopardizing the health and sanitation of the rest of the community. Were we not to give the Municipality assurance that they will get paid for these services if extended to the houses on Latham Island, they could take one of two courses:

- (a) Refuse to supply the services, or
- (b) Having started, will cut the services off should any arrears of payment occur.

Because this settlement is isolated from the rest of the community, no protest is likely to be received from the Non-Indian residents were either of the foregoing actions decided on. It is felt that we would not be acting in the best interest of the Indians, or in

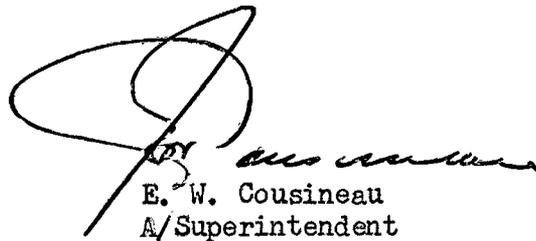
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accordance with Departmental policy, if we do not anticipate a situation which might lead to this project becoming another slum area. I think we must be prepared to spend some money until such time as the Indians are prepared and capable of maintaining good living conditions.

3. From a cost point of view, it is not considered practical to supply this group with tractor and wagon. Firstly, the initial cost of such a unit, plus upkeep and operating costs, would exceed annually the amount payable to have these services supplied by the Town, even were none of the group to pay anything on their own. Further, whoever did the actual work would expect to get paid.

Due to the mines operating in this area, all sources of water, other than the Municipal reservoir, are purported to be contaminated with arsenic; so, regardless of whether they hauled this water themselves or not, it would still have to be paid for. We do not consider that by arranging for water and scavenger service here in Yellowknife that we will be establishing a policy that will have to be carried out all over the MacKenzie District. Each locality will present problems peculiar to itself, and will have to be dealt with accordingly.

Also, we do not feel that we are recommending something that will lessen the Indians' initiative and responsibility, rather we believe that we will ultimately be getting him to accept these responsibilities - this by constantly persuading him to make provision to pay for these services himself.



E. W. Cousineau  
A/Superintendent

EWC:fp  
cc- Mr. J. G. McGilp

Superintendent E. W. Cousineau - Yellowknife

139/17-10 (RS)

Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.

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Water and Scavenger Service - Latham  
Island, Yellowknife.

October 23, 1959.

Before I submit your proposal of October 21 for the consideration of the Branch, I should like to be fully satisfied that no acceptable alternatives exist.

- (1) How many of the ten prospective occupants will be able to meet scavenger and water fees of \$9.00 per month?
- (2) Is it not likely that if we advise the Secretary-Treasurer of the Yellowknife Municipality that we will pay outstanding service fees at the end of the fiscal year, they will make no effort to collect from the Indians and we will be assuming full responsibility?
- (3) If you were supplied with a small agency tractor and wagon, could the Indian community not be organized on the basis that each member would take his turn hauling water and garbage? All the other Indians in the N.W.T. located in settlements where running water is not available are required to meet their own needs.

I am sending a copy of this memo to Mr. McGilp so that we may have the benefit of his advice - particularly in view of the fact that if we are to absorb these charges we can anticipate doing so elsewhere in the Mackenzie District. We must also think of the effect this will have on the development of Indian initiative and responsibility.

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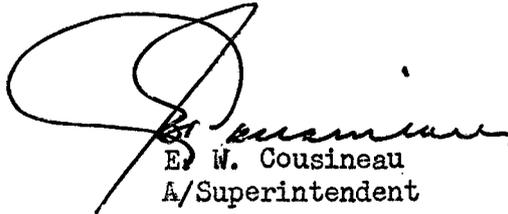
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R. F. Battle.

cc: Supt. J. McGilp (Copy of Mr. Cousineau's memo enclosed.)



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Recommended: That the Indian Affairs Branch guarantee to clear unpaid water and scavenging bills outstanding to the Yellowknife Municipality in respect of tenants of Indian Affairs Branch welfare houses on Latham Island in March, 1960. Accounts to be submitted to the Yellowknife Agency office by the Yellowknife Municipality on or by March 7th, 1960.



E. W. Cousineau  
A/Superintendent

JGM:fp

cc- File 140/17-10



CANADA

AGENCY No.

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ADDRESS

## DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

## VOUCHER FORM

139/XXX 17-10

MR. V. E. CHRISTENSEN

HAY RIVER, N.W.T.

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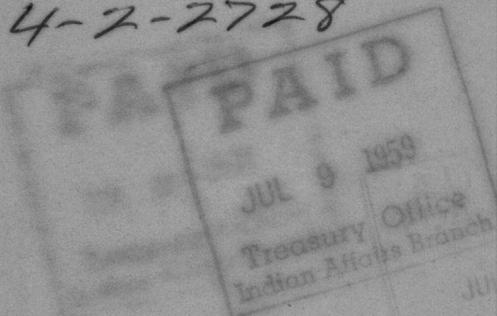
AMOUNT

MARCH 2/59

FOR: Removal of garbage from agency yard, as per attached  
account for the month of February.

\$ 4.00

4-2-2728



VOUCHER No. 519	DATE 24-6-59	P. O. No.	E. R. No. 29	CHARGE TO VOTE 512	ALLOT. 19 - 909
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BAND FUNDS ACCT. No. EMERGENCY EXPEND.

H. Q. AUTHORITY

DEPT'L CHEQUE No. (CREDIT VOUCHER ONLY)

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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:

Yellowknife Indian

AGENCY

SUPERINTENDENT

J. G. McGilp.

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## DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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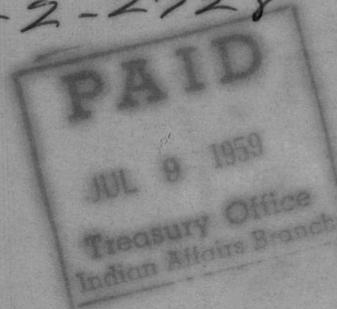
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JUNE 6/59

FOR: Hauling of garbage from agency yard during May.

\$ 4.00

4-2-2728



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Yellowknife Indian

AGENCY

SUPERINTENDENT J. G. McGillip.

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May 28, 1959.

Mr. J. G. McGilp, Supt. Yellowknife.  
Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.  
Water and Scavenger Service -  
Yellowknife.

*[Handwritten scribbles and initials]*

This will acknowledge your memorandum dated 26th of May, 1959.

Your problem in the matter of water and scavenger service to the Indians who will be occupying houses on Latham Island, is appreciated. However, it is not felt that we would be acting in their best interests were we, through the Agency office, to initiate and guarantee payment for these services. We consider that this should be the sole responsibility of the Indians themselves and every effort possible should be made to have them accept this responsibility.

We appreciate that this may be an idealistic approach and that in the final analysis our Department will have to assume some responsibility. This because, if the Indians do not respond, we can not permit a condition to develop in the new housing project that already exists in other areas.

We are asking the Branch to comment further on this and will keep you informed.

R. F. Battle.

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cc - Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa.

Indian Affairs Branch:  
For your information and necessary comments, please.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
R. F. Battle.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

MAIL TO

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

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TO: Mr. R. F. Battle, Regional Supervisor,  
Edmonton  
FROM: J. G. McGilp, Superintendent, Yellowknife  
SUBJECT: Water and Scavenger Service - Yellowknife

OUR FILE: 139/1-2

YOUR FILE:

DATE: May 26, 1959.

- (1) I attach a letter received from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District of Yellowknife, together with a list of Treaty Indians showing alleged indebtedness to the District for water and scavenger service.

I gather that some of the debts have accumulated over a period of five or six years.

- (2) I attach a copy of my letter of acknowledgment to the Secretary-Treasurer.
- (3) No commitment whatsoever has been admitted by this office in respect of these accounts, the attached being our first communications on the subject.
- (4) None of the Indians shown on the list can be said to be regularly employed.
- (5) By the end of June, 1959, we expect to have four houses occupied on Latham Island, and this number should increase to ten by October, 1959.

In respect of these homes, I would respectfully suggest that an agreement be entered into with the Municipal District of Yellowknife whereby the Indian Affairs Branch agree to pay \$500 for the financial year 1959-60 for water and scavenger service.

In the financial year 1960-61, there should be 10 families for 12 months at an average cost of \$11.50 per family per month, and perhaps payment of \$1,000 could be agreed upon between the Town Council and the Indian Affairs Branch.

- (6) Should you consider these suggestions in order, we should stipulate that Indian tenants on Latham Island pay \$10 per month to this office for water and scavenger service, payments to be submitted by us to the Receiver General. Collections would, of course, depend upon whether or not the tenant was employed, on relief, or on his family circumstances generally.

JGM:fp  
Atts.

  
J.G. McGilp,  
Superintendent

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TREASURER  
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF YELLOWKNIFE  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

May 25, 1959

Mr. John McGilp,  
Superintendent Yellowknife Indian Agency,  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. McGilp:

Recently we discussed by telephone the method of payment of water and scavenger service for Treaty Indians.

For your information I am enclosing herewith a list of Treaty Indians, at least we understand them to be Treaty Indians, who are receiving service and who are in arrears in payment of this service. As you can see, it amounts to a considerable sum of money.

The Council have discussed these accounts briefly and feel that the Department of Citizenship and Immigration should be responsible for the payment of these accounts.

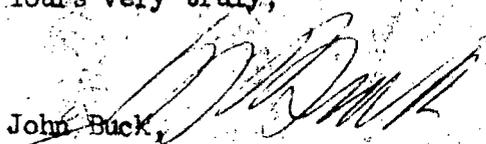
We have discussed briefly by telephone, water and scavenger service for the new homes which will be located on the far end of Latham Island. I believe I told you at that time that the monthly charge would be \$6.70. This is not correct and I am listing below the rates now in effect:-

Water Delivery	\$4.50
Dry Garbage only	2.50
Wet and Dry Garbage	4.50

When we refer to wet garbage we refer to the collection of night soil.

The Council shall look forward to receiving your comments on the above.

Yours very truly,

  
John Buck,  
Secretary-Treasurer

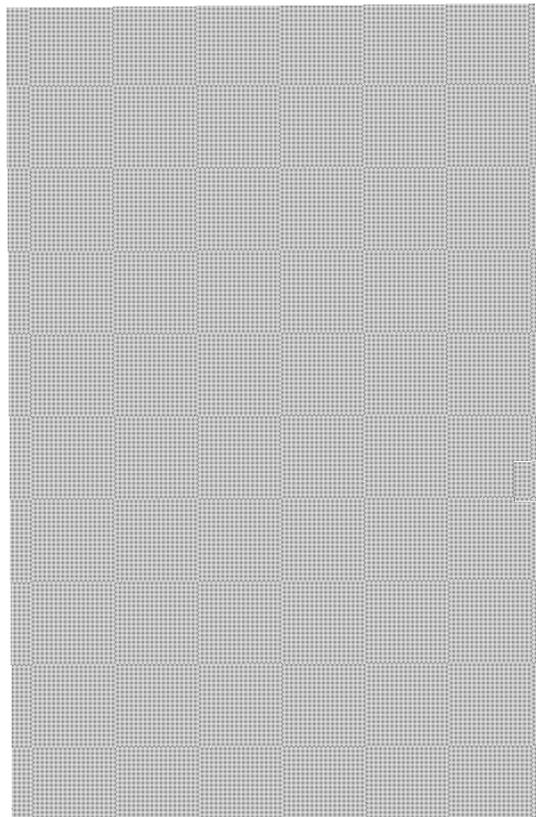
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TREASURER  
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF YELLOWKNIFE  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

INDIANS ON WATER & SCAVENGER SERVICE

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Mr. J.G. McGilp, Supt. Yellowknife.  
Regional Supervisor - Alberta & N.W.T.  
Water and Sewage Bills - Yellowknife.

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May 28, 1959.

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Thank you for your memorandum dated 21st of May, 1959.

We are passing a copy of same along to the Branch for their information.

For your guidance may I refer you to the last directive from the Department on this matter, a copy of which is attached. I believe you will find several correspondence on the situation on File 139/17-10, particularly between the dates August to December, 1956.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

R. F. Battle.

cc - Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa.  
Indian Affairs Branch,

For your information, please.

R. F. Battle.

# Yellowknife council -

The town council was told that the arena had experienced a good year, the operating deficit alone is just over \$2,100. This does not include expenditures made on the capital account.

Got a look at preliminary plans for a needed extension to the fire hall, which will be discussed at a budget meeting later.

Were warned it will be necessary this year to put a new roof on the arena.

Sat as a Court of Revision and heard no objections from residents of the area near the Fire Hall on the proposal to extend the water and sewer lines there this summer.

Heard a report from Councillor Parker on the placing of road signs along the airport road which would restrict such signs to the roadside between the sharp corner and the ball diamond and to one side of the road only. All signs to be approved by a committee of the council.

Heard a legal opinion that if the Gold Range Hotel wish to operate a limousine service from the airport to their hotel without charge and for hotel guests only, no legislation stands in their way.

Heard a report from the Dog Officer Ben Funk, that 44 dogs had been destroyed during the first active month of the campaign. Nine had been impounded and then bailed out by the own-

ers. It was decided to continue Mr. Funk as dog officer from month to month on a greatly reduced part time basis. A monthly report will be made. Mr. Funk himself suggested dogs should be restrained from following children to school, as they got "into mischief" on the way back home and frowned on dog owners who leave their animals tied outside without shelter all night. The dogs break loose he said and become a nuisance.

Decided to take stern measures to collect a number of delinquent water and sewer accounts, particularly in places where the debtor can well afford to pay. The accounts of a number of Indians will be discussed with the local officials of the Indian Affairs Branch and if no satisfaction is obtained there, to carry the accounts to higher echelons.

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## Letter to The Editor

# Co-operation

Mr. E. R. Horton,  
Editor,  
News of the North,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

Dear Sir:

On Monday, April 27th, the Public School, with the cooperation and help of the RCMP and the Home and School Association, will begin operation of a School Patrol at two of the intersections of Franklin Road. The crossing nearest the front gates of the school will be supervised, as well as the crossing by the Hudson's Bay store.

Patrols will operate from 11:25 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. at which time students from Grades One and Two are dismissed, and from 11:55 to 12:10 when the main body of the students go home for dinner. In the afternoon, patrols will be on duty from 12:45 to 1:00 o'clock, and from 3:25 to 3:40.

The need for supervision of these two main crossings during heavy pedestrian traffic has been more and more apparent lately as the summer approaches and more motorists exhume their cars from the winter drifts and take to the roads. Those concerned with the organization of the Patrol feel that to wait until the loss of a child's life points out the need of traffic control points, would be the ultimate in short-sightedness.

The co-operation of the pedestrian and motoring public will be required. It is hoped the Patrol will have identification belts and badges right from the outset.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

83382 MAY 25 1959

TO: Mr. R. F. Battle, Regional Supervisor,  
Edmonton  
OUR FILE: 139/1-2

FROM: J. G. McGilp, Superintendent, Yellowknife  
YOUR FILE:

SUBJECT: Water and Sewage Bills  
DATE: May 21st, 1959

I attach an excerpt from the "News of the North" of April 23rd.

You will note that the Yellowknife Town Council apparently decided that the accounts of a number of Indians would be discussed with local officials of the Indian Affairs Branch. I have been awaiting word from the Town Council on this matter since that date, but so far, no communication has been received.

Today, I received a visit from Mr. E. Cinnamon of the Town Council, who asked me to accompany him to an Indian home in the Old Town. I went with Mr. Cinnamon, and the lot in question was certainly in a filthy condition. The house was boarded up, garbage was strewn all over the lot, and toilet facilities appeared to present a definite health hazard.

Mr. Cinnamon asked me what I could do about it, and I was forced to point out that as the Indian who is alleged to own this lot normally lives in Trout Rock and only visits Yellowknife periodically, I felt there was little I could do help, except advise him when I see him that he must keep his property cleaner.

Mr. Cinnamon then asked who would pay for the "cleaning up" of the area. I advised him that presumably the same action should be taken on this lot as would be taken if the tenant were not an Indian, but if he felt that Indian Affairs should be responsible for this, he should put the matter in writing and send it to my office.

Mr. Cinnamon had referred to the Indian as "charges of the Government", and I advised him that as far as I am concerned the Indian in Yellowknife is an ordinary citizen, and should not be looked upon as a charge of anybody.

My particular way of dealing with this situation has been to plan a housing development on Latham Island. This plan should reach fruition this summer, when we expect to have 10 Indian houses constructed on Latham Island. At that time, we should assume responsibility for insuring that lots are kept clean and tidy, and I plan also to enter into some contractual agreement with the municipality to supply water and garbage disposal services.

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Until such time as this housing development is operating, I do not feel that the Indian Affairs Branch should assume responsibility for Indian citizens scattered throughout Yellowknife municipality.

Mr. Cinnamon also mentioned that there are water and sewage accounts amounting to some \$3,000 owed by Indians to the Yellowknife Town council. While I refused to accept any responsibility for these accounts, I mentioned to Mr. Cinnamon that this office has never been formally approached on the matter, nor have we received any correspondence on the subject.

I anticipate further developments on this matter in the near future.



J. G. McGilp  
Superintendent

JGM:fp  
Att.



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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

OUR FILE NO. 139/17-10 (RS)  
YOUR FILE NO.

10363 - 108 Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta,  
December 24, 1957.

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

For some time now we have been endeavouring to improve conditions of sanitation in the Indian settlements in the N.W.T. In addition to the provision of better housing, our program has been confined to the following:

- (1) Movement of dogs to compounds out of the main living area.
- (2) Construction of privies.
- (3) Annual spring clean-ups to remove loose garbage which collects during the winter months.
- (4) Whitewashing log homes.
- (5) Improvement of water supply - usually by tapping water systems.
- (6) Constructing shower facilities - e.g. Fort Franklin and Liard.

However, the attached report from Mr. Crapper of the Public Health Engineering Division and Superintendent Kendall's reply of December 13th point up a new aspect of this problem which will require consideration.

In your letter of November 13, 1956, you concurred in my opinion that Indians must learn to accept the responsibilities imposed upon them when they live in towns or villages. It was decided to not pay for scavenger services in these areas.

Despite the statistical errors in Mr. Crapper's report, a sanitation problem prevails in Yellowknife and Fort Smith. When the settlement is wholly Indian, I feel that our Branch has a responsibility to

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see that the Indians maintain at least minimum standards of public sanitation. However, when the Indian population takes up residence in areas falling within the jurisdiction of local municipal authorities, the Branch should not have to deal with this problem in any other way but to assist the authorities in persuading the Indians to meet their obligations. In other words, I think the Superintendent's role in such instances is an educative one.

On the other hand, Fort Smith and Yellowknife undoubtedly receive their shares of federal grants in aid. There are many non-Indians in Yellowknife and Fort Smith, the majority of whom may be of native origin, who are not paying scavenger fees or maintaining proper sanitation standards. Undoubtedly their accounts go unpaid because there is no one to whom the municipal authorities may turn for reimbursement. I think it should be made clear to such authorities that the grants in aid carry with them the same responsibility for Indians living in these municipalities as for non-Indians in the same areas. I think this is a cardinal point which must be established in the N.W.T. before the attitude becomes more firmly established that the Indian, wherever he may be, is solely the responsibility of the Indian Affairs Branch.

To further illustrate this point, the Director will recall our discussion with federal officials and the Mayor of Fort Smith, which culminated in our accepting financial responsibility at least on a temporary basis to pay scavenger fees and otherwise improve sanitation conditions in the Indian settlement. It so happened that a fairly substantial number of the people involved were Metis. We did not quibble over this because after all the Department of Northern Affairs was doing the work. Obviously, however, municipal authorities should have by-laws to cover these situations and they should be enforced. Indians can pay scavenger fees just as well as anyone else, but they will never do so as long as we accept the responsibility.

This is a perplexing and growing problem in the N.W.T. and it should be a subject for discussion by the N.W.T. Council.



R. F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

Encl.

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Yellowknife, N.W.T.,  
December 13th, 1957.

Mr. R. F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
10363 - 108th Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta.

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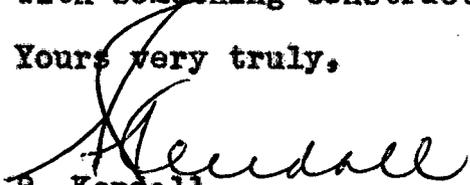
Dear Mr. Battle:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 20, 1957, regarding Mr. Crapper's report on sanitary conditions at Yellowknife. This subject has given me considerable concern since my arrival at the point mentioned, and as a result I have given it much thought.

There is no doubt that there are erroneous statements in this report. For instance, I believe we have sixteen Indian families living on the island, totalling sixty people altogether. Our heaviest influx numbers about one hundred people approximately. The total population of Latham Island I understand does not exceed two hundred persons. I have no quarrel with the recommendations. However on page five of his report I feel that we should not be concerned about any portion of the Yellowknife area other than that piece of land set aside for Indians. Mr. Crapper's report does not touch upon this particular piece of land, as it is normally not used by the Indians. I feel that the city should have some responsibility with regard to their own property. In other words if there are squatters who are not living up to the by-laws covering sanitation, then they should be warned to move or clean it up. It would then be our responsibility if they move to the Indian land. To date the town has not taken any concrete action to remedy the situation and I do not think that we should do anything until they do so.

When you have stationed a man at Fort Smith and he has had an opportunity to garner the full picture there, then I believe with that knowledge, along with the conditions now at Yellowknife, we will be able to come up with something constructive.

Yours very truly,

  
R. Kendall,  
Superintendent,  
Yellowknife Indian Agen., . . . . . 000234



NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

YOUR FILE NO.

Public Health Engineering Div.  
406 Post Office Building  
Edmonton, Alberta

September 24, 1957

Memorandum re Sanitary Survey  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

44723 NOV1957

Examined September 5 to 12, 1957.

Yellowknife is situated on the west shore of Yellowknife Bay on Great Slave Lake, approximately 600 miles north of Edmonton. It is the largest town in the Northwest Territories with a population of 3000 people. The major export is gold from nearby mines; however, many of the natives (Dog-Rib Indians) are employed in the fishing industry of Great Slave Lake.

Supplies reach Yellowknife by lake barge either from Fort Smith or Hay River. At present there is no summer access road into Yellowknife, but a highway has been started to join this important northern town with Hay River and the "outside".

Townsite Layout

Yellowknife is divided into three sections, Lathan Island, the old townsite and the new townsite.

Lathan Island is a granite rock outcrop off the tip of a peninsula which juts out in Yellowknife Bay. The island and the peninsula are separated by a narrow channel of water which is spanned by a small wooden bridge. Approximately 600 people, including 400 natives, live on this rocky island. The shack type houses are arranged in a haphazard manner; garbage is strewn about; and dilapidated outdoor privies create a generally poor impression.

In winter, or during the off-season for fishing, the native population increases. These non-permanent natives

camp wherever space is available and live in temporary chalets. A compound is reserved for dogs, but many were running loose.

The island is not serviced by underground water or sewer mains. The town, however, provides a water delivery, garbage collection and sewage collection service. These facilities are not fully used. Water is undoubtedly dipped from the contaminated lake water surrounding the island and sewage is dumped into the ravines. During the spring garbage and sewage that has collected during the winter thaw and is washed into the lake, creating an obnoxious odor and a sanitary hazard. The dog compound and shallow pit privies add to this unsanitary condition.

The old townsite is a rock peninsula that juts out into Yellowknife Bay. While most of the town businesses and residences have been moved to the new site, there are remaining an old hotel, two restaurants, chipping docks, seaplane docks, storage buildings and a few residences.

In summer water from the public supply is piped to the old townsite by a surface distribution system. In winter the town provides water delivery service. Wash water from the restaurants, etc. is piped over the rocks to discharge untreated into the lake.

The new townsite is arranged in an orderly fashion with a business area surrounded by housing areas. The public water and sewage system was completed in 1948 to provide these modern utilities in the new townsite area. The water and sewer systems were designed to accommodate a much larger population with little additional capital cost expenditure for utilities. The water and sewerage system is operating satisfactorily to provide a good quality, safe water supply and

sewage disposal with adequate treatment. Prior to the construction of this water and sewerage system the obtaining of drinking water from Back Bay at the old townsite resulted in a few typhoid cases.

The town and surrounding 10 mile area are governed by a local administration consisting of a mayor and council.

#### Restaurants, Coffee Shops and Cocktail Bar

Attached are individual reports on the eating establishments and cocktail bar at Yellowknife.

In general, the sanitary condition of these restaurants does not present a serious public health problem. Most of these eating places fall short of the commonly accepted requirements but they are reasonably clean and tidy. At the time of inspection the undersigned stressed the importance of the use of bactericide in dish washing, the cleanliness of employees and the discarding of cracked dishes.

It is reported that there is a high occurrence of venereal disease among the natives, and it was noted also that most restaurants hired natives to work in the kitchens.

#### Con Mine (Gold)

Con Mine, a subsidiary of Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company Limited, is located about one mile south of the new townsite of Yellowknife. There are 350 people living in the mine village in bachelor and married quarters.

The water intake is located fifty feet off shore in a frame structure that joins the larger frame pumphouse. The six-inch intake pipes are located in twelve feet of water in Yellowknife Bay. All water passing through the pumphouse is chlorinated by a Wallace and Tiernan vacuum chlorinator. The domestic water consumption is small compared to the volume used in the mining operation. Utilidors, or insulated wooden

box structures, house the steam, water and sewer piping that follows the ground surface from the pumphouse to the mill and housing areas. Because of the granite rock there is no underground distribution piping. Chlorine is added to the water supply in the pumphouse to provide a free available chlorine residual of 0.3 p.p.m. after a contact or holding period of 45 minutes. The 45 minute contact time is required to satisfy the chlorine demand. It was observed that the housing area nearest the pumphouse was receiving water approximately 20 minutes after chlorination. It is believed that this is sufficient time at the existing chlorine dosage.

In summary, the water source is reasonably free of contamination and the treatment is adequate to produce a safe water.

Sewage is conveyed by pipes in the utilidor, by gravity from the houses, bachelor quarters and mine, to a large tank located in the pumphouse. This large sewage collecting tank has no cross connections with the water distribution, and is advantageously located at a low elevation and in a heated building. The sewage from this large tank (solids and liquid) is pumped up to the mill where it joins the mill tails, or mill waste, and then on to Pud Lake. Pud Lake overflows into Kam Lake, and Kam Lake drains through a series of smaller lakes to the southwest with eventual discharge into Great Slave Lake at a point some nine miles from Yellowknife.

#### Recommendations

1. It is recommended that the proposed Northwest Territories "Ordinance Respecting Public Health, Chapter 7" assented to January 23, 1957, be enforced to:

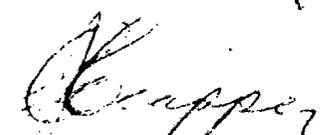
(a) Remove the public health hazard on Lathan Island by requiring properly designed privies, enforcing a regulation to discontinue the practice of throwing garbage and sewage on the ground, and the control of dogs on the island. A general clean-up on the island should also be encouraged. Dipping water from the lake should be discouraged.

(b) Ensure that each restaurant employee be free from obvious running sores, infected wounds or communicable disease.

(c) Enforce the commonly accepted standards of public health as applied to public eating establishments and covered in detail on the attached reports.

2. It is also recommended that a minimum of two water samples each month from the town water supply be sent to the provincial laboratory for bacteriological analysis.

CJC:MR  
Att.

  
C. J. Crapper, P. Eng.

GOVERNMENT  
OF  
CANADA

# ACTION REQUEST

P. P. & S. Cat. 3433

TO (Mr., Mrs., Miss)

LOCATION

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FROM (Mr., Mrs., Miss) PHONE

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# INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH TRANSMITTAL SLIP

Date  
31-12-57

TO: *MR. FAIRHEM*

FROM: *D. I. A.*

- Note and File
- Note and Return
- Please Speak
- Please Answer
- For Your Approval
- Prepare Reply For My Signature
- Take Appropriate Action
- As Requested
- For Information
- For Your Comments
- For Signature

### COMMENTS:

*Extract in my N.V.T. file.*

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

OUR FILE NO. 139/17-10 (RS)  
YOUR FILE NO.

10363 - 108 Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta,  
December 24, 1957.

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

For some time now we have been endeavouring to improve conditions of sanitation in the Indian settlements in the N.W.T. In addition to the provision of better housing, our program has been confined to the following:

- (1) Movement of dogs to compounds out of the main living area.
- (2) Construction of privies.
- (3) Annual spring clean-ups to remove loose garbage which collects during the winter months.
- (4) Whitewashing log homes.
- (5) Improvement of water supply - usually by tapping water systems.
- (6) Constructing shower facilities - e.g. Fort Franklin and Inard.

However, the attached report from Mr. Crapper of the Public Health Engineering Division and Superintendent Kendall's reply of December 13th point up a new aspect of this problem which will require consideration.

In your letter of November 13, 1956, you concurred in my opinion that Indians must learn to accept the responsibilities imposed upon them when they live in towns or villages. It was decided to not pay for scavenger services in these areas.

Despite the statistical errors in Mr. Crapper's report, a sanitation problem prevails in Yellowknife and Fort Smith. When the settlement is wholly Indian, I feel that our Branch has a responsibility to

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see that the Indians maintain at least minimum standards of public sanitation. However, when the Indian population takes up residence in areas falling within the jurisdiction of local municipal authorities, the Branch should not have to deal with this problem in any other way but to assist the authorities in persuading the Indians to meet their obligations. In other words, I think the Superintendent's role in such instances is an educative one.

On the other hand, Fort Smith and Yellowknife undoubtedly receive their shares of federal grants in aid. There are many non-Indians in Yellowknife and Fort Smith, the majority of whom may be of native origin, who are not paying scavenger fees or maintaining proper sanitation standards. Undoubtedly their accounts go unpaid because there is no one to whom the municipal authorities may turn for reimbursement. I think it should be made clear to such authorities that the grants in aid carry with them the same responsibility for Indians living in these municipalities as for non-Indians in the same areas. I think this is a cardinal point which must be established in the N.W.T. before the attitude becomes more firmly established that the Indian, wherever he may be, is solely the responsibility of the Indian Affairs Branch.

To further illustrate this point, the Director will recall our discussion with Federal officials and the Mayor of Fort Smith, which culminated in our accepting financial responsibility at least on a temporary basis to pay scavenger fees and otherwise improve sanitation conditions in the Indian settlement. It so happened that a fairly substantial number of the people involved were Metis. We did not quibble over this because after all the Department of Northern Affairs was doing the work. Obviously, however, municipal authorities should have by-laws to cover these situations and they should be enforced. Indians can pay scavenger fees just as well as anyone else, but they will never do so as long as we accept the responsibility.

This is a perplexing and growing problem in the N.W.T. and it should be a subject for discussion by the N.W.T. Council.



R. F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

Encl.

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139/17-10

Mr. R. V. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
10363 - 108th Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta.

Yellowknife, N.T.,  
December 13th 1957.

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Dear Mr. Battle:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 20, 1957, regarding Mr. Crapper's report on sanitary conditions at Yellowknife. The subject has given us considerable concern since by arrival at the point mentioned, and as a result I have given it much thought.

There is no doubt that there are erroneous statements in this report. For instance, I believe we have sixteen Indian families living on the island, totalling sixty people altogether. Our heaviest influx numbers about one hundred people approximately. The total population of Lethbrum Island, I understand, does not exceed two hundred persons. I have no quarrel with the recommendations. However on page five of his report I feel that we should not be concerned about any portion of the Yellowknife area other than that piece of land set aside for Indians. Mr. Crapper's report does not touch upon this particular piece of land, as it is normally not used by the Indians. I feel that the city should have some responsibility with regard to their own property. In other words, if there are squatters who are not living up to the by-laws covering sanitation, then they should be warned to move or clean it up. It would then be our responsibility if they move to the Indian land. To date the town has not taken any concrete action to remedy the situation and I do not think that we should do anything until they do so.

When you have stationed a man at Fort Smith and he has had an opportunity to garner the full picture there, then I believe with that knowledge, along with the conditions now at Yellowknife, we will be able to come up with something constructive.

Yours very truly,

*[Handwritten signature]*



## VOUCHER FORM

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AGENCY FILE No. 139/8-17

PAY TO H. CINNAMON

ADDRESS  
SCAVENGER SERVICE  
BOX 204  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

INVOICE DATE

SERVICE

AMOUNT

15 Feb. 57

Water haul from septic tank for months of  
December 1956 and January 1957.2400 gals @ ~~10~~ .01¢

24.00

VOUCHER NO. 143	DATE 28 Feb. 57	P.O. No.	E.R. NO.	CHARGE TO VOTE 512	ALLOT. 19-903
BAND FUNDS ACCT. NO.	EMERGENCY EXPEND.	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:			
H.Q. AUTHORITY	Yellowknife AGENCY				
DEPT'L CHEQUE NO. (CREDIT VOUCHER ONLY)	Superintendent				

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF HEAD OFFICE	CODE NO.	VOTE	ALLOT.	AMOUNT	APPROVED FOR PAYMENT	DATE
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November 13, 1956.

M. F. Battle, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
Sun Building,  
10363-108th Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Battle:

Re: Scavenger Accounts -  
Municipal District of Yellowknife

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 24th, and attached correspondence regarding the payment of scavenger charges submitted by the Municipal District of Yellowknife, on account of Indians living in Yellowknife.

The Branch concurs in your opinion that Indians must learn to accept the responsibilities imposed upon them when they live in towns or villages. Payment of this account would establish a precedent which could lead to similar demands from other municipalities. It would also appear to be contrary to the department's general policy of integration.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. GORDON

J. H. Gordon,  
Acting Superintendent of Welfare.

# TRANSMITTAL SLIP

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29-10-56

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re 031596

May I have direction on  
this matter please.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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10363 - 108 Street,  
Edmonton, Alberta,  
October 24, 1956.

The Director,  
Indian Affairs Branch,  
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Re: Scavenger Accounts -  
Municipal District of Yellowknife

I am attaching copy of a letter received from Indian Superintendent Kendall under date of September 19th, together with a copy of Mr. D. F. Russell's letter of August 27th. I delayed submitting this to the Department so that I could discuss it with Mr. Kendall on my trip to the Yellowknife Agency.

The Indians concerned are residing within the boundaries of the organized Municipality of Yellowknife. In order to maintain proper health standards, the Municipality picks up and disposes of the garbage, assessing a monthly charge for this service. These Indians should not be confused with those living on Latham Island, which borders on the town of Yellowknife and is the recognized settlement for Indians.

I have explained to Mr. Kendall that inasmuch as the Indians are not resident on an Indian reserve, the Department could hardly assume responsibility of paying these scavenger fees. Of course, there is the argument that there are no reserves in the Northwest Territories, and that since the removal of garbage is an essential service, the Department might consider providing a grant to assist the Municipality to fulfill its responsibility.

Last winter I reported a similar condition at Uranium City, although in that case the town had not yet decided to bill the Indians for services rendered, mainly because the Municipality had not yet been organized to the extent that it would take in the fringe areas where the Indians were congregating in housing of a temporary and rather undesirable type.

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We can expect the situation at Yellowknife to worsen as Indians continue to come to town in increasing numbers. The same condition is appearing at Fort Smith, Hay River, and similar settlements in the north, but we do not receive direct approaches until the settlements are organized as municipalities and the local Government is faced with the responsibility of providing service of this nature.

Some of the Indians are paying these accounts, and it is almost certain that if we were to assume any responsibility, it would have the affect of encouraging the few to withhold payment.

I assume that the Department has faced similar situations elsewhere. Frankly, I cannot see my way clear to recommend payment, much as I appreciate the need for the service. If Indians come to town they must learn to accept the responsibilities imposed upon them in their new environment. The Department's decision would be appreciated so that the Municipal District of Yellowknife may be informed.



R. F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

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Encl.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
September 19, 1956.

R.F. Battle, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies  
for Alberta & N.W.T.  
Sun Building  
10363 - 108 Street  
EDMONTON, Alberta

Dear Mr. Battle:

Re: Scavenger Accounts for Treaty Indians

I am passing on to you a letter with enclosures received from Mr. D.F. Russell, Secretary Treasurer, Municipal District of Yellowknife N.W.T., which is self-explanatory. The situation is briefly this, we have approximately twenty Indian families living within the Municipal boundaries.

The following Indians work about six months of the year and in my opinion can afford the fees levied. The remainder are indigents.

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Approximately half of the delinquents live on Latham Island, adjoining the land set aside for Indians, while others live in the town of Yellowknife. To my knowledge none of the houses have been built by the I.A.B.

The amount shown, in some cases, go back as far as 1952 and includes scavenger services at \$4.00 to \$4.50 per month, garbage collection and special clean-up when

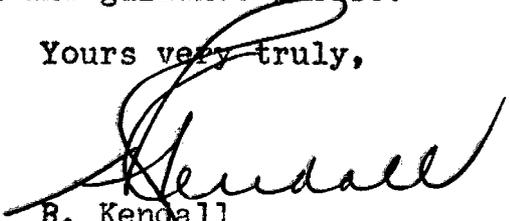
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ordered by the Health Officer. The Secretary-Treasurer states he has receipted bills covering all the expenditures.

The problem undoubtedly has presented itself in other Municipalities throughout Canada, and is one on which I am sure the Department has set a firm policy. I would like to add that in my opinion the condition here will become more critical due to a steady influx of Indian people into the Municipal area. It is now, before liquor legislation and the completion of the highway into Yellowknife, that we should have a concrete understanding between the Municipality and ourselves in this vital matter.

For your information and guidance please.

Yours very truly,



R. Kendall  
Superintendent  
Yellowknife Indian Agency

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enc.

COPY

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TREASURER  
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF YELLOWKNIFE  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

August 27th, 1956.

Mr. R. Kendall  
Indian Agent  
Department of Indian Affairs  
YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. Kendall:

Re: Scavenger Accounts for Treaty Indians

Further to our telephone conversation this morning, we are enclosing a list of arrears for Treaty Indians living in Yellowknife that have not been paid.

As you no doubt are aware, the District has a contract with the scavenger and we merely act as a collection agent for him. In other words, he submits an itemized statement for garbage and refuse he picks up and we in turn pay him and later bill the party given the service. In the case of the Treaty Indians other than the odd one this has not been paid for, and consequently all the old accounts for years previous were cancelled.

The District feel however, that they should not have to bear the cost of this service and if we instructed our scavenger contractor not to make pick ups at their residences it would create a very serious health problem.

We would very much appreciate your submitting the attached account to the Department of Indian Affairs for payment and we will in future bill your Department possibly every six months or any other arrangement that you may require.

If further copies of enclosed are needed, please advise.

Yours truly,

(signed) D.F. Russell  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Municipal District of  
Yellowknife

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PAY TO

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF YELLOWKNIFE

ADDRESS

YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

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SERVICE

AMOUNT

30 June 56

Clean up gabbage from nearby Indian  
RESIDENCES in Yellowknife, N.W.T.

15.00

VOUCHER No. 462	DATE 3 Aug. 56	P.O. No.	E.R. No.	CHARGE TO VOTE 520	ALLOT. 12-289
BAND FUNDS ACCT. No.	EMERGENCY EXPEND.	CERTIFICATE			
H.Q. AUTHORITY		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.			
DEPT'L CHEQUE No. (CREDIT VOUCHER ONLY)		RECOMMENDED FOR PAYMENT:			
		Yellowknife AGENCY SUPERINTENDENT			

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AGENCY &amp; No. 139/8-17

PAY TO H. CINNAMON

ADDRESS YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.  
Box 204.

INVOICE DATE

SERVICE

AMOUNT

12 June 56

Water haul from septic tank for April and  
May, 1956.

24.00

VOUCHER No.

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DATE

19 June 56

P.O. No.

E.R. No.

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PAY TO HUDSON'S BAY CO.

ADDRESS 10244-103 Street,  
EDMONTON, Alberta.

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30 Nov. 55

Screws and nails for sanitation buildings at  
Ft. Resolution, N.W.T.

1.80

Invoice no. R11-286-463.

VOUCHER No. 795	DATE 10 Dec. 55	P.O. No.	E.R. No.	CHARGE TO VOTE 522	ALLOT. 13-491
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File No. 139/17-10

# Credit Advice

~~MEMO.~~  
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November 21 1955

The following remittance has been received from

Indian Agent \_\_\_\_\_ at Yellowknife Indian

and recorded in the Official Cash Book.

Folio 336

Amount \$ 32.00

Agency Receipt No. -

dated Nov. 18, 1955

Payer Yellowknife I.A.T. 4/c on account of refund bal. acct

ack. to pay labour  
to build sanitation bldg

139-522-10-998

For Treasury Branch

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CANADA

## DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

## VOUCHER FORM

AGENCY FILE No. 139/17-10

PAY TO YELLOWKNIFE INDIAN AGENCY TRUST ACCOUNT

ADDRESS YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

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31 October 55 . . . CREDIT VOUCHER

To accountable advance for building toilets  
for better sanitation at Ft. Resolution.  
Amount expended as per labour returns - - - - -

358.00

VOUCHER No. 710	DATE 31 Oct. 55	P.O. No.	E.R. No.	CHARGE TO VOTE 522	ALLOT. 13-491
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		AGENCY <u>Yellowknife</u>		 SUPERINTENDENT	

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Your: 139/17-10

November 16, 1955.

R.F. Battle, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
628 Public Building,  
Calgary, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Battle:

Reference is made to your letter of October 25th, in connection with the introduction of shower facilities at Fort Rae next year. The Branch is prepared to give consideration to the installation of shower facilities but before doing so would like to have an estimate of the cost.

Please secure this information and advise the Branch.

Yours sincerely,



J.P.B. Ostrander,  
Superintendent of Welfare.



2 Nov. 1955

W.S.

Would recommend the introduction of shower facilities at Fort Rae next year. However, no provision was made in the 1955-56 or 1956-57 estimates for this purpose.

May I be advised if shower facilities should be authorized and if so from where which vote and allotment the cost will be paid

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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628 Public Building,  
Calgary, Alberta,  
October 25, 1955.

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

Attn: Supt. of Welfare

Re: Sanitation Program, Northwest Territories

As you are aware from previous correspondence, we have undertaken a determined drive to clean up some of the Indian settlements in the MacKenzie District. We are now extending this program to include Indian reserves in Alberta.

I am attaching copy of Superintendent Kirkby's letter of October 20th in which he recommends that we undertake to provide bathing facilities for Indians in at least one settlement in his Agency next year. He suggests a unit for either Fort Rae or Lac La Martre, but inasmuch as there is more supervision at Fort Rae, I would suggest that we use this locality to commence our program.

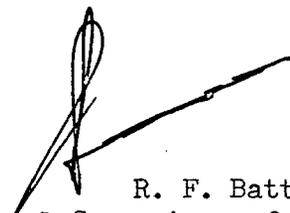
When I visited Fort Franklin last March I found that the Welfare Teacher, Mr. Bowerman, had undertaken such a project for the children attending the day school. The older children were preparing the bath water and each day about a dozen children were receiving baths, following which they applied medicated ointments if there was any evidence of scabies. I was naturally impressed with the effort but was rather disappointed by the lack of facilities.

I do not think that it should be too costly to provide common bathing facilities in each settlement, undertaking one or two each year in the MacKenzie District. Of course, there will be the usual criticism that we are encouraging Indians to gather in the settlements rather than return to their trapping areas. However, we must be realistic and my experience has been that the Indians will gather in the settlements no matter what we may attempt to do to prevent it. The fact remains that they are there and as long as they continue to be there we must be prepared to

*What is the estimated cost.*

improve sanitation and bodily cleanliness.

I feel certain that Indian Health Service field officials will ask their field nurses to lend every assistance to our program by encouraging and assisting the natives to take full advantage of any such facilities we might be prepared to offer. If the Department concurs in Mr. Kirkby's recommendation, which I support, I will ask him to prepare plans for the introduction of moderate shower facilities at Fort Rae next year.



R. F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

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c.c. Dr. Falconer  
Mr. Kirkby

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PLEASE QUOTE

FILE 139/17-10

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
October 20th. 1955.

Mr. R.F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
628 Public Building,  
CALGARY, Alta.

Dear Sir: Sanitation Program, N.W.T.

With reference to our sanitation program in this Agency I wish to advise that we were able to construct and issue eight units to individuals of the settlement of Ft. Resolution. These units were constructed from the salvage lumber from the old barn at a total cost of \$68.00 per unit delivered and set up in each yard. This is felt to be a reasonable price and as we thought it better to complete the installation we had our carpenter move and set up the units insuring proper workmanship.

We will be spending considerable money on these projects in the next few seasons and it has appeared to me that a much more worthwhile project and one that would do a lot more for the Indians health and sanitation would be a program of erecting and installation of a good shower bath and wash house at every settlement. I have brought this point up a number of times with Indian Health and when one sees the very filthy condition of many Indian children during the summer months a few gallons of hot water could change a tramp into a presentable individual with no effort at all.

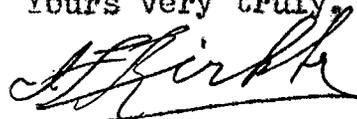
We realize that these projects all present difficulties in getting the Indians to use the showers, but we have teachers and welfare officers in nearly every settlement and this is a welfare problem without any doubt at all. I am sure that our good day teachers would be only too glad to have a shower where they could get the children cleaned up once or twice a week. I am quite sure that it would not be any harder getting the Indians to use the showers in the proper manner than it will be to use the outhouses and keep them clean.

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We have money in our estimates for sanitation and housing and I propose to forward plans for a shower and wash house in due course. I am fully convinced that we should at least try out one unit next year at one of our outside points where we have large populations of children that never see a bath from the day they are born until they either enter hospital or residential school.

I have seen cases where it was necessary to have the children discharged from day school due to the filthy condition in which they came to school. In some cases the parents had no suitable place in which to bath their children and as a result the child just never went back to school. I can see a project of this kind being of great advantage to the Indians and I would like to give it a try next spring with one unit for Ft. Rae or Lac la Martre.

Yours very truly,



I.F. Kirkby,  
Superintendent,  
Yellowknife Indian Agency.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION - INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

## VOUCHER FORM

AGENCY FILE No. 139/17-10

PAY TO YELLOWKNIFE HARDWARE LTD.

ADDRESS YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

Document disclosed under the Access to Information Act  
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H.Q. FILE 139/17-10

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CHEQUE No.	DATE	
PASS TO	DATE	INITIALS
INVENTORY CONTROL		

INVOICE DATE

SERVICE

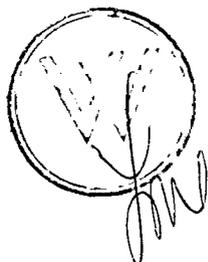
AMOUNT

13 Sept. 55

Materials for building outdoor toilets at  
Ft. Resolution, N.W.T.

165.70

Invoice no's.  
24046  
24066  
24453



VOUCHER No. 607	DATE 13 Sept. 55	P.O. No.	E.R. No.	CHARGE TO VOTE 522	ALLOT. 13-491
BAND FUNDS ACCT. No.	EMERGENCY EXPEND.	CERTIFICATE			
H.Q. AUTHORITY		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.			
DEPT'L CHEQUE No. (CREDIT VOUCHER ONLY)		Yellowknife		RECOMMENDED FOR PAYMENT: <i>[Signature]</i> SUPERINTENDENT	
		AGENCY			

THIS SPACE FOR USE OF HEAD OFFICE	CODE No.	VOTE	ALLOT.	AMOUNT	APPROVED FOR PAYMENT	DATE
▶▶					<i>[Signature]</i>	27-9-55

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

July 16th 1955

Requisition No. ....

Order No. ....

To the Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa.

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF

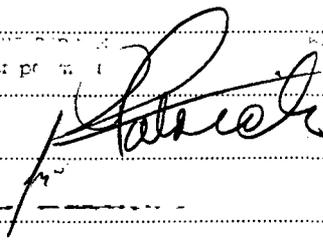
Yellowknife Indian Agency

VOTE 522 ALLOTMENT 13 ALLOCATION SYMBOLS 491

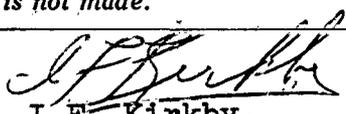
SHIP TO Medical Officer, Ft. Resolution, N.W.T.  
 Indian Affairs Branch,

Purpose for which required Sanitation project, Ft. Resolution

QUANTITY		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
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12 only	Screen door thumb latches	.95	11.40
12 only	Hooks and eyes	.10	1.20
4 rolls	Green slate rubberoid	10.00	40.00
100 lbs	Nails 2 1/2" common coated	22 1/2	22.50
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10 gal	Outside white house paint prepared	6.72	67.20
			\$168.55
			300
			558.55
	Request local purchase from Yellowknife Hardware, Yellowknife for delivery by our own boat.		

PURCHASE AUTHORIZED  
 From approved local source  


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—  
  
 I.F. Kirkby,  
 Superintendent,  
 Yellowknife Indian Agency.

APPROVED—  
 Director

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# REQUISITION FOR CHEQUE

TO BE USED FOR ADVANCES OR AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS FOR WHICH THERE ARE NO ACCOUNTS

DEPT. NO. **139/17-10**  
 FILE NO. **(112)**  
 TREAS. NO. ....

**Citizenship and Immigration**

DEPARTMENT.....  
 BRANCH..... **Indian Affairs** ..... DATE..... **August 2, 1955.**

APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE FOR THE ISSUE OF THE FOLLOWING CHEQUE OR CHEQUES:—

CHEQUE NO.	IN FAVOUR OF	AMOUNT
	<p><b>Yellowknife Indian Agency Trust Account</b></p> <p>Mail cheque to:</p> <p><b>I.F. Kirkby, Esq.,                      Superintendent, Indian Agency,                      Yellowknife, N.W.T.</b></p>	<b>\$390. 00</b>

STATE BELOW, WITH DETAILS IN EVERY CASE, WHETHER (a) STANDING ADVANCE, (b) ADVANCE FOR SPECIFIC JOURNEY—ESTIMATING NUMBER OF DAYS, (c) OTHER ACCOUNTABLE ADVANCE, OR (d) AUTHORIZED PAYMENT.

Details of payment:  
**Accountable Advance - To pay wages tearing down old garage for lumber for toilets and to pay for the construction of 12 toilets.**

Appropriation: **Allotment, Sub-allotment or Enc. No. 1231**

F.E. No. (5)00000	Dept., Com. or Dist.	Div. (2)00	Estab. (3)000	Vote (3)000	Prim. (2)00	Object (3)000	Amount	Dist. Sub. All. (2)00	Dist. F.E. No. (4)0000
			<b>139</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>\$390 00</b>		

**CERTIFIED:**

- (a) That each item of the above amounts has been incurred under requisite authority and that the expenditure was necessary for the Public Service.
- (b) That the articles and services charged for have been received and performed and that the prices charged are fair and just.



Head of Branch

*for*

Deputy Head

TREASURY OFFICE APPRO 000271



CANADA

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139/17-10

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

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1955 JUL 22 AM 11 ' 09

INDIAN AFFAIRS

628 Public Building,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
19 July, 1955.

Indian Affairs Branch,  
Ottawa.

Attention: Supt. of Welfare.

Re: Construction of Toilets at Resolution,  
N.W.T.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Superintendent Kirkby together with a requisition for hardware required to construct toilets for the Indians from a barn which has been turned over to us by the Indian Health Services.

I heartily approve this project and recommend that Mr. Kirkby be authorized to make local purchase of the materials required and that he be supplied with an accountable advance of \$390.00 to pay for Indian labour in this connection.

*Local funds*

*advance \$390.00*

*522-13-491  
to pay wages teaming down  
sd quarry for lumber for toilets  
and to pay for the construction  
of 12 toilets.*

R.F. Battle,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies.

HM/k  
encl.  
c.c. I.F. Kirkby.

FIELD SERVICE



CANADA

PLEASE QUOTE

FILE 139/17-10

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
July 16th. 1955.

R.F. Battle, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
628 Public Building,  
CALGARY, Alta.

Re: Sanitation Project Resolution, N.W.T.

Attached please find a set of requisitions covering the materials required for the construction of a number of toilets from the salvage from the old barn in the Doctor's yard at Ft. Resolution. You will note that I have asked for an accountable advance to cover the tearing down of the barn as well as building of the units. To date the Indian Health Services do not appear to be able to get the garage built this year, but our present warehouse is ample to provide storage for the Doctor's tractor and we can get our sanitation project under way without delay.

One of our Treaty Indians at Resolution has undertaken to tear down the barn and build us the number of toilets indicated for the price quoted. For your information I find that the local lumber yard has quoted me a price of \$85.00 for each toilet completed in Yellowknife but unpainted so I am quite sure that we will be money ahead if we put up our own units from the salvage available in Resolution.

As transportation at this time of year is very uncertain into Resolution I would respectfully request that we be authorized to make local purchase of the materials on the attached requisitions and I will have them delivered with our own boat which must make one trip into this settlement during the year in any event and no extra freight costs are necessary.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'I.F. Kirkby'.

I.F. Kirkby, Supt.,  
Yellowknife Indian Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

July 16th 19 55

Requisition No. ....

Order No. ....

To the Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa.

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF .....

Yellowknife Indian Agency

VOTE 522 ALLOTMENT 13 ALLOCATION SYMBOLS 491

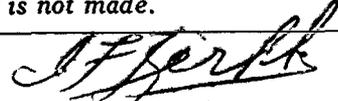
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			<b>\$168.55</b>
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PURCHASE AUTHORIZED From approved local source  B. PATRICK Supt. - YELLOWKNIFE DIVISION			

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—



I.F. Kirkby,  
 Superintendent,  
 Yellowknife Indian Agency.

APPROVED—

Director

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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

July 16th 19 55

Requisition No. ....

Order No. ....

To the Departmental Purchasing Agent, Ottawa.

PLEASE FURNISH THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIES FOR USE OF  
 Yellowknife Indian Agency

VOTE 522 ALLOTMENT 13 ALLOCATION SYMBOLS 491  
 SHIP TO Accountable Advance to. Indian Agency Trust Account,  
 Yellowknife, N.W.T.

Purpose for which required Construction of Toilets at Resolution.

QUANTITY		UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
	To dismantle old garage with Indian help		150.00
	To construct 12 toilets with lumber salvaged from old barn and garage at Ft. Resolution toilets to be complete and distributed to Indians of Resolution settlement.	20.00	240.00
			\$390.00

*requisition for  
 cheque \$390.00  
 Aug 22/55*

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*I.F. Kirkby*  
 I.F. Kirkby  
 Superintendent Agency

APPROVED—

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1953 JUL 24 AM 11:15

INDIAN AFFAIRS



# Hudson's Bay Company

INCORPORATED 27<sup>th</sup> MAY 1870.  
FUR TRADE DEPARTMENT

## INVOICE

TO: DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH  
OTTAWA

WHEN — CORRESPONDING  
— VOUCHERING  
OR — REMITTING  
**PLEASE QUOTE**  
INVOICE NO. R11 - 190  
DATE July 10th 1953  
UNIT Fort Resolution  
Mackenzie River Section

June 9th	To order	[REDACTED]	s.19(1)	12 00
11	To order	[REDACTED]		4 00

\$ 16 00

Certified Correct

*R Hancock*  
.....

Post Manager.

Certified Correct

*R. H. [Signature]*  
.....



WELFARE DIVISION

CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF

CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

OTTAWA, August 18, 19 53

I. F. Kirkby, Esq.,  
Supt., Indian Agency,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

I am returning herewith your Agency voucher #197,.....  
..... dated July 17, 1953 ..... for the  
reason marked with "X" ~~below~~ and under 'remarks' below:

- ( ) 1 - Signature of Superintendent omitted.
- ( ) 2 - Not dated.
- ( ) 3 - File and date of Departmental letter of authorization for the expenditure not indicated.
- ( ) 4 - Purchase Order Number not quoted.
- ( ) 5 - Departmental Vote and Allotment to which expenditure chargeable not quoted.
- ( ) 6 - Name of Band not given.
- ( ) 7 - More than one Band involved but no indication of amounts to be charged to each.
- ( X ) 8 - Freight receipt not attached (Item \$\_\_\_\_\_).
- ( ) 9 - Supporting accounts not attached.
- ( ) 10 - Quantities and/or unit prices not indicated on supporting accounts.
- ( ) 11 - Error(s) on accompanying invoice(s).
- ( ) 12 - Supporting labour returns not attached.
- ( ) 13 - Supporting labour returns not complete as to signature of employees.
- ( ) 14 - Cheque number by which accountable advance forwarded not quoted.
- ( ) 15 - Unexpended portion of accountable advance not shown on labour return.
- ( ) 16 - More than one Vote involved. Please indicate amount chargeable to each.
- ( ) 17 - Please indicate if "Rehabilitation - T.B. Indians; Vote 515, Allotment 19" applicable.

REMARKS:

Order for \$4.00 not attached.

A. RICK

H. M. Jones,  
for Superintendent of Welfare.

#356



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DEC 15 AM 9:24

INDIAN AFFAIRS

# YELLOWKNIFE ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT

YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

OFFICE HOURS: 9 A.M. TO 12 NOON 1:30 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

Department of Indian Affairs,  
c/o I.F. Kirkby,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

No discount will be allowed  
on current bill unless all  
arrears are paid.

Unpaid accounts will be  
treated as arrears in taxes.

MONTH	SERVICES		ARREARS	DISCOUNT	NET	GROSS AMOUNT
	SCAVENGER	WATER				
Nov. 52	7.00	15.70		1.75	20.95	22.70

000284

THIS BILL PAYABLE AT GROSS RATE AFTER 20TH OF CURRENT MONTH

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*f. Kirkby*  
1952 SEP 25 PM 4:08

INDIAN AFFAIRS

September 25, 1952.

Mr. I. F. Kirkby,  
Superintendent, Indian Agency,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

I am returning voucher 589 of September 18, 1952, in the sum of \$11.50 covering scavenger service for the month of May.

*ml*  
You state "account overlooked earlier" but if you check your vouchers you will find May account was rendered under voucher 326 and paid by cheque #72001, June 27, 1952.

*WJP*  
W.J. Pratt,  
General Executive Assistant.

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If this agent made the  
slightest effort to check Leo  
over vouchers he would  
see that he had rendered the  
man a service of \$26.25  
Paid by Ch # 72001 - June 27/52

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[Signature]

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File: 139/17-10 (W.2)

cc: 139/29-2

OTTAWA, September 23, 1952

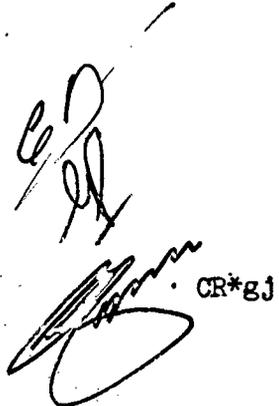
G. H. Gooderham, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies  
620 Public Building  
Calgary, Alberta

May I refer to your letter dated August 15, 1952, file 139/17-10, and your discussion with the Superintendent of the Welfare Service on September 22nd regarding the account submitted by the Administrative District of Yellowknife to the Superintendent of the Fort Resolution Agency in the amount of \$44.00 covering 'spring clean-up' of the Indian encampment on Latham Island.

Inasmuch as this encampment is not even on that portion of Latham Island tentatively reserved for the use of Indians, it is felt that the Superintendent of the Fort Resolution Agency has no jurisdiction over the area and that this Branch therefore cannot assume any responsibility with respect to garbage collection or other matters of this nature.

The account submitted is returned herewith.

  
Director.

  
CR\*gj

# ROUTE SLIP

PASS

1. *RT*
2. *W*
3. *W. 2*
4. ....

Date *8-9-52*

Initials *W2*

*Held for conference with  
Mr. Goodham.*

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PLEASE QUOTE

FILE.....139/17-10  
(W.2)

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

Ottawa September 8, 1952

MEMORANDUM TO ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, RESERVES AND TRUSTS

It will be noted from the correspondence on file hereunder that this department has been presented with a bill from the Yellowknife Administrative District covering the 1952 spring clean-up of the Indian encampment on Latham Island.

In order that our responsibility in this matter may be determined, would you kindly advise at what stage negotiations regarding the procuring of an Indian reserve on Latham Island now stand.

*W*  
The negotiations are  
at a complete stand still  
and have been in this way  
when or if we will secure  
this land for a Reserve.  
8/9

H. M. Jones  
Superintendent - Welfare Service

FIELD SERVICE



CANADA

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PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE 139/17-10

DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

1952 AUG 18 AM 10:50  
620 Public Building,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
(IN August File, 1952.)

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BF  
H-952*

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

Re: Indians at Yellowknife,  
Fort Resolution Agency.

I am enclosing copies of a letter received from Superintendent Kirkby together with an account for charges submitted by the District of Yellowknife for cleaning up Indian camp site.

As this problem seems to be a matter for the N.W.T. Administration and the District of Yellowknife, I am forwarding it to you for your decision and further instructions.

G. H. Gooderham,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies

HM/sj  
Encls.

139/17-10

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Yellowknife, N.W.T.,  
August 13th, 1952.

G. H. Gooderham, Esq.,  
Regional Supervisor of Indian Agencies,  
620 Public Building,  
Calgary, Alberta.

I have received the attached account from the local Administrative District covering the cost of the spring clean-up for the section of Latham Island, accessible by road, that is occupied by the Indians during the winter. This so called Indian Encampment is partly in the surveyed section of the Island but is not in the portion of the island that we have been attempting to obtain as a site for Indian camping grounds, nor was it in the area where we now have two cabins.

This untidy condition is the direct result of the Indians camping in town, but in several cases these Indians work and could clean up themselves. We do try to encourage the Indian to camp at the end of the island but if they decide to move into town I cannot forceably remove them and I do not feel responsible for the untidy conditions they create as the town does not make any attempt to force them out of the settle area. If they could not settle in the present surveyed section then they would have to settle in the area we had hoped to set aside and we could then do something for them and would be responsible for the clean up, etc. At the present time I cannot see how we can be expected to pay but you may have some information on this point. It would seem that if the Local District is so anxious to have us pay for the clean-up that they would be a little more anxious to have us take over a section of Latham Island over which we would have better control of the Indians and for which we would be responsible.

I have not passed this account for payment pending your reply.

Sincerely Yours,

I. F. Kirkby,  
Superintendent, Ft. Resolution Agency 000292

IFK/tcr

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IFK/ter

Superintendent, Ft. Resolution Agency 000293

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TREASURER  
ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF YELLOWKNIFE.

Yellowknife, N.W.T.

July 15, 1952.

Indian Agency,  
Department of Indian Affairs,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

In Account with:

Yellowknife Administrative District,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

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Re: Spring Clean-up - Indian Encampment.

3 men for 5½ hrs. @ \$1.50 per hr. per man	24.75
1 truck for 5½ hrs. @ \$3.50 per hr.	<u>19.25</u>
	<u>\$44.00</u>

P. Lynch,  
Secretary Treasurer,  
Yellowknife Administrative,  
District.

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### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Original to be submitted on Form IA 506(C), YELLOW. Copies on Form IA 506 (B), WHITE.
2. Insert Agency File No. and Voucher No. in spaces provided.
3. Designate whether or not a "CREDIT" Voucher.
4. If a "CREDIT" Voucher, insert serial number of Departmental Cheque being accounted for in space provided.
5. Where known, the following information must be included on Voucher:
  - (i) Purchase Order Number (P.O.)
  - (ii) Encumbrance Requisition Number (E.R.)
  - (iii) Whether charged against appropriation or Band Funds.
  - (iv) Letter of Authority (File number and date).
6. If chargeable to Band Funds, particulars of amounts, Band names and account numbers must be included in the body of the Voucher.
7. Attach invoices, supporting receipts, etc. to ORIGINAL.
8. If the invoice includes prepaid freight, express or other delivery charges, receipts must be forwarded with the Voucher.
9. All cash payments must be supported by receipts.
10. Vouchers should be confined to only one Subject.
11. For detailed instructions on the preparation and submission of Vouchers, consult your "INDIAN AGENTS' REFERENCES AND REGULATIONS."

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FILE NO. 139 / 17-10 VOL. 1

DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES  
INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

VOLUME 1

SUBJECT SANITATION  
YELLOWKNIFE AGENCY

FROM  
TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			
REFERRED To	By	REMARKS	DATE	PA OR BF	By	DATE	FOR RECORDS USE
W2	15	V-197	24-7-53	PA	W2	27-7-53	27-7-53
W3	15	Req.	18-8-53	PA	W3	18-8-53	18-8-53
W2	13	77484	22-7-55	PA	W2	2-8-55	3-2-56
				PA	W2	27-9-55	27-9-55
W2	15	47581	27-10-55	PA	W2	19-12-55	19-12-55
W2	15	V-795	15-12-55	PA	W2	21-12-55	21-12-55
W2	9	Request	26/1/56	PA	cos	26-1-56	30-1-59
W2	15	V-462	8-8-56	PA	W2	9-8-56	15-8-56
W2	7	031596	29-10-56	PA	W2	15-11-56	15-11-56
				PA	W2	9-8-57	
W2	27	006599	26-12-57	PA	W2	30-12-57	
W	W2	006599	30-12-57	PA	W	30-12-57	
DIA	W	006599 - information	30.12	PA	DIA	7-1-58	
A	W	006599	30.12	BF	A1	28/1/58	
PA	S		24-1-58	PA	BA	24-1-58	
A1		006599	24-1-58	BF	A7	24/1/58	
A1	17		10-8-58	BF	W2	7/2/58	
A1	19			PA	A11	7/10/58	7-10-17
A2	15	0558997, 056880	2-6-59	PA	W2	2-6-59	
A1	A2			BF	A1	3/9/59	19-8-59
A1	31	B.F.	3-9-59	BF	A1	25/9/59	
A1	15	B.F.	25-9-59	BF	A1	11/10/59	
A1	15	B.F.	15-10-59	BF	D1	15/11/59	
FA	15	032895	2-11-59	BF	FA	18-1-60	
A1				BF	A1	18/12	
CR10	15	New Green	2-12-59				

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— INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH —  
 DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION

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 SANITATION  
 YELLOWKNIFE AGENCY

FROM

TO

REFERENCE				DISPOSAL			For C.R. Use
REFERRED To	By	REMARKS	DATE	PA OR BF	By	Date	
W2	15	056594	7-12-59	PA	W2	7-12-59	
W5	WV	"	7-12-59	BA	W5	5/5/60	
W5	WV	"	7	BF	W5	5/6/60	
AI	15	Re B.F. 18-12-59	9-5-60	BF	A-1	24.5.60	
FA	15	Re B.F. 18-1	10-5-60	PA	FA	12-5	
AI	29	B.F.	24.5-60	BF	AI	31/5/60	
AI	15	B.F.	31-5-60	BF	AI	10/6/60	
W5	14	B.F.	3-6-60	BF	W5	15/6/60	
AI	15	B.F.	10-6-60	BF	AI	15/6/60	
AI	17	B.F.	15-6-60	BF	AI	11/8/60	
W5	AI	see note	30/6/60	W5	W5	25/7/60	
W5	15	Re B.F. 15-6	11-7-60	PA	W5	15/7/60	
W5	14	B.F.	25-7-60	PA	W5	25/7/60	
AI	14	B.F.	29-7-60	BF	AI	22/9/60	
W5	15	030877	3-8-60	PA	W2	11-8-60	
AI	W2	"	11-8-60	PA	W2	12/8/60	
W5	AI	" (see last B.F. entry)		BF	W5	29-60	
FA	15	042434	18-8-60	PIA	FA	31-8	
W5	28	B.F.	6/9/60	BA	W5	6/9	7-9-60
AI	29	B.F.	22-9-60	BF	AI	25/10/60	
AI	17	B.F.	25-10-60	BF	AI	15/11/60	
AI				BF	AI	23/11	
AI	31	B.F.	23.11.60	BF	AI	10/1/61	
AI	14	B.F.	10-1-61	BF	AI	10/2/61	
CR10	15	New Cover & Charge Card	10-1-61				

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A1	31	BF-25241	21-2-61	PA	A1	25/3/61	
W5	15	002007	17-3-61	PA	W5	17/3/61	
A1	15	PA	17-3-61	PA	A1	3/5/61	
A1	31	BF	3-5-61	PA	A1	25/5/61	
A1	15	BF	25-5-61	PA	A1	15/10/61	
A1	31	BF 1510-61	13/10-61	PA	A1	17/10/61	
A1	14	137	17-10-61	PA	A1	15/11/61	
21	29	BF	15-11-61	PA	top	25/11/61	16-11-61
29	29	023964	12-7-62	PA	ml	29/7/62	
29	13	036913	27/7/62	PA	ml	27/7/62	31/7/9
29	29	052607	16-8-62	PA	A3	11/9/62	
29	16	Req.	20-8-62	PA	A3	5/9	
A1	A3	letter Aug 24/62	5/9/62	PA	A1	25/9/62	
CE	A1	minute	7/9/62	PA	CI	13/9/62	
A1	-			PA	A1	12/10/62	5-10-3
A1	6	REQ.	10-10-62	PA	A1	25/10/62	
V	A1	minute	15/10/62	PA	W1	7/10/62	18-10-3
23	29	028617	19-10-62	PA	top	19/10/62	25/10/5
A1	31	037496	26/10/62				
A1	19	BF (25-10)		PA	A1	16/11/62	14/11/9
A1	14	BF	16-11-62	PA	A1	30/11/62	19-11-31
A1	5	057626	22/11/62	PA	A1	15/12/62	29/11/9
A1	19	BF	30-11-62	PA	top	4/12/62	4-12-31
A1	5	064532	4/12/62	PA	top	8/12/62	
W4	A1	11	5/12/62	PA	W4	6/12/62	7-12-31

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