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B-1-3 Bathing Privileges

August 8, 1910 to March 8, 1940

Upper Hot Springs

Plumage on Baby Gulls  
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Banff,  
Alberta.  
March 8th 1940

To Whom It May Concern:

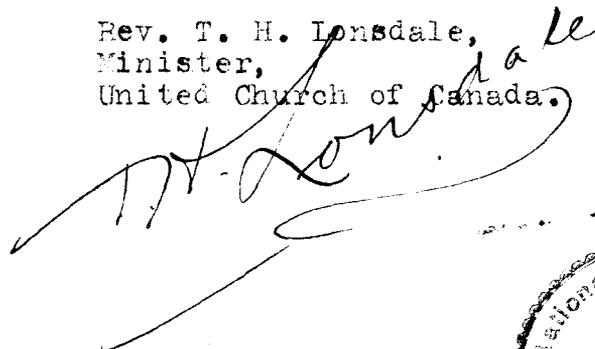
Mr. F. G. Bailey, a returned veteran of the Great War is making application for a reduced rate at the baths of the Upper Hot Springs. He has been suffering from Arthritis for eight years, and would like to take the treatments afforded at the Upper Hot Springs.

I have known Mr. Bailey for more than two years. During this time he has been unable to do any work. He is gradually improving, and feels that the baths might hasten the recovery. A reduced rate at the Springs would help very materially since his income is very limited.

Knowing Mr. Bailey as I do I can with the utmost confidence suggest that your kindest consideration be given to his request. This is a very worthy case.

Your very truly,

Rev. T. H. Lonsdale,  
Minister,  
United Church of Canada.



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CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
LANDS, PARKS AND FORESTS BRANCH

A. J. L. S. REPLY TO  
NATIONAL PARKS BUREAU

PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE B.144  
B.141  
B.174-163

OTTAWA February 15, 1940.

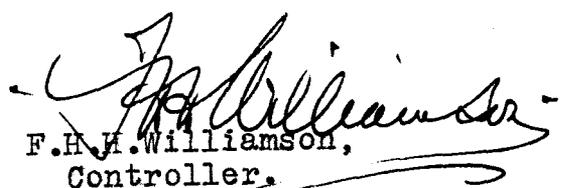
Dear Sir,-

I have your letter of the 8th instant, file B-1-3, enclosing copy of letter from Dr. A.W. Park, Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Pensions and National Health, Calgary, who makes a submission on behalf of Mr. John James, a War Veteran and former employee of this Department, for use of the mineral baths at Banff without charge, for treating an arthritic condition. I note that in your reply to Dr. Park (copy of which you sent here) the statement is made that you are prepared to give Mr. James three free baths per week, subject to departmental approval. You suggest in your letter to us that the Superintendent be granted authority to allow all indigent veterans, or sick veterans of moderate means, free use of the baths at the Upper Hot Springs on the understanding that the privilege will be restricted.

Apart from the precedent that would be established were the Bureau to grant the request in the case of Mr. James, it is considered that if the proposal were to be entertained it would hardly be in order to limit the number of free baths since on the grounds of medical necessity more frequent baths might be essential to the recovery of any particular patient. As regards the case of Mr. James I would call your attention to the fact that in addition to his superannuation allowance of \$43.01 per month as a former employee of this Department, the Pensions Board advise that Mr. James is in receipt of a disability pension of \$40.00 per month, representing a total annual income of approximately \$1,000.00. Under the circumstances Mr. James could not be considered an indigent: hence he is not eligible to benefit under the special indigent rate to which you refer in your letter to Dr. Park. On the basis of three baths a week at 50 cents each, Mr. James' outlay would probably not exceed \$6.50 per month which, in relation to his income, as aforesaid, could hardly be considered as beyond his financial means.

After giving the matter careful consideration it has been decided that under the circumstances it would not be advisable to entertain the suggestion which Dr. Park has submitted on behalf of Mr. James.

Yours faithfully,

  
F.H.W. Williamson,  
Controller.

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.





CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

517 - 8th Ave. West,  
Calgary, Alberta,  
February 9th, 1940.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

Major P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
BANFF, Alberta.

Re: J. James - #904141

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 8th instant on the marginally noted man and appreciate the preference you are going to give him.

I also note the other information concerning the special rates at this time of the year at the bath house, and we will keep this on file for our information in future.

Yours very truly,

A. W. PARK M.D.  
A/Dist. Administrator  
&  
Chief Medical Officer.

AWP/C



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February 8th, 40.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter received from A.W.Park, Chief Medical Officer, Department of Pensions and National Health, Calgary. Also enclosed is a copy of my reply to Dr. Park, which is self explanatory. You will note that I have advised him that I am prepared to give Mr. James three free baths per week, subject to the approval of the Department, and, as we have received similar requests for this from time to time, I would recommend that authority be given the Superintendent to allow all indigent veterans, or veterans of moderate means, free use of the baths at the Upper Hot Springs. Should this approval be given, same would be controlled by allowing a limited number of free baths per week.

Enc.

I would appreciate receiving your comments in this connection.

Yours faithfully,

P.J.Jennings,  
Superintendent.

F.H.H.Williamson, Esq.,  
Controller,  
National Parks Bureau,  
Ottawa, Ontario.

B-1-3

copysent to head office

February 8th, 40.

Dear Dr. Park:

Re: J. James - #904141.

I have for acknowledgment your letter of the 6th instant in which you advise me that Mr. James, a former employee of Banff National Park, is experiencing considerable trouble with rheumatism and I note you would like to obtain for Mr. James free admission to the baths at the Upper Hot Springs. In reply I would advise that, as Mr. James is an old employee of the Park, I am prepared to give him three free baths per week, subject to approval.

I should also like to point out at this time that we have for sale in this Park a special bathhouse rate which consists of a strip of 10 tickets for \$3.00, or 30¢ per ticket, payable in advance. However, these tickets are subject to the following conditions, which are essential before the tickets are issued:

1. Production of a medical certificate indicating nature of ailment and necessity for therapeutic treatment.
2. Production of an affidavit by the applicant that he is unable to pay the full rate, and
3. Production of a statement from the reeve or other responsible officer of the municipality in which the applicant is domiciled substantiating his statement as to needy circumstances and that the applicant is visiting the Park temporarily, solely for the purpose of receiving therapeutic treatment.

I thought it advisable to bring this matter to your attention at this time so that you would have this information should you have requests for information from people of moderate means or in indigent circumstances.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

A. W. Park, M. D.,  
A/Dist. Administrator,  
Department of Pensions and National Health,  
517 Eighth Avenue West,  
Calgary, Alberta.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

517 - 8th Ave. West,  
Calgary, Alberta,  
February 6th, 1940.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

Major Jennings,  
Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
BANFF, Alberta.

Re: J. JAMES - #904141

Dear Major Jennings:

I think you will remember the marginally noted man, as at one time he worked in Banff for the Department of the Interior as a Fire and Game Warden.

He is one of our Pensioners and is having more or less trouble with Rheumatism. He is moving to Banff and would like to get the use of the Baths there. Could he be given admission for free Baths say two or three times a week, please?

He will be reporting to you some early date after the 15th instant.

Yours very truly,

A. W. PARK M.D.  
A/Dist. Administrator  
&  
Chief Medical Officer.

*Asks no more of  
superintendent of BNP  
than 3 times a week  
subject to approval  
OK  
3/10/40  
AWP/C  
Advise Major  
+ no more than 3 times  
per week  
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Blaine - Lake, Sask.,  
Oct. 9/39.

A. J. Jennings, Esq.,  
Supt. Banff National Park.  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Sir,

Received a letter from John Konkin of Blaine - Lake, in regard to his wife, who is apparently in your hospital; as I understand information is regard as to his financial standing. There is no doubt, that Mr. Konkin is hard up as many others; as for the last two years there has been a complete crop failure. But the crop has been somewhat better this year. And if it possible to give him any cheaper rates, you would be justified in doing so.

Yours truly  
(Paul Reban (Reeve of 43rd,  
Blaine - Lake.)





SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE  
BANFF NATIONAL PARK

CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
LANDS, PARKS AND FORESTS BRANCH

PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE B.183  
B.144

Copy for B-1-3

Ottawa, 18th August, 1939.  
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Dear Sir,-

Re - Bathing Privileges Enrolees,  
National Forestry Youth Camps,  
Banff.

In connection with the above I am quoting a memorandum received from the Director, copy of which has been sent to the Dominion Forester and which is self-explanatory:

"as the boys in these camps have no facilities for bathing, and as showers have not been erected, it has been decided to allow them to bathe, free of charge, at the Cave & Basin Bathhouse, Banff, on the occasions of their periodic visits to the Town. This arrangement is only to continue until proper facilities are available at the camps.

Yours faithfully,

F.H.H. Williamson,  
Controller.

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

SAVE THE FOREST: One fire may seriously damage the forest, diminish wild life and impair the beautiful scenery of a NATIONAL PARK. Carelessness may cause such a fire. When in a NATIONAL PARK, extinguish each match, cigar or cigarette before throwing away. **Guard every fire you light until it is completely extinguished.**

PLEASE ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO  
THE COMMISSIONER OF IRRIGATION  
MINION  
WATER POWER RECLAMATION SERVICE  
CALGARY, ALTA.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

PLEASE REFER TO ONE SUBJECT IN A  
LETTER, AND IN YOUR REPLY QUOTE

FILE NO.....

DOMINION WATER POWER AND RECLAMATION SERVICE

CALGARY, ALTA.

*P-13  
file*

August 17, 1939.

Dear Mr. Jennings:

When I was in Banff on stream measurement work last year for a couple of days I had several baths in the Hot Springs and I believe they helped my psoriasis considerable.

I have an opportunity to do the Banff District again and while up there will take some holidays. My main reason for going is to see how a week or more up there with sulphur baths every day will help my skin.

As I will have my family with me I would appreciate it very much if you would arrange to let me have a pass for self and family.

I expect to go up next week and will call and see you. In case you should be away I will ask Miss Dewar if my request received favourable consideration.



Yours sincerely,

*W.T. McFarlane*

W.T. McFarlane

Mr. P.J. Jennings,  
Sup't. Banff National Park,  
BANFF, Alberta.

*19/1/39*

*H.O. Instructions have been sent to the Banff National Park and the Hot Springs. I will be glad to discuss the matter with you if you wish. Yours truly, H.O.*



CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
LANDS, PARKS AND FORESTS BRANCH

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE  
BANFF NATIONAL PARK

PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE 3.144

Ottawa, July 17th, 1939.  
~~BANFF, ALTA.~~ 19

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For ruling regarding the question of free bathing at the  
Bathhouses for school children coming in, see H.O.  
copy of letter to Principal Lopstich School, North  
Sask. Alberta, on file L-5-8.

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
July 16, 1938.

Major Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Major Jennings:

T. ANDERSON # 5090.

The marginally named is one of our pensioners and last year you were kind enough to give him authority to take baths while in Banff on holiday. He is now having his holidays at Banff again this year, and would like the same privilege. He is pensioned for arthritis.

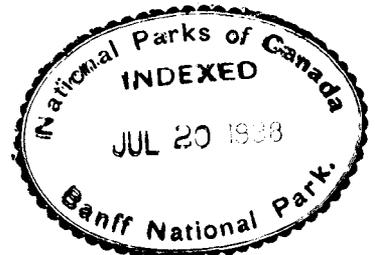
I would appreciate it very much if you could give this man this authority.

A. W. PARK

CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

AMP/H

*20K July 1938*  
*OK for free health services to pensioner T. Anderson*  
*20K July 1938*  
*[Signature]*



P & N.H. 130M-2-38 Req 24

# Reliance Club of Calgary, Inc.

(ORGANIZATION OF BLIND PEOPLE  
IN CALGARY AND DISTRICT)

Incorporated  
8th March, 1935

Phone M1343



2536-16<sup>th</sup> S.E.

114 7<sup>th</sup> AVENUE E. S.T.  
CALGARY, ALTA.

Aug 14/37

P. J. Jennings Esq.  
Superintendent  
Banff Nat. Parks.  
Banff.

Dear Sir

Am in receipt of your letter of recent date & try to advise that we expect about ten or twelve blind people to take advantage of the vacation at Banff in September, & there would probably be about 6 or 7 guides accompanying them.

Hoping some concession may be given for these people.

I remain

Faithfully yours

Paul Chudick  
President for 1937

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
Aug. 16, 1937.

Major Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Major Jennings:

T. ANDERSON #5090.

The marginally named who is one of our pensioners and who is going up to Banff for a week's holidays suffers from rheumatism. Would it be possible to give him authority to take free baths while there.

Yours very truly,

A. W. PARK

CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

ANP/H

OK. P.H.  
17/11/37



Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

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11th August 1957

Dear Sir,-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant in which you request, as President of the Reliance Club, special privileges at our bath houses for the blind people of your organization.

It is noted that you give the time of the proposed visit of your members as the first two or three weeks in September. In connection with your request, it will be necessary for me to refer the matter to the Department at Ottawa for consideration, but before doing so I should be pleased to be advised of the approximate number of your members who will be visiting Banff at that time.

Yours faithfully,

E. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

Per: .....

Paul Chacek, Pres.,  
2536 - 10th St. S.E.,  
Calgary, Alta.

2536-16 St St

Calgary  
Aug 5/37.

P. J. Jennings Esq.,  
Supt., Banff Natl. Parks.  
Banff.

Dear Sir

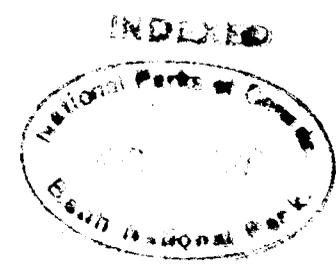
As president of the "Reliance Club"  
(Incorp.), an organization of Blind People  
of Calgary & District, I have been  
requested to ascertain if special concessions  
can be secured for our sightless members  
at the Sulphur Baths at Banff during  
the first 2 or 3 weeks in September; it  
was thought that possibly the Blind  
might be granted admission on presenta-  
tion of their Calgary Street Car Passes &  
possibly some reduced rate for  
accompanying guides.

Our Club hopes to complete

arrangements to take advantage  
of an offer of accommodation that  
has been made, & it was thought  
that if special consideration could  
be given for bathing facilities it  
would prove not only an added  
enjoyment, but also would be  
beneficial physically.

Hoping to hear from you  
at your early convenience,

Yours truly  
Paul Chudek.  
per H.S.P.B.



P.S. The "Reliance Club" is an independent  
organization of sightless people whose  
membership have 10% or less vision. 000019

# Young Women's Christian Association

CALGARY, ALBERTA

May 27th,  
1937

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Mr. P.J. Jennings, Superintendent,  
Department of Mines and Resources,  
BANFF, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Jennings:

Thank you for your letter of May 25th in which you grant to the girls attending the "Y" Conference in Banff the use of the Cave and Basin at a charge of 20¢ each, the girls supplying their own bathing suits and towels. While there will be a number who will be unable to take advantage of this rate it will be a help to a number of others who will have a small amount of spending money.

Yours very truly,

*Helen F. Thompson*

HELEN F. THOMPSON  
General Secretary

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25th May, 37.

Dear Madam,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant in which you advise me that the Y.W.C.A's are arranging regional conferences of their members and that the Edmonton and Calgary Associations will be meeting in Banff on May 29th and 30th.

With reference to the use of the Cave & Basin on Saturday next by the members attending the Conference, I may say that I cannot grant them the free use of the pool but will have to make a charge of 20¢ each for those who supply their own bathing suit and towel and 35¢ for those who have not their bathing suit and towel.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

Helen F. Thompson,  
General Secretary,  
Y.W.C.A.  
CALCARY. Alta.

# Young Women's Christian Association

CALGARY, ALBERTA

May 21st,  
1937

Mr. P.J. Jennings,  
Parks Superintendent,  
BANFF, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Jennings:

All across Canada the Y.W.C.A.'s are arranging regional conferences for their girl members.

The "Y" girls of the Edmonton and Calgary Associations and possibly some from the Lethbridge Y.M.C.A. are gathering at the Y.W.C.A. Chalet at Banff on May 29th and 30th. Special cent a mile rates have been arranged with the Railway and the Y.W.C.A. is providing the rate of \$1.00 a day for room and board.

Many of these girls are unemployed and most of them are finding it very difficult to raise even the small amount necessary for the trip. The Committee in charge of the arrangements was wondering if it would be possible for the Parks Authorities to allow these girls the privilege of a free swim in the Cave and Basin on Saturday, May 29th, between 12 and 2.30 o'clock when the Conference officially opens. There would be between 50 and 75 girls. They can bring their own bathing suits and towels. If you cannot arrange for a free swim what would be the lowest group rate you could give us? We hope we are not presuming in making this request.

We shall await your favorable reply.

Yours very sincerely,

*Helen F. Thompson.*

HELEN F. THOMPSON  
General Secretary

HFT:G



B.1.3.

Copy sent to W. Noble, C & B.

16th April, 37.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of today's date regarding bathing privileges for the following members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police stationed at Banff:-

Sergt. C. D. McWilliams,  
L/Col. A. A. Cantrill,  
Cst. G. S. McGlynn,  
" J. D. Waring,  
" J. R. Koffatt,  
" A. G. Campbell,  
" T. Paull,  
" J. S. Moore,  
" H. B. Gow.

I am instructing Mr Noble, Caretaker, Cave & Basin, by copy of this letter, to permit the above mentioned officers the free use of the swimming pool at the Cave & Basin up to May 23rd and from September 7th to December 31st, 1937.

Yours faithfully,

F. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

Inspector A. G. Birch,  
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,  
BANFF. Alberta.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE  
"K" Division

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

DIV. FILE No. ....

Banff Sub-Division  
Banff, Alta. April 16th, 1937.

H. Q. FILE No. ....

Major P.J. Jennings,  
Park Supt;  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

Reverting to your request for names  
of members of the Force stationed at Banff, in  
connection with the Cave and Basin, they are as  
follows:-

- Sergt. C.D. McWilliams,
- L/Cpl. Cantrill A. A.
- Cst. McGlynn G.S.
- " Waring, J.D.
- " Moffatt J.R.
- " Campbell A.G.
- " Paull T.
- " Moore J.S.
- " Gow H.B.

Yours truly,



(A. G. Birch)                      Inspr.  
Commanding Banff Sub-Division.

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*23/5/37*  
*21/9/37*  
*B/C.*

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
NATIONAL PARKS BUREAU



CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
LANDS, PARKS AND FORESTS BRANCH

PLEASE QUOTE  
FILE..... B.142

OTTAWA 1st April, 1937.

*Handwritten notes:*  
J. H. Williamson  
1937  
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Dear Sir,-

Re - Special Rates for Children,  
Banff Swimming Club.  
Your File B.1.3

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 6th ultimo with enclosures as stated in regard to the above.

The matter is being taken up with the Department and when formal approval is secured you will be further advised.

In the meantime I should be glad if you would look further into the question of using 10¢ tickets. The matter was taken up with the representative of the Cash Register Company here and he advises there would seem to be no reason why 10¢ tickets could not be issued with your present register. It is considered a special cash register ticket should be issued in all cases.



Yours faithfully,

F. H. H. Williamson,  
Controller,

Per:

*Handwritten signature of F. H. H. Williamson*

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE  
YOHO AND GLACIER NATIONAL PARKS



CANADA  
DEPARTMENT  
OF  
MINES AND RESOURCES  
LANDS, PARKS AND FORESTS BRANCH

PLEASE QUOTE

FILE.....

FIELD, B.C., April 2nd 1937.

Personal.

Dear Major Jennings:-

The son of my Chief Warden, Mr Langford, is attending the High School in Banff, and is boarding in Banff with Mr & Mrs E. Bird.

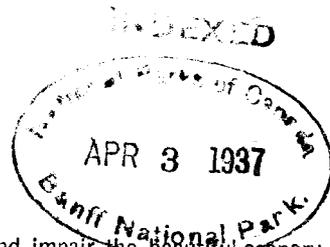
This is just a line to ask you if you will extend to the son, Pat Langford, the same bathing privileges which are extended to the families of permanent Civil Servants in Banff, at the Cave & Basin pool.

If you are able to extend this courtesy, it will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very sincerely

*E. W. Russell*

Major P. J. Jennings  
Superintendent of Banff Park  
Banff. Alta.



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6th March 1937

Dear Sir,-

Your reference B.142

I wish to refer to the correspondence regarding a special rate at the Cave & Basin Bathhouse for the members of the Banff Swimming Club.

Enc.

I have now been informed by Mr. F. O. Brewster, President of the Swimming Club, that the admission fee of ten cents (10¢) for members sixteen years of age and under, is acceptable. These members to provide their own bathing suits and towels.

In my letter to you of September 29th last, I mentioned that it might be necessary to issue special tickets to members of the Club. I am attaching a suggested form of ticket that might be used, and if it meets with your approval I would suggest that about fifty of these tickets be printed.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. H. Williamson, Esq.,  
Controller,  
National Parks Bureau,  
Ottawa, Ont.

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

WILLIAM A. BREWSTER  
GENERAL MANAGER

JAMES I. BREWSTER,  
PRESIDENT

LOUIS S. CROSBY,  
TREASURER



# Brewster Transport Company Limited

## Motor Transportation

HEAD OFFICE

Banff, Alberta, Canada

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WAPTA, B. C.  
FIELD, B. C.  
EMERALD LAKE, B. C.  
GOLDEN, B. C.

Jan. 27th, 1937

Major P.J. Jennings,  
Superintendent Banff National Park,  
BANFF, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I have been instructed by the Executive of the Banff Swimming Club to write you, and inform you of their appreciation of the Department's consideration in giving the reduced rate to the members sixteen years of age and under.

It was decided to hold a general meeting after the Government tickets had been printed and completely re-organize the club at that time. I believe that you suggested during our last conversation that the tickets would be official ones for presentation at the swimming pool, and further I believe you suggested that the Department would take care of the printing of same in Ottawa.

Thanking you for your efforts on our behalf, I am,

Yours very truly,

President Banff Swimming Club



ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE COMPANY

B.1.3.

8th December, 6.

Dear Sir,

I have for acknowledgement your letter of the 6th instant regarding the bathing privileges for yourself and the members of your family.

In your letter you point out that the free use of the Upper Hot Springs bathhouse is not included in the above privilege, and ask if this was an oversight. In reply I would say that this was not an omission on our part as since the building of the new bathhouse at the Upper Hot Springs it has not been the policy of the Department to issue free passes to these baths. The privilege extended to you and the members of your family is for the Cave and Basin only and I regret that it cannot be extended to cover the Upper Hot Springs.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

Wm. McCardell, Esqr.,

BANFF. Alta.

Banff Alberta Dec. 6th 1936.

Superintendent Mr Jennings,  
Banff Alta..

Dear Sir;-

Some time ago your Department, and yourself, at Ottawa granted myself and party free swimming at the Cave and Basin. I have always thought that this privilege was intended to cover the Hot Springs bathing pool as well as the Cave and basin. And I am fully convinced that it was your intention to have this privilege to cover the Hot springs swimming rights as well as the Cave & Basin, and that it was merely an oversight on your part in omitting the inclusion of the upper springs.

Therefore, dear sir; you can, and am convinced that you will remedy this error, if it is an error, and therefore trust that will rectify this omission, which will be considered a great favor. *Jan*

I furthermore, beg to call your attention to the fact I have seen to it that the privilege enjoyed by my parties have never been abused or extended beyond the bounds of propriety. And as for myself I have a much better bath in my old wabhtup right in my old bathtub. In anticipation of your exercising your prerogative in this matter, I have, dear sir; the honor to remain as ever

Yours very respectfully

*Wm. L. C. or Dell*

B.1.3.

26th November, 6.

Dear Sir,

Re: Swimming rates, Banff  
Swimming Club, Your file B.142.

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant regarding the above matter.

Under date of September 29th, I wrote Mr F. O. Brewster, President of the Banff Swimming Club, asking him for a discussion on the proposed Special rate, but I have not yet heard from him. I have again written Mr Brewster asking him to call on me at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.

B.1.3.

26th November, 6.

Dear Sir,

I wish to refer to my letter to you September 29th regarding a special rate to be given the members of the Banff Swimming Club at the Cave & Basin bathhouse.

I should be pleased if you would call at this office and discuss this matter with me at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

F. O. Brewster, Esq.,

BANFF. Alta.

J. B. HARKIN  
COMMISSIONER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA

10th November, 1936.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....  
B.142

Dear Sir,-

Re: Swimming Rates, Banff  
Swimming Club - Your File  
B.1-3.

Referring to our letter of the 6th ultimo, I should be glad to know if anything has been done in regard to the necessary arrangements for the recording of the special admissions applicable to the members of the Banff Swimming Club, 16 years of age and still attending school.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per:

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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OTTAWA

6th October, 1936.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.142

Dear Sir,-

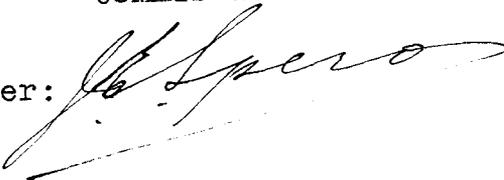
Re: Swimming Rates, Banff  
Swimming Club - Your  
Reference B.1-3.

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 29th ultimo regarding the above, the contents of which have been noted.

No action is being taken on this matter pending the receipt of your further report.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per: 

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



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B.1-3

29th Sept. 1936

Dear Mr. Brewster,-

with regard to your request that a special rate be given to the members of the Banff Swimming Club at the Cave & Basin swimming pool. This matter was recently referred to the minister while in Banff and I beg to advise you that it has been decided that a special rate of 10/- per member under the age of 16 years has been arranged for, on the understanding that they supply their own towels and bathing suits.

I shall be glad if you will see me at some time in the near future in this connection so that we can arrange the system to be followed in passing the turnstile, in order to have their attendance properly recorded in the Cash register.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

F. O. Brewster, Esq.,  
Banff, Alta.

B.1-3

29th sept. 1936

Dear Sir,-

Re: Request for swimming rates, Banff  
Swimming Club. Your file B.142.

In further reference to your letter of the 17th of April last, regarding a special rate for members of the above club for the use of the Cave & Basin swimming pool. As suggested in the second paragraph of your letter this matter was brought to the attention of the Minister while in Banff on Thursday last, the 24th instant, and it was decided that bona fide members of the Banff Swimming Club who are under the age of 16 and still attending school, should be given a special rate of 10¢ each, provided they are prepared to furnish their own towels and swimming suits.

As we cannot record a 10¢ admission on the Cash register, it may become necessary to issue special tickets to the members of the club from a list to be furnished by their secretary, and then to ring up the total amount on the Cash register when the whole of the tickets have been presented on each of the days to be set aside for the Club's swimming meets. The matter will now be discussed with the secretary of the Club and the necessary arrangements to cover this point discussed.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
Ottawa, Ont.

B1.3

12th June, 6.

Memorandum for the Caretaker,  
Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse.

This will be your authority to permit  
Mr W. R. Stewart the free use of the baths at  
the Upper Hot Springs. This pass is good up  
to and including June 20th, 1936.

.....  
Superintendent.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
June 10, 1936.

Major Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*Handwritten initials*

Dear Major Jennings:

W. R. STEWART.

The marginally named was one of our men in the 8th Field Ambulance Overseas and has just gone through to Banff for the purpose of taking some sulphur baths in the hope that they might relieve his condition. He is having rather a struggle in the drug business in a small town north of Edmonton. I wonder if you could make it possible for him as a pensioner to have free baths in Banff. He will only be a short time there.

Yours very truly,

*Handwritten signature of A. W. Park*  
A. W. PARK

CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

AWP/H

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B.1.3.

30th April, 6.

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th instant regarding your request, on behalf of the Banff Swimming Club, for a special rate for Club members at the Government Swimming Pool.

This matter was referred to the Department at Ottawa and I have just been advised that for the time being no change can be made in the prevailing rates.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

F. O. Brewster, Esqr.,  
President,  
Banff Swimming Club,  
BANFF. Alta.

Box 400  
Banff, Alberta

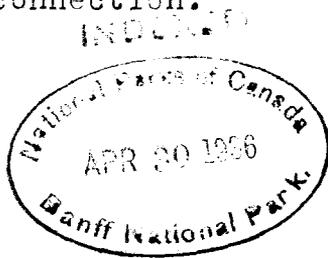
April 29, 1936

Superintendent  
Banff National Park  
Banff, Alberta

Dear Sir:

Please find inclosed a copy of a letter sent to you under the date of February 29 regarding rates in the park swimming pools for members of our club.

Will you be good enough to advise me if anything further has been heard from the department in this connection.



Yours truly,  
Banff Swimming Club

*Pat Brewster*  
"Pat" Brewster, President

Banff, Alberta,  
Feb. 29th, 1936

Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

As president of the following organization, I would like hereby to make application for consideration in regard to the charges at the local swimming pools for junior and student classes of members.

As you are aware, this Park possesses the finest swimming facilities in the Dominion of Canada, where training both winter and summer can be comfortably enjoyed in sub zero temperature. In spite of the above natural endowment, the Park cannot produce one finished contestant, male nor female to compete at the various Canadian Meets, such as the one held each year at Sylvan Lake, two in Edmonton, two in Calgary, a number of Coastal Meets, the Banff Carnival Meet, etc., etc.

There is a great deal of yount material in the district and with the opportunity of swimming several times a week during the off season, made possible by a rate within the reach of all those interested, we believe that with the organized club efforts that some very outstanding swimmers could be produced from this point.

As you are well aware, it is practically impossible to get the desired results without an organization for this purpose, and at the present time it is only an added expense to join the Club, as it provides no advantages or privileges. As this Club is purely for the developement and promotion of advanced swimming among the younter people, will you please extend to us your kind and much appreciated assistance in securing for the Club the rates which have been suggested by our members:

Supply personal bathing suit, under 15 years	.10cts each	3 for	.25¢
" " " " over 15 "	.15cts "	2 "	" "

Thanking you for past consideration and looking forward to your favorable reply, we are,

Yours very truly,

BANFF SWIMMING CLUB

President

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER

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NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA  
OTTAWA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.142.

17th April, 1936.

*Handwritten notes:*  
Pat Brewster  
Banff Swimming Club

Dear Sir,

Re - Request for Special Rates,  
Banff Swimming Club.

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 12th ultimo enclosing a copy of a letter received from Mr. Pat Brewster with reference to the Department granting a special rate to the Banff Swimming Club and to advise you that it has been decided for the present to leave arrangements as they are.

When the Minister visits the Park kindly arrange to bring this matter together with other related matters where revenue is affected to his attention in order that same can be discussed on the ground.

Yours faithfully,

J.B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per -

*Handwritten signature of J.B. Harkin*

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

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B.1.3.

Copy sent to W. M. Noble.

4th April, 6.

Dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation regarding the privilege of free bathing at the Cave and Basin for the pupils of the Banff School, I would state that arrangements will be made for the school children to use the pool on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. This privilege will be suspended after May 16th until the end of the tourist season. It is of course understood that one or more teachers will be in attendance during the times mentioned above and that the children will supply their own bathing suits and towels.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

A. B. EVANSON, Esqr.,  
Principal, Banff School,  
BANFF. Alta.

B.1.3.

30th January, 6.

Dear Sir,

I have for acknowledgement your letter of the 27th instant regarding bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin during 1936.

In accordance with Departmental ruling, free bathing privileges can only be granted to local Civil Servants and as your term as Medical Health Officer has now expired, I regret to advise you that I will not be able to renew your privilege for this year.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

Dr. J. Dean Robinson,

BANFF. Alta.

J. DEAN ROBINSON. M.D., C.M.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON  
BANFF, ALBERTA

Jan. 27th. 36

*Mr. Jennings  
1-27-36*

Mr. Jennings  
Superintendent Banff Nat. Park.

Dear Mr. Jennings;

Would you please let me know if our passes to the Government Swimming Pools will be renewed for 1936. The use of the pools is a privilege that we have appreciated and have taken advantage of and we are in hopes that it will be extended for this year.

Yours very truly,

*J. Dean Robinson*

B.1.3.

21st Sept., 5.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th instant regarding the proposed trip of the Edmonton Bulletin newspaper boys to Banff on October 6th.

With regard to the use of the Cave and Basin Swimming pool, I shall be pleased to grant you the rate of two boys for 25¢. This is the rate that has been given in all previous excursions of a similar nature.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

H. Watson, Esqr.,  
Circulation Manager,  
Edmonton Bulletin,  
EDMONTON. Alta.

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OFFICE OF THE  
CIRCULATION MANAGER

Edmonton, Alberta

September 19, 1935.

Manager,  
Cave & Basin,  
BANFF ALTA.

Dear Sir:-

You will doubtlessly remember that last year, on October 6th, the Edmonton Bulletin brought a number of newspaper boys to the pool for an hour's swimming.

We will be bringing a similar number of boys to Banff on Saturday, October 5th this year. Would you kindly advise us if the same rate is in effect, that is, three boys were admitted for 25¢.

At the present time, there are certain restrictions placed upon younger children in Edmonton due to the prevalence of Infantile Paralysis. As far as we know, the ban will be lifted on September 30th. If it is not lifted on this date, it is quite possible that a later date will have to be set to bring our boys to Banff. In this case, we will advise you of the time we expect to come.

In the meantime, will you be good enough to confirm the above rate at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

H.L.WATSON/C

Circulation Manager.

Encl.1.

P.S. A note on the bottom of this letter will be sufficient. We are enclosing a self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

H.L.W.

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE PAPER AND NOT TO INDIVIDUALS

B.1-1

28th Aug. 1935.

Dear Mr. McCardell,-

I am attaching a Pass for yourself and party, for the free use of the Cave & Basin swimming pools.

Enc.

It affords me great pleasure in forwarding this Pass, as I feel it gives you some measure of recognition as the original discoverer of the pool.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

Wm. McCardell, Esq.,  
Banff, Alta.

28th Aug. 1935

To the Bathhouse Caretaker  
Cave & Basin , Banff.

This will be your authority to pass Mr.  
McCardell and party to the Cave & Basin Bathhouse  
and for free bathing privileges for himself and  
family.

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA 22nd August, 1935.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.144.

*B.1-1*

Dear Sir,-

Re - William McCardell, Banff.

I beg to refer to your letter of the 3rd instant in connection with the above and to advise you that the Department has decided that a pass to read "Mr. McCardell and party" may be issued to Mr. William McCardell for free bathing privileges for himself and family at the Cave and Basin, Banff.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner,

Per:

*[Handwritten signature]*

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



# ALL ABOARD FOR THE TOP OF THE WORLD!!!

*Three days that will bloom forever in your garden of wonderful memories!*

A luxurious Greyhound Bus all to ourselves, two nights at the palatial York Hotel, Calgary, and a day at Banff in the heart of the majestic Canadian Rockies---three long days and nights crammed full of breath-taking scenery.

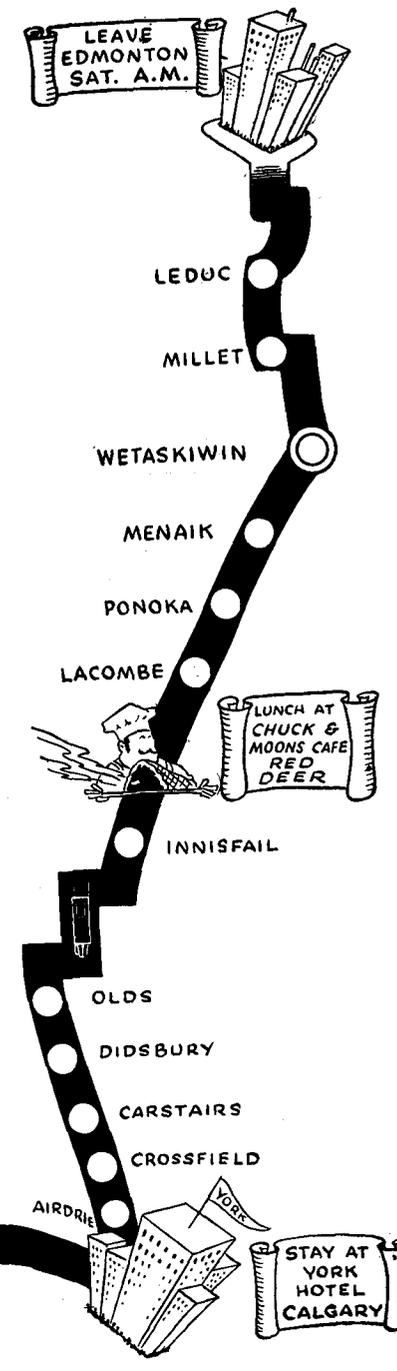
It's a dish fit for a king and will be laid before a large group of Bulletin Carrier-Salesmen in a few weeks time. They are to be kings for three grand days.

The office has agreed to the Banff trip for 1935 and preparations to make this the biggest and best ever are already under way.

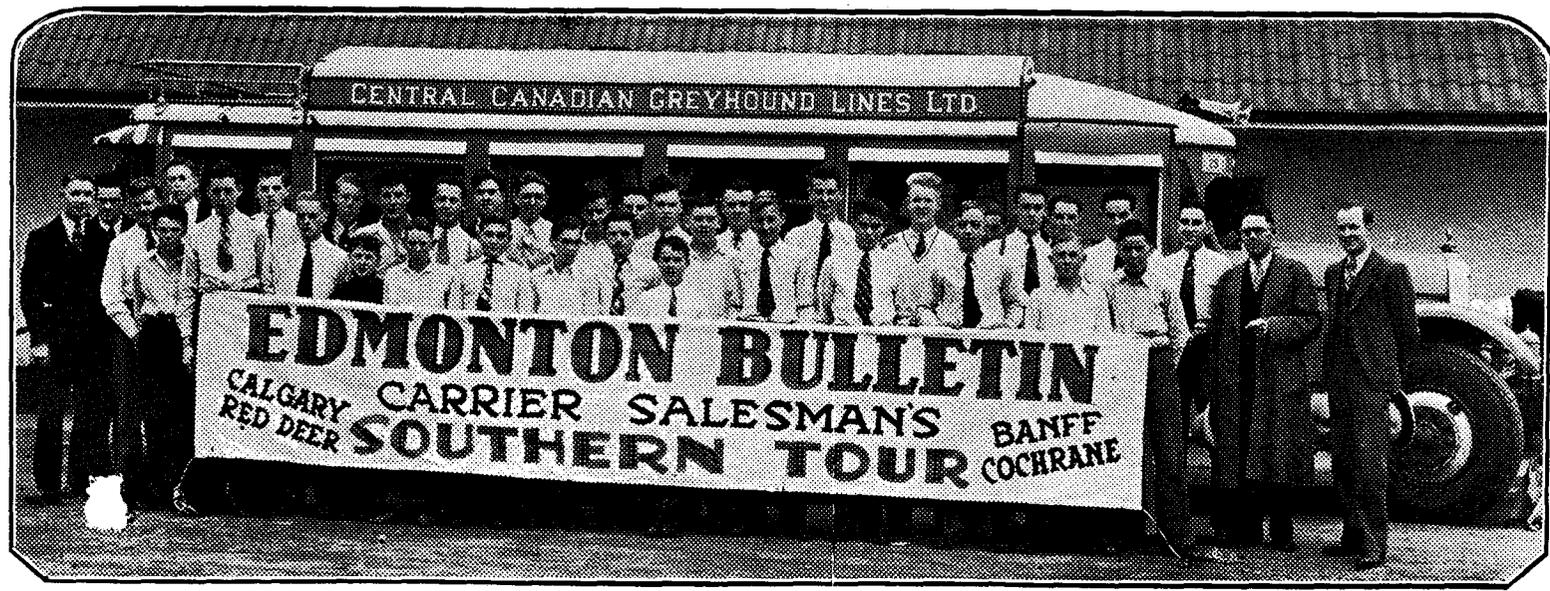
Did you go last year? If so, you'll want to go again. No fellow who has ever gone on one of the Bulletin's famous trips ever wants to miss another. If you haven't gone before, make up your mind now that this year it is going to be a different story.

Start in right now to comb your route. Evy returning vacationist is a prospect. Everyone who doesn't take the Bulletin is sure-fire in these strenuous political days.

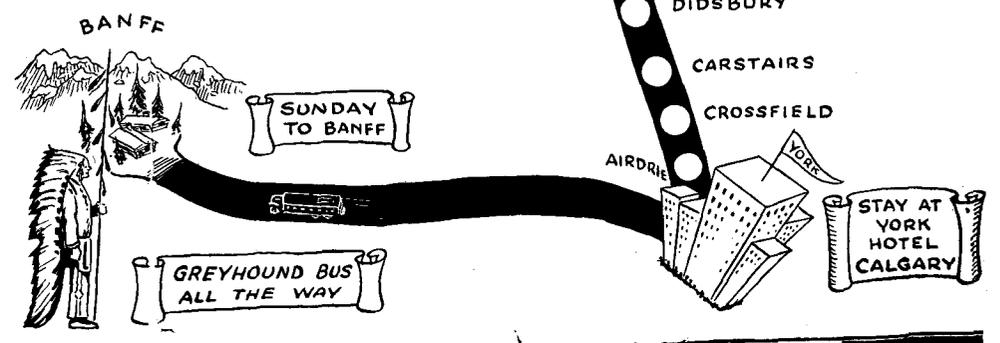
Make up your mind you are going, stick to your determination throughout the contest and we'll see you with the gang on our big trip to scenic Banff---"Ten Switzrelands in one".



## ASK LAST YEAR'S WINNERS!



Let your Motto be--  
**"ON TO BANFF"**



## THE SCHEDULE!

Miles	Going (read down)	
0	10:00 A.M.	Lv. Edmonton
43	11:30 A.M.	Wetaskiwin
65	12:15 P.M.	Ponoka
98	1:25 P.M.	Red Deer
139	3:10 P.M.	Olds
169	4:13 P.M.	Crossfield
197	5:15 P.M.	Calgary
197	8:00 A.M.	Lv. Calgary
219	8:50 A.M.	Cochrane
282	11:30 A.M.	Ar. Banff

## THE RULES!

1. The contest is divided into three periods:
  - (a) **QUALIFICATION PERIOD** — August 26th to Sept. 5th inclusive.
  - (b) **ELIMINATION PERIOD** — September 9th to Sept. 19th inclusive.
  - (c) **FINAL PERIOD** — September 23rd to September 30th inclusive.

During the qualification period six orders must be turned in in order to qualify. During the elimination period six orders must be turned in in order to avoid elimination. The number of carriers who will be taken on the trip from each branch will be determined on a basis of the number of those from each branch who survive the first two periods.

Your Branch Managers will explain this!

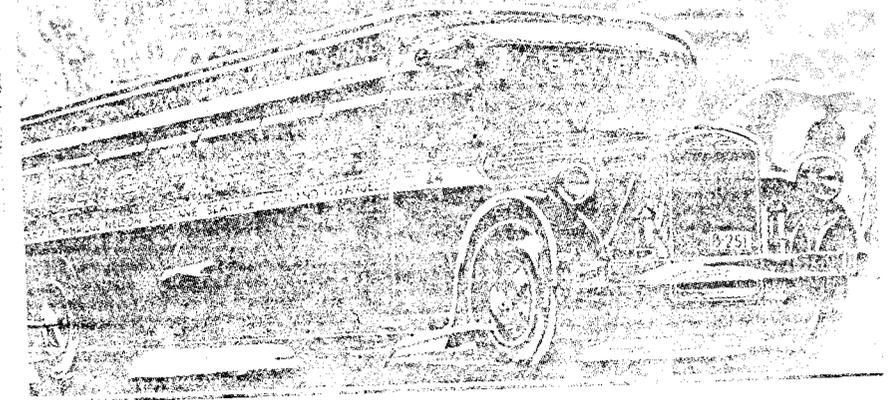
2. All orders must be **NEW** and for **THIRTEEN** weeks and signed on the special order blanks by the party who is to receive delivery.

3. Commissions will be paid all carriers who are not successful in winning tour.

4. Every order will be verified!

A fraudulent order will bring prompt dismissal, cancellation of all commissions, also right to participate in trip.

# Bulletin Carriers' CALGARY-BANFF 1935 TOUR



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OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

ENGINEERING SERVICE

Banff, Alberta.

August 2nd., 1935.

Copy for information of -

P. J. Jennings, Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Driscoll,-

I was away from town a day or two, and this is the first opportunity I have had of replying to your letter of July 28th.

Since your family were last in Banff, new rulings have been made effective in regard to passes at the Cave and Basin, and I am exceedingly sorry that these prevent me from getting you a pass for your family over their holiday period.

Passes now can only be issued to members of the House of Commons, permanent employees of the Banff Park staff and to certain distinguished visitors that come with letters from the Department. These latter passes usually only cover one or two trips to the bath houses.

While the new ruling prevents us from giving you a pass, we will be very glad to arrange for a courtesy visit to one of the bath houses for your family, and which I think Superintendent Jennings will be able to arrange for you.

I am sending Mr. Jennings a copy of this letter and would suggest Mrs. Driscoll call at his office on her arrival at Banff.

Faithfully yours,

Chief Engineer.

Jos. Driscoll, Esq.,  
9808 - 110th Street,  
Edmonton,  
Alberta.

Mr. Jennings:-

In your absence I spoke to Mr. Dignall about this and he thought you could arrange one courtesy bath for the Driscoll family. I think this is the best way out of the situation, as this family used to have the privilege of the baths when they came here a few years ago.

J.M.W.



B.1-3

9th July, 1935.

Dear Mr. Guthrie,-

I have your letter of the 5th instant inquiring if the pass privilege may be granted to your family at the Cave & Basin during your holiday in Banff next month. I very much regret that recent instructions from Head Office forbid the issue of passes to the bath-houses, except in the case of returned soldiers who are under treatment at the Belcher Hospital. I am sorry that I cannot meet your wishes in this matter, but Head Office takes the stand that if a pass is issued to one Government employee, we cannot refuse a similar privilege to the thousands of other Government employees who might wish to use our bath-houses.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

W. G. Guthrie, Esq.,  
Office of  
District Director of Postal Services,  
Calgary, Alberta.

WHEN REPLYING QUOTE.....



Office of District Director of Postal Services

Calgary, 5<sup>th</sup> July 35

Dear Mr. Jennings,

There is a possibility I may be holidaying in Banff this summer about the middle of August & would like to know if the Pass privilege may again be granted for my family to the Cave & Basin Baths.

Your previous favours in this regard were very much appreciated.

Thanking you in advance

I am

Yours faithfully

M. J. Guthrie

*[Faint, illegible handwritten notes or a second letter on the reverse side of the page.]*

B.1.3.

4th July, 5.

The Caretaker,  
Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse.

This will be your authority to permit Mr T. Adams, the free use of the baths at the Upper Hot Springs during the period he is in Banff which will be for about three weeks.

.....  
Superintendent.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

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517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
July 8, 1935.

Major Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Major Jennings:

T. Adams: Reg. No. 530186.

The marginally named is one of our pensioners and is very badly crippled with rheumatism. He is going up to Banff to visit for a time and I would very much appreciate it if you would give him the privilege of the using the sulphur baths while there.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. PARK

CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

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B.1-3

3rd July, 1935.

Dear Sir,-

I have your letter of the 27th ultimo, your file B.144, enclosing a letter received from John McCardle of Banff, making application for free bathing privileges at the Cave & Basin for his children and grandchildren.

In the second paragraph of your letter you ask me for a report on the point raised by Mr. McCardle and ask what action, if any, should be taken in regard to this application. This would appear to me to be purely a matter of departmental policy. I personally can offer no objection and can see no reason why the original discoverer of the spring should not be given the free use of its waters throughout his lifetime. Beyond this I would make no recommendation.

Personally I think Mr. McCardle's letter is a little far fetched. I do not see where we could draw the line if all old-timers in the west were to assume a similar attitude towards our publicly owned railways and other facilities.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
Ottawa, Ont.

J. B. HARKIN  
COMMISSIONER



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA 27th June, 1935.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.144.

Dear Sir,-

I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter received from Mr. John McCardell of Banff, in which he makes application for free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin for his children and grandchildren.

I should be glad to have a report from you on the point raised by Mr. McCardell and also what action, if any you think should be taken on this application.

Encl.  
6023.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner,

Per:

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA  
OTTAWA  
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ENCLOSURE  
.....  
No 6023

N. P. C. No. 29

COPY

Banff, Alberta  
June 21st, 1935.

Mr. J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner of Dominion Parks,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,-

For many years I have been going to write to your Department on this matter, namely: As numerous members of families who hold a position with the Banff Park Government have free bathing at the Cave and Basin. To this I have no objection, outside of the fact that I discovered these Springs in the summer of 1883, and was paid the humiliating sum of \$100 to vacate them.

Now what I am getting at is this, I have resided in this Park for 52 years and my children and grand children have to pay every time that they go in for a bath. And they twit me as being the discoverer that none of my grand children nor my direct children can get free baths whilst they are surrounded by people who have only been in the country a short time and their children enjoy the privilege that we who have been born here cannot.

Now don't you think that this is a very unfair discrimination on the part of the Government. I am perhaps the only one living in the Valley that didn't have a railroad to ride in on when I came in, in the summer of 1883.

I have never had a job with the Banff Government that would endow me with this privilege. Nor did I ever pester the Government looking for a job. Not but what they would have doubtless have complied with my request had I have done so.

Now I don't think that I am asking anything unreasonable when I make this request. And for myself I hardly ever go in for a swim either at the Cave and Basin or the Hot Springs up on the mountain side.

All of my children and grand children have been born in this neighborhood, but really this is a handicap to be born, or in any other part of our boasted heritage which lies between the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.

I am sending a copy of this application to our Mr. R. B. Bennett, which I regret to do as he, I am sorry to say is not too well and is also the hardest worked men in the Parliament building at Ottawa.

Yours respectfully,  
(sgd) John McCardell

P.S. I have very few children or grandchildren here.  
J.McC.

J. B. HARKIN  
COMMISSIONER

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OTTAWA

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.141

18th June, 1935.

(Copy for the information of the Superintendent,  
Banff National Park, Banff, Alberta.)

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 10th instant with reference to securing a free pass for yourself and Mrs. Callaghan to use the Upper Hot Springs Bath at Banff.

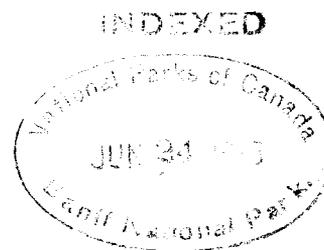
In this connection I beg to advise you that it is not the policy to issue free passes to Government employees outside of Banff for the Hot Springs. You will understand that if a pass was issued to you the Department could not refuse one to the thousands of other Government employees.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per:

E. L. Callaghan, Esq.,  
Customs Department,  
Edmonton,  
Alberta.





DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
Aug. 13, 1934.

Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Att. Major J. P. Jennings.

Dear Major Jennings:

John P. CROWE # 331924.

The bearer of this note is a 100% pensioner for multiple arthritis and would like to take the baths during his holiday up at Banff. Could you please arrange to give him a pass for this purpose.

Yours very truly,

*A. W. Park*  
A. W. PARK

C. M. O.

AWP/H



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

R.

Merley, Alta, August 15th, 1934

Dear Sir:-

I beg to submit a list of names of Indians who have requested to be allowed to use the springs while in Banff during Indian Days. There may be the odd other Indian not on this list, and I shall be pleased if you will be good enough to allow them a like privilege.

Mark Poucette  
Luke Powderface  
Jim Amos  
Mrs Jno Powderface  
Enece Hunter  
Douglas Poucette

Yours very truly,

Indian Agent.

P. J. Jennings, Esq.,  
Parks Superintendent,  
Banff, Alberta.

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106-26 Ave.W.  
Calgary.

June 15/1934.

*B 1- file*  
J. Jennings, Esq.

Superintendent, Banff National Parks.

Dear Mr Jennings.

May I ask for the renewal of the pass to the Baths for this season, which in virtue of my appointment as an Honorary Bird Warden under the Parks Department has so kindly been given me for several years past.

If this privilege can be renewed, I would appreciate the pass being handed to my wife, who will call at your office today.

Yours faithfully;

*[Handwritten signature]*

Hon. Bird Officer #188

Mig. Birds Convention Act.

*[Handwritten initials]*

National Park School District  
No. 102

BANFF, ALBERTA  
May 29, 1934.

Major P. J. Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff.

Dear Major Jennings:

Please accept our thanks for the privilege of the free use of the swimming pool for the school children this past fall and spring. I understand that the privilege is withdrawn as from last Saturday due to increasing tourist business.

The attendances were as follows:

Nov. 12----	45
Dec. 2-----	38
Dec. 9-----	6
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April 14----	45
April 21----	105
April 28----	80
May 8-----	50
May 12-----	45
May 19-----	40
May 26-----	85.

Yours very truly,

*A. D. Harding*  
A. D. Harding,  
Principal.





B COMPANY

13th Machine Gun Battalion, C. M. G. C.

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS,  
THE ARMOURY,

CALGARY, March 29th., 1934 19

Lieut Col C. G. Childe,  
for Superintendent,  
Banff National Parks,  
Banff, Alberta.

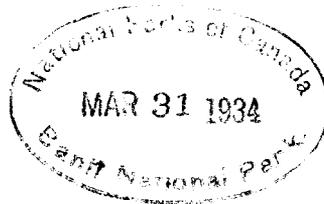
Dear Sir:

Thank you for your courtesy in granting us a special price on admission to the Upper Hot Springs swimming pool.

It is our intention to arrive in Banff Saturday evening, so that, barring extremely difficult walking conditions, we will have all Sunday afternoon for swimming. Owing to the inclement weather (which is at time of writing 4 degrees below zero) our numbers are slightly decreased. Only ~~one~~ will participate in the hike.

Our Sgt Humphrey will be in Banff from Friday afternoon with the R.C.O.C. 10 wheel Leyland Army lorry, so that by locating it you may obtain any further information you may require.

(William Rushton, Lieut)  
Acting Adj.  
B Company 13th M.G. Bn. C.M.G.C.



B. 1-3

28th March, 1934.

Dear Sir,-

Unfortunately your letter of the 23rd instant was forwarded to Major Jennings at Victoria where he is now on leave, so that it has been impossible to give you a reply within the time requested. I may say that if your unit arrives in Banff before 4.30 p.m. Sunday, we shall be glad to admit your members to the Upper Hot Springs swimming pool at the rate of two for 25 cents. It is regretted that permission for free bathing cannot be granted. If possible I should be glad if you would let me know definitely whether you will be able to arrive at the baths before 4.30 p. m. on Sunday.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

Per:.....

Lieut. Wm. Rushton,  
809, 4th St. West,  
Calgary, Alta.



B COMPANY

13th Machine Gun Battalion, C. M. G. C.

COMPANY HEADQUARTERS.  
THE ARMOURY.

CALGARY, March 23rd., 19 34

Major P. J. Jennings, O.B.E.,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

Our unit intends holding its Annual Easter Trek next week when it will go through the White Man's Pass from Canmore to Banff by way of the Spray Lakes. Should we be fortunate in getting through to Banff in time, we will have Sunday afternoon there, as the Army lorry will call for us Sunday evening at 7 p.m. in Banff. There will be approximately 25 members of this unit participating in the hike.

Could you kindly grant us the use of the Government Baths for a swim on Sunday afternoon April 1st? The writer would like to be able to notify the unit on Tuesday evening, at our regular weekly parade.

We thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

*Wm Rushton, Lieut.*

(Wm. Rushton, Lieut)  
Acting Adjutant.  
B Company 13th M.G. Bn. CMGC.

Kindly reply to:  
Wm. Rushton,  
809-4th., Street West,  
Calgary, Alta.

1456 Beach Ave.  
Oak Bay  
Victoria  
26 R March/34

C. Childe Esq.  
Barff.

Dear Mr. Childe,

The attached was unfortunately forwarded to me last. Will you kindly advise Mr. Kushta that I could not permit free bathing but would allow them to go in at 2 for 25 cents. If you get this in time you had better phone and advise them.

Yours very truly,  
P. J. Fenwick

B.1.3.

18th October, 3

Dear Sir,

"ith reference to your verbal request regarding the bathing privileges extended to the Banff School children at the Cave and Basin Bathhouse, I may say that I have taken up this question with the Department and have now been advised that the children may continue to have the use of the baths under the same conditions as in previous years.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

T. W. Balderston, Esqr.,  
Secretary-Treasurer,  
National Park School District,  
BANFF. Alta.

J. B. HARK:  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
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NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA

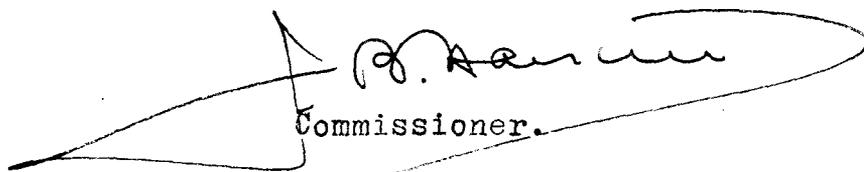
IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B.144.

October 11th, 1933.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, (Your File B.1.3) and there would not appear to be any reason for a change of policy in connection with the school children's use of the Cave and Basin.

Yours faithfully,

  
Commissioner.

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

B.1.3.

29th Sept.,

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Dear Sir,

Since 1917 free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin Bath-house have been extended to the Banff School children between the hours of 10 o'clock and 11 o'clock on Saturday mornings, it being understood that these children would provide their own bathing suits and towels. The children have always been under the charge of one or more teachers and have not interfered with our paying bathers.

The school authorities have made verbal request for the renewal of this privilege. In view of the remarks contained in your letter of April 26th last, your file B.142-1, will you please advise me what action you wish taken in this connection.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

J. B. Markin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.

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105-26 Ave.W.  
Calgary.

Sept 12/1933

P.J.Jennings, Esq.  
Superintendent, Banff National Parks.  
Banff.

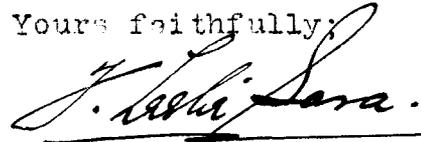
Dear Sir.

As a Migratory Birds Protection officer,  
I have for several years had the privilege of a Pass to the  
Government Baths at Banff.

The Pass issued under your signature last  
year was not dated for that year only, and I am wondering if it  
is still good?

I am asking my wife to call personally,  
and shall very much appreciate the continuance of this courtesy.

Yours faithfully:



Hon. Bird Protection Officer #188.



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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

Morley, Alta., Aug. 16, 1933.

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly grant permission to Jim Amos to use the Hot Springs while in Banff during the Indian days. He has a crippling condition that the baths might help.

Yours truly,

*W. Barr Murray*

Indian Agent & medical Officer.

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alta.

*OK  
for [unclear]*





OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

Morley, Alta., Aug. 10, 1933.

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

Dear Sir,

I would be greatly obliged if you would give the  
bearer, Enos Hunter, and his wife,  
permission to use the Hot Springs while  
he is in Banff. He suffers with Chronic Arthritis.

Yours truly,

*W. B. Murray*  
Indian Agent.

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alta.,

*O.K. for Tubs*

National Park School District  
No. 102

BANFF, ALBERTA  
June 30.

Major P. J. Jennings,  
Parks Superintendent,  
Banff.

Dear Major Jennings:

Please accept the thanks of the staff  
and students for the privilege of the use of the Cave  
and Basin this spring.

We hope that we may again enjoy your  
generosity.

Yours very truly,

*A. D. Harding*  
A. D. Harding,  
Principal.



National Park School District  
No. 102

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BANFF, ALBERTA  
June 12.

Supt. Jennings,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Major Jennings:

An incident that occurred at the Cave and Basin during the children's hour last Saturday has just come to my attention. I believe the mother concerned has communicated with you.

The facts of the case are these: The child about nine years old was taking away a C.N.P. swimming suit by mistake. She was called back by Miss Lively and Mr. Stevens and told she had the wrong suit. Her own, concerning which we knew nothing, she had mislaid. The child apparently went home with a story <sup>h</sup> which was totally wrong, and aroused the ire of the parent. This aroused the mother to see you and write a very insulting letter to Miss Lively. I have seen Mr. Stevens who handed me the girl's suit, which I will return to the mother with a very strong suggestion she write another letter to the teacher concerned by way of apology.

I hope this will clear the matter in case you had been misinformed.

Yours very truly,

*A. D. Harding*  
A. D. Harding,  
Principal.

B.1.3.

6th June, 3

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, your file B.144, in which you advise me that Mr J. W. Spence of the Geological Survey, will shortly be carrying out some work for his Department in the vicinity of Canmore and will be visiting Banff at the week-ends.

Upon Mr Spence's arrival at Banff I shall be pleased to extend to him the usual courtesies.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
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NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA

May 30th, 1933.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE B 144

Dear Mr. Jennings:

Mr. J. W. Spence of the Geological Survey is going West shortly to work in connection with his Department at Canmore and in the territory south of Canmore outside the Park area. He expects to go to Banff occasionally for week-ends and would like the privilege of having a pass to the bath houses there. As Federal Government officers are usually provided with this privilege, I should be glad if you would have this arranged. Mr. Spence will doubtless call on you on his arrival at Banff.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per.....

The Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

~~SECRET~~  
B1-3

May 22, 1933

Dear Sir,-

In further reference to your letter to me dated the 8th instant, and my reply of the 17th, regarding free swimming for school children on Saturday mornings between the hours of 10:00 and 11:00. I am now advised that on Saturday morning the 20th instant, there were 120 children swimming with only one teacher in charge. You will readily understand that it is quite impossible for one teacher to control such a large number of children and I would ask that in future some better arrangement be made for their supervision while swimming, so that the possibility of accidents may be reduced to a minimum.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

erston, Esq.,  
T. W. Seabury-treasurer,  
Nat. Park School Dist. No. 102,  
Banff, Alberta.

B. 1-3

9.50 P.M.  
20/5/33  
B.D. Stinson says up re this  
& I advised him re contents  
of this letter. J.L.H.

May 17, 1933

Dear Sir,-

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant making application for permission for free swimming for pupils of the school on Saturday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00, on the understanding that they will be in charge of a teacher.

It is my understanding that this arrangement was made some time ago and that the children were allowed to swim at the Cave & Basin during these hours on Saturday under the supervision of a teacher, but not during the months of July and August which is our busy tourist season. I am prepared to renew this arrangement under the same conditions and during the same period; that is to say, with the exception of the two months above referred to.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings,  
Superintendent.

T. W. Balderston, Esq.,  
Secretary Treasurer,  
National Park School Dist., No. 102,  
Banff, Alberta.

National Park School District  
No. 102

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BANFF, ALBERTA

May 8 1933

B-1-3  
Mr P J Jennings  
Superintendent Banff National Park

Dear Sir

The Banff School Board hereby make application for permission for free swimming for the pupils of the schools on Saturday mornings of May 13th-20th-27th. Principal A D Harding assured the Board that he would make arrangements for a teacher to be in charge during these periods if your Department is willing to grant this request.

Yours truly

  
T W Balderston  
Secretary Treasurer.

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B.1.3.

4th May,

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Dear Sir,

ENCL.5.

With reference to bathing privileges at the Government pools, I may say that during the period Dr Atkin held the position of Medical Health Officer, passes were issued to his children. I am extending the same privilege to your family and the individual passes are attached.

It will be noted that these passes are for the Cave and Basin only and are not good for the months of July and August.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Superintendent.

Dr. J. D. Robinson,

BANFF. Alta.



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

Morley, Alberta  
17th Aug. 1932.

Dear Major Jennings :

The Bearer, Tom Powderface, Stony Indian is suffering with rhaumatism, and as he has no funds at his disposal to visit the hot springs, would it be possible to furnish him with a pass for this purpose while he is attending the Banff Indian Days ?

Thanking you in anticipation,

*Pass issued  
20th Aug 1932  
J.M.L.*

Major P.J. Jennings,  
Superintendent,  
Banff National Parks,  
Banff, Alta.

Yours very truly,

*R. Hinton*

Indian Agent.

IN ANY FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE ON  
THIS SUBJECT PLEASE QUOTE

No. P/M



*File*

# Office of District Superintendent of Postal Service

Vancouver, B. C.

May 19th, 1932.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Nelson Naylor, Railway Mail Clerk attached to the Vancouver District with headquarters at Calgary was for some time afflicted with Rheumatism to the extent that he was unable to perform his duties in the service and had to obtain leave of absence.

During these periods he was greatly benefited by the treatment obtained at the Sulphur Baths at Banff and Radium.

With a view to keeping himself fit and avoiding a recurrence of the disability mentioned he is desirous of taking advantage of every opportunity that presents itself to utilize the Sulphur Springs mentioned.

Any courtesy that you may extend to Mr. Naylor or any of his fellow employees who desire to use the Sulphur Baths at Banff will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

*J. J. Murray*  
District Superintendent.



Major P. J. Jennings,  
Acting Superintendent  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alta.

*Received in office of the District Superintendent*

To Whom it may concern -

B-8-32

This is to certify that G. Pilkington, 1387, is  
a pensioner for osteoarthritis of his spine and  
I believe that the baths at Banff might  
help his condition.

Art Park

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517- 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
Aug. 16, 1932.

*Personnel - has for file  
ans.*

Major Jennings,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Major Jennings:

W. P. BAYNE, #434931.

The marginally named is a Civil  
Servant in the Public Works Department assisting Mr. Sellens and is  
one of our pensioners.

As he is having some trouble  
with Rheumatism at the present time, and is going to Banff for  
his holidays, I wondered if you could give him the privilege of  
having baths while there.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. PARK

C.M.O.

AWP/H

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF  
PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE NO.

517 - 8th Ave. W.,  
Calgary, Alberta.  
July 27, 1932.

Mr. G. A. Birkett,  
Box 392,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 26th inst. and am quite agreed that sulphur baths would help your pensionable disability which is arthritis as that is a condition for which many cases go to Banff - simply for the purpose of taking the baths. If you will take this letter to Major Jennings, I am sure he will provide you with the promised pass for free baths.

Yours very truly,

*A. W. Park*  
A. W. PARK

C.M.O.

AWP/H

*Issue pass to Mr. Birkett  
for 1 year - Hot Spas  
baths + pool - 3 days per week.*

B.1.3.

20th June, 1932.

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant wherein you ask if it would be possible to secure a family pass for the swimming pool during your visit to Banff next month.

I regret to advise you that through an order received from the Department in 1930, prohibiting the issue of passes to the Government baths, I am unable to comply with your request.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Acting Superintendent.

G. E. McLaren, Esqr.,  
Chief Clerk,  
Customs Department,  
CALGARY. Alta.



NATIONAL REVENUE, CANADA  
(CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DIVISIONS)

Port of ..... Calgary, Alta. ....

P. J. Jennings, Esq.,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

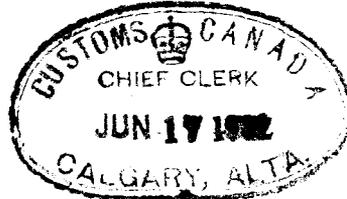
Dear Sir:-

The writer, who is Chief Clerk in the Customs & Excise Department, Calgary, with a service record of twenty-three years, expects to be in Banff for two or three weeks during July.

As an exchange of courtesy between Federal Departments, I would appreciate it very much if you could see your way clear to grant me a Family pass for the use of the swimming pool during my sojourn in Banff.

Yours truly

*G. I. H. Lareu*



B.1.3.

16th June, 32

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant in which you ask if it would be possible to obtain a renewal of the pass for the bathhouses that was issued to you in 1928.

The granting of the privilege of free bathing at the Government bathhouses has been discontinued since 1930 and I regret therefore that I cannot comply with your request.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jennings.  
Acting Superintendent.

W. E. Hives, Esqr.,  
1107, 6th Avenue West,  
CALGARY. Alta.

1107-6<sup>th</sup> Ave. West  
Calgary  
June 15<sup>th</sup> 1932

Dear Sirs;

Would it be possible to have this pass renewed for the coming season.

Thanking you,

I remain  
yours truly,  
W. C. Hives.



THIS WILL ENTITLE Mr. *W.E.*...

*His s... family*... to the  
free use of the Government  
Baths at the Cave and Basin  
and the Upper Hot Springs

~~except July and August.~~ This  
pass expires on ~~December~~ *August* 31st  
192*8* and is not transferable

*W. E. Fair*  
*of* SUPPLI~~ENT~~ENDENT

PJJ/WHG

3.1.3

14th October, 1931

Memorandum to Mr. E. I. Holliday,  
Caretaker, Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse:

This will be your authority to allow Mr. D. G. Oland, Superintendent of construction, new Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse, the use of the bathing pool and baths at your establishment until further notice.

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(P. J. Jeminas)  
Actg. Superintendent

10/17  
Cave & Basin

8. August. 1931.

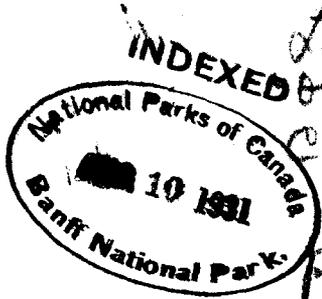
Supt:  
B. N. Park.

Sir, "Re Colored Bathers"

Some years back quite a disturbance was caused by an American Party of Ladies, on coming to Bathe here, after 6 P.M. one evening they found a number of colored P. R. Porters bathing also in the pools.

These Americans refused to go into the pools at the same time as these colored men. The matter was taken up with Supt. R. S. Stronach, and all he told me was, to allow no colored persons to swim till after 6 P.M. and this is the actual time (after 6 P.M.) that the row was over.

In the past we have had several of these colored men appear for admission to the Baths. Several of these men wear the Returned Soldier's Button. They have threatened to take the matter up with the Legion and others. They have caused quite a stir on being told they could not be allowed in till after 6 P.M. Some time back an American family came here to Bathe and actually paid for two young colored men to bathe. We have had



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Continued

We have had parties brought through here by C.P.R. Officials and others, and some of the parties have been Colored people.

For any assistant may make a grave mistake in refusing some person, who, perhaps is a little bit colored, but still may be a gentleman of Rank and Standing or even in the Diplomatic Service.

I would like please to have a ruling on this matter, before some grave mistake is made by any of the Staff of the Base & Basin.

I am,  
Yours Faithfully,  
W.M. Noble  
Caretaker  
attB

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MEMORANDUM

To P.J. Jennings, Esq.,  
Acting Superintendent  
Rocky Mountain Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

FROM

The Office of the Resident Architect

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Calgary, May 15th 19 31

C O P Y

Sir:-

Re: P.W.D. Staff,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

Mr. Lewis Leigh is caretaker of the Public Building at Lethbridge. Mrs. Leigh is in poor health and has been recommended for the baths at Banff. If you are able to extend any privileges to Mrs. Leigh and family it would be much appreciated by the writer. Similar cases have received such privileges in the past. Mrs. Leigh will probably call on you in the course of a few days and will have a copy of this letter as introduction to you.

Yours very truly,

*W. H. Bell*  
*W. H. Bell*

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July 15, 1931.

Dear Mr. Hinton,-

I have your letter of the 13th inst., in which you ask for the privilege of the tubs at the upper Hot Springs Bathhouse for Mrs. Job Stevens, one of the Stony Indians, who is suffering from rheumatism.

Under the circumstances as outlined in your letter I have to-day made the arrangements for Mrs. Stevens to have the free use of the bathhouse.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Jemings,  
Acting Superintendent.

R. Hinton, Esq.,  
Indian Agent,  
Morley, Alberta.



DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
CANADA

OFFICE OF  
INDIAN AGENT

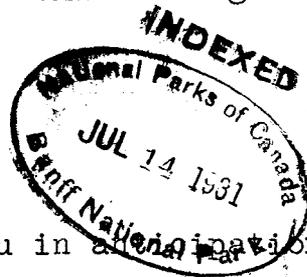
Morley, Alberta  
13th July 1931.

Major Jennings,  
Superintendent Banff Park,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Major Jennings :

One of our Stony Indians, Mrs Job Stevens is suffering greatly from the effects of Rheumatism and is desirous of visiting the upper Hot Springs for a daily hot bath for the next week or ten days to see if her condition can be bettered. She has no funds for this purpose and it would be greatly appreciated if a pass for this woman could be issued.

If this can be arranged would you kindly give same to Mr Enos Hunter, the bearer of this letter, who is looking after this woman during her stay in Banff.



Thanking you in anticipation, and with kind regards,

Yours very truly,

Indian Agent.

MEMORANDUM

FROM

The Office of the Resident Architect

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To P.J.Jennings, Esq.,  
Acting Superintendent  
Rocky Mountain Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Calgary, May 15th 19 31

Sir:-

Re: P.W.D.Staff,  
Lethbridge, Alberta.

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Yours very truly,

*W. Has Sel Cars*

MAY 16 1931

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J. B. HARKIN  
COMMISSIONER

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NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
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NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA  
OTTAWA

Banff 142

14th November, 1930.

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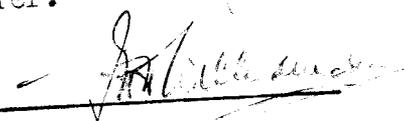
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Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 3rd instant having reference to the approval granted to use the large pool at the Cave and Basin in connection with the swimming meet for the children of Exshaw, Canmore and Banff, I beg to advise you that the approval granted will hold good for the meet next spring.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. HARKIN,  
Commissioner.

Per 

The Superintendent,  
Banff Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



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B.1.3

3rd November, 1930

Dear Sir,

With reference to the recent correspondence which has passed between this office and yours regarding the question of a swimming meet for the school children of Exshaw, Canmore and Banff, I am now in receipt of a letter from Dr. E. Kennedy, President of the Rotary Club of Banff in which he states that owing to the cold weather it has been decided to postpone this meet until early spring. He also states that he will communicate with this office later regarding the probable date and hopes that the privilege already granted in your letter of the 11th ultimo in this connection will be granted for this meet next spring. I would be pleased to hear from you as to whether or not this privilege may be granted for this swimming meet next spring.

Yours faithfully,



Actg. Associate Superintendent

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

ERNEST KENNEDY, D. D. S.  
BANFF, CANADA

Oct. 30 1930.

Mr. A. L. Ford.  
Acting Associate Superintendent.  
Banff National Park.  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Sirs: Your reference No. B. I. 3

I have your letter of October 15th. re the Swimming Meet for the School Children.

We thank you and the Department for permission to use the Cave and Basin, but owing to the cold weather it has been decided to postpone this meet until early Spring.

We shall communicate with you regarding date and hope that the privileges can be granted then.

Thank you for the Minister's good wishes for the success of this venture.

Thanking you on behalf of the Rotary Club of Banff, I remain,

Yours truly,

*Ernest Kennedy*  
President.

D/K



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Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

B.1.3

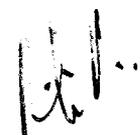
15th October, 1930

Dear Sir,

With reference to the question of a swimming meet for the school children of Canmore, Exshaw and Banff, which is to be held on Saturday afternoon, October 18th, I would say that this matter has been taken up with the Department at Ottawa and I am today in receipt of a reply in which I am advised that it has been decided to allow the large pool at the Cave & Basin to be used by the school children for this swimming meet, together with bathing suits and towels, free of charge.

I am also asked to convey to those in charge the Minister's best wishes for the success of the meet.

Yours faithfully,



(Arthur L. Ford)  
Actg. Associate Superintendent

Dr. E. Kenney,  
President,  
Rotary Club of Banff,  
BANFF.

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of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

B.1.3

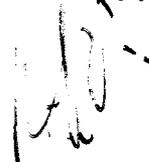
15th October, 1930

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st instant regarding a swimming meet of races and diving for the school children of Canmore, Exshaw and Banff, which is to be held on the afternoon of Saturday, October 18th, I would say that this matter was referred to the Department at Ottawa and I am today in receipt of a communication from that source in which I am advised that it has been decided to allow the large pool at the Cave and Basin to be used by the school children in connection with the above mentioned swimming meet, together with bathing suits and towels, free of charge.

I am also asked to convey to those in charge the Minister's best wishes for the success of the meet.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Arthur L. Ford)  
Actg. Associate Superintendent

Leslie G. Mather Esq.,  
BANFF.

J. B. HARKIN  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA  
OTTAWA

October 11th, 1930.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, your file B.1.3, it has been decided to allow the large pool at the Cave and Basin to be used by the school children of Banff, Canmore and Exshaw for their swimming meet on the 18th instant, together with bathing suits and towels, free of charge.

Would you be good enough to convey to those in charge the Minister's best wishes for the success of the meet.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per.....  
*[Handwritten signature]*

A. L. Ford, Esq.,  
Acting Associate Superintendent,  
Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



A. S. YOUNG  
SECRETARY

PHONE NO. 13  
P.O. BOX 157



*[Handwritten initials]*

# MEMORIAL HALL

RUN UNDER AUSPICES  
NATIONAL COUNCIL, YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

CANMORE, ALTA.,                                  19          

*[Handwritten notes]*

Yours truly,  
A. S. Young  
Secretary

Dear Sir:

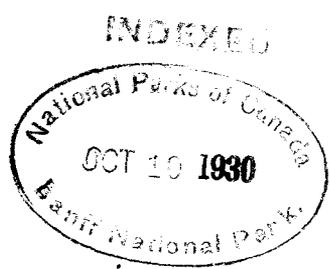
I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. regarding the proposed purchase of the site for the new Memorial Hall. The Council is pleased to hear that you are interested in the project and will be glad to discuss the matter further with you.

The Council is currently reviewing the proposal and will be in touch with you again once a decision has been reached.

I am sure you will understand the need for a thorough review of the proposal.

Very truly yours,

*[Handwritten signature: A. S. Young]*



B.1.3.

7th October, 1930.

Dear Mr Young,

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant regarding a swimming practice for the school children of Canmore who propose to enter into the swimming meet which you are arranging for October 18th.

As Mr Stick, Principal of the Banff School, has expressed to me his willingness to give up an hour of the time allotted for the Banff School children on Saturday next, it is quite agreeable here to allow the Canmore children to use the pool at the Cave and Basin for the period from 11 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday next, October 11th. It is of course understood that you will make arrangements for one of your teachers or some other responsible party to be in charge of the children and be responsible for them.

Yours faithfully,



Arthur B. Ford.  
Acting Associate Superintendent.

H. S. Young, Esqr.,  
Secretary, Y. M. C. A.,  
CANMORE, Alta.

H. S. YOUNG  
SECRETARY

PHONE NO. 13  
P.O. BOX 157



# MEMORIAL HALL

RUN UNDER AUSPICES  
NATIONAL COUNCIL, YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

CANMORA, ALTA., Oct., 3rd., 1930

*H. S. Young*

*10/3*

Mr. W. W. Lord,  
Associate Superintendent,  
National Parks,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Mr. Lord:-

We are putting on a joint swimming meet for the boys and girls of Memorial Hall, and the Banff Rotary Club has asked for permission to use the pool on Oct. 1st., inst.

Mr. Wick, Principal of the schools, tells me that his pupils have free use of the pool every day, including Saturdays. I am sure that our youngsters should have some practice before the meet, and that, considering the weather, and permission for them to use the pool on Saturday morning, Oct., 11th. Mr. Wick says he would be willing to give up an hour, 11 to 12, for that purpose.

We would greatly appreciate this privilege, Mr. Lord.

Yours sincerely,

*H. S. Young*  
Secretary



B.1.3.

22~~A~~ October, 1930

Dear Sir,

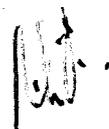
There is being arranged a swimming meet for the school children of Canmore, Exshaw and Banff, for the afternoon of Saturday the 18th instant.

I have been approached by the Rotary Club of Banff, which is assisting in making the arrangements for this meet, with a view to obtaining the co-operation of the Department in securing the use of the large pool at the Cave and Basin, together with suits and towels, free of charge for the contestants in the races.

As the patronage at the Cave and Basin has, at this season of the year, fallen off considerably, I would recommend that the privilege asked for by the Rotary Club for the free use of the facilities at the Bathhouse for this school childrens meet be granted for the afternoon of October 18th. In order that final arrangements can be made for this meet, it would be appreciated if you will advise me as soon as possible if the privilege asked for by the Rotary Club can be granted.

A copy of Mr Leslie G. Mather's letter on behalf of the Rotary Club of Banff is attached hereto for your information.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Associate Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.



# ROTARY CLUB OF BANFF

BANFF, ALBERTA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARK

Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Sir:

A swimming meet of races and diving for the school children of Cammore, Exshaw and Banff is being arranged for the afternoon of Saturday, October 18th.

The Rotary Club of Banff are assisting in arranging this meet and we would appreciate the co-operation of your department by giving the use of the large pool at the Cave and Basin and suits and towels free to the contestants in the races for the afternoon of October 18th.

A reply giving us this assistance for our swimming meet would be appreciated at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Leslie G. Mather.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leslie G. Mather".

LGM/PL

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Mr. J. P.  
R.M.P.

10. 11. 1961  
E. M. 11. 11

cc,

"RE FREE TRADE"

I have read your letter of the 10th inst. regarding the 'Labour News', and am glad to hear that you are working on it. I am sure that your efforts will be most successful. I am sure that you will find plenty of good material for the magazine. I am sure that you will find plenty of good material for the magazine. I am sure that you will find plenty of good material for the magazine.

Yours faithfully,

W. M. 11. 11

Carleton  
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B.1.3.

4th April, 1930.

Memo for

The question has been raised as to the eligibility to free bathing privileges of certain non-dependent members of the families of permanent employees of the Department.

It has been decided to issue individual passes to all persons entitled thereto and your only responsibility will be to see that these passes are only used by the persons in whose name they stand.

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Acting Associate Superintendent.

Copies sent to W. Noble, Caretaker Cave & Basin.

E. I. Holliday, Acting Caretaker  
Upper Hot Springs.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER

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NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
HISTORIC SITES

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA 6th February, 1930.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE R. 144

Dear Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo, your file B 1-3, regarding free bathing privileges at the Bathhouses at Banff.

It is noted in the second paragraph of your letter that you ask to be advised if the privileges extended to Distinguished Visitors, Members of Parliament, Lieutenant-Governors, Members of the permanent staff of the Government and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officers, are to be extended to the families of the above. In this connection I beg to advise you that the families of those mentioned may also have the privilege of free bathing.

Regarding your query in the third paragraph of your letter as to whether you may extend passes to permanent Civil Servants other than those employed in the Department of the Interior, I beg to advise you that you may extend free bathing privileges to any officers of other departments who are at the time working for this department. However, if exceptional cases arise you may use your discretion but in general the above rules are to apply.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

per

Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff,  
Alberta.

B 1-3.

January 24, 1930.

Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, your file R 144, regarding free bathing privileges at the Bathhouses at Banff.

It is noted from your letter that I am authorized to pass into the bathhouses, free of charge, distinguished visitors, Members of Parliament, Lieutenant Governors, members of the permanent staff of the Department and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officers. I would be glad to be advised if it is your wish that the free bathing privileges be extended to the families of the above named.

From your letter I take it that passes are not to be issued to permanent civil servants other than those employed in the Department of the Interior, and that the privilege cannot be extended to other civil servants, such as the Veterinary Surgeons of the Department of Agriculture, who occasionally come to Banff to do some work for this Branch, and Post Office officials who come to Banff for short periods in the summer etc. Kindly advise me if my interpretation of your letter is correct.

Yours faithfully,

J.B. Harkin, Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
Ottawa.

Acting Associate Superintendent

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA

January 15th, 1930.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE..... R 144

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
W. H. ...  
J. B. Harkin  
12/13

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo, your file B-1-3, regarding free bathing privileges at the Bath Houses at Banff.

In this connection I beg to advise you that it has been decided that the same privileges as are accorded at the Kootenay Bath House are to apply to the Bath Houses at Banff.

In future you are authorized to pass into the Bath Houses, free of charge, distinguished visitors, Members of Parliament, Lieutenant Governors, etc.; and members of the permanent staff of the Department and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers, are to be issued passes, annually.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. HARKIN.  
Commissioner.

*Handwritten signature of J. B. Harkin*  
Per .....

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
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GL.  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA 28th December, 1929.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....  
R.144.

Dear Sir,-

Re Use of Government Baths by  
Orientals and Colored People.  
Your Reference B.1.3.

In further reference to the above matter I beg to enclose herewith, for your information, a copy of my memorandum submitting this matter to the Department, together with a copy of the Acting Deputy Minister's reply thereto.

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I should be glad if you would kindly see that the Minister's instructions in this connection are carried out.

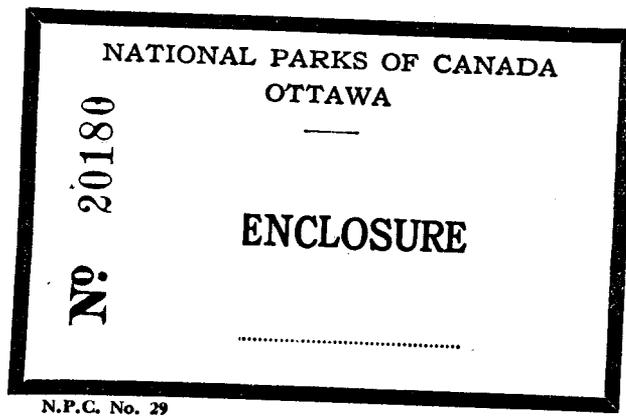
Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,

Commissioner.

Per \_\_\_\_\_  
*J. Williamson*

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



N.P.C. No. 29

COPY.

Office of  
The Deputy Minister of the Interior  
Ottawa, Canada.

19th December, 1929.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Harkin,

Re Use of Government Baths  
by Orientals and Colored  
people.

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I herewith return your memorandum of  
the 18th instant, your reference No. 144.

The Minister does not feel disposed to  
make any hard and fast rule on the subject, but  
prefers that the officers in charge of the bathhouses  
make every endeavour to avoid any unpleasantness, and  
in most cases it will be found that with the exercising  
of reasonable diplomacy there will be no difficulty.

(sgd) R. A. Gibson,

Acting Deputy Minister.

COPY

December 18th 1929.

R.144.

MEMORANDUM:

Mr. Cory.

Re Orientals and Colored  
People using the Public  
Baths, Banff, Alberta.

Last summer the question of Orientals using the swimming pools at the Cave and Basin and Upper Hot Springs Bathhouses, Rocky Mountains Park, was definitely raised by Messrs. Ho Hem and Wong, naturalized Canadian citizens, of Calgary.

For a number of years the Department has had the problem of colored people using the pools. These were, for the most part, porters and trainmen from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

A strong public prejudice exists among white people against bathing in company with Chinese or colored people. Instructions were issued by the Superintendent of the Park in 1910 that colored people and Chinese were not to be allowed the use of the baths until after 8 o'clock P.M. So far as our records show, this practice worked out satisfactorily until the past summer when the two Chinese above referred to brought the matter up again.

The Chinese pointed out that they were naturalized Canadian Citizens and felt that they were entitled to the same consideration as all other Canadians.

While there is the question of the therapeutic value of these warm mineral waters in the Cave and Basin bathhouse, nevertheless the important point is that it is a recreational resort which is operated by the Department for a consideration. The Department's primary interest is to see that this resort is so operated so that it will not result in a loss and that it will serve the general public to the best advantage.

At the most, the number of colored people and Chinese who might wish to use the pool would not represent a fraction of one per cent of the number of people using the pool. The question therefore is, would the Department be justified in allowing this small number of colored people and Chinese to use the baths and by so doing keep away a large number of white people who would not bathe in company with the colored folk and Orientals.

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W. W. Cory, Esq., C.M.G.,  
Deputy Minister of the Interior,  
Ottawa, Canada.

I think, in view of the small number of colored people and Orientals under consideration, the Department should take the stand that no colored folks or Orientals can be allowed the use of these pools at any time. If any of these people desire to use these waters for curative purposes, provision can be made for their accommodation at the Upper Hot Springs where they can use the tub baths.

The fact that some of these colored people or Orientals may be naturalized or even native born Canadians is not, I submit, sufficient of itself to justify our attempting to force the great majority of Canadians to either consort with them or deny themselves the privileges of the Bathhouse. I recognize that colored people and Orientals, citizens of Canada, residing elsewhere in the Dominion may resent such an order as I recommend and that in some constituencies there may be political repercussions but it seems to me this is one of those unpleasant problems that arise from time to time which have to be decided on the basis of the greatest good to the greatest number, even though the feelings of the minority are hurt thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd) J. B. Harkin.

31st December, 1939.

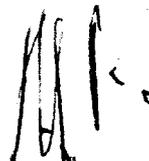
Dear Sir,

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo with reference to the issuing of free passes to the bathhouse at Banff. This matter has been put aside by other matters which seemed of more importance at the moment and also until I could look into the records at the Cave and Basin as to who made use of the privilege.

Answering the question contained in your third paragraph, passes issued to local Civil Servants are for themselves and families and include only a permanent Civil Servant.

In connection with the proposal in your second paragraph to confine passes to permanent Civil Servants permanently residing in Banff, I would point out that unless some power is left in the hands of the Superintendent a very awkward situation might arise. In case of a Member of Parliament asking for this privilege for himself and family it would seem advisable to grant this especially in consideration of other privileges granted to Members of Parliament with regard to other Government facilities generally, also we have, on occasions, visits from important officers who are Civil Servants non-resident in Banff. These officers are often here to co-operate with us in connection with Departmental business. They have known of this privilege in the past and it might not be in the Department's interest if the Superintendent had no option but to inform them that this privilege had been withdrawn. At the same time I recognize that the Superintendent's personal position would be easier if the rules proposed were enforced.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Associate Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER

EMC.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA November 21st, 1929.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....R 144.....

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, your file 3.1.3, with reference to the issuing of free passes to the Bathhouses in Banff.

It is not thought advisable to issue free passes to all permanent civil servants but the passes should be confined to the permanent civil servants permanently resident in Banff.

It is noted you do not state whether the passes which are issued to local civil servants are for themselves or whether they include all members of the family.

I would ask you to kindly advise me in this connection.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per.....

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff,  
Alberta.

WHG

B.1.3

12th November, 1929

Dear Sir,

Under date of the 10th of August last I wrote you in connection with the question of Orientals using the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin swimming pools, also enclosed a memorandum dealing with this matter, and I would be greatly obliged if you will kindly advise me how this matter now stands.

Yours faithfully,



Actg. Associate Superintendent

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

B.1.3.

4th November, 1929.

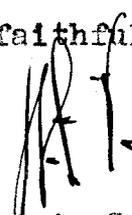
Dear Sir,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th ultimo, your file R.144, with regard to the issue of free passes to the Bathhouses in Banff.

In reply I would state that the policy which has been followed by this office in connection with the issue of these passes has been that these privileges are extended only to permanent Civil Servants. Local Civil Servants are well known to me and passes are issued to them upon request, these passes are good for the period from January 1st to December 31st with the exception of the months of July and August. With regard to passes for Civil Servants outside of the Park, I would say that before a pass is issued credentials must be produced, - in the case of Railway Mail Clerks the official identification card has been sufficient but with other applicants a letter must be produced from the officer in charge of the Department or Branch, i.e. with Post Office employees a letter from the Postmaster. The passes for Civil Servants outside of this Park are only good for the period the applicant is staying in Banff.

This procedure has proved satisfactory and I would therefore recommend that the policy outlined above be adopted.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Associate Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. . Ont.

J. B. HARKIN

COMMISSIONER

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NATIONAL PARKS  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA October 18th, 1929.

R 144

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....

*Handwritten notes and scribbles, possibly including the name 'H. C. ...'*

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 19th July last, your file B.1.3, regarding the issuing of free passes to the Bathhouses in Banff, I would be pleased if you would outline a policy to be followed in this regard and forward same to me at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin,  
Commissioner.

Per..... *(Signature)*

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff,  
Alberta.

J. B. HARRISON  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA  
OTTAWA

16th. August, 1929.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....R.144.....

Dear Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 10th. instant enclosing your memorandum to Mr. Harkin regarding Orientals using the Upper Hot Springs and Cave and Basin swimming pools, and to advise you that this matter will be drawn to the attention of the Commissioner upon his return from the West.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. H. Williamson,

Deputy Commissioner.

Per

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

AHG

B.1.3

10th August, 1929

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter to you of the 15th ultimo regarding Orientals using the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin swimming pools, I would say that this matter was discussed by me with the Commissioner last week and he instructed me to prepare a memorandum dealing with the question and forward it to him at Ottawa, after which the matter would be taken up with the Deputy Minister in order that a ruling might be obtained.

I am enclosing herewith a memorandum which I trust will meet with the Commissioner's approval.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

F. H. W. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

MHG

B.1.3

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Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

F. H. H. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

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B.1.3

10th August, 1929

MEMORANDUM TO MR. HARKIN:

The question of Orientals using the swimming pools at the Cave & Basin and Upper Hot Springs Bathhouses has recently been definitely raised by certain Chinese residents of Calgary who are Canadian citizens and I would place the following facts before you regarding this matter and ask that definite instructions be forwarded to me covering the use of these swimming pools by Orientals or coloured persons.

I had occasion to proceed to Calgary on Friday the 7th of last June and when there a Mr. Ho Lem interviewed me.

Mr. Ho Lem who is a Chinaman stated that he is a Canadian citizen and a member of the Calgary Y.M.C.A. where he is an active participant in several branches of sport, apparently mixing freely with the other members of the Y.M.C.A. Organisation when participating in sports among which is included that of swimming; he having the same rights in connection with the use of the swimming pool as other members of the organisation.

Mr. Ho Lem stated that he understood there is a regulation in force prohibiting the use by Orientals of the pools at the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin swimming pools in this park and he definitely asked me if such is the case; his reason for this enquiry being that he often visits these swimming pools accompanied by his Canadian Y.M.C.A. friends and up till the time of our interview he had invariably taken a tub bath but considered that as he is a Canadian citizen and has the unrestricted use of the Y.M.C.A. swimming pool he should have the same rights at the Government baths.

I explained to Mr. Ho Lem that although, as far as I am aware, there is no regulation prohibiting the use of the swimming pools by Orientals there had been a tacit understanding for some years prior to my arrival in Banff that these pools would only be used by Orientals after 6 P.M. The reason for this arrangement being that some years ago an unpleasant situation developed when some bathers objected to Orientals using the pools at the same time and it was in order to prevent a recurrence of such a situation that this arrangement had been made. Mr. Ho Lem pressed for authority to use the pools or a definite statement that he could not do so. I therefore told him that I would arrange with our caretakers at the Bathhouses to let him use the swimming pools when he so desired. I could not see  
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that there was anything else for me to do, as I had no definite instructions regarding the matter.

Upon my return to Banff I gave verbal instructions to the caretakers at the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin Bathhouses to permit Mr. Ho Lem the use of the swimming pools if he applied for this privilege during the regular bathing hours.

On the 15th ultimo I was interviewed in this office by Messrs. Ho Lem, senior, Merchant and Song, School Teachers, of Calgary, in the presence of Mr. Ford, Acting Associate Superintendent of this Park. Messrs. Ho Lem and Song again raised the question of Orientals using the swimming pools at the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin Bathhouses at all times when they were open to the general public and I could see that both these gentlemen intended making an issue of the question if they were prohibited from using the pools at all times.

I explained to them that while no orders had been issued to our caretakers prohibiting their countrymen from using the swimming pools, sometime prior to my arrival in Banff an unpleasant situation had developed when exception was taken, I understand, by some ladies to their countrymen using the pools at the same time and in order to avoid embarrassment to their countrymen a more or less tacit arrangement had been made whereby their countrymen would not use these swimming pools until after 6 P.M.

Messrs. Ho Lem and Song claimed that they are Canadian citizens and as such consider they are fully entitled to the use of the Government swimming pools whenever these pools are open to the general public. They stated that they were in camp on the Tunnel Mountain Camp Grounds for a week with about a dozen of their countrymen and demanded the unrestricted use of the swimming pools for the entire party.

In view of the situation and the fact that the party were only to be here for a week it was considered best at the time to arrange with the caretakers of the bathhouses to permit them to use the swimming pools when they were open to the general public and I advised Messrs. Ho Lem and Song of this and undertook to notify the caretakers accordingly.

Messrs. Ho Lem and Song stated that they would accept full responsibility for any unpleasantness which might arise between their countrymen and other persons using the swimming pools.

I would mention that about the same time some six coloured persons visited the Cave & Basin and used the swimming pool during the afternoon period.

In view of the arrangement made by me relating to the use of this swimming pool by Orientals the caretaker quite rightly did not refuse these coloured people access to the swimming pool and while no active objection was taken at the time several remarks were passed by other bathers criticizing the Department for

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allowing these coloured persons to use the pool  
in this manner.

I have searched our records but can  
find no documents relating to Orientals or coloured  
persons being restricted in the use of the swimming  
pools at the Upper Hot Springs or Cave & Basin  
Bathhouses and as this question is one of increasing  
importance I would ask that definite instructions  
be given to me regarding the procedure to be followed  
in future.

Respectfully submitted

..... RP .....  
(Superintendent)

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5th August, 1929

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant, your file R.141, regarding conditions at the Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse, I would say that this matter was fully discussed with the Commissioner when he was here last week by Mr. Stronach and me and the Commissioner ruled that no further action be taken in connection with this matter.

Yours faithfully,



Actg. Associate Superintendent.

H. J. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
Ottawa.

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B.1.3

5th August, 1929

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter to you dated the 29th of last June and the accompanying copy of a memorandum regarding a complaint which had been received from Mr. Bevan Ashton about aliens being allowed to use the Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse, I would say that this matter was fully discussed with the Commissioner by Mr. Stronach and me last week and the Commissioner ruled that no further action be taken in the matter.

Yours faithfully,



Actg. Associate Superintendent.

F. H. H. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
HISTORIC SITES  
TOWN PLANNING

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NATIONAL PARKS OF CANADA

OTTAWA 13th July, 1939.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....B.10.1.....

*Send memo*

Dear Sir,-

Your Reference B.10.1  
Re Orientals using Public Baths.

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 15th instant in regard to the above.

In this connection I would refer you to the correspondence with your office in the fall of 1939, your file B.10.1.

It is appreciated here that this is a delicate matter, requiring careful handling. On the other hand you will appreciate that the Department must take into account the public prejudice against bathing in company with coloured people and Orientals. The Department must also view this matter from the standpoint of public revenue, as well as service to the greatest number. If the free use of the baths by a few Orientals or coloured people is going to result in large numbers of white people discontinuing the use of the baths, then obviously the Department will be bound to restrict the use of the baths by such coloured people and Orientals. You will in such cases, explain the matter as fully as possible and make the best possible arrangements under the circumstances. I would suggest that, if possible, arrangements be made for allowing these people to use the baths at an hour when there would be few, if any, white people. If necessary, I see no objections to keeping the baths open for a short time after the regular hours for the accommodation of these people.

I note that you are taking this matter up with Mr. Harkin on the ground.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. H. Williamson,

Deputy Commissioner.

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*[Signature]*

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B.1.3

13th July, 1929

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 13th instant, your file R.144, regarding the issuing of free passes to the bathhouses in Banff, I would say that this practice was established long before my time; it being the understanding that all permanent Civil Servants visiting or residents of Banff would be given the privilege of using our bathhouses free of charge, also the immediate members of their family.

Some three years ago I took up the question of my cancellation of this privilege for all residents of Banff with Mr. Harkin during the months of July and August when the number of bathers at the Cave & Basin is very heavy and Mr. Harkin approved of my action in this respect. He is also fully conversant with the fact that free passes have been issued as outlined above.

I am not aware of any written instructions regarding this matter as it has been in force for so many years, neither am I in a position to say whether ~~the~~ instructions regarding it were given verbally or in writing.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

F.H.H. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

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DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND FISHERIES  
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Yours faithfully,  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

REFER TO NO. B.1.3

ROCKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

BANFF, ALTA., 15th July, 1929

Memo for file:

This morning Messrs. Ho Lem, Merchant, and Wong, School Teacher of Calgary, called and saw me regarding the question of Chinese using the Cave & Basin and Upper Hot Springs Pools.

Mr. Ford was present during our interview.

Messrs. Ho Lem and Wong stated that they understood Chinese were refused bathing privileges at both our pools and they wished me to give them a written order permitting them to use the pools. They are at present on the Banff Camp Grounds with an automobile camping party composed of high school boys and members of the Y.M.C.A. of Calgary, -all of Chinese extraction, some twelve in number.

I explained to them that there are no orders issued to our Caretakers prohibiting their countrymen using our baths but prior to my arrival here an unpleasant situation had developed when exception was taken, I understand, by some women to their countrymen using the pools and a more or less tacid understanding had followed whereby their countrymen would not use the pools in the bathhouse until after 6 P.M. Messrs. Ho Lem and Wong stated that they were Canadian citizens and considered they were fully entitled to the use of the Government baths the same as any other citizen and I inferred from their conversation that they intended pressing this point.

In view of the situation and the fact that the party is only to be here for a week Mr. Ford and I considered it best to assure Messrs. Ho Lem and Wong that we would arrange for our caretakers at the bathhouses to permit the members of their party using the pools at any time they were open to the general public.

Messrs. Ho Lem and Wong stated that they would accept ~~any~~ responsibility if any situation developed similar to the one referred to above and realized that they would have no grounds for ~~for~~ complaint in so far as the Park officials are concerned.

It is my intention to discuss this matter with the Deputy Minister and the Commissioner when they visit Banff in the near future.

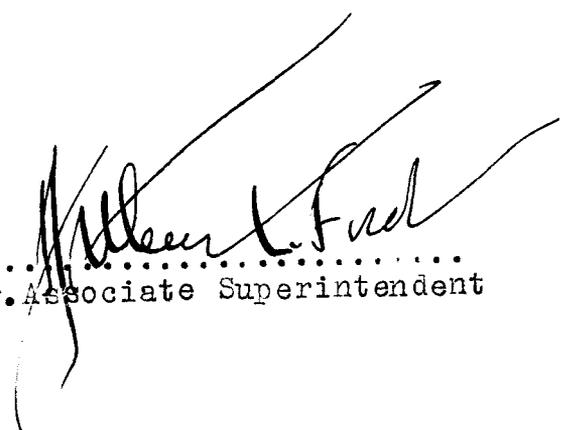
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(Superintendent)

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Under these circumstances there is no action possible except that taken by Mr. Stronach with my concurrence.

  
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(Actg. Associate Superintendent

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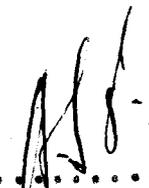
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(Superintendent)

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(Actg. Associate Superintendent)

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It is my intention to discuss this matter with the Deputy Minister and the Commissioner when they visit Banff in the near future.

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(Superintendent)

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I had no doubt, listening in to the interview with Messrs. Ho. Lee and Wong this morning that these gentlemen intended to fully insist on their rights as Canadian citizens.

Under these circumstances there is no action possible except that taken by Mr. Stromach with my concurrence.

  
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(Actg. Associate Superintendent)

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15th July, 1929

Dear Sir,

This will advise you that this forenoon a deputation of Chinese who are citizens of Canada called and saw me regarding the question of their using the Government pools in our bathing establishments at all times.

It is my intention to take the matter up fully with the Deputy Minister and the Commissioner when they arrive here in the near future. Meanwhile, I have no alternative but to arrange for these Canadian citizens of Chinese extraction using our pools. They are members of an automobile party camped on the Tunnel Mountain Camp grounds and there are about fourteen in the party.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

F.H.H. Williamson Esq.,  
Deputy Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

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Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, etc.

B.1.3

5th July, 1939

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Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, your file 4-21, regarding free bathing privileges, I would say that it is customary for us to issue free passes to our bathhouses here to the members of the Post Office Staff, together with their families.

It is necessary, however, that any members of the Post Office Staff desiring this privilege should produce upon application for such pass an identification card or a letter from the Postmaster in order that these passes shall only be issued to bona fide members of the Post Office Staff.

With regard to free bathing privileges at the Radium Hot Springs Bathhouse, I would suggest that you communicate with Mr. H. E. Sibbald, Superintendent, Kootenay Park, Radium Hot Springs, B.C., under whose supervision this bathhouse comes.

Yours faithfully,



(Arthur E. Ford)  
Actg. Associate Superintendent.

H. H. Wargreaves Esq.,  
Postmaster,  
CALGARY, Alta.

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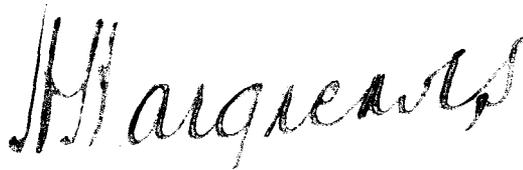
Calgary, Alberta.  
July 4th. 1929.

Dear Sir:-

It has recently been brought to my attention that Civil Servants, together with their families are entitled to free passes in the use of the baths at Cave and Basin, and I shall be pleased if you will kindly verify this information and inform me what procedure is necessary, in order that these privileges may be enjoyed by the members of the Post Office Staff.

I shall be pleased also to know if such privileges are extended to the Baths at Radium Hot Springs.

Yours truly,



Postmaster.

D. P. Stronach Esq.,  
Park Superintendent,  
Banff, Alta.



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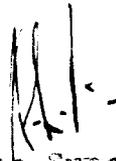
29th June, 1929

Dear Sir,

With reference to your night lettergram of the 24th instant regarding a wire you had received from Mr. Bevan Ashton complaining against undesirable aliens being allowed to monopolize the Upper Hot Springs baths, I am enclosing herewith a copy of a memorandum dated the 27th instant which I have prepared for our files here.

This memorandum, I think, fully covers the questions dealt with in your night lettergram above referred to.

Yours faithfully,



Actg. Associate Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

REFER TO NO. B.1.3.

ROCKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

BANFF, ALTA., 27th June, 1929.

Memo for file;

With reference to the telegram received from the Commissioner on the morning of June 25th, which reads as follows:-

"Have received wire from Bevan Ashton complaining against undesirable aliens being allowed monopolize Upper Hot Springs Baths to objection other bathers STOP Caretaker should not allow anyone in baths who is not clean or who for health reasons would be objectionable to other bathers please report first mail and take up with Commissioner"

I may say that this matter had been drawn to my attention by Mr Garrett, Caretaker of the Upper Hot Springs Bathhouse, some days before the receipt of this telegram. Mr Ashton had seen Mr Garrett and informed him that he intended to make protest. Mr Garrett enquired if such protest had been made at this office. Since the receipt of the telegram from the Commissioner I have again seen Mr Garrett and with him have interviewed Mr Ashton.

I find that Mr Garrett states that anyone who is not clean or who for health reasons would be objectionable to other bathers has not been allowed in the pool. In the first case they are forced to wash and in the second case if the disease is not communicable, they are given a private room and everything in connection with their bath disinfected immediately thereafter so that no risk may be taken. Mr Ashton in our interview stated that he was satisfied that those who are not clean or who, for health reasons, would be objectionable are not permitted the use of our pool and he had no objection to raise on those lines.

He did object, however, to the use of the bathhouse by large numbers of Doukhobors, Mennonites and Jews who he claimed were not of a cleanly nature and who did not regularly bathe. Mr Ashton seemed to think that we should take some action to exclude, or at least curtail, the bathing privileges of people of these nationalities. It was explained to him that these people were probably Canadian Citizens and unless some definite objection could be raised in the individual case, could not be refused admission to the bathhouse.

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The discussion with Mr Ashton took the nature of considering certain suggestions which he made. I undertook to bring these suggestions to the attention of the Commissioner during his forthcoming visit to Banff. The suggestions were as follows:-

1. The keeping of the number of bathers allowed in the bathhouse at one time down to a specified limit.

2. Setting aside certain definite hours during which certain nationalities might have the use of the bathhouse.

3. That the Government should allow a supply of sulphur water to the Grand View Villa so that the patrons of that hotel would obtain their baths on the premises and not make use of the public baths. Mr Ashton's guests, according to him, object to the type of bathers who come from the premises across the way.

4. That Mr Ashton be allowed to have a bathhouse of his own.

5. That the pool at the Upper Hot Springs be done away with and more rooms for private baths added, extra pool facilities to be supplied at the Cave and Basin or the Middle Springs.

Finally I would say that Mr Ashton expressed a very high opinion of the manner in which Caretaker Garrett and Mrs Garrett carried out their work in charge of the Bathhouse. The object which he had was the overcrowding of the bathhouse during the tourist season (he pointed out that 1050 bathers had been handled in one day) and second, the overcrowding with certain elements of foreign extraction. As these are matters which cannot be decided on by officials of this Park they will be discussed with the Commissioner.

  
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Acting Associate Superintendent.

**TELEGRAPH**

Confirmation.

**Department of the Interior,**Night Lettergram.

OTTAWA, 24th June, 1929.

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The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Have received wire from Deven Ashton complaining against undesirable aliens being allowed monopolize Upper Hot Springs baths to objection other bathers Stop. Caretaker should not allow anyone in baths who is not clean or who for health reasons would be objectionable to other bathers. Please report first mail and take up with Commissioner.

J. B. Harkin,

Charge Interior.

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# TELEGRAPH

Copy for Superintendent, Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Department of the Interior,

OTTAWA, 24th June, 1909.

*Handwritten mark: a large '3' with a diagonal line through it.*

Ernest Ashton,  
Banff, Alberta.

Your wife & baths, have taken  
matter up with Superintendent.

J. B. Martin,

Stans Interior.

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# CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S TELEGR.



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OTTAWA ONT JUNE 24/29

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J. B. HARKIN.



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27th June, 1929

Dear Mr. Rose,

In reply to your letter of the 25th instant I would say that apparently some misunderstanding has arisen regarding the use of the Cave & Basin swimming pools by Chinese.

I expect to be in Calgary in the near future and will then make a point of calling and seeing you regarding the questions raised in your letter to me.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

Reg. T. Rose Esq.,  
Executive Secretary,  
Y.M.C.A.,  
CALGARY, Alta.

# The Calgary Young Men's Christian Association

CORNER FIRST STREET EAST AND NINTH AVENUE

CALGARY

ALBERTA

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June 25, 1929.

Mr. W. S. Stronach,  
Capt. Royal Canadian Rifles,  
Calgary, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

The Y.M.C.A. is considering conducting a Gypsy Camp for a number of Chinese Boy students in Calgary High Schools and members of High School Y.M.C.A. clubs. The proposed itinerary includes a stay at Banff for two or three days, but I understand that it is necessary to secure a written order from you to permit the use of the Camp and Banff Camping Field by Chinese.

This work will be supervised by adults and are in every way a responsible group of fellows. I would, therefore, be pleased to secure from you as soon as possible permission for them to make use of the Camping Field at an early date, their stay in Banff.

Very truly yours,

*Reg. J. Rose.*

Executive Secretary.

WTR/CL

*See memo a file  
15/7/29. R.J.*



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

REFER TO NO. 7.1.3

ROCKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

BANFF, ALTA., 10th Sep. 1988

Memo for file:

When in Calgary on Friday the 7th instant Mr. To Lam called and saw me by appointment. Mr. To Lam stated that he was a Chinese and occasionally visited Banff along with his friends and while there went to the Upper Hot Springs bathhouse.

He stated that while his friends went into the pool he always took a hot bath as he understood there was a severe prohibition against Orientals using the pool and he wished to know if such was the case.

I informed Mr. To Lam that there is no prohibition of this nature but that for some years prior to my arrival in Banff it had been understood that Orientals would not use the bath house pool during the busy months, except after 6 p.m., as <sup>there had been</sup> some unpleasantness through white women objecting to this practice and as it was really more embarrassing for the Orientals than helpful, else this arrangement had been made.

Mr. To Lam is a member of the I.M.S.C. and well known in Calgary and he asked if he would be prohibited from using the bath at any time. I said most certainly you would not, but there is always the possibility of a recurrence of the embarrassing situation outlined above.

I informed Mr. To Lam that I would instruct our caretakers at the bathhouses to let him use the pools if he so desired if he could tell them who he was. This I did yesterday.

... R. Stenach ...

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10th June, 1929

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He stated that while his friends went into the pool he always took a tub bath as he understood there was a Government Regulation prohibiting Orientals using the pool and he wished to know if such was the case.

I informed Mr. Ho Lem that there is no regulation of this nature but that for some years prior to my arrival in Banff there had been an understanding that Orientals would not use the Cave & Basin Pool <sup>which had been</sup> during the busy months, except after 6 p.m., as some unpleasantness through white women objecting to this practice and as it was really more embarrassing for the Orientals than anybody else this arrangement had been made.

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.....*R*.....

OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

REFER TO FILE No.....



CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS

ENGINEERING SERVICE

Banff, Alberta.  
June 8th, 1929.

Dear Sir :-

Miss Gladys Elderkin of the Deputy Minister's Office has been attached to my staff.

I shall be pleased if you will kindly furnish this young lady with a pass to the swimming pools.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. WARDLE.

Chief Engineer.

R. S. Stronach Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park.  
Banff, Alta.

sent  
Copy/for information of W. Noble  
Caretaker of Cave & Basin.

B.1.3.

12th September, 1927.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the request contained in your letter of the 8th instant regarding the privilege of free bathing at the Cave and Basin for the pupils of the Banff School, I would state that arrangements have now been made for the children to use the pool on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. It is of course understood that at least one of the teachers will be in attendance during the times mentioned above.

Yours faithfully,



Arthur L. Ford.  
Acting Asso. Superintendent.

Mr S. MacLeod, Esq.,  
Principal, Banff School,  
BANFF.

# National Park School District, No. 102



Banff, Alberta, Sept. 8, 1927;

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A. L. Ford, Esq.,  
Assoc. Supt. Rocky Mt. Park.

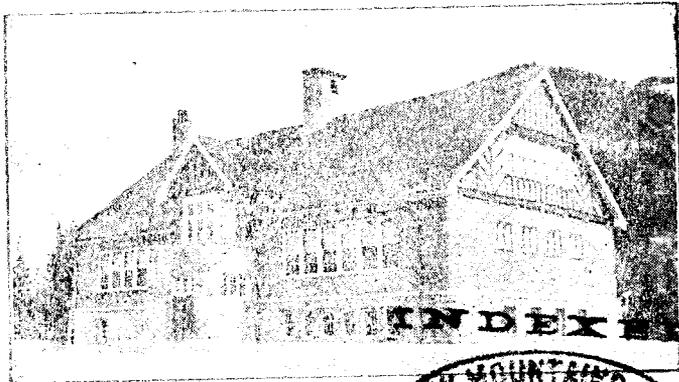
Dear Sir:

I understand that in the past you have kindly allowed the pupils of the Banff School to swim in the pool free of charge on Saturday morning.

I wish to renew the request for the same privilege this term, promising that a teacher will be on hand as usual to supervise.

Your s truly,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
MINION WATER POWER AND RECLAMATION SERVICE

FILE.....

10-1-3

Calgary Alta Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 27

A. L. Ford, Esq.  
Ass. Sup. Rocky Mt Parks  
Banff Alta.

Dear Mr. Ford

My family are in Banff for the week  
and of course the swimming pool is one  
of the main attractions  
I understand that it is possible for  
Government employees to obtain a  
pass to the pool for their families It

o James' great, appreciation  
could fix them up in this  
St. Then address in Banff is  
Martin St.

I expect to be in Banff toward the end  
of the week myself and would like to  
see you.

Yours very truly,  
Ben K...





JHG

B.1.3

4th July, 1927

Dear Bob,

Your letter of the 1st instant has just been received and with reference to the granting of a Pass for the Baths to Mr. Pinsent, I would say that it has been the practice here to grant Passes of this nature to all permanent Civil Servants of the Federal Government when visiting Banff and I will be glad to issue such a Pass to Mr. Pinsent if he calls at this Office.

During the past two or three years we have cancelled such Passes for Civil Servant's resident in this Park during the months of July and August, as it was considered that they have sufficient bathing facilities during the other ten months of the year and during these two months our bathing accommodation is utilized to its fullest capacity.

With kindest regards to yourself and Mrs. Rodd and hoping to see you down here before long.

Yours very sincerely,



R. T. Rodd Esq.,  
Inspector Of Fisheries,  
Dept. of Marine & Fisheries,  
EDMONTON, Alberta.

DO NOT WRITE ABOUT MORE THAN ONE SUBJECT IN THE SAME LETTER



DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND FISHERIES  
FISHERIES BRANCH

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR OF FISHERIES  
At Edmonton July 1st 1927

PERSONAL

R. S. Strenach, Esq.,  
Superintendent Rocky Mts. Game Park,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Sir:-

A Mr. Vincent of the Post Office Staff of Edmonton has asked me for a letter of introduction to you as I intend making a motor trip to Banff very soon. He stated that he had been informed that persons in the employ of the Dominion Government visiting Banff and who could show proof of such employment, would be given free passes for themselves and family, to the baths. I told him that I had never heard of such a thing and that the only Government employees I knew of getting free passes to the baths were the Park employees.

I have known Mr. Vincent for two or three years and have found him a decent chap, but put the matter to me in such a way that I could not refuse him the letter, but what I want to make plain to you is, that since I have given him this letter I do not want you to put yourself out in any way on my account, and grant him any favours he is not entitled to.

While I have known him for some time he is no particular friend of mine, but even though I were, I don't like this sort of thing and to be candid with you, I think it an imposition to ask for an introduction with the expectation of getting special favours.

I may be n trying to arrange my work so that I could get to Banff for a day but it seems to be impossible however I will make it sometime.

Yours sincerely,

*R. S. Strenach*

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JHG

This information telephoned to Mr. Noble

B-1

18th March, 1927

Dear Mr. Macdonald,

Your letter of the 17th instant regarding free swimming on Saturday mornings for the school children has just been received and in reply I would say that arrangements have been made with Mr. Noble for this free swimming to be resumed commencing next Saturday morning, between the hours of ten and eleven o'clock.

Yours very sincerely,

*R.S.S.*  
Superintendent.  
*W*

Hugh J. Macdonald Esq.,  
Principal, Banff School,  
BANFF.

# National Park School District, No. 102



Banff, Alberta

March 17, 1927.

Dear Mr. Stronach,

On behalf of the School I beg to ask for the extension of the privilege of free swimming to school children on Saturday mornings between the hours of 10 and 11. It is to be understood that if the privilege is granted there shall be at least one teacher in attendance at the Cave and Basin during the time specified above.

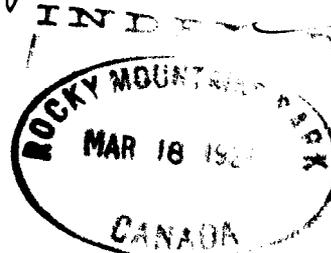
I might add that this privilege is one that has meant very much to the children of Banff in the past and to this privilege may be partly attributed the fact that so many children of Banff can swim.

I might also add that many pupils have come to me in the past few days hoping that they will be able to have free swimming by next Saturday.

Yours truly,

*Hugh Macdonald*  
Principal

Mr. R.S. Stronach,  
Superintendent Banff National Park  
Banff Alberta.



To bind together in a spirit of fraternity all men and women who have lost a limb or limbs, or complete eyesight, whilst giving their services in the Great War.

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**Amputations' Association of  
The Great War**

OF CANADA, INC.  
"FRAGMENTS FROM FRANCE"

230 SEVENTH AVE. WEST  
Calgary, Alberta

September 2, 1926.

B-1

R. J. Stronach, Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alta.

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Dear Sir:

We have been informed by Mr. Nurcombe of your staff that the Parks Branch have offered free bathing facilities at the Cave & Basin baths to our convention delegates when they visit Banff on September 25th.

We greatly appreciate this privilege and will be very glad to take advantage of this offer. Please accept our thanks for your kindness and assistance in this matter.

Yours truly,



*H. J. Duffell*

Secretary, Convention Committee.

B.1.

30th August, 1926

Dear Sir,-

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 24th instant, your file R.144, having reference to the request received from the Amputations Association for free swimming privileges at the Government baths at Banff for the delegates and their families on September 25th.

It is noted from your letter that my recommendation in this regard has been endorsed by the Department.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA. Ont.

J. B. HARKIN,  
COMMISSIONER



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
HISTORIC SITES  
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*W. G. ...*

# CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS

OTTAWA August 24, 1900.

R. 144.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE .....

Dear Sir,

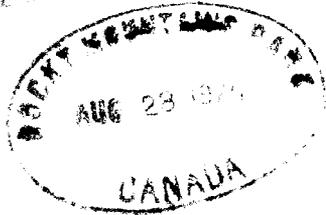
Re Annual Convention of the Appalachian  
Association of Vertebrates of the Great Lakes.

I am in receipt of your letter of the 18th inst. t, from file B-1 in which you advised that arrangements have been made for a number of the delegates in connection with the above and invitation to attend from August 25th after the convention is over and also the list of September 25th in B-117, after which there are no further details, and the same is being done.

It is noted that you are now in receipt of orders to provide for the delegates of the Department and also consider our time for the delegates at the Ottawa Hotel, Ottawa, for the delegates and their families while they are in the city in B-117.

I would advise you that the Department has a special grant recommendation that can be made in connection with that day.

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Yours faithfully,

*J. B. Harkin*  
Commissioner

The Hon. Mr. Justice,  
Ottawa, Ontario,  
August 24, 1900.

WHC

B-1

13th August, 1926

Dear Sir,

The Annual Convention of the Amputations Association of veterans of the Great War is to be held in Calgary from the 22nd to the 24th of September, inclusive, and arrangements have been made for a number of the delegates to this Convention to proceed from Calgary to Banff after the Convention is over and spend the day of the 25th in Banff, after which they are to proceed to Lake Louise, spending one day there.

In view of the fact that all delegates to this Convention are amputation cases arising from service in the Great War, special efforts are being made by local citizens and Companies to entertain the delegates who may visit Banff and Lake Louise. For example, the Rocky Mountain Tours have undertaken to transport delegates, or members of a delegate's family around the route what is now termed the general drive and to Lake Louise for a sum of \$3.00. This, you will note, will just cover the actual cost and no more.

Special reduced rates are also being given by the local hotels to the delegates and members of their families and I have been approached in order to ascertain if the Department would consider granting free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin Bathhouse to the delegates and their families while they are spending the day in Banff and I would strongly recommend that I be authorized to arrange for this.

An early reply will oblige in order that I may notify the officials concerned.

Yours faithfully,

*RSP*  
Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

Department of the Interior  
Banff, Alberta

B.1.

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24th July, 1926.

Dear Madam, -

I have just been advised that you are spending the summer in Banff, and it gives me great pleasure to forward to you, with the compliments of the Department, a pass for the Cave and Basin and the Upper Hot Springs bathhouses.

Yours faithfully,

*BR*  
Superintendent.  
*M*

Mrs C. M. Barbeau,  
Ridgeway Cottage,  
BANFF. Alta.

J. B. HARKIE  
COMMISSIONER



NATIONAL PARKS  
MIGRATORY BIRDS CONVENTION ACT  
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TOWN PLANNING

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS

OTTAWA 20th July, 1926

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO FILE.....

Dear Sir,

Mrs. C.M.Barbeau and family are summering in Ridgeway cottage at Banff. Mrs. Barbeau is the wife of Mr. C.M.Barbeau of the Museum staff at Ottawa. You are probably aware that while we get very active co-operation from practically all the officers of the Museum we get special co-operation from Mr. Barbeau. I therefore wish that you would send to Mrs. Barbeau a pass for both the Cave and Basin and the Upper Hot Springs bath-houses. The passes should be made out for Mr. and Mrs Barbeau and family.

Yours faithfully,

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

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OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER

REFER TO FILE NO. ....



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS  
ENGINEERING SERVICE

Banff, Alberta.  
June 19, 1926.

Dear Sir:

I should be very much obliged if you would kindly issue passes to the Cave & Basin in favour of Mr. W. R. Burrill and Mr. R. T. Meredith members of my Banff Office staff.

Yours faithfully,

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Chief Engineer.

R. S. Stronach, Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



*Handwritten notes:*  
W. R. Burrill  
B-1  
R. T. Meredith  
1926

Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa

B.1

RSM

April 3rd 1926

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 1st instant, and in reply thereto I wish to state that the necessary arrangements have been made with the Caretaker at the Cave & Basin to allow free swimming to school children on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. It is understood a teacher will be in attendance during the period mentioned above.

Yours faithfully,

*RSM*  
Superintendent.

Hugh J. Macdonald, Esq.,  
Principal, National Park School,  
BANFF, Alta.

# National Park School District, No. 102



Banff, Alberta

April 1 1926.

Dear Mr. Stronach,

I wish to make application  
for the extension of free swimming <sup>to school children</sup> at the "Cave  
and Basin" on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11.  
It is understood that a teacher is to be in  
attendance with the children during the time  
mentioned above.

Yours truly,

*Chief*  
Principal.

Mr. R.S. Stronach, Superintendent,  
Banff, Alberta.



MG

Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa

B-1

13th March, 1926

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter to me of the 12th instant I am enclosing herewith passes to the Upper Hot Springs and Cave & Basin Bathhouses made out in favour of the following members on the Chief Engineer's staff:-

Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Mitchell  
M. F. Shaw  
R. M. Underwood & family.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

R. M. Underwood Esq.,  
Chief Engineer's Office,  
Banff, Alta.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER



REFER TO FILE NO. ....

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS  
ENGINEERING SERVICE

Calgary, Alberta  
March 18, 1936.

*Handwritten:*  
B-1

Dear Sir:

It would be appreciated if  
you will kindly have regard to the  
swimming pools and put in favour of  
the following members of our staff:

- J. H. & Mrs. Mitchell
- Mr. D. Shaw
- R. H. Underwood & family.

Yours faithfully,

*Handwritten signature:*  
A. L. ...

H. S. Stronach, Esq.,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Calgary, Alberta.



WHG

B-1

3rd September, 1925

Dear Mr. Stevenson,

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, advising me that you and your family expect to be in Banff over the week end providing the weather is good.

As requested by I have issued a free bathing pass for yourself and family and this will be left with the Carotaker at the Camp Grounds where you can obtain it when you arrive in Banff.

Trusting weather conditions will be all that you can desire and hoping to see you while you are here.

Yours sincerely,

  
Superintendent.

J. M. Stevenson Esq.,  
Office of the Resident Architect,  
Dept. of Public Works,  
CALGARY, Alta.

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MEMORANDUM

To R.S. Stronach, Esq.,  
Supt. Rocky Mountain Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

FROM  
The Office of the Resident Architect  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

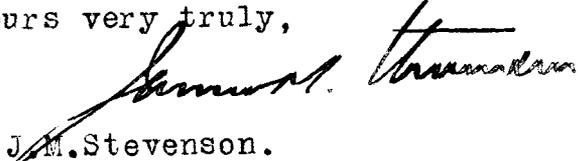
Calgary, Sept. 2, 19 25

Dear Mr. Stronach:-

Weather and everything else permitting, I expect to stay in Banff over the week end. Could I have a Bath Ticket as before for myself and family. The last time you granted this privilege it was greatly appreciated.

You would receive the Chief Architect's card which was left under your door some three weeks ago. He remembers you well in Ottawa and would have liked to have met you again. However time was too short. He was greatly taken with Banff which he had never visited before and was rather amazed at the extent of the developments. If he ever comes West again he intends to stay a week or so to enjoy the baths etc.

Yours very truly,

  
J.M. Stevenson.

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ROCKY MOUNTAINS PARK  
SEP 3 1925

P.S. Would you leave the ticket with the caretaker of Auto Camp. JS

Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

JAW/RSM

B-1

June 23rd 1925

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

I have for acknowledgment your letter dated the 22nd instant relative to the possibility of your Caretaker at Lethbridge obtaining a ticket to the baths for the month of July. Please ask him to call at this office when he arrives in Banff and we will do the best we can for him.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J.H. Stevenson, Esq.,  
Resident Architect,  
Dept. of Public Works,  
CALGARY, Alta.

MEMORANDUM

To R. P. Stronach, Esq.,  
Supt. Rocky Mountain Parks,  
Banff, Alberta.

FROM  
The Office of the Resident Architect  
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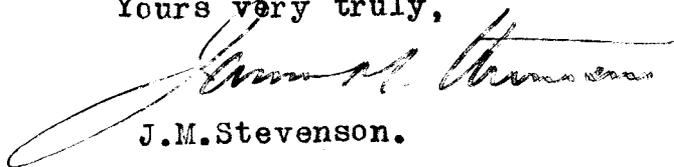
Calgary, June 22nd 19 25.

Dear Mr. Stronach:-

We have a caretaker at Lethbridge who is sending his wife and family to Banff on July 2nd for the benefit of their health. Our caretakers receive a very low salary and the holiday referred to will no doubt need all the ready cash he has got. Would it be possible please to provide him with a ticket to the Baths for the month of July. It would be greatly appreciated.

The caretaker's name is Mr. Lewis Leigh, Post Office Building, Lethbridge.

Yours very truly,

  
J.M. Stevenson.

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RSS/JHG

Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

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10th March, 1935

Dear Sir,

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th instant regarding free bathing for the school children at the Cave & Basin Bathhouse on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11 and in reply I would say that the necessary arrangements have been made with the Caretaker at the Bathhouse, in accordance with the arrangement outlined in your letter.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

Hugh J. Macdonald Esq.,  
Principal, Banff School,  
BANFF.

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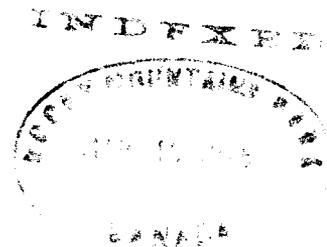
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Banff School, Banff  
March. 9, 1925

Mr. W. S. Stenach,  
Supt. Banff National Park,  
Banff, Alberta.  
Dear Sir,

I beg to make application for the  
extension of the privilege of free swimming at  
"the Cove and Basin" to school children every  
Saturday morning from 10 to 11. It is to be  
understood that should this privilege be granted that  
at least one teacher shall be in attendance at  
the "Cove and Basin" at the time specified above.

Respectfully yours,  
Wm. J. Macdonald



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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER



REFER TO FILE NO. 1-3-1

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS  
ENGINEERING SERVICE

Calgary, Alberta,  
January 17th, 1935.

*file*  
*13-1*

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of the 17th inst. file 3-1, enclosing passes to the Government Baths for the following members of my staff:-

- R. A. Underwood and family.
- D. G. Montgomery and wife.
- W. H. Oxborough and family.
- B. S. Lake and family.
- R. L. Black.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Engineer.

S. H. Wood, Esq.,  
Assistant Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Calgary, Alta.



Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

B-1

JAG/100M

January 17th, 1925

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 16th instant, your file H-3-1, relative to free swimming privileges at the Government Baths for the members of your staff in Banff, and I am enclosing herewith passes for Mr. R.M. Underwood and family, D.G. Montgomery and family, W.M. Oxborough and family, B.S. Lake and family and R.L. Black.

Yours faithfully,

*W*  
Asst. Superintendent.

J. M. Wardle, Esq.,  
Chief Engineer,  
Canadian National Parks,  
Banff, Alta.

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OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER



REFER TO FILE NO. 4-8-1

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS  
ENGINEERING SERVICE

Banff, Alberta,  
January 16, 1935.

Dear Sir,

If consistent with existing regulations, I shall be very much obliged if passes to the swimming pools may be issued in favour of the following:-

- Mr. R. L. Black.
- B. S. Lake and family.
- D. G. Montgomery and wife.
- W. M. Oxborough and family.
- R. M. Underwood and family.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Engineer.

R. S. Stronach, Esq.,  
Superintendent, Rocky Mts. Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



COPY FOR INFORMATION OF W.M. NOBLE  
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J. J. 1/13/24

Transmitt to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

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September 4th 1924

Dear Mr. Macdonald:

This will confirm my telephone conversation with Mr. Davis during which it was arranged that the school children will be allowed free bathing at the Cave & Basin on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. providing there is at least one teacher in attendance during this period.

Instructions have been issued to the attendants at the Cave & Basin to this effect.

Yours faithfully,

*J. J.*  
Asst. Superintendent.

H. J. Macdonald, Esq.,  
Principal, Banff School,  
Banff, Alta.

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RSS/WMG

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14th March, 1924

Dear Mr. Macdonald,

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant regarding free bathing for the school children at the Cave & Basin, provided there is, at least, one teacher in attendance during the period the children are bathing, and arrangements have been made with the attendants at the Bathhouse for this.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

Hugh J. Macdonald Esq.,  
School Principal  
BANFF, Alta.

Phoned Walker 12/3/24 regarding this  
JRS

**National Park School**

DISTRICT No. 102  
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

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BANFF,  
ALBERTA

March 13<sup>th</sup> 1924

Mr R. S. Storch,  
Superintendent,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Mr Storch,

This will confirm our conversation  
of the other day when you granted permission  
for free bathing for school children at the "Leare and Basin"  
on Saturday mornings from 10 AM to 11 AM.

It is definitely understood that there  
will be at least one teacher in attendance at the  
"Leare and Basin" during this period.

Yours respectfully  
Hugh Macdonald,  
Principal

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE



CANADA

REFER TO NO. 3-1

ROCKY MOUNTAINS PARK OF CANADA

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BANFF, ALTA., 27th September, 1926

Memo for File:

Mr. MacDonald, Principal of the Banff School, phoned me this morning requesting that the usual privilege of free bathing for the school children on Saturday mornings be granted, the understanding being that at least one teacher from the school would be present during the period when the children were in the water to look after them and I advised Mr. MacDonald that arrangements would be made for this free bathing.

.....  
Superintendent.

RSS / WHG

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27th September, 1923

Memo for File:

Mr. MacDonald, Principal of the Banff School, phoned me this morning requesting that the usual privilege of free bathing for the school children on Saturday mornings be granted, the understanding being that at least one teacher from the school would be present during the period when the children were in the water to look after them and I advised Mr. MacDonald that arrangements would be made for this free bathing.

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Superintendent.

Copy for Mr J. Walker,  
Cave & Basin.

B.1.

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6th April, 1963.

Dear Sir,-

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant regarding the privilege of free bathing for the school children at the Cave and Basin Baths every Saturday Morning during the summer months.

In reply I would state that this privilege will be granted again this summer on the understanding that the children will be accompanied by at least one teacher. I would also request that whenever possible the children use their own bathing suits.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

Hugh J. Macdonald, Esq.,  
School Principal,  
BATHS.

JIT

No. 1000

Banff, Alta.  
April 2nd 1923,

Mr. Stomach,  
Superintendent Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alta.

Dear Sir,

As I understand that school children here, in the past years, been granted the privilege of bathing at "the bath and Basin", free of charge, every Saturday morning, I beg to make application, on behalf of the children, for the continued extension of this privilege to them during the coming school months.

It is to be understood, of course, that the children are always to be accompanied by at least one teacher.

Trusting that this privilege may be granted to the children,

Yours truly  
Hugh Macdonald  
Principal

# Royal Canadian Mounted Police

H.Q. Ref. No.

BANFF, ALBERTA.

Jan. 20th. 1922

"K" File No.

The Supt. R.M. Park,  
Banff, Alta.

Sir;-

I have the honour to respectfully ask if the Police Pass to the Cave and Basin and the Upper Hot Springs baths may be renewed for the year 1922. Might this also include members of other detachments in the Park.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant.

  
Sgt.  
i/c Banff Sub-District.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE



CANADA

REFER TO NO.....

ROCKY MOUNTAINS PARK OF CANADA

BANFF, ALTA.,.....

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Copy sent to Commissioner  
of Dominion Parks, Ottawa.

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JAW/AJF.

7th June, 1921.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 4th inst in connection with the free use of the Government Baths for the Boy Scouts of your town.

In connection with this matter I wish to state that I cannot give the Scouts the free use of the baths, as the large number of societies and organizations visiting Banff makes it difficult to extend these privileges to a few while refusing it to others.

The rates which you will be charged will be 15¢ each or two for 25¢ for boys up to sixteen years of age, over sixteen years of age the charge will be 25¢ each for each visit to the baths.

If you decide to camp in Banff kindly arrange to advise me when you expect to arrive and I will be glad to locate you on a free site for your camp grounds.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

J. A. Kennedy, Esq.,  
Irricana, Alberta.

Irivana Atto  
The Park Superintendent  
Jan 4<sup>th</sup> 1921

Banff Alta  
Dear Sir

The boy Scouts of Irivana are  
discussing the matter of going to Banff to camp  
for a couple of weeks.  
We would like to know what arrangements can  
be for the use of the Government swimming  
pool. I have been told that school children  
are given the privilege free of charge.  
Does this apply to children not residing in Banff.  
If not free then what would be the rates for  
10 or 12 school boys for about 10 days.  
Say once a day or three times a week.  
I would thank you for this information  
at as early a date as possible.

Yours Sincerely

J A Kennedy

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Copy sent to I.C.

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Hunt

RSS/GI.

24th August, 1920.

Dear Mr. Tweedie,

Your letter of the 23rd instant regarding the approaching visit to Banff of convalescent soldiers from the hospitals in Calgary has just reached me and evidently you have misunderstood the context of my letter to you of the 20th instant.

When I wrote you on the 20th instant I was fully aware that this matter had been taken up by you with Mr. Harkin and my letter of that date was intended to advise you that the arrangements as far as they related to the use of the sulphur baths, free of charge, had been made as I thought you would be interested to know that we were fully prepared for the visit of these soldiers.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Superintendent.

T. M. Tweedie, Esq.,  
c/o Messrs. Tweedie and McGillivray,  
Calgary, Alberta.

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T.M. TWEEDIE, K.C. A.A. MCGILLIVRAY, K.C.  
H.E. CROWLE, R.M. SPANKIE.

*Calgary,*

23rd August,  
1920.

P. S. Stronach, Esq.,  
Acting Supt. of Parks,  
Banff, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour of the 20th inst. in which you advise me of having received a letter from Mr. Turgon in regarding to extending the Sulphur Baths at Banff to all soldiers free of charge on the occasion of a picnic.

You suggest that you think it might be of interest to me. It certainly is of interest as I had long since taken this up with Mr. Wardle and Mr. Harkin and made the arrangements, and I regret to be forced to believe that you have had no intimation from either of these gentlemen to that effect.

I expect to be present on that occasion and will expect that the best possible treatment will be rendered to these men.

Yours faithfully,



TMT/IK.

Copy sent H.C.

JAW/GL.

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20th August, 1920.

Dear Mr. Tweedie,

A letter was received from Mr. J. G. Turgeon in which he advised that he was planning a picnic on Wednesday, August, 25th at Banff for all convalescent soldiers in the hospitals at Calgary and Banff. I took this matter up with Mr. Harkin and following out his suggestion I am extending the privilege of the sulphur baths at Banff to all soldiers free of charge. I am advising you of this, thinking that it might be of interest to you.

Yours faithfully,

*JAW*

Acting Superintendent.

T. M. Tweedie, Esq.,  
c/o Messrs. Tweedie and McGillivray,  
Calgary, Alberta.

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RSS/GL.

2nd August, 1920.

Dear Sir,

With reference to our conversation of today's date regarding the question of the Imperial Press Association, which will shortly visit this Park, being granted the privilege of the free use of the government bath houses and Golf Links here, also their not being charged the usual \$1.00 fee for their automobile license when entering the Park, I would say that I have discussed this matter with Mr. Harkin and he has authorized me to grant these privileges.

In order that there may be no advantage taken of this arrangement by persons who are not members of the Imperial Press Association, I would suggest that you give cards with a note on the back certifying that they are members of this Association and I will issue the necessary instructions for these cards to be honoured at the baths golf links and entrance to the Park.

Trusting that we may have good weather during the visit of the Association to this Park,

Yours sincerely,



Acting Superintendent.

G. H. Webster, Esq.,  
1316 Prospect Ave.,  
Calgary, Alberta.

B.10.1.

30th October, 1919.

Dear Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant, with regard to a complaint made to you that negroes had been refused permission to bathe at the Upper Hot Springs and in particular one, J. Barsalou, a C. P. R. Waiter.

This matter has been taken up with the Caretaker and a copy of a letter of instruction which he received some years ago, and which I understand he has generally followed, is enclosed herewith.

Mr Garrett has no recollection of the incident referred to in your letter, but it is thought it may have occurred on the occasion of the Prince of Wales' visit here.

At the time the Royal train was at Banff, some of the negro porters applied for the use of the public baths in the afternoon but were refused this privilege by the Caretaker, although they were offered the private baths.

On one of their representatives visiting this office he was advised that arrangements would be made for the colored men in question to bathe at the Cave and Basin or the Upper Hot Springs the

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next morning. However this offer was not taken advantage of.

It might be mentioned here that as there are only <sup>twenty</sup> ~~two~~ or ~~three~~ negro applicants for the public baths throughout the year, it is not worth while to reserve the baths an hour in the morning solely for them.

It it was thought advisable negroes, Chinese and Japanese of the better class could be advised that they could use the public baths the first hour in the morning, and take the chance of white bathers also being there at that time.

However I consider the present practise the better one.

Yours faithfully,



Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

JHW/JMD

Hot Springs

Oct 29 1919

Copy of Letter from Transf. Soc. Office  
Dated August 8 1910

Dear Sir

I beg to inform you it has been decided that in the future Negroes & Chinamen will not be allowed to bathe until after 8 o'clock in the evening; and I would request that you notify such people when coming to Bath as nicely as possible that steps have had to be taken for the interest of all parties concerned. I am sir your Obedient Servant

A B Macdonald

Superintendent

Walter Garrett  
Upper Hot Springs  
Transf.

Note At the same time my Instructions were to allow these people to bathe in the tubs at any time and I would estimate the average number making use of the tubs for a year would be about 100 a month

Walter Garrett  
Caretaker



*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa, 23rd October, 1919*

Dear Sir,

A C.P.R. porter named C.S. Brower called at this office a few days ago to complain that colored people - notably J. Barsalou, a C.P.R. waiter - had been refused permission to bathe at the Upper Hot Springs. He further stated that at the Hot Springs it was claimed instructions had been received from Ottawa that colored people were to be debarred.

Some years ago this question of colored people bathing in the pools was under discussion but no ruling was made from Ottawa prohibiting it.

I should be glad if you would let me have a full report with your views upon the subject at the earliest possible date.

Yours faithfully,

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



E.10.1.

23rd October, 1919.

Dear Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, enclosing a copy of a letter received from W. Fulcher of Banff, concerning bathing privileges at the Upper Hot Springs, Banff.

The question raised is rather a delicate one, as while people of Mr Fulcher's class may be morally entitled to the use of the baths, I do not see that an unrestricted privilege could be granted them without numerous complaints being received. Mr Fulcher is a middle aged negro of the very black type and operates a small shoe shining stand in town. He is apparently quite respectable with a good character and habits.

At the time Mr Fulcher visited the Upper Hot Springs there were several bathers in the pool, and the caretaker did not consider it advisable to permit him to enter the public pool at that time. Mr Fulcher was advised that he could use the private baths if he desired, but did not accept this offer.

He subsequently called at this office, where I explained to him as nicely as possible the reasons for it not being advisable to accord him full bathing privileges in the swimming pool.

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This question has been discussed here on several occasions, the opinion being that if a negro were allowed in the public pool, the bathers there would immediately leave. This has been borne out by the opinion of different people who use the baths frequently.

Chinese and Japanese present a similar difficulty, there being of course certain cases of educated and highly refined people of either race in which there might be no objections in allowing the freedom of the public pools.

In 1912, Mr Howard Douglas, then Chief Superintendent of Parks, advised this office that Chinamen could only bathe between the hours of seven and eight a.m., and that he was taking up the case of negro<sup>e</sup>s with the Deputy Minister. No correspondence however relating to the latter is on file.

The general practice recently has been to refuse the privileges of the public pools to the three ~~cases~~ <sup>classes</sup> mentioned except in special cases where the caretaker may exercise his own discretion.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esqr.,  
Commissioner of Parks,  
OTTAWA.

JLW/JMD



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CANADA

*Robt. R. ...*  
*File*  
*8-10-19*

*Mr. Wade*

*M. S. I.*

*Dominion Parks Branch*

*Ottawa.* 17th October, 1919

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing herewith copy of a letter received from W. Fulcher, of Banff, concerning bathing privileges at the Upper Hot Springs, Banff.

Encl.

I should be glad if you would kindly forward me a report in this connection at your early convenience.

Yours faithfully,

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.



TO BE ENCLOSED  
WITH  
LETTER  
To Supt. Rocky Mtns. Park.

Banff, Alta., Oct. 6, 1919

On Sept 28 ultimo I visited the Upper Hot Springs for the purpose of taking a plunge into the pool. When I asked for a bathing suit said they had orders from Ottawa that I would have to speak with Ottawa concerning this matter.

Now when the colored men were called on for active service how many said no. Now the war is ended, now when the brave hearted volunteers go to a public Government pool they are to be turned away but the dirty filthy snakes from across the line can come to our home and use our comforts for which many of our boys perished those that returned are to be denied. I ask you in the name of God and the King change this law if the prejudis snakes from the States that come here as tourists donot like it because a people that are cleaner, mentally, physically and spiritually, if they do not want to baith with gentlemen of our type or in the same pool our taxes will pay for upkeep of the park just the same. I was one of the volunteers to join the colors of Can Ba, in the name of the King, the maple leaf forever,

(Sgd) Wm. Fulcher, P.O. Box 71.

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B 2.2

August 11th, 1919.

Memo for Mr. Walker,  
Caretaker of Cave & Basin.

Re Free Bathing for  
Returned Soldiers.  
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Owing to the Medical Inspection of the Soldiers at the Convalescent Camp, which lasts until 11 o'clock every morning, the latter cannot take full advantage of the Free Bathing privilege, if limited to Morning Hours only. It is, therefore, ~~desired~~ to allow said privileges to cover hours up to closing time, providing they do not overbroud the Paying Patrons of the Bath.

It is assumed that the hours after 6 p.m. will, to a great extent, answer the purposes of the Soldiers and would also be suitable to you. This matter is, however, left entirely to your own discretion.

  
Superintendent.

ES/WHG

B 2.2

August 9th, 1919

Dear Sir:

Re Free Bathing for  
Returned Soldiers.

I am to advise you that in a letter dated July 31st, 1919 received from the Parks Branch Department of the Interior it has been decided that patients at the Summer Hospital Camp for Convalescent Soldiers may be given free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin Bathhouse. During the busy season the morning hours only may be used.

Pass books are issued for use in this connection and one ticket is issued to each soldier signed by the Superintendent of the Park. This ticket will be signed by the user who will also sign a register kept by the caretaker of the baths. The words "Mar. 31st, 1918" on ticket should be struck out and the last of the week for which the man is to be at the hospital substituted.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

Officer Commanding  
Soldiers Convalescent Camp  
BANFF, Alta.

ES/KHB

B 2.2

August 7th, 1919

Memo For Mr. Walker,  
Caretaker of Cave and Basin.

Instructions dated July 31st have been received from H. O. that patients at the Summer Hospital Camp for convalescent soldiers may be given free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin bath-house. During the busy season the morning hours only may be used - say till eleven o'clock.

Pass books are issued numbered from 1 to 5 and the tickets in each are numbered consecutively commencing with one. One ticket shall be issued to each soldier on which his name shall be entered, also the date of expiry of the ticket.

A blank book is enclosed herewith for your use. Kindly see that each man presenting a pass shall sign his name in the book each time so that records of the use made of the privilege may be available and also to guard against the use of the passes by unauthorized persons.

  
Superintendent

ES/KHB

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D.P.



*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa,* July 31st, 1919.

From- J.B. Harkin,

Sir,

Re free bathing for  
returned soldiers.

1. It has been decided that patients at the summer hospital camp for convalescent soldiers may be given free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin bathhouse. During the busy season the morning hours only may be used as suggested by you.

2. Pass books are being forwarded by to-day's mail for use in this connection.

3. These are numbered from 1 to 5, and the tickets in each are numbered consecutively commencing with one. One ticket should be issued to each soldier at the camp. His name should be entered in the space provided and your own signature affixed in the space above "Commissioner" which should be struck out and "Superintendent" substituted. The words "March 31st, 1918" should also be struck out and the last day of the week for which the man is to be at the hospital substituted.

4. A blank book is forwarded herewith, for the use of the Caretaker. Please instruct him to have each man presenting a pass sign his name in the book each time so that records of the use made of this privilege may be available and also to guard against the use of the passes by unauthorized persons.

Yours faithfully,  
*J.B. Harkin*  
Commissioner.

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

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# NIGHT LETTERGRAM

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Glasgow

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Send the following night lettergram without receipt, subject to the conditions and charges printed on the back of this form.  
Banff, 22nd July, 1919.

**J. B. Harkin,**  
Commissioner of works,  
O.P.M.A.

*J.M.W.*

Colonel Bennett in charge summer hospital camp for convalescing soldiers near Spray Bridge requests free use of bath baths for patients average number twenty-five. New men every week. Would be willing give privilege baths morning only during busy season. Please advise. Please express one spare magnet for five unit.

J. H. Wardle.

(Charge Govt)

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FORM T. D. 218

## NIGHT LETTERGRAM

J. H. McFARLANE, Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

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**Send, 22nd July, 1919.**

**J. B. Harkin,**  
Commissioner of Works,  
C.P.R.

Colonel Bennett in charge of hospital camp for convalescing soldiers near Spray bridge requests free use Cave Bath for patients average number twenty-five. New men every week. Would be willing give privilege bath morning only during busy season. Please advise. Please express one spare mattress for five unit.

**J. B. Verillo.**

(Charge Govt)

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B.2.2.

21st May, 1919.

Dear Sir,-

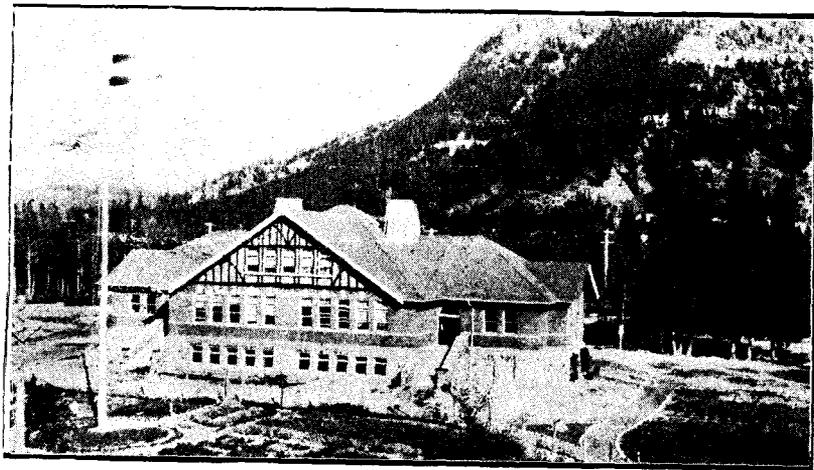
In reply to your letter of to-day's date with regard to the free use of the Cave and Basin baths by school children, I beg to advise you that I am willing to allow the pupils the use of the baths on the first two Saturdays in June for this season only on conditions that the children are away from the pool at 11 a.m.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

J. G. Noble, Esqr.,  
Secy. Banff School Board,  
BANFF.

JMW/JMD



# National Park School

DISTRICT NO. 102

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA.

BANFF *May 21st* 1919

J. D. Wardle Esq  
Park Supt  
Banff.

Dear Sir — I am requested by the school  
principal to ask you to use your influence  
in the following.  
Seeing that the first 2 Saturdays in April  
were of such a stormy nature many  
pupils were unable to take advantage  
of the Park's offer. Swimming in Pool.  
Could you suggest a point for  
this year on a fine 2 day Saturday in  
June? The idea is to hold a small  
contest between pupils and the principal  
thought the 2 day days would give  
extra needed training necessary;  
Thanking you for your attention

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ROCKY MOUNTAINS PARK  
MAY 21 1919  
CANADA

J. D. Wardle  
Park Supt  
Banff

B.2.2.

2nd April, 1919.

Dear Sir,-

As the free use of the Cave and Basin baths by the children of school age begins this present month, I would ask if some arrangement cannot be made to have one of the teachers present at the baths when the children are bathing.

I believe that the original understanding was that a teacher would be in charge, but I am informed that on several occasions last season, the children were unaccompanied, which threw considerable responsibility on the Caretaker.

Yours faithfully,

  
Superintendent.

The Secretary,

Banff School Board,

BANFF.

JMW/JMD

B.2.2.

2nd April, 1919.

Dear Sir,-

I am in receipt of your letter of March 31st regarding the free use of a camping ground and the free use of the Government Baths for the Boy Scouts of Medicine Hat while in Banff next August.

With regard to a camping ground I might say that we will be glad to allot you a free site on your arrival. I cannot however give the Scouts the free use of the Government Baths as the large number of different societies and organizations visiting Banff makes it very difficult to extend this privilege to a few while refusing it to others.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

A. D. Richard, Esq.,  
1115, Yuill Street,  
MEDICINE HAT.

JHW/JMD

*Handwritten scribbles and a checkmark*

1115 Yuill Street

Medicine Hat

March 31st 1919

Superintendent of Government Park

Banff, Alta

Dear Sir:-

*Handwritten initials*

The Scout Association of Medicine Hat are planning to send between fifty and seventy Scouts to Banff for two weeks during the Month of August. and have appointed me to take charge of the boys during this time.

Have you the authority to grant us the free use of the camping ground, and also free use of the Government bath, or will we have to write to the Department at Ottawa? I understand that the Government is willing to help the Scouts in these respects,

We expect to get an equipment of tents etc from Calgary.

Anything that you can do for us to make this outing a success will be greatly appreciated by all.

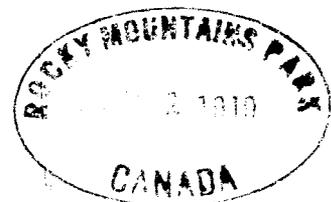
Hoping to have an early reply,

I remain

Yours sincerely

*A. D. Richards*

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ES/MC

August 1st, 1918.

Dear Sir;-

Enclosed herewith please  
find a pass ticket for the baths.

  
Yours faithfully,

Mr. R. R. Fitzgerald,  
Lake Louise P. O.,  
Alberta.

Customs  Canada

Calgary June 17/18

Mr. Stewart

Parks Dept. Banff

Dear Sir,-

Would you please advise me in the following matter  
The Customs Officer at Banff. Mr. F. Vernon was advised by my  
self to apply to the Supt. of Parks for a Pass to the Govt.  
baths there, I did this on the strength that I was informed  
years ago that such officers were all entitled to this privilege  
possibly I was wrongly informed, but I have ~~myself~~ received a  
such pass for myself both from late Supt. and also from  
his predecessor not as complimentary but as in accordance  
with the regulations,

Have the regulations been changed or was  
the action mentioned in my case a mistake.

If you should find that you have authority to issue  
Mr. Vernon the Pass applied for I would appreciate your doing  
so.

Yours Truly

  
Inspector of Customs

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IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
FILE NO.

R.H.S.-1

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

Ottawa, 29th December, 1917.



Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, file B.2.2 with regard to applications from returned soldiers suffering from rheumatism, for the free use of the Upper Hot Springs baths.

There is no objection on the part of the Department to allowing soldiers who are not yet discharged and for whom the curative effects of the sulphur water would be beneficial, the privilege of using the Upper Hot Springs baths without charge. It is left to your discretion to decide as to the genuineness of each case.

Yours faithfully,

Commissioner.

The superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

B.2.2.

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December 6th 1917.

Dear Sir,

I have a request from Dr Learn, on behalf of Private Wm. Noble (late gamewarden at Banff) for a free pass for the Upper Hot Springs while he is suffering from rheumatism. Noble is not yet discharged.

It is very likely that these applications will become more numerous as time goes on and veterans return to the District, and while I have no personal objection to these worthy men getting such passes, it is necessary for me to get a ruling from you on the subject.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,

Commissioner, Dom. Parks,

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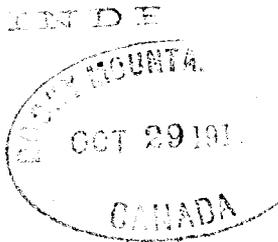
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IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
FILE NO. **4.R.B.**

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa, 23rd October, 1917*



Re. swimming privileges for  
school children.  
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Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, your file **B-22**, advising of your instructions to the School Board at Banff concerning the use of the Cave and Basin bath-house for the purpose of teaching the school children to swim and I beg to say that the Department's intention was that the children should provide their own suits and towels as outlined in your letter to the School Board.

Yours faithfully,

*J.B. Hartley*  
Commissioner.  
*J. J. [unclear]*

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

# National Park School

DISTRICT NO. 102, PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

B 2-2

BANFF, Alta., Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1917

Supst S. J. Clarke, Esq.  
Rocky Mts Park  
Banff.

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Dear Sir, I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours  
of 16<sup>th</sup> inst. with copy of instructions for  
the use of Basin by the school children.  
On behalf of the Board I wish to express  
our appreciation of your efforts to obtain  
the concession for the children and the  
teachers will be instructed to carefully observe  
the regulations as set forth in your letter.

Yours truly,  
W. Alexander.  
May 5, 1917.

B.2.2.

October 16th 1947.

Dear Sir,

In reference to the recent conference your Messrs Alexander and Mather had with the Commissioner of Dominion Parks in my office, relative to free swimming lessons at the Cave and Basin for school children: I have instructed the Caretaker at that establishment as follows:

(1) The use of the Cave and Basin bathing establishment for the purpose of school children learning to swim is approved, the privilege to be limited to the hour between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on each Saturday during the months of October, April and May, with the exception of any Saturday which happens to be a public holiday.

(2) This hour is not to be restricted simply to Banff children, but must include all children who go to Banff, this being confined, of course, to all children of school age.

(3) It has been represented that the Banff School Board has a teacher who is qualified to teach the children swimming and it must be distinctly understood in this connection that this instructor must give as much attention to school children from outside points as he would to those from Banff.

(4) All children taking advantage of this privilege must have their own bathing suits and towels and no children are to be allowed in the pools without suits.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

The Secretary-  
Banff School Board.

DM

B.2.2.

October 16th 1917.

Dear Sir,

A R B:

In reference to yours of the 9th inst., relative to free bathing for school children learning to swim:

I have written the School Board and instructed Walker in the terms of your letter, with the added provision as to children having their own suits and towels, which provision, I presume, you overlooked at the time of writing.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Markin Esq.,

Commissioner, Dom. Parks

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October 16th 1917.

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Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,

Commissioner, Dom. Parks

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DM

B.2.2.

October 16th 1917.

Instruction to Mr Walker, Cave and Basin, to be  
hung in public part of his office.  
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An arrangement has been come to by the Commissioner of  
Dominion Parks and the Banff School Board, as follows:

(1) The use of the Cave and Basin bathing establishment for the purpose of school children learning to swim is approved, the privilege to be limited to the hour between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on each Saturday during the months of October, April and May, with the exception of any Saturday which happens to be a public holiday.

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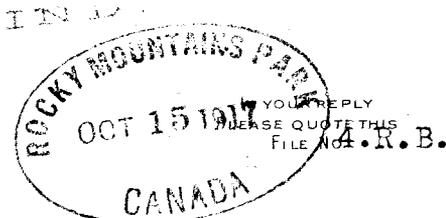
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By Order

Superintendent.

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*B 2-2 Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa, 9th October, 1917*

Dear Sir,

Referring to my wire to you of the 3rd instant notifying you of approval of the suggestion that the school children be accorded the privilege of using the Cave and Basin bath-house free during certain hours and certain months, I beg to say that, as you are aware, this privilege is given to offer children an opportunity to learn to swim and it must not be restricted simply to Banff children but should include all children who go to Banff and confined to those of public school age.

This privilege is to be limited to the hour between 10 and 11 a.m. on each Saturday during the months of October, April and May, with the exception of any Saturday which happens to be a public holiday.

It has been represented that the Banff School Board has a teacher who is qualified to teach the children swimming and it must be distinctly understood in this connection that this instructor must give as much attention to school children from outside points as he would to the Banff children.

Kindly advise the Banff School Board of the effects of this letter and have a notice hung in the Cave and Basin bath-house.

Yours faithfully,

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

File 4.3.3.



# CANADIAN PACIFIC R.Y. CO.'S TELEGRAPH TELEGRAM

FORM T. D. 28

## CABLE CONNECTIONS TO ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

J. McMILLAN, Manager Telegraphs, Montreal.

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Send the following Message, subject to the terms printed on the back hereof which are hereby agreed to:

Richi. Education.

Ottawa, B. Prov. 1917

A. J. Clarke,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountain Mt.  
Pass, Alberta.

Recommendation to allow  
privilege all school children free use have and  
bath for one hour each week for months October, April  
and May approved as per by memorandum September twelfth.  
in writing details.

J. P. Harkin.

Chares Int. Coy.  
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34 Wk. Ottawa Ont. Oct 5/1916  
J. Clarke, Supt. Rocky Mt. Pt.  
Banj. - Alta.

Recommendation allow knowledge  
of road conditions...  
use case, and...  
for one hour each week  
for months October, 1916,  
and may be...  
as memorandum...  
details...  
S. B. ...

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B.2.2.

July 30th 1917.

Memo. for Mr Garrett and Mr Walker:

The following being on the active police duty of Banff are entitled to free bathing while they are on active duty. You will be advised of changes, if any, as they occur, and you should keep this list in front of you for reference when the police make application. It is also to be noted that there will be a big encampment of Police here on 1st August for about one month. They are not entitled to free privileges.

Corporal and Mrs Baker,

Staff Sgt. Goodrich.

Constables Stone

Walker

Taylor

McPherson.

Superintendent.

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J. B. Harkin  
Commissioner of Parks.  
OTTAWA

In reference to telegram re free baths for Veterans May 24th. Secretary of Association at Calgary anxious to know what arrangements can be made. Lightning storm put telephone line to Banff Springs Hotel out of commission had to string new line over bridge. Labor cost six dollars.

S. J. Clarke

(Charge Govt)

B.2.2.

June 18th 1917.

Dear Sir,

R. B. 10:

I am now in a position to reply to your letter of the 24th March in regard to free bathing for school children and the direction of organised play on the recreation grounds.

With regard to the former, I may say that the Department has given very careful consideration to the matter and is of the opinion that it would be inadvisable to begin the practice of granting such free bathing privileges. If the exemption could be restricted to the Banff School children there would be little objection, but the bath-house has been erected by public money and it would be impossible to allow a privilege to residents of Banff and refuse it to visitors from other parts of the Dominion. Once the precedent were created, there would undoubtedly be other requests, which would have equally good although different grounds for consideration. Therefore, while the Department would very much like to see the Banff school children have this opportunity of learning to swim, in view of all the possibilities involved, it is considered unwise to create a precedent by allowing free bathing.

As to a playground supervisor: There is no doubt that organised play produces better results than hap-hazard methods of recreation, but to be a success it is understood that a supervisor would have to possess special training and experience in this kind of work. While there is no doubt, as the Board points out, that Mr Thomson aids greatly to the success of the golf links, this cannot, it is believed, be considered a parallel case. The Golf Links are maintained primarily as a tourist attraction and the presence of a professional aids greatly to their tourist value. The advantages to be derived from a supervised playground, on the contrary, are largely educational and would be restricted to the children of Banff. In small communities both playground and supervisor are usually provided by the educational authorities and while the playground, in this case, has been provided by the educational authorities, trained instruction would not, in the circumstances, appear to be a matter for federal expenditure.

I am instructed, also, to express regret that this is found to be the case. Yours faithfully,

DM

Wm. Mather Esq.,  
Banff.

Superintendent.

E.G.C.

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IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
FILE NO.

R.B.-10

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa.*

June 5, 1917.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of the 27th March enclosing a communication from Wm. Mather, Treasurer of the School Board, with regard to allowing the Banff school children free bathing privileges at the Cave and Basin and also re the appointment of a capable playground supervisor for the Recreation Grounds.

With regard to the former I may say that the Department has given the matter very careful consideration and is of the opinion that it would be inadvisable to begin the practice of granting free bathing privileges. If the exemption could be restricted to the Banff School children there would be little objection but as you point out, the Bathhouse has been erected by public money and it would be impossible to allow a privilege to residents of Banff and refuse it to visitors from other parts of the Dominion. Once the precedent were created there would undoubtedly be other request - such as the recent application of the War Veterans - which would have equally good, although different, grounds for consideration.

Therefore.....

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

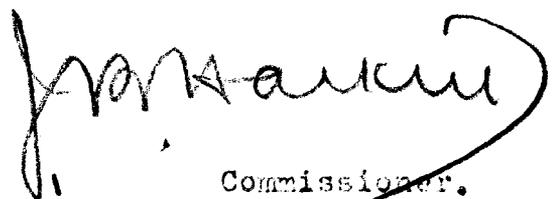


Therefore while the Department would very much like to see the Banff school children have this opportunity of learning to swim, in view of all the possibilities involved, it is considered unwise to create a precedent by allowing free bathing of any kind.

With regard to the request for the appointment of a playground supervisor I may say that there seems no doubt that organized play produces much better results than unorganized but to be a success, I understand, a supervisor should have special training and experience in this kind of work. While there is no doubt, as the Board points out, that Mr. Thomson adds greatly to the success of the Golf links, this cannot, I think, be considered a parallel case. The Golf links are maintained primarily as a tourist attraction and the presence of a professional adds greatly to their tourist value. The advantages to be derived from a supervised playground on the contrary are largely educational and would be restricted to the children of Banff. In small communities both playground and supervisor are usually provided by the educational authorities and while the playground in this case has been supplied by the Dominion authorities, trained instruction would not appear to be a matter for federal expenditure.

Regretting that this is the case,

Yours faithfully,

  
Commissioner.

# TELEGRAPH.

Confirmation.

Department of the Interior,

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Night Lettergram.

Ottawa, 21st May, 1917

W. J. Clarke,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Your wire May tenth re.  
veterans excursion request impossible to  
create precedent by granting free bathing  
privileges for Victoria Day. No objection  
to your allowing free use of tub baths for any  
veterans suffering from any troubles for which  
these might be good.

A. S. H. N. D. F. X. F. D.

Charge Interior.  
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B.2.2

22nd May, 1917

Dear Mitchell,

I have to-day received a communication from Head Office regarding your Victoria Day excursion and regret to say that owing to the large number of applications received for free bathing privileges it is impossible to create precedent by granting this privilege to your party. However, free use of the tub baths at the Upper Hot Springs will be allowed to any Veterans suffering from any trouble for which these might be good.

In regard to Sergt Pickard's account for dodgers amounting to \$3.50, I have paid this account and am enclosing herewith receipt for same. I may say that Sergt Pickard asked me not to use this money for anything but cigarettes and candies for the boys on the 24th.

Yours sincerely

J. W. Mitchell, Esqr.,  
Returned Veterans Association,  
CALGARY.

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Banff, May 10th 1917.

J. B. Harkin, Commissioner, Dom. Parks, Ottawa.

Committee of Victoria Day excursion called on me representing there would be five hundred veterans of War in the company and asked for free bathing privileges for them on that day. Kindly advise me.

S. J. Clarke.

Charge Government.

DM

B.2.2.

April 19th 1917.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th inst., relative to the use of the bath-houses by the children.

The matter has already been represented to the Department after receipt of a letter on the subject from members of the School Board, and as soon as I am in receipt of a reply, action will be taken.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

Rev. A. D. Archibald,

Banff.

DM

Banff April 17 1917

S J Clarke Esq

Superintendent

Rocky Mountains Park Banff

Dear Sir

A short time ago we approached the Banff School Board in reference to several matters affecting the welfare of the boys and girls of Banff. We feel that some of these matters come under your department and are therefore stating our case to you.

We have observed that although there are excellent opportunities for swimming in Banff yet few of the boys and girls have learned to swim any distance. Would it ~~not~~ be possible to allow them the free use of the Swimming pool at the Cave and Basin on Saturday mornings under the charge of some competent person provided they supply their own towels and bathing suits. Besides learning to swim they could be taught Life-saving.

Another matter that deserves attention is that of having a competent instructor to take charge of the Recreation Grounds. All over the continent the educational authorities are directing attention to the necessity of organised play for children. In a great many cities and towns Supervisors are appointed for Playgrounds and it has proven of great value for directing the play activities during the holiday season.

We believe that there are few Playgrounds better equipped than the Banff Recreation Grounds. With a competent instructor in charge parents would feel much easier in allowing their children to

to go there to play. Possibly visitors would also be attracted to Banff knowing that their children would have free use of a well-equipped Playground with a Supervisor in ~~charge~~ charge. From the ranks of the returned veterans there might possibly be found a man who could handle this work.

We are confident that these matters will commend themselves to you and we hope you may be able to take them up with the Department and secure action along these lines. We have been doing some work along the lines of play activities for the boys of Banff during the past winter and we believe your Department could do much along Playground activities during the coming summer.

Trusting this may meet with your favorable consideration

We are, Yours truly

..... *A. D. Archibald* .....

..... *John Macdonald* .....

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B.2.1. C O P Y:

R.4.2. National Park School,

Banff, March 24th 1917.

Mr S. J. Clarke,  
Superintendent, Rocky Mountains Parks Banff.

Dear Sir,

The Banff School Board, believing that every child attending school should be taught to swim and believing that the Parks Department would co-operate with us in promoting this feature, we would ask that the Banff School children, under the supervision of their teachers, be allowed the free use of the baths at Cave and Basin for their swimming lessons every Saturday morning between the hours of ten and twelve, they to provide their own suits and towels and to interfere in no way with the general bathing.

The Board would also like to take up with you the matter of having a capable Playground Supervisor engaged to take care of the Recreation Grounds and Building during the coming summer instead of the ordinary janitor usually employed. Probably a returned veteran qualified for this work could be secured at no additional cost to the Department.

We consider that the playgrounds as prepared by the Department have not yet been taken full advantage of, either by the visitors or by the residents of Banff, mainly because there is no one to promote interest in the various games that may be played there. It is probably no exaggeration to say that the Banff Golf Links owe their success largely to the fact that Mr Thompson is in charge and it seems to us that the recreation grounds need some one who will take the same interest in promoting play there that Mr Thompson takes in the promotion of the game of golf.

The educational authorities are now urging that more attention be given to the physical development of the school children than has been customary in the past, and suggests that organised play under competent supervision will produce the best results. We are expected to provide supervision of play in the school grounds during the school term. This leaves the holiday months of July and August unprovided for and for this reason we offer the above suggestions regarding the Government playgrounds.

Hoping that the matter will receive your favorable consideration and awaiting your reply.

Yours respectfully,  
Wm. Mather.  
Treasurer.

Cop d.m.

R.4.2.  
B.2.2.

March 27th 1917.

Dear Sir,

I am sending you herewith a letter received from Mr Wm Mather, treasurer of the School Board, in regard to free bathing for school children at stated hours and making a suggestion as to the appointment of a caretaker, or rather, playground director, at the Recreation Grounds.

If I offer a suggestion or two, it must not be understood that I oppose free bathing privileges to the school children. The opposite is the case. It will however occur to you that the Board is asking for special privileges which should be common to all the children of the Park, and Dominion for that matter, as the Park is not upheld by the inhabitants thereof, but by the whole Dominion. During the visitor season, for instance, any parent knowing the origin of the Park, as many of them are likely to do, might very reasonably ask why his visiting child is not allowed to have free bathing as well as the school children. It is not likely that Canmore Board would pay the expense of taking their children up to Banff to take advantage of the free bathing, but there is the possibility; and I would almost, in the case of Bankhead, call it probably that the children of that mining town would be spoken for. I am simply, however, trying to suggest the possibilities.

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In regard to the second proposition: One need not discuss the reason for the popularity of the golf course, nor, in fact, admit that the golf course is as popular as it might be, so far as the local population is concerned, to appreciate the argument of the School Board in favor of appointing a returned veteran to the Recreation Ground for the summer. The appointment of a man suitable for the organisation of the play, both of children and grown-ups, with the view--first, as far as we are concerned--of popularising the Recreation Grounds, has my entire support, and I have no doubt that we could get a suitable man for three months (July, August and September) without increasing our annual expenditure in this direction, the balance of expenditure being kept by decreasing the period which it covers.

I shall be glad to have your view of both matters.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner, Dom. Parks,  
O t t a w a .

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B.2.1.

C O P Y:

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Yours respectfully,  
Wm. Mather.  
Treasurer.

Cop d.m.

B.2.2.

October 26th 1916.

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Memorandum for Mr Walker:

Please arrange to make the same arrangements in regard to the Internment Camp and the bathing privileges as worked so well last year, and have the old pool into commission for the men who will be interned. The officers will, of course, have the privilege of using the baths anytime the establishment is open.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

III

**TELEGRAPH.**

Confirmation.

Department of the Interior,

B2-2

Light Telegrams.  
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Ottawa, 26 May, 1916



H. J. Clarke,  
Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

Regret application Freemasons  
free bathing privileges cannot be granted as  
establishment records would make it difficult for  
department refuse permission to other similar  
organizations in future which if given would result  
in loss of large source of revenue to park and would  
also present other difficulties and objections.

J. S. Harbin.

Chargé Interieur.

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Ottawa Ont., May. 26th-16.

S. J. Clarke,

Sup't. Rocky Mt'n. Park,

Banff, Alta.,



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J. B. Harkin.

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~~SECRET~~

INDEXED  
May 18th 1916.

Dear Sir,

The Grand Lodge of Freemasons, comprising between 200 and 300 persons are to meet here for three days beginning the 29th inst., and the Committee asks that out of compliment to the visitors, they should be allowed to use the baths free of charge once during their stay. Doubtless they will use them oftener but the privilege is only asked once. As others are providing free boating trips, free driving and the like, I would urge that the compliment be given, as it will be an advertisement to the place besides creating good feeling between the citizens, visitors and the Department.

Please wire if it is all right to grant permission.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner, Dom. Parks,  
O t t a w a .

DM

July 13th 1946.

Dear Sir,

S. B. 10:

In response to your letter of  
the 9th inst., regarding the  
the 9th inst., regarding the

I have to state that Mr. Gory, the deputy-  
minister, has o.k.'d the issue of the the bathing  
passon to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott.

Yours faithfully,

Quentin Moore.

J. B. Markin M.P.,

Commissioner, Port of Montreal.

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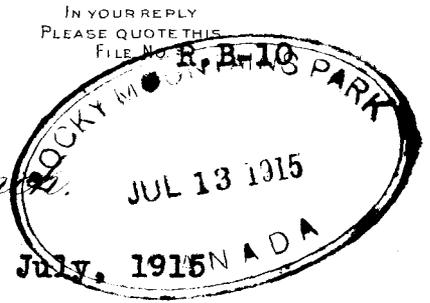
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*Dominion Parks Branch*

*Ottawa, 9th July, 1915* N A D A



Dear Sir, Banff File 346:

I have your letter of the 3rd instant regarding free bathing privileges for Mrs. Elliot and Miss Kathleen Elliot. You say that the application on their behalf was made by Mr. Cory, but do not indicate whether it was Mr. Lou Cory or the Deputy Minister.

Of course you understand that any instructions issued by the Deputy Minister will have to be looked upon favourably and literally carried out.

I assume that Mrs. and Miss Elliot are for the time being members of Mr. Cory's family and under the circumstances Mr. Cory's wishes with regard to bathing privileges I think should be carried out.

*OK  
D.W.L.*

The question of passes for the bath-house is one in regard to which general regulations will have to be laid down. I wish therefore that you would give the subject careful consideration and submit your ideas as to what these regulations should be.

Yours faithfully,

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DWJ/LMM



R.B.-10.  
D.P.

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa.*

June 29th, 1915.



Sir;-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, your file 346, in relation to free bathing permits at the bath houses in Banff, and in reply beg to advise you that this matter has been duly considered and it is felt that only two passes should be issued, one in favor of Mr. Ritchie and one for his assistant.

Yours faithfully,

*J. B. Harkin*  
Commissioner. *J. B. Harkin*

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

346

July 3rd 1915.

Dear Sir,

Mr Cory made application today for free bathing privileges to be issued to Mrs E. J. Elliot and Miss Kathleen Elliot, who are to remain in Banff all summer.

I provisionally issued these passes and shall be glad to be advised that they are rightly entitled to them.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner, Dom. Parks,  
O t t a w a .

DM

June 4th 1915.

Dear Sir,

Mr Duke, station agent at Banff, is under the impression that as a method of co-operating as between the C.P.R. and the Government, he should receive a free bathing permit. I don't think that my instruction proceeds to that extent.

Mr Ritchie, who is the local hydrographer, thinks he might get a similar favor, and at the same time one for his wife and for his assistant. While I hesitate at the issue of the three latter passes, I think, as Government servants, in the case of the two men, and as the wife of the principal Government servant concerned, in the case of the lady, that, if it is the intention of the Department to so interpret the order received last year, these three persons are entitled to passes.

I have another application from a special constable named Harry Hays, who is doing the house-keeping work for the Mounted Police here. This free-bathing privilege has always been extended to the Mounted Police; but the question is getting to be such a large one, that I have no inclination to let it go beyond the bounds of reason without an instruction from you. Yours faithfully,

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner, Dom. Parks,  
O t t a w a .

Superintendent.

B. B.

9311

August 29th 1914.

Dear Sir,

Please add to your list of free bathers the names of Mr and Mrs Guerin, the former of whom is acting as Janitor in room of Mr John Stewart who has gone to the Front with his regiment.

Yours truly,

For Superintendent.

Mr Walker.

Mr Garrett.

SJC/DM

2311

August 12th 1914.

Dear Sir,

H. O. File No. 573773:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst., relative to free bathing privileges for the squadron of the Mounted Police sent to Banff in connection with the Governor-General's visit:

It so happens that these men left on the 1st inst., coincident with H. R. Highness's departure; but as this does not explain the privilege extended in regard to bathing I would like to make the following statement: It has always been a rule in Banff, long before I took office, that the members of the Mounted Police had the privilege of the baths, and as there were no special reasons why the squadron present in connection with the Duke's visit should not have the same privilege, I issued the passes, and took the earliest possible opportunity of notifying Head Office by mail. I did not, indeed, deem the circumstance one worthy of being notified by wire, but have noted your wishes in this connection for future guidance.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,  
Commissioner, Dom. Parks,  
O t t a w a .

G. L.



File No. 573773,

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa,* August 7, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, file 2311 in which I note that you issued free bathing privileges to members of the Royal North West Mounted Police who were in Banff in connection with the visit of the Duke of Connaught, I beg to say that your action in this connection is approved, although I think in a case of this nature you might refer the matter to Ottawa, by wire if necessary.

Yours faithfully,

For Commissioner.

S. J. Clark, Esq.

Superintendent,

Rocky Mountains Park,

Banff, Alberta.

2311.

August 13th., 1914.

Dear Sir:- Your File R. B. - 10.

With reference to your letter of the  
1st. inst., I beg to enclose herewith a copy  
of the list of those entitled to free bathing.

Your obedient servant,

For Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esq.,  
Commissioner of Dom. Parks,  
OTTAWA, Ontario.

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LIST OF PERSONS ENTITLED TO FREE BATHING  
 GOVERNMENT BATHS, on June 18, 1914.

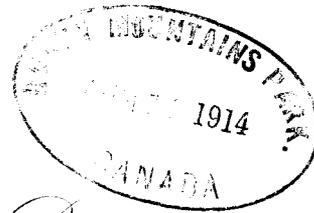
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"	" H,	"		"	
BANNERMAN,	" R,	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs
CARPENTER,	Silas H.	JOLIVET	A.E.	WILSON	Miss Rene
"	Mrs.	KAY	T.	"	" Bessie
"	Miss.	McAULAY	C.H.	WOODWORTH	Benj.
"	Master.	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs.
"	"	McDONALD	D.C.	"	Miss Ethel
CHILD,	James T.	"	John D.	"	Ben. Jr.
"	Mrs.	"	Eleanor	"	Maud
"	Cyril	McMAHON	O.D.	"	Annie
"	Miss B.	MATHESON	Don.	"	Fred
Clarke	S. J.	MELLOR	J.R.	"	Percy
"	Mrs.	MILLER	Miss M.M.	"	Mary
"	Miss M.	MUMFORD	L.S.	"	Adelia
"	William	"	Mrs.	"	John
"	John	NICHOLSON	Mrs (Mr Stewart's daughter and resident with him)	"	Joe
"	Walter	PEYTO	W.H.	WALKER	C.M.
COOMBE	S. W.	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs
COURTICE	W. H.	"	E.W.	LATIMER	W.R.
FULCHER	Mrs (D.D.G's daughter and resident with him.)	SANSON	N.B.	KNECHTEL	A.
"	Ronald.	SIBBALD	Howard	REID	W.C.
FINLAY	Miss (Mrs Clarke's sister).	"	Mrs.	RYAN	Sergt. D.
GALLETLY	D.D.	"	Miss Mary	WAKE	Const.
"	Miss Viva	"	" Dell	SMITH	"
HARRISON	Cyril	"	" Georgie		
HERVEY	P.C.B.	"	" Kina		
"	Mrs.	"	Hugh Ewen		
"	Capt. Harkett	STEWART	Mrs.		
"	Mrs. "	"	Miss L.M.		
"	Master Holcomb	"	David		
"	Miss Pennel	"	Mrs.		
"	Gerald	"	Miss Carrie		
"	Vivian	"	" Helen		
HILL	J.W.	"	John		
"	Mrs.	"	Mrs.		
"	Eric	"			
"	Dorothy	"			

LIST OF PERSONS ENTITLED TO FREE BATHING  
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ASTLEY,	Miss C,	HOLMES,	R	VISK	S.C.
"	" H,	"		"	
BANNERMAN,	" R,	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs
CARPENTER,	Silas H.	JOLIVET	A.E.	WILSON	Miss Rene
"	Mrs.	KAY	T.	"	" Bessie
"	Miss.	McAULAY	C.H.	WOODWORTH	Benj.
"	Master.	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs.
"	"	McDONALD	D.C.	"	Miss Ethel
CHILD,	James T.	"	John D.	"	Ben. Jr.
"	Mrs.	"	Eleanor	"	Maud
"	Cyril	McMAHON	O.D.	"	Annie
"	Miss B.	MATHESON	Don.	"	Fred
Clarke	S. J.	MELLOR	J.R.	"	Percy
"	Mrs.	MILLER	Miss M.M.	"	Mary
"	Miss M.	MUMFORD	L.S.	"	Adelia
"	William	"	Mrs.	"	John
"	John	NICHOLSON	Mrs (Mr Stewart's daughter and resident with him)	"	Joe
"	Walter	PEYTO	W.H.	WALKER	C.M.
COOMBE	S. W.	"	Mrs.	"	Mrs
COURTICE	W. H.	"	E.W.	LATIMER	W.R.
FULCHER	Mrs (D.D.G's daughter and resident with him.)	SANSON	N.B.	KNECHTEL	A.
"	Ronald	SIBBALD	Howard	REID	W.C.
FINLAY	Miss (Mrs Clarke's sister).	"	Mrs.	RYAN	Sergt. D.
GALLETLY	D.D.	"	Miss Mary	WAKE	Const.
"	Miss Viva	"	" Dell	SMITH	"
HARRISON	Cyril	"	" Georgie		
HERVEY	P.C.B.	"	" Kina		
"	Mrs.	"	Hugh Ewen		
"	Capt. Harkett	STEWART	Mrs.		
"	Mrs. "	"	Miss L.M.		
"	Master Holcomb	"	David		
"	Miss Pennel	"	Mrs.		
"	Gerald	"	Miss Carrie		
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"	Eric	"			
"	Dorothy	"			

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R.B.-10



*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa,* August 1st, 1914.

Dear Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th ultimo, file 2311, with which you stated you were enclosing a copy of the list of those entitled to free bathing. No list was enclosed and I would ask you to forward same.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. H. ...".

Commissioner.

Superintendent,

Rocky Mountains Park,

Banff, Alberta.

2311

July 29th 1914.

Dear Sir,

There is a detachment of fourteen members of the R. N. W. M. P. here, in connection with the visit to the National Park of the Governor General and his party and upon request of Inspector Proby, I took it upon myself to issue free bathing privileges to them in common with the members of the Departmental service in Banff.

I am quite sure you will approve of my action in this matter as, I believe, a similar compliment has been extended in the past when asked for. I shall, however, be glad to hear that my action is approved as a guide to similar future occasions.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin Esq.,

Commissioner, Dom. Parks,

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2311

July 29th, 1914.

Dear Sir,

So long as they remain in Banff the following members of the R. N. W. M. P. have been granted free bathing privileges and tickets have been issued to them:

Inspr. Proby; S/W Griffin ; Sgt. Brinkworth; Cpl. Shaver; and Constables Watson, Redwood, Jeffries, Kingston; Mooney, Barber, Potter, Harvey, Wisheart, and Key.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

Mr John Walker. Cave and Basin.

Mr Walter Garrett, Hot Springs.

SJC/DB

In reply, refer  
to No. ....

FORM No. 40.  
400-18-9-11.

MEMORANDUM.

Royal North-West Mounted Police.

191.....

To.....

- Supt. W. H. ...
- S. M. ...
- Sgt. Brundage
- S. H. ...
- S. W. ...
- Redwood
- " Jeffers
- " Kingston
- " ...
- " Barber
- " Potter
- " Harvey
- " Wisheart
- " Reay.

2311

July 23rd 1914.

Dear Sir,

Please add to your list of those entitled to free bathing the following names, to each of whom tickets have been issued today:

T. H. Melrose,  
D. R. Calder,  
C. W. Roney,  
William Bennett,  
C. Norton,  
A. Haynes,  
W. Arnold.

These are the names of the staff presently working with Mr Walker, Land Surveyor for the Parks Branch.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

Mr Walker,  
Mr Garrett.

SJC/DM.

2311.

July 15, 1914.

Dear Sir:- Your File R. B.-10.

In reference to your letter of the 7th. inst. I beg to enclose herewith copy of the list of those entitled, according to your instructions, to free bathing.

I may say, however, that only a small fraction of the total number of passes have been issued. They are being issued as applied for, but I do not think that anything approaching the total number will be applied for.

Yours very truly,

Superintendent.

J. B. Harkin, Esq.,

Commissioner of Dom. Parks,

OTTAWA, Ontario.

DM/RB

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ADDRESS YOUR REPLY  
"TO THE SECRETARY  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
OTTAWA"



IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
FILE NO  
R.B. 10

*2311*  
**Department of the Interior.**  
Canada.

*Ottawa. 7th July, 1914.*

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of your letter of the 22nd ultimo, file 3869 A and 3927, enclosing a list of names to be added to those entitled to free baths. I am directed to ask you to furnish for the information of the Department a copy of the original list furnished the caretakers of the bathhouse.

Your obedient servant,

*L. P. Curran*

secretary.

The superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*[Faint handwritten notes, possibly including a signature and some illegible text]*

2311

July 6th 1914.

Dear Sir,

Please add the following names to your list of those entitled to free use of the Government Baths, as per my recent communications to you.

Cards will be issued to these gentlemen as they make application:

Capt. A.W. Gray.  
John Stinson,  
James Wardle,  
E. T. Rod,  
F. Butler.

Yours truly,

For Superintendent.

Mr John Walker, Cave and Basin,  
Mr Walter Garrett, Hot Springs.

SJC/DM

*Handwritten notes:*  
Oedipus  
Thebes  
Lionel Lincoln

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old Carpenter  
Gordon  
Marjorie  
Mildred

~~W. J. G. G.~~

Banff, Alta. June 18, 1914.

5032

I am enclosing herewith a pass which will enable you to use the Government baths at Banff, free of charge. You will be required to register each time the pass is used.

I am requested to inform you that the pass is strictly not transferable, and that should any other party than that to whom it is issued be found attempting to use the pass, it will be immediately cancelled.

A. J. CLARK.

MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR.

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MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR.

2311

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June 19th, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to inform you that it has been decided to grant permanent officers of the department, and their families, free bathing facilities at the Government Baths in Banff.

It will be necessary for you to arrange that parties using these passes to enter otherwise than through the turnstiles and to keep a book for registration purposes when these passes are used.

I am preparing a list and will issue cards to those entitled to use these passes, which are strictly not transferable. If any case of attempt to transfer should arise you are to, without fail, take up the pass and report the matter to this office.

List will be sent you in the course of a day or two, when parties have been consulted as to its compilation.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

Mr John Walker, Cave and Basin.  
Mr Walter Garrett, Hot Springs.

SJC/DM

2511.

June 26, 1914.

Sir :-

Kindly add the following names  
to the list of those entitled to free  
bathing in the Government Baths at Banff:-

Harold Carpenter  
Gordon Carpenter  
Marjorie Carpenter  
Mildred Carpenter.

Yours truly,

For Superintendent.

W. Garrett, Esq.,  
Hot Springs,

John Walker Esq.,  
Cave & Basin,  
Banff, Alta.

WGH.

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2311

June 19th, 1914.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing herewith a list of these, who by the recent authority received from Head Office, are entitled to free bathing in the Government Baths at Banff.

I am issuing "Not transferable" card passes to the persons mentioned on the list, and will take the first opportunity of sending you a book in which will be kept a record of those taking advantage of the privilege of free bathing, and the dates.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

Mr John Walker, Cave and Basin.

Mr Walter Garrett, Hot Springs.

SJC/DM

LIST OF PERSONS ENTITLED TO FREE BATHING, GOVERNMENT  
BATHS, at June 18th, 1914.

ASTLEY, Miss C. " Helena	HOLMES, R.	VICK S. C.
BANNERMAN, Miss Reta,	" Mrs.	" Mrs
CARPENTER Silas H.	JOLIVET A. E.	WILSON Miss Rene
" Mrs,	KAY, T.	" " Bessie
" Miss,	McAULAY C. H.	WOODWORTH B.
" Master	" Mrs	" Mrs.
" "	McDONALD, D. C.	WALKER C.M.
CHILD, James T.	" John D.	" Mrs.
" Mrs	" Eleanor.	
" Cyril,	McMAHON, O. D.	
" Miss B.	MATHESON, Don.	
CLARKE S. J.	MELLOR, J. R.	
" Mrs	MILLER, Miss M. M.	
" Miss Margaret,	MUMFORD, L. S.	
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" Ronald	" E. W.	
" Adeline	SANSON N. B.	
" Lydia.	SIBBALD, Heward,	
FINLAY Miss (Mrs Clarke's sister).	" Mrs	
GALLETLY, D. D.	" Miss Mary	
" Miss.	" " Georgie	
HARRISON, C.	" " Del.	
HERVEY P. C. B.	" " Kina.	
" Mrs	" Hugh.	
" Capt. Harkett, <i>July 6</i>	STEWART Ewen.	
" Mrs.	" Mrs	
" Master Helcomb. <i>July 6</i>	" Miss Lena S.	
" Miss Pennel,	" David,	
" Gerald	" Mrs	
" Vivian. <i>July 6</i>	" Miss Helen,	
HILL J. W.	" " Carrie,	
" Mrs	" John	
" Eric	" Mrs	
" Dorothy		

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CARPENTER Silas H. <i>June 26th</i>	<del>JOLLYET A. B.</del> <i>June 19</i>	<del>WILSON Miss Rene</del> <i>June 20</i>
" Mrs.	<del>KAY, T.</del> <i>"</i>	" WOODWORTH B.
" Miss,	McAULAY C. H.	" Mrs.
" Master	" Mrs	<i>Walker CW</i>
" "	<del>McDONALD, D. C.</del> <i>19th June</i>	<i>" Mrs</i>
CHILD, James T.	" John D. <i>"</i>	<i>Comber W.H.</i>
" Mrs	" Eleanor.	<i>Zabner, W.H.</i>
" Cyril,	<del>McMAHON, O. D.</del> <i>June 19</i>	<i>Knockhill, A.</i>
" Miss B.	<del>MATHESON, Dan.</del> <i>"</i>	<i>Reed W.C.</i>
CLARKE S. J.	MELLOR, J. R.	<i>Capt. P. Ryan</i>
" Mrs	<del>MILLER, Miss M. M.</del> <i>June 19</i>	<i>Const Wake</i>
" Miss Margaret,	MUMFORD, L. S.	<i>" Smith</i>
" William,	" Mrs.	<i>Parfiter H.</i>
" John,	NICHOLSON Mrs (Mr Stewart's daughter and resident with him)	<i>" G.</i>
" Walter,	PEYTO, W. H.	<i>Margorie</i>
<del>COOMBE, S. W.</del> <i>June 19</i>	" Mrs	<i>Richard</i>
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FINLAY Miss (Mrs Clarke's sister).	" Miss Mary	
GALLETLY, D. D.	" <i>Georgie</i> <i>June 19</i>	
" Miss.	" <i>Dell</i> <i>"</i>	
HARRISON, C.	" <i>Kina.</i> <i>"</i>	
HEVVEY P. C. B.	" <i>Hugh.</i> <i>"</i>	
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" Vivian.	" <i>Carrie,</i>	
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" Eric		
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IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
FILE NO.

R. B-10

*Dominion Parks Branch.*

*Ottawa, 8th June, 1914*



Dear Sir,

The question has arisen as to whether the permanent officers of Rocky Mountains Park and their families should be allowed free bathing privileges. It has been decided to authorize you to issue passes to the permanent officers and all member of their families. It will be necessary for you to arrange for parties using these passes to enter otherwise than through the turnstile. It will also be necessary for you to require caretakers of the bath-houses to keep a book showing each time a pass is used and by whom.

*a.s.f.*

You will of course be expected to impress upon any parties to whom you issue passes that they are not transferable and that any pass used by any other person than the one in whose name it is issued will be immediately taken up by the caretaker of the bath-house and returned to you for cancellation.

Yours faithfully,

The Superintendent,  
Rocky Mountains Park,  
Banff, Alberta.

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

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June 19th, 1914.

Dear Sir.

I am directed to inform you that it has been decided to grant movement officers of the Department, and their families, free bathing facilities at the Government Baths in Banff.

It will be necessary for you to issue a list of names in order to be able to check names through the turnstiles and to keep a book for registration purposes when these passes are used.

I am preparing a list and will issue cards to those entitled to use these passes, which are strictly not transferable. If any case of attempt to transfer should arise you are to, without fail, take up the pass and report the matter to this office.

List will be sent you in the course of a day or two, when parties have been consulted as to its compilation.

Yours truly,

Superintendent.

Mr John Walker, Cave and Basin.  
Mr Walter Garrett, Hot Springs.

SJC/DH

File No. 3869 A.

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May 8th. 1912

Dear Sir:---

I am directed to advise you that it has been thought advisable to make a definite restriction with regard to chinamen bathing at the Springs and that it has been decided to allow them to bathe in the morning between seven and eight O'clock but no other time during the day. The commissioner is also of the opinion the same restrictions should apply to negroes, but is so far unable to issue definite instructions in this connection. You will therefore be further communicated with in this regard at a later date.

Mr. John Walker,  
Banff.  
GRR/LB.

Your obedient servant.  
Superintendent.

Department of the Interior



FILE No. 785

Canada.

Office of the

Commissioner of Dominion Parks

Edmonton, April 27, 1912

Dear Sir;-

Referring to your letter written some time ago with regard to Chinamen and Negroes bathing in the pool at Banff during the same hours as ordinary bathers. In reply I might say I took this matter up with the Deputy Minister at Ottawa and I am in receipt of a reply stating that it is not thought advisable to make definite restriction against the negroes as a class, it is however, considered that restrictions with regard to Chinamen can be enforced, and it has been decided to allow them to bath any morning between seven and eight, but at no other time during the day, in future.

With regard to the Negroes, I will take the matter up again with the Deputy, as I certainly think there should be some regulations governing them as well.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Chief Superintendent Dominion Parks.

A. B. Macdonald, Esq.,

Supt. Rocky Mountains Park,

Banff, Alta.

HD/AW

3869

BEST COPY AVAILABLE

August 8, 1910.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to inform you that it has been decided that in the future negroes and chinamen will not be allowed to bath until after eight o'clock in the evening and I would request you to notify such people, when coming to bath, as nicely as possible that steps have had to be taken for the interests of all parties concerned,

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Superintendent.

Earnest Able, Esq.,

Cave & Basin,

Banff.

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