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Replies to circular letter no. 42,
relating to estimates of funds
required for Carlisle School
during the fiscal year 1902.

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

CARLISLE, PA., August 3, 1900.

The Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Replying to your circular letter of the 20th ult. marked "Education No. 42" relating to estimate of funds required for this school for the fiscal year 1902, I have respectfully to inform you that the school plant as a whole is in fair condition, ordinary necessary repairs having been kept up during the year, and material additions made.

The school has a present enrollment of 929 pupils; the average for ten school months Sept. to June inclusive was 985 and for the year, 981: the greatest number enrolled at any time was 1027, while the total number under care during the year was 1205.

The pupils from this school are drawn from nearly all the tribes within the United States who are eligible to attend government schools. The only limitations are against taking from the five civilized tribes, and I venture the assertion in regard to these that conditions among them would be far better than they now are, if for the last twenty years their children had been provided with opportunities such as are presented by this school.

The value of the plant has been increased over that reported last year by additions to the academic building of four class rooms, a sloyd room, a laboratory for the senior department, and six recitation rooms. Also by the building of a double dwelling for employees'

use. The plant now represents an approximate value of \$187,500 exclusive of land and appliances.

The sewerage system provided for last year has been completed and is satisfactory, the discharge being 4,000 ft. from the school into a stream. The water supply is the same as furnished the town of Carlisle, the quality not of the best. The capacity of the main is not equal to our needs in case of fire if dependent on that alone, but having three large cisterns and good fire engine, we are passably safe.

The steam heating plant, which had become old and inadequate, is being improved by the placing of four 150 H. P. boilers which will give ample boiler capacity. A brick smoke stack 110 ft. high is being built and steam mains laid to the new buildings, leaving to next year the work of general overhauling of the mains which will then be necessary. The lighting is more satisfactory through an improved system of supply current from the town company. The rates have been reduced and the service is economical.

During the next fiscal year I wish to renovate by replastering the large boys' dormitory., a building 36x292 ft. 3 stories high built in 1886, and also to add to the capacity of the small boys' dormitory, all of which at a cost of \$6,000.00.

In order to give more room to our industrial departments, it is necessary to take rooms now used for storage. It will be best to extend the present storehouse by an addition of 40x50 ft., having two stories and basement at a cost of \$3,000.00.

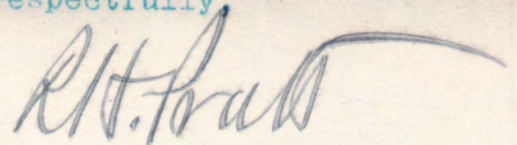
We must relay and recover pipes conducting steam to the different buildings on the premises, and provide better regulating valves, traps, man hole heads etc. This will cost \$3500.00.

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There will be other minor improvements and repairs necessary and I submit that for the proper conduct of this school including transportation of pupils to and from, including the ordinary repairs and improvements designated to enable us to carry 1,000 or more pupils during the fiscal year 1902, we had better have the same appropriation of \$150,000 we have this year.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R.H. Paul". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Major 10th Cavalry, Supt.

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