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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Indian Industrial School
CARLISLE, PA.

May 13, 1914

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THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Authority is respectfully requested to expend, during the fiscal year 1914, the sum of \$ 500.00 from the appropriation

- (1) Indian Moneys Proceeds of Labor, Carlisle School \$ 500.00
- (2) _____ \$
- (3) _____ \$
- (4) _____ \$

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for the following:

OBJECT. (HERE TABULATE SEPARATELY ITEMS FOR AGENCY, SCHOOL, POLICE, ETC., SHOWING PURPOSE OF EACH.) (Do not crowd this space—use leading sheets, Form 5-262 c, if necessary.)	UNIT PRICE.	AMOUNT.
<p style="text-align: right; color: red;">FILED BY C. P. F.</p> <p>To pay irregular pupil labor required for cultivating farm crops and unusually large gardens at the school, at not to exceed 50¢ per day.</p> <p style="text-align: right; color: red;">FUNDS O. K. MAY 13 1914</p> <p style="color: green; font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">Esch</p>		500.00
TOTAL,		500.00

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O. K. *HL*
Chief of Section.
Approved, program authority accordingly.
Stinson
Chief of Education Division.
5/18/14
Spe. Appro.

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Authority granted for \$ _____

MAY 21 1914

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Very respectfully,

Oscar Hipps

Supervisor S. S. D. A.

(Official designation.)

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Any explanation concerning this proposed expenditure must be made in a separate letter.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL
CARLISLE, PA.

May 13, 1914.



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

FILED BY C. F. F.

Sir:

I transmit herewith a request for authority to expend the sum of \$500, "Indian Moneys Proceeds of Labor, Carlisle School," in the payment of irregular pupil labor required for cultivating farm crops and unusually large gardens at the school, at not to exceed 50¢ per day.

I am informed that the Congressional Investigating Committee criticised quite severely the lack of vegetables provided for the pupils' tables. Upon inquiry I have discovered that the reason for this is that heretofore only about six acres have been devoted to the production of garden vegetables for the entire school. I am told that this small acreage has been all that could be properly cared for with the small number of pupils that were kept at the school during the vacation months. There is always a great demand for our boys among the farmers and most of them who are available for farmwork have been permitted to go out and work on farms under the Outing System. In this way they have been able to not only get practical instruction in farming, but also to earn from fifty to seventy-five cents per day.

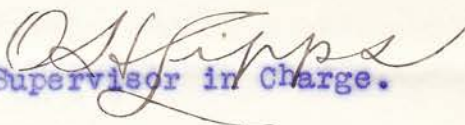
This season, we have undertaken to plant about thirty acres in garden. We are planting about four acres in onions, several acres in carrots, beets, cabbage, beans, peas, tomatoes, etc., all of which require a great deal of careful hand labor. We will require a large detail of boys to properly cultivate and care for these vegetables. Practically all of the boys now working on the farms and in the gardens could be placed on country farms where they could earn from fifty to seventy-five cents per day. They feel that it is not quite fair to them to be required to remain at the school and work during the summer months to produce vegetables for the entire school, when a large number of the other boys are doing similar work under the outing system and receiving pay therefor. Considering the matter from this viewpoint, it would seem only fair and reasonable to pay these boys not to exceed 50¢ per day for their labor. This practice has been in vogue at the Chillico Indian School for several years and with very satisfactory results. I am informed that it was also customary to pay the boys at this school for their work during vacation months, the amount paid ranging from ten to fifty cents per day, depending upon what each individual boy was worth. Inasmuch as the fund "Indian Moneys Proceeds of Labor, Carlisle School" is derived largely from the sale of hogs and other farm products, it would appear perfectly legitimate to use a portion of this fund to pay the boys who produce it.

I talked this matter over with Inspector Linnen recently, and he was of the opinion that it would be only fair to the farm boys to pay them a small wage for their labor. Recently the Office authorized me to pay the shop boys at not to exceed \$1.00 per day for labor in connection with making needed repairs and improvements at the school. This experiment is proving very successful and we are now engaged in making numerous repairs to the various buildings, and the work is being done in a very satisfactory manner and at quite a saving in cost to the Government, as heretofore it has been the custom to employ white mechanics for this work at from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per day.

Please give this matter prompt attention as the season is now well advanced, and we are greatly behind with our work and I should like to do something to encourage the boys to little stronger effort.

Very respectfully,

OHL:SR


Supervisor in Charge.