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Capt. W. A. Mearns,

Carlisle, Pa.

Mar. 11-1905,

Request with, to ex-  
pend \$314.<sup>00</sup> in pur-  
chase of material for  
construction of a pavilion  
for tubercular patients;

Yours

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To Supt. - March 28, 1905.

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INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.  
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*J.R.W.*  
March 11, 1905.

To the Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Sir:

I have the honor to invite your attention to the inclosed copy of a letter of this date from the school physician relative to the advisability of erecting pavilions for the accommodation of patients suffering with tuberculosis at this school. I feel confident that the money necessary for this purpose would be well expended as we always have several cases of this kind here at the school, and when it is undesirable for various reasons to return to their homes. With the present method of out of door treatment for consumptives it is believed that we will be able to effect cures in a great many cases, whereas if the pupils are sent home as is now the practice their cases would probably terminate fatally for want of proper care and home surroundings.

I have therefore the honor to recommend that I be authorized to expend \$314 in purchasing the necessary material with which to construct the desired pavilion as per estimate hereto attached.

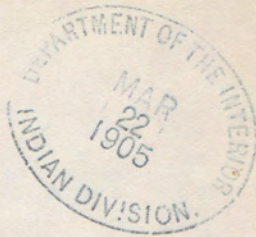
I trust this matter will be acted upon at the earliest possible date as we have here at the present time several tubercular patients whom it is impracticable to send home owing to distance, lack of proper home surroundings, and other reasons.

Very respectfully,

*W. A. Mercer*

Captain 7th Cavalry,  
Superintendent.

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Estimate of material for pavilion to hospital.

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2	pieces Hemlock,	4"x8"x40'	= 214 ft.	
2	"	"	4"x8"x12'	= 74
26	"	"	2"x10"x12'	= 420
30	"	"	2"x6"x16'	= 480
8	"	"	4"x4"x12'	= 128
105	"	"	2"x4"x12'	= 845
50	"	"	2"x6"x12'	= 600
			<u>2761 ft.</u>	@ \$22 per M. = \$61.00

600 ft. N.C. flooring @ \$30,	18.00
600 ft. steel ceiling,.....	28.00
800 ft. siding, @ \$55 .....	45.00
1000 ft. Sheeting boards @ \$22,.....	22.00
300 ft. 2" pine @ \$50,.....	15.00
Roofing,.....	50.00
Nails and hardware,.....	12.00
Doors and frames,.....	10.00
20 pieces 6"x6"x4' locust,.....	4.00
400 ft. wire screen ,.....	24.00
Painting,.....	25.00
	<u>\$314.00</u>

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CARLTON W. A. MERCER, CIVIL ENGINEER

JOHN B. WISE

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he had been there for some time and had been well  
and well upon the plan suggested by Dr. Simpson General  
Department Indian Hospital in that city. These tents or pavil-  
ions were inspected the one-door comprehensive pavilions in use at  
this time object in view I spent a day while in Kansas  
to them any other treatment yet devised.  
The method of treating consumption has universally given better  
results than any other method of treatment. It has been thought  
that they could be given the benefit of the open air treatment.  
It has been thought advisable to institute some method by  
which from time to time which cannot always be said to be  
view of the fact that cases of tuberculosis are at this  
season of the year in the Indian Territory.  
Office of the Indian Division  
Washington, D. C.  
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MARCH 11 1905  
Capt. W.A. Mercer, Supt.  
Carlisle Industrial School,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Sir:

In view of the fact that cases of tuberculosis arise at this school from time to time, which cannot always be sent to their homes, it has been thought advisable to institute some method by which they could be given the benefit of the open air treatment. This method of treating consumption has universally given better results than any other treatment yet devised.

With this object in view I spent a day while in Washington last week inspecting the out-door consumptive pavilions in use at the Washington Asylum hospital in that city. These tents or pavilions are built upon the plan suggested by Ex-Surgeon General Sternberg of the U.S. Army. They are inexpensive buildings and can be built here on the ground with but little trouble. I was informed that since they have been in use at the Washington Asylum hospital, about one year their results in the treatment of consumptives have been very much better than under many other method of treatment. In fact, a number of patients have been discharged cured.

I therefore respectfully recommend that authority be asked for the erection of two consumptive pavilions, one for male and one for female patients with a capacity of at least six to each.

Very respectfully,

F. Shoemaker.

School Physician.