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MINNESOTA  
PONSFORD, ST. THEODORE'S MISSION AND  
LEECH LAKE RESERVATION MISSIONS  
1926

40-34

January 15, 1926.

Rev. Felix Melles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I enclose herewith Bureau check in the sum  
of \$1, received from Miss Mattie Andring of Minnesota, for you.

Kindly forward through this Bureau a brief  
letter of thanks for the donor.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

JS:ER

40-34

Rev. Felix Nelles, O. S. B.,  
Ponsford, Minn.

February 19, 1926

Dear Father Nelles:

Enclosed please find a copy of my letter to John P. Daleiden Co.,  
of Illinois.

Kindly forward through this Bureau a letter of thanks for trans-  
mittal to Mrs. J. Donovan of Bradford, Mass., the donor of this gift, as  
soon as you receive it.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

JS/MB.

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Rec'd MAR 1 1926 Sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Ans \_\_\_\_\_ Ret \_\_\_\_\_  
Poll'd \_\_\_\_\_ Masses \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filled \_\_\_\_\_ Refund listed \_\_\_\_\_  
Ship't \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to I. S. \_\_\_\_\_ D. G. or Ref \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_ Check sent \_\_\_\_\_

Poncaford, Minn 40-34  
Feb 25, 1926

My Rev. and dear Father:

Got your two last notes in regard to chalice & lamp.  
I am leaving today for the Peck Lake missions and will not be home for about a month. So, please, be not too much in a hurry to hear from me.

Sincerely  
Fr. Felix Keller O.S.A.

40-34

March 9, 1926.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Nelles:

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$1, received  
for you through Rev. J. M. Kasel, Diocesan Director of the  
Propagation of the Faith Society, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Please send me a letter of thanks addressed to  
Father Kasel, for transmittal to him.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

ER.

March 12, 1926.

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Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Nelles:

I enclose herewith three checks made in your favor,  
for \$15 from the Misses Anastasia, Lena and Rose Sipchen, San  
Antonio, Texas.

Please send me a letter of thanks for transmittal  
to the Misses Sipchen. Mention in your letter that the gifts  
were received through the Propagation of the Faith Office, Mil-  
waukee, Wisconsin.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

ER.

May 3, 1926.

Rev. Felix Helles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$100, the gift of the Marquette League out of its general treasury to you. This is not a designated gift from an individual through the Marquette League to you.

The Bureau has held up the transmittal of this amount at the direction of Father Flynn, who wished to confer with me personally. Father Flynn now wishes, and it is very agreeable to the Bureau, that this money should be sent.

Please make acknowledgment direct to Rev. William J. Flynn, 105 E. 22nd St., New York City, N. Y.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

WH:ER

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Reg'd MAY 1926 Amt. 3.00 Ch.  
 Ans'd 10/10/26 Dr.  
 Order filed 3021 Reim'd listed & Hughes P.O.  
 Ship't. DR Men. OK at New York N.Y.  
 Copy to I. S. W. G. of  
 Copy to Bureau Washington D.C.

Ball Club Miami <sup>70-34</sup>  
 May 4 1926

Dear Father:

If Mr. James Walsh and Miss Anna  
 Reh have sent other boxes than those  
 I answered and for which I received  
 return notice from you, I have not  
 as yet received them.

Miss Harrington wrote to me  
 and I answered her that the lamp was  
 most likely lost and she has answered  
 since that she would look after it.

Thank you much for your  
 interest in my missions

Sincerely  
 J. Felix Mellor O.S.B.

TYPESCRIPT OF PRECEDING DOCUMENT

COPIY FOR: *Bureau*

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BALL CLUB, MINNESOTA.  
May 4, 1926.

Rt. Rev. Wm. Hughes,  
2021 H Street, N.W.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Father:

If Mr. James Walsh and Miss Anna Reh have sent other boxes than those I answered and for which I received return notice from you, I have not as yet received them.

Miss Harrington wrote to me and I answered her that the lamp was most likely lost and she has answered since that she would look after it.

Thank you very much for your interest in my missions.

Sincerely,

COPIED BY JR

(Signed) Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.

70-34

May 10, 1926.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minn.

Dear Father Nelles:

I have your letter of May 4, copy of  
which I return herewith.

With regard to the shipments sent by  
Mr. James Walsh and by Miss Anna Beh, I wish to  
say that my letter asking for a letter of thanks  
for each of the donors, and your letter acknow-  
ledging the gifts, crossed in the mails. Hence,  
you need not worry as to whether or not other  
shipments were on their way to you.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

JR

44-34

May 17, 1926.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Fonsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I have a gift of \$1,000 for the erection of a chapel to be built in memory of the deceased parents of the donor, Mrs. Charles Drueding. This gift was forwarded to me by Rev. Thomas J. McKay, D.D., Diocesan Director of the Propagation of the Faith of Philadelphia. Doctor McKay mentions your name as one to whom the gift might be sent. The donor does not designate a particular mission or missionary, nor does she request any particular name for the chapel. Doctor McKay leaves the choice to the missionary, but adds that a title of Our Lady would be acceptable. Sometime ago you said that you would be glad to accept a gift of \$500 for the erection of a chapel but that it would take your Indians sometime to collect enough to bring the chapel fund up to \$1,000 and that this would cause a delay in the erection of the chapel. Should you accept Mrs. Drueding's gift for the erection and completion of the chapel you had in mind, I will ask you to write me at once a letter of thanks addressed to Doctor McKay. In the letter state the place where the chapel will be located, the approximate date when work will be begun on it if possible and any other things that you think might interest the donor. Include in your letter the promise of two photographs of the chapel when completed. On receipt of your letter of thanks, I will forward to you Bureau check for \$1,000 to cover this gift. As Doctor McKay is anxious to receive a definite reply to this gift, I will ask you to inform me in the matter by return mail if possible. If you can not see your way clear to erect and complete the chapel with this gift, I will have to communicate with another missionary.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

SF:ER

\* Set the date as early as possible, even if you fear there may be delay. Do not mention fear of delay. You can answer as if the money were in your hands. It will be as soon as you accept. But start no building until you have the money.

May 22, 1926.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Fonsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I am in receipt of a letter from Miss Mary M. Harrington, dated May 18, in which she states that the express company put a tracer on the Sanctuary Lamp and that she has been informed that this package was delivered and signed for by a person named Robeson at Park Rapids. Kindly have this matter looked up as soon as possible and write me about it so I can inform Miss Harrington.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

JWELER

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Rec'd JUN 5 1926  
 Amt. \_\_\_\_\_ Cl.  
 Ent. \_\_\_\_\_ Cu.  
 Masses \_\_\_\_\_ Dr.  
 Refund listed \_\_\_\_\_ P.O.  
 Order \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ship \_\_\_\_\_  
 Copy to I. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

Onigum, Minn  
 June 2, 1926

Dear Rev. Father:  
 I have not got the address of Miss Harrington  
 here so please forward the enclosed  
 note to her.  
 Most likely the lamp was lost on the  
 stage and cannot be found. It is  
 quite that if anyone found he did not  
 try to return it to the stage or give it  
 to me.

Sincerely  
 Fr. John Keller S.S.

40-34

June 7, 1926.

Rev. Felix Melles, O.S.B.,  
St. Theodore's Mission,  
Ponsford, Minn.

Dear Father Melles:

I inclose herewith copy of my letter to Miss Harrington. I appreciate your sending the letter through this office. It keeps me informed and it keeps the friends of Indian missions interested.

If Miss Harrington does not replace the lamp, the Bureau will have to. I assume that you do not wish to hold the stage driver or the stage company responsible for the loss because of the favors which they show you. If this is not the case, why not hold them responsible? If you wish to hold them responsible, let me know and I will inform you of the cost of the lamp.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

WH:JR

40-37  
June 9, 1926.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$1,000 covering the gift of Mrs. Charles Brueding through the Propagation of the Faith Society of Philadelphia for the erection of a chapel which you say will be built at Cass Lake, and will be completed by the end of the summer.

I have forwarded to Doctor McKay, the letter of thanks which I received from you today, copy of which I enclose herewith.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

SP:ER

*Let us know the name for our records*



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Rec'd JUN 18 1926 Amt \_\_\_\_\_ Ga.  
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Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Ship to \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_

Parriford, Minn 40-34  
June 15, 1926

Rev. dear Father:  
I hope that you can see your way clear  
to let me get the one thousand for a  
chapel. With the 1000.00 and with what I  
have promised I could build & finish  
the two chapels I have in contemplation  
Widokawishin nosee (help me Father).

Sincerely,  
Rev. Felix Jelles O.S.B.

Cass Lake, Minn. 40-34

(REC'D JUNE 17, 1926)

The Catholic Indian Congress  
this year was held at Cass  
Lake from June 26 to June  
30th. Indians had gathered  
together from the different  
reservations: Pomfret, Round  
Lake, Kitahwauch, Island Lake,  
White Earth, Red Lake, Onigum,  
Bena, Ball Club and various  
~~the various other smaller missions~~  
united with Cass Lake to  
make the congress a success.

To a stranger who has never  
seen the Indians gathered  
together at a congress  
it is a unique spectacle.  
All he knows of the Indian  
is that he was, and still, is  
a savage people, who know  
little about civilized life.

and less about religion. However  
that same strength if he could  
understand the Indian  
language, he would be supplied  
to hear the Indian speak with  
a rare fluency on religious  
subjects and other useful  
matters and he would  
wonder where the Indian  
got all this knowledge so  
foreign to his former mode  
of life. All this religious  
knowledge he got, from his  
beloved black gown and  
most of his other knowledge  
not. I repeat, of course,  
of the older Indians.  
The schools have helped  
but they need not be  
over proud of their products.

The Indians in their meetings gave speeches on religious and other useful subjects. The best speeches were given on divine confession, and frequent communion. The evenings were given over to prayer and songs.

In the mornings were mass and Holy Communion.

Father John O.S.B.

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On May 26 to the 30<sup>th</sup> a mission was given at Ball Club. It was a success. The Indians came for miles to hear the priest, Father Papineau. The Indians were sorry that the mission was so short they would have liked to listen to him for some days more.

On May 31 to June 3<sup>rd</sup> a mission was given at Ponsford. <sup>the priest Papineau</sup> The Indians came good to listen to the sermon. Father Felix, the missionary, was not able to stay during the whole mission he was called away on a sick call to Orignon.

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May 20<sup>th</sup>  
On the last day of the  
mission the children  
made their first holy  
communion. 18 boys and  
14 girls

On June 4 Corpus Christi  
was celebrated at Ball  
Club. It was the celebration  
its kind at that place.  
All the Indians were  
present together with  
quite a number of  
strangers. They told  
the missionary afterwards  
that they were much  
surprised and edified  
by the conduct of the  
Indians.

Father Felix C. P. B.

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COPY FOR: BUREAU

[REC'D JUNE 17 1926]

40-34

Cass Lake, Minnesota.

The Catholic Indian Congress this year was held at Cass Lake from June 26 to June 30. Indians had gathered together from the different reservations, Ponsford, Round Lake, Metahwaush, Island Lake, White Earth, Red Lake, Onigum, Bena, Ball Club and various other smaller missions united with Cass Lake to make the Congress a success.

To a stranger who has never seen the Indians gathered together at a Congress it is a unique spectacle. All he knows of the Indian is that he was, and still is a savage people, who know little about civilized life and less about religion. However that same stranger, if he could understand the Indian tongue, he would be surprised to hear the Indian speak with a rare fluency on religious subjects and other useful matters and he would wonder where the Indian got all this knowledge so foreign to his former mode of life. All this religious knowledge he got from his beloved blackgown and most of his other knowledge, too, to speak of course of the older Indians. The schools have helped but they need not be over proud of their product. The Indians in their meetings gave speeches on religious and other useful subjects. The best speeches were given on divorce, Confession and frequent Communion. The evenings were given over to prayer and songs. In the mornings were Mass and holy Communion.

On May 26 to the 30th a mission was given at Ball Club. It was a success. The Indians came for miles to hear the priest, Father Papineau. The Indians were sorry that the mission was so short they would have liked to listen to him for some days more.

On May 31 to June 3 a mission was given at Ponsford, Father Papineau. The Indians came good to listen to the sermons. Father Felix, the missionary was not able to stay during the whole mission he was called away on a sick call to Onigum. On the last day, ~~xxxxxx~~ of the mission, May 30th, 32 children made their first holy Communion. 18 boys and 14 girls.

On June 4 Corpus Christi was celebrated at Ball Club. It was the celebration its kind at that place. All the Indians were present together with quite a number of strangers. They told the missionary afterwards that they were much surprised and edified by the conduct of the Indians.

Father Felix, O.S.B.

COPIED BY AQ.

June 22, 1926.

Rev. Felix Helles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

Before the end of the year I will send to you a sanctuary lamp to replace the lamp that was lost in transit, the gift of Miss Harrington of Massachusetts.

I will ask you to write a letter of thanks. Address the letter to Miss Harrington. State in the letter that I have promised to send to you a lamp to replace her gift which was lost. I will not object if you add that Father Hughes always carried out his promises.

In the meantime, if the missing lamp turns up, I wish you would let me know.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes;  
Director.

SF:ER

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40-34

July 6, 1925.

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minn.

Dear Father Nelles:

In my letter to you of June 4, I mentioned that I was ordering three statues for you from John P. Daleiden Company. I have just received a letter from John P. Daleiden Company telling me that they have shipped the statues to you. The chalice is now in the process of manufacture, and will be shipped to you later by parcel post. I hope that you will not forget to acknowledge these gifts through this Bureau to Miss Levin Holt.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

JE:LN

40-34

July 16, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
St. Theodore's Mission,  
Ponsford, Minn.

Dear Father Nelles:

I am in receipt of a gift for the purchase of a chalice from  
Mr. B. J. Welp of Covington, Ky. This gift is given in memory of Elizabeth  
Welp.

I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Daleiden placing the order  
for the chalice to be shipped to you.

Kindly forward through this Bureau a letter of thanks for trans-  
mittal to the donor as soon as you receive this gift.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Magr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MS.

Copy for *Bureau*  
" to *Miss,*  
*orig. "* *J.S.*  
*clerk.*  
JUL 20 1926  
Mr. B. J. *Ed.*  
Covington, Ky.

*Sten. Wk.*  
Ponsford, Minn.  
July 20, 1926

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for the chalice I received from the Bureau of Indian Missions through your generosity.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Rev. Felix Melles, O.S.B.

Copied by MB.

40-34

Rev. Benno Matrin, O.S.B.,  
Ponfard,  
Minnesota.

August 26, 1926

Dear Father Benno:

Enclosed please find a copy of my letter to Chaplains' Aid Association placing an order for a Mass kit complete with valise to be forwarded to you mission.

Mr. N. J. Wolf of Covington, Kentucky, is the donor. Kindly forward through this Bureau a letter of thanks for transmittal to him as soon as you receive this gift.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MB.

40-34

September 1, 1926

Rev. Benno Watrin, O.S.B.,  
Ponsford,  
Minn.

Dear Father Benno:

I am in receipt of a letter from Chaplains' Aid Association, Inc., informing me that a month's delay would be necessary before the shipment of the Mass kit could be forwarded to you. I am quoting the paragraph in which Chaplains' Aid explains the cause of the delay.

"We regret that owing to the fact that we have no consecrated altar stones or chalices on hand, we shall be compelled to hold these orders for at least a month. We have had our application at the Cathedral for the past few weeks, but due to vacations, Monsignor Lavelle has had to hold over the consecrations."

Kindly notify me when you have received the Mass kit and forward through this Bureau a letter of thanks for transmittal to the donor, Mr. B. J. Welp.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MMW/MB.

September 3, 1920.

[3, 1926]

40-34

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Ponsfard,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$250, covering a gift received for you from the Marquette League. This gift is to be applied to the chapel which you are building for the League.

Please make acknowledgment of this gift direct to Rev. William J. Flynn, 105 E. 22nd St., New York, N. Y. Father Flynn is the Secretary General of the Marquette League.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director.

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Rec'd SEP 17 1926 Amt \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Poll'd \_\_\_\_\_ Masses \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Copy to I. S. \_\_\_\_\_ D. G. or Ref \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

Cass Lake, Minn <sup>40-34</sup>  
 Sept 14, 1926

Dear Father:  
 Got your letter with check.  
 Thanks! <sup>MB</sup>

I moved my headquarters from  
 Parisford to Cass Lake as it is more  
 in the center of my mission field.

Sincerely  
 Fr. Felix Nelles O.S.B.

My address is  
 Fr. Felix Nelles O.S.B.  
 Cass Lake, Minn  
 Freight & Express office Cass Lake, Minn

November 11, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Nelles:

I have a donation from Miss Harriet M. Burns of Hartford, Connecticut, who wishes me to purchase from her gift a monstrance, cope and sanctuary lamp for a missionary in need of them.

I am ordering the sanctuary lamp for you according to the copy of my letter which I enclose herewith. This is in fulfillment of my promise to you for the purchase of a sanctuary lamp by December 31, 1926. I will be pleased to send to you the monstrance and cope also. Before ordering these, however, please inform me if you have purchased a monstrance and cope out of missions funds. If so, I will send check to you instead. The check would reimburse you for what you spent for these two articles and you could consider the articles as being the gifts of the donor. Inform me in the matter of the monstrance and cope. I will place the order or send you check on receipt of your reply.

In that case, send to me for transmittal to the donor a letter, addressed to Miss Burns thanking her for all three articles.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

SF/MB.



40-34

November 15, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I am in receipt of a gift from Mr. Foster Stearns of Worcester, Massachusetts, for the purchase of a ciborium for a needy Indian missionary. I am placing order today for this gift to be shipped to you according to a copy of my letter enclosed herewith.

Upon receipt of this gift kindly forward a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal to the donor.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MB.

November 16, 1926

Rev. Felix Melles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Felix:

I am in receipt of a gift from Miss Mary Pelant of New York,  
Minnesota, for the purchase of a ciborium for a needy Indian mission-  
ary. I am placing order today for this gift to be shipped to you  
according to a copy of my letter enclosed herewith.

Upon receipt of this gift kindly forward a letter of thanks  
through this Bureau for transmittal to the donor.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MB.

40-34

Rec'd NOV 19 1926 Amt \_\_\_\_\_ Cts.  
 Ans. Felix W. A. Ent \_\_\_\_\_ Cts.  
 Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Masses \_\_\_\_\_ Dr.  
 Order filled \_\_\_\_\_ Refund listed November 17, 1926  
 Ship't \_\_\_\_\_ Sten.   
 Copy to I. \_\_\_\_\_ D. G. or Ref. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Copy to \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

My dear Monsignor Hughes,

Yours

very glad to have your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup>, and to know of the ciborium that it going to Father Felix Welles, O.S.B.

Thank you for so well interpreting my wishes.

Faithfully yours

Foster Faun

Rec'd NOV 20 1926  
Ans 11/23/26  
Folio  
Order filled  
Ship't  
Date

Cass Lake, Minn  
Nov. 18, 1926 40-32

Mr. Rev. dear Father  
11/23/26 \$40.00 (mb.)

I just bought a benediction outfit for Ball Club and Onigurn. I did not like to make the expense at this time, but the indians asked to have benediction on Sunday afternoon so I made the sacrifice and bought the outfit, cope, veil, monstrance and all.

I am more than willing to give the honor credit for an benediction outfit. If you are willing I can use the money to good advan tag. Ball Club needs painting and I have only \$16 to do it with.

So if you can let me have the money I would appreciate it

Sincerely  
Rev. Felix Niles O.S.B.

40-35

November 23, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minn.

Dear Father Nelles:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 18 and thank you for telling me of your purchase of a benediction set.

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$40, the gift of Miss Harriet M. Burns of Connecticut, designated for the cope and monstrance. This check will reimburse you perhaps only in part for the amount you spent out on these two articles.

Consider the cope and monstrance as being the gifts of Miss Burns and on receipt of the check, please write a letter of thanks and forward it through this Bureau for transmittal by me to her. You need not mention the check, but be sure and mention the cope and monstrance.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MJ:MB.

Miss Burns is also the donor of the sanctuary lamp which I shipped to you.

40-34

November 24, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minn.

Dear Father Nelles:

I am in receipt of a gift from Miss Louise R. Cross of Baltimore, Maryland, for the purchase of a ciborium to be sent to you. I am placing order today, according to the enclosed copy of my letter.

Kindly forward a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal to the donor.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MB.

40-34  
November 30, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Nelles:

I am in receipt of a gift from Mr. Henry Cappel of Ohio, for the purchase of a Crib set for a needy Indian mission.

I am today placing order with Daleiden Co. according to the enclosed copy of my letter.

Upon receipt of this gift, please write a letter of thanks to the donor and forward it through this Bureau for transmittal by me to the donor.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

MB.

Rec'd DEC 18 1926 Amt \_\_\_\_\_ Ch.  
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 Order filled \_\_\_\_\_ Refused listed \_\_\_\_\_ P.O.  
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 Copy to I. S. \_\_\_\_\_ D. S. or Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ Sp. \$1.00 To Person  
 Cont to \_\_\_\_\_ Check DEC 14 1926 \_\_\_\_\_ P.S.  
 Ponsford, Minn.  
 Dec. 7, 1926.  
 Great Britain

Rt. Rev. Mayr. Wm Hughes,  
 Washington, D. C.

Rt. Rev. dear Father:

Enclosed you will find \$1.00  
 for a year's subscription to the 'Indian  
 Sentinel' for Mrs. Sophia Aspinwall.

Yours sincerely in Christ,  
 Bruno Watrin O.S.B.

Address.

Mrs. Sophia Aspinwall  
 Ponsford,  
 Minn.



Ball Club, Minn

Dec. 9, 1926

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 Please, see what you can do.

Sincerely,  
 Fr. Felix Muller O.S.B.

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December 11, 1926

Rev. Felix Nelles, O.S.B.,  
Cass Lake,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Nelles:

I am in receipt of a gift from Miss Jennie Sherwin of Chicago, Illinois, for the purchase of a crib set to be sent to your mission. Miss Sherwin informs me that this is the gift of her mother.

I am placing order today, according to the enclosed copy of my letter to Daleiden Co.

Upon receipt of this gift, kindly forward a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal to the donor and also mention a few words of thanks to Miss Sherwin as she also contributed towards this gift.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

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December 15, 1926.

Rev. Benno Watrin, O.S.B.  
Ponsford,  
Minnesota.

Dear Father Benno:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 7 enclosing one dollar in currency for a year's subscription to THE INDIAN SENTINEL for Mrs. Sophie Aspinwall, Ponsford, Minnesota. I have entered the subscription in my file.

I enclose herewith Bureau check for \$1 refund of this subscription.

Wishing you every blessing at Christmas and in the New Year, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wm. Hughes,  
Director

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