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Right Reverend Monsignor F. Hughes
 Director, Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions
 2021 K Street N.W.
 Washington, D. C.

Right Reverend dear Monsignor:

The mission of this letter is to put before the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions the case of the Russell family, Indians registered in the Sioux Agency at Yankton, South Dakota who, while living at Falls City, attended our school. They would not have been at any school had we not taken care of them. They still owe us about \$200 for books and tuition. We should appreciate it very much if some allowance could be made, in your favor.

There is quite a number of Indian families tributary to Falls City, who have been baptized Catholics. Every year, we have applications from these people who wish to send their children to our school but are not able to pay enough for us to accept them. If you could

make a per capita allowance, we would try to take care of them. In our present condition, we cannot do much charity work, even though we believe these Indians could be saved for the faith. Father Hoffman, our pastor, has had charge of the Reservation of which we speak; he had erected a church there, which has since been abandoned. We enclose his letter, for further information.

May we know your decision on this point so that we can make arrangements for the opening of school in September? Thanking you for any account you may see fit to take of the above, we are,

Very cordially yours in C. F.,
Dorcas, Miss.

Sally City, Neb.
May 10, 1896.

COPY FOR: *Bureau*

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Ursuline Nuns.

Falls City, Nebraska.

May 10, 1926.

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S. S. Peter and Paul's Church
Falls City, Nebraska

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Rt. Rev. Monsignor W. Hughes:

July 21.

(1926)

May I say a word about the matter which Sister Anastasia submitted to you. About 30 years ago I had charge of these Indians and had erected a church for them. This was later on neglected. Almost every one of these Indians are of Catholic parents and they are without any care at present except for an Indian priest who comes here about twice a year. The reservation is partly in the Leavenworth and partly in the Lincoln diocese. Our Sisters here have had many of the children at school. With some help they could accept many applications. I know almost every one of the families and they feel very kindly toward me. If you can give these Sisters any help when they have applications for consideration a good deal of good may be accomplished. I thank you for your consideration of the matter and remain

Respectfully and Cordially Yours

Richard J. Hoffman

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August 19, 1926.

Ursuline Nuns,
Falls City, Nebraska.

Dear Sister Anastasia:

I was unable to answer your letter of May 10 before leaving for the Southwest.

Your request is a very reasonable one, and would be likely granted if there were money available. It is very encouraging to find the missionary spirit which you have shown. I hope that we may find a means of securing the desired assistance.

In the hope of finding a solution I would like to get all of the facts so that I can present them to Bishop Beckman. With his missionary zeal, we may be sure of cooperation.

It may be possible that the Bishop will present a request for help which will get results.

I enclose a copy of my letter to Father Hoffman. I would appreciate any additional information. For instance, how many Indian children could you take? How many would be boarders? And how many day scholars? What would be the tuition in each case?

Yours in Christ,

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