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Office of Catholic Commissioners  
for Indian Missions.

Washington, D.C. Oct. 13 1875.

[Oct. 13 1875]

Gen. E. P. Smith,  
Comr. of Indian Affairs.

Sir:

In acknowledging the receipt  
of your favor enclosing copies of extracts from the  
Report of Indian Inspector Vandever relative to the  
Round Valley Agency, California, I have the honor to  
state that the extracts referred to recite that Mr.  
Vandever's report was based on evidence and statements  
that were transmitted with the report.

I have the honor to request you to furnish me, or  
your authorized agent, with copies of the evidence and  
statements named.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,

Mark E. ...

Comr.

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[JUNE 12, 1875]

*Round Valley, California June 12, 1875*

MINUTES OF A MEETING COMPOSED OF THE CAPTAINS AND LEADERS OF THE DIFFERENT TRIBES, CALLED BY THE AGENT, REV. J. L. BURCHARD, AND HELD AT THE HEAD QUARTER'S SCHOOL-HOUSE, ON SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 12, 1875.

THIS MEETING WAS CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE INDIANS THE PETITION OF THE AUTHORITIES OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF BUILDING A CATHOLIC CHURCH AND PARSONAGE ON THIS RESERVE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TEACHING THE CATHOLIC INDIANS, AND ADMINISTERING TO THEIR SPIRITUAL WANTS.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH PRAYER BY DR. E. B. BATEMAN. F. E. KELLOGG WAS REQUESTED BY THE AGENT TO TAKE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

THE AGENT THEN SUBMITTED THE ABOVE NAMED QUESTION BRIEFLY AND FAIRLY. THE AGENT IN HIS REMARKS DID NOT IN THE LEAST ENDEAVOR TO INFLUENCE THE INDIANS, BUT LEFT THE QUESTION FOR THEIR FREE AND UNBIASED DISCUSSION.

THE TRIBES WERE WELL REPRESENTED, AND THE INDIANS SPOKE FREELY AND VERY DECIDEDLY.

THEIR UNANIMOUS VOICE WAS STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE ADMISSION OF THE CATHOLICS. SEVERAL OF THEM SAID THAT IF THE CATHOLICS WANTED TO TEACH THEM, WHY DID THEY NOT DO SO WHEN THEY HAD THE OPPORTUNITY. THEY SAID THAT THEY WERE ENTIRELY SATISFIED WITH THE METHODIST CHURCH, AND EXPECTED TO REMAIN IN AND STAND BY THIS CHURCH AS LONG AS THEY LIVE. ONE INDIAN SAID THAT IF THE CATHOLICS WERE ALLOWED TO COME, HE DID NOT THINK AN INDIAN WOULD REMAIN ON THE RESERVATION, AND WAS SURE

THAT HE WOULD NOT.

THERE ARE NO CATHOLIC INDIANS ON THE RESERVATION, ALL HAVING EMBRACED THE PROTESTANT RELIGION, AND HAVING UNITED WITH THE METHODIST CHURCH. THE INDIANS UNITEDLY AND RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT THE REQUEST OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BE NOT GRANTED, AND THAT THEY MAY REMAIN IN THEIR PRESENT RELATIONS.

I CERTIFY ON HONOR THAT THE ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECT REPORT OF THE EXPRESSION OF THE MEETING.

F. E. KELLOGG,  
SECRETARY.

JOHN VAN,  
HIS X MARK

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE  
HIS X MARK

CHAS. BROWN,  
HIS X MARK

CHAS. MC'CULLOUGH  
HIS X MARK

POTTER VALLEY TRIBE.

GEO. D. SHIELDS,  
HIS X MARK

SAML. HALE  
HIS X MARK

JAS. MC'CULLOUGH  
HIS X MARK

HARRY WOOD,  
HIS X MARK

THOS. POTTER,  
HIS X MARK

REDWOODS.

PETER HUDSON,  
HIS X MARK.

MOSES WRIGHT,  
HIS X MARK

YUKIE.

QEO. BURCHARD,  
HIS X MARK

CHAS. MUNSELL,  
HIS X MARK

CONCOW.

WM. DOB,  
HIS X MARK

WM. BECKETT,  
HIS X MARK

THOS. WRIGHT,  
HIS X MARK

LITTLE LAKE.

WM. MICHELL,  
HIS X MARK

CHAS. WILLETTS  
HIS X MARK

RICHARD WILLETTS,  
HIS X MARK

RICHARD MASON,  
HIS MARK

PITT RIVER,

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Comr Indian Affairs  
Rev Fr Brannellet

Jan 3 1876

Transmits copies of  
letters and statements  
Embodied in the report  
of Insp Vandiver on  
the matter of Fr. Osburn  
with notes &c of Fr Brannel  
let.



C. B. G.

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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, D. C.,

January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1876.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, last, I transmit, herewith, a copy of the evidence and statements named in Inspector Vandever's report relative to the Round Valley Agency, touching the case of Lucian <sup>Osana</sup> ~~Osana~~, viz. Letter of J. L. Burchard, U. S. Ind. Agt. to W<sup>m</sup>. Vandever, U. S. Ind. Inspector June 12, 1875.

Letter of J. L. Burchard to W<sup>m</sup>. Vandever, June 15, 1875.

Affidavit of Joel Vann, June 16, 1875.

Minutes of proceedings of the tribe signed by members of the tribe, June 12, 1875.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servant,

J. D. Smith

Commissioner.

Chas. Ewing, Esq.  
Catholic Commissioner.  
Washington D. C.

TYPESCRIPT OF PRECEDING DOCUMENT

California Round Valley Fr. Osuna

1876

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 13th of October, last, I transmit, herewith, a copy of the evidence and statements named in Inspector Vandever's report relative to the Round Valley Agency, touching the case of Lucian Osana, [Osuna] viz. Letter of J. L. Burckard, U.S. Ind. Agt. to William Vandever, U. S. Ind. Inspector June 12, 1875.  
Letter of J. L. Burckard to William Vandever, June 15, 1875. Affidavit of Joel Vann, June 16, 1875.  
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Smith, J.Q. to Charles Ewing, Washington, D. C. 1/3/1876.  
B.C.I.M. Archives Bureau 1876.

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[Oct. 22, 1877]

Washington Oct 22 1877.

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Washington D.C.

Sir.

Permit me to have the honor to submit for  
payment the Bill of Mr Orman for amount at  
United States for material and furniture, furnished  
Agent G. K. Dodge, at the Hoopa Valley Agency.

The several articles specified are furnished  
in good faith to the representation of the United  
States, and Mr Orman should not be held  
responsible for their application after coming  
into the hands of the Agent.

Very respectfully

R. F. Houston

Agent at Law.

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