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1930

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January 17, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

*ent*

Dear Sister:

I enclose, endorsed to your order, checks of Special Disbursing Agent, Five Civilized Tribes Agency, No. 764050, for \$2,481.43 and No. 764048, for \$1,924.82, covering payments due your school, on account of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils, for the quarter ended December 31, 1929.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Magr. William Hughes,  
Director.

JR

Recd Jan 25 1930 Amt \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.  
 Ans *Jan 27* Ent. \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.  
 Fold \_\_\_\_\_ Mfrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Dr.  
 Letter to \_\_\_\_\_ C.O.  
 Order filled \_\_\_\_\_ Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_ P.O.  
 Clk't \_\_\_\_\_ List \_\_\_\_\_ R.O.  
 Copy to *107* D.G. or Inf. \_\_\_\_\_ Sp.  
 Copy to \_\_\_\_\_ Check sent \_\_\_\_\_ St.

St. Agnes Academy  
 Ardmore  
 Okla. 30-2

Jan 27 1930

At. Rev. Mgr. W. Hughes  
 Washington, D.C.

Dear At. Rev. Father:

The Government Checks  
 have been received. Thank  
 you. We were glad to get them.  
 We have many poor Indians here  
 this year. We are having intense-  
 ly cold weather very unusual  
 for this part of Oklahoma.  
 In reference to air mail, it  
 would not be very much advantage.  
 Trusting you are well.

I am yours in the Sacred Heart  
 Sister M. William



Rec'd APR 8 1930  
 Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pol'd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Order filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ship't \_\_\_\_\_  
 Copy to I. S. \_\_\_\_\_

*Agnes Academy  
 Admsn  
 Okla.*

*Mar. 30, 1930  
 M. Rev. M. Hughes  
 Washington, D.C.*

*Dear Rev. Father:*

*Your letter of Mar 24  
 rec'd, I shall be  
 pleased to have you ask  
 for the same number  
 as last year in the  
 renewal of the school  
 contract. Viz, forty four  
 Chickasaws, and fifty  
 six Choctaws.*

*Sincerely Yours  
 Sister M. William*

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Recd APR 8 1930

Attn

St Agnes Acad  
Ardenmore

Attn

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Okla

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Office

Mar 31 1931

Letter to

Wash DC

Order filed

Wash DC

[1930]

Dear Rt. Rev. Father:

Bureau of Indian Missions  
many times  
the past year we have  
had as many as eleven  
over our contract-  
number. I could not  
refuse to take them  
as they were so destitute  
What we would like is  
an increase in our  
per capita. I am sure  
if the Commissioner  
could see all we do he  
would give us an increase  
The Probate Attorney Mr. Simky  
and Mr. Calhoun, know  
the extent of our work.  
I know Father you

Would help us if you  
could. I mention this  
to you thinking perhaps  
there might be a chance.  
The circular letter you sent  
last fall, I asked Bishop  
Kelly to sign and he  
referred it to Missig Lewis.  
We had a letter from  
Missig full of promises  
but all ended in nothing.  
We must build a laundry  
and bakery this spring.  
I wonder if we could  
reach Fr. Flynn and  
way. Please do not  
be disturbed about  
this. We will get along

Archives and Institutional Repository - Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

We are working for  
our dear Lord's little  
ones and He will  
help us. I am sure.  
Love in the S. H.  
Sister M. William

TYPESCRIPT OF PRECEDING DOCUMENT

Copy for

*Bureau*  
" " *M.E. J. Miss.*

St. Agnes Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Rt. Rev. Father:

Many times the past year we have had as many as eleven over our contract number. I could not refuse to take them as they were so destitute. What we would like is an increase in our per capita. I sure if the commissioner could see all we do he would give us an increase. The Probate Attorney Mr. Finley and Mr. Calhoun, knows the extent of our work. I know Father you would help us if you could, I mention this to you thinking perhaps there might be a chance. The circular letter you sent last fall, I asked Bishop Kelly to sign and he refered it to Minsig Severns we had a letter from Minsig full of promises but all ended in nothing. We must build a laundry and bakery this Spring. I wonder if we could reach Fr. Flynn anyway. Please do not be disturbed about this. We will get along. We are working for Our dear Lords little ones and He will help us, I am sure.

Yours in Sacred Heart,

Copied by DG.

(Signed) Sister M. William.



COPY FOR BUREAU FILE  
Standard Form No. 1034  
Form approved by  
Comptroller General U. S.  
June 18, 1926

**Public Voucher for Purchases, and Services other than Personal**

D. O. Vou. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Voucher prepared Muskogee, Okla., April 2, 1930.)  
(Give place and date)

U. S. Interior-Indian-Five Civilized Tribes,  
(Department, Bureau, or Establishment)  
Appropriation: "Proc. of Ed., Etc. F.C.T. Okla., Chickasaw, (Educ-1930) 5T  
109,005"

PAID BY  
  
(For use of Paying Office)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., To BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS  
(Payee)  
Address 2021 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Payee's Acct. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Payee must NOT use this space

Contract No. No. I-1 ind 2085 Date May 14, 1929 Req. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Activity Schools-Attendance Chickasaws For Tuition

Expenditure Symbol	No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, Item Number of Contract or General Supply Schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms _____ % Discount Cash _____ days	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT		NOTATIONS Payee must NOT use this column	
					Cost	Per	Dollars	Cts.		
		1930 March 31	For maintenance and education of Chickasaw Indian pupils in St. Agnes' Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, under contract I-1 ind 2085, dated May 14, 1929, during the quarter ending March 31, 1930, as per report of attendance hereto attached showing: Total days attendance during quarter, " " sch. was in session during quarter, 90 Rate per capita per quarter, \$41,2/3			4143		90	\$1,918.05	
					TOTAL		\$1,918.05			

(This certificate not required when a like certificate is made by payee on attached bill or bills)  
I certify that the above bill is correct and just, and that payment therefor has NOT been received.  
Per \_\_\_\_\_  
\* Payee BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS Title DIRECTOR

(Additional statements by Department, Bureau, or Establishment, if deemed necessary) (Accounting Classification) (Payee must NOT use this space)  
Differences: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account verified; correct for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature or initials) \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above articles were received in good condition, after due inspection, acceptance, and delivery prior to payment as required by law, or the services performed as stated; that they were procured under the contract numbered above or the unnumbered contract attached hereto, or that they were procured without written contract, in open market, and with or without advertising, under the circumstances stated in No. \_\_\_\_\_ of "Method of or Absence of Advertising" shown on reverse hereof, and were necessary for the public service; and that the prices charged are just and reasonable and in accordance with the agreement.

† Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Sign original only)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Paid by Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.)  
Cash, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_ \* Payee \_\_\_\_\_ (Sign original only)

\* When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.  
† If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_" and over his official title.  
Per \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_





COPY FOR BUREAU FILE  
 Standard Form No. 1934  
 Form approved by  
 Comptroller General U. S.  
 June 16, 1929

**Public Voucher for Purchases, and Services other than Personal**

D. O. You. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Voucher prepared at Muskogee, Okla., April 7, 1930.)  
 (Give place and date)

U. S. Interior-Indian-Five Civilized Tribes  
 (Department, Bureau, or Establishment)

Appropriation: "Proc. of Ld. etc. F. C. T., Okla., Choctaw (Educ-1930) BT159,007

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., To BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS  
 (Payee)

Address 2021 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

PAID BY  
 (For use of Paying Office)

Payee must NOT use this space

Contract No. I-1 ind 2086 Date May 14, 1929 Req. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Activity attendance-Choctaws For \_\_\_\_\_

Expenditure Symbol	No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, Item Number of Contract or General Supply Schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms .....% Discount Cash ..... days	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT		NOTATIONS Payee must NOT use this column
					Cost	Per	Dollars	Cts.	
		1930 March 31	For maintenance and education of Choctaw Indian pupils in St. Agnes' Academy, located at Ardmore, Oklahoma, under contract I-1 ind 2086, dated May 14, 1929, during the quarter ending March 31, 1930, as per report of attendance attached hereto showing:  Total days attendance during quarter, " school was in session during quarter Rate per capita per quarter, \$41 2/3 of 90 days			5142 90		2,380.55	
TOTAL,								2,380.55	

(This certificate not required when a like certificate is made by payee on attached bill or bills)  
 I certify that the above bill is correct and just, and that payment therefor has NOT been received.

Payee BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS, Title DIRECTOR

(Additional statements by Department, Bureau, or Establishment, if deemed necessary)

(Accounting Classification)

(Payee must NOT use this space)

Differences: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Account verified; correct for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature or initials) \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above articles were received in good condition, after due inspection, acceptance, and delivery prior to payment as required by law, or the services performed as stated; that they were procured under the contract numbered above or the unnumbered contract attached hereto, or that they were procured without written contract, in open market, and with or without advertising, under the circumstances stated in No. \_\_\_\_\_ of "Method of or Absence of Advertising" shown on reverse hereof, and were necessary for the public service; and that the prices charged are just and reasonable and in accordance with the agreement.

Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Sign original only)

Paid by Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cash, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_ \* Payee \_\_\_\_\_  
 { on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.

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 † If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_" and over his official title.



April 17, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I enclose, endorsed to your order, checks of Special Disbursing Agent, Five Civilized Tribes Agency, No. 770710, for \$2,380.55, and No. 770709, for \$1,918.05, covering payments due your school for the quarter ended March 31, 1930.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

"Ardmore"

April 21, 1930.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington,  
D. C.

My dear Mr. Commissioner:

I would respectfully request that this Bureau be granted contracts, payable out of Tribal Funds, for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44 Chickasaw pupils in St. Agnes' School, Ardmore, Oklahoma, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, at a per capita compensation of \$125 per annum.

Yours very truly,

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

MW

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Rec'd APR 26 1930  
 Adm. *St. Agnes Academy*  
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 [1930]

April 26, 1930

Rt. Rev. Monsignor *Wm. Hughes*  
 Washington, D. C.

Rev. & Dear Father,

The Government checks  
 received. Thank you very  
 much. I have been away  
 just returned.

Yours in the S. H.  
 Sr. M. William

May 17, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I have today received the contracts for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44 Chickasaw pupils. The Choctaw contracts are in the regular form.

In the Chickasaw contracts they have added the following provision: "Provided, however, that payments shall only be made hereunder if and when funds are available." The reason for this is that at present there are no Chickasaw funds available. There is a shortage of \$9000 for this year. You will be paid at the regular time for the June 1930 quarter for Chickasaw pupils. The Chickasaw funds consist of monies due from the sales of lands. It amounts to around \$200,000. The persons owing this money have not, as yet, made their payments.

I expect that there will be funds available before the opening of your school in September. I will let you know as soon as I find out from the Indian Office. The Indian Office now believes the funds for Chickasaw pupils will be available at each quarter of the fiscal year 1931 beginning with the September 30, 1930 quarter.

I am writing His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty, President of this Bureau and of the Commission for the Distribution of the Lenten Collection, asking if the Commission can engage to pay you the Chickasaw portion each quarter on condition that you will repay the Commission when you receive the check for the quarterly payment from the contract. I will let you know as soon as I hear.



5512  
5-1100

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

A-S  
19047-28

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS 10 1930

WASHINGTON

Ans.	5/19/30	Ent.	64
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Letter to			O. O.
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Copy to I. S.		D. G. or Ref.	Sp.
		Or. M. or Ref.	Sp.

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director, Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions,  
2021 H Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

MAY 19 1930

My dear Monsignor Hughes:

There are inclosed herewith two copies each of the proposed contract between this Office and your Bureau for the care and education of 44 Chickasaw and 56 Choctaw Indian pupils at the St. Agnes Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma during the fiscal year 1931 at a rate of \$125 per pupil per annum.

We shall be pleased to receive the executed copies at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

*C. P. Howard*  
Commissioner.



"Ardmore"

May 19, 1930.

Honorable Charles J. Rhoads,  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Commissioner:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of May 19--A.S.,  
19047, 1930--there is returned herewith, duly executed, contract  
in duplicate, for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44  
Chickasaw pupils in St. Agnes Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, during  
the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, at a per capita compensation  
of \$125 per annum, accompanied by evidence of my authority to sign  
the same.

Yours very truly,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

HJW

Copy for October meeting

June 4, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes Academy,  
Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Dear Sister:

I have a letter of May 20 from His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty, in answer to my letter of May 17, in which he says that the Commission for the Distribution of the Lenten Collection can not engage to pay you the Chickasaw portion each quarter.

The Bureau promises to pay you the Chickasaw portion each quarter on condition that you will repay the Bureau when you receive the check for the quarterly payment from the contract.

Yours very truly,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

EW:MN

The Indian Office again states that it expects to be able to meet the quarterly payments for 1930-31.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

506421  
5-1100

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

A-S  
19047-30

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Rec'd	7 1930	Amt	_____	On
WASHINGTON Ans.	6/9/30 <i>mer</i>	Rnt	_____	On
Fold'd		MASS	_____	Dr
Letter to			_____	O. O.
Order filled		Work Slip O.K.	_____	P. O.
Shipt		List	_____	P. O.
Copy to I. S.		D.G. or Ref.	_____	Sp
Copy to		Check out	_____	Sp

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director, Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions,  
2021 H Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Monsignor Hughes:

There are inclosed herewith two copies each of contract I-1-ind. 2331 and I-1-ind. 2332 between this Office and your Bureau for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44 Chickasaw Indian pupils at the St. Agnes Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, during the fiscal year 1931, at a rate of \$125 per pupil per annum.

Please acknowledge receipt of these contracts.

Sincerely yours,

*J. P. Blum*  
Commissioner.



St. Agnes Academy  
Ardmore

Rec'd JUN 10 1930 Amt \_\_\_\_\_  
Aus. \_\_\_\_\_ Ent. Okl.  
Poll'd \_\_\_\_\_  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filled \_\_\_\_\_ Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Hughes,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Rev. Father,

Your letters received.  
Thank you very much  
for your kindness to  
us. The Choctaw payment  
will tide us over un-  
til we get the Chickasaw  
portion. We have had  
a very successful year  
"Thank God"  
May 25. We had five  
children baptized

three Indians and two  
white children.

The reports are ready  
to send to Muskogee  
have been waiting  
to know how many  
would be here for  
the month of June,  
we will have nine-  
teen.

Wishing you a pleasant  
summer.

We remain in the  
Sacred Heart.

Sister of Mercy  
by Sr. M. Williams



*Ardmore*

June 9, 1930.

Honorable Charles J. Rhoads,  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Commissioner:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 6--A.S., 19047-30, 1930--transmitting two copies of approved contracts with this Bureau, for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44 Chickasaw pupils in St. Agnes' Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, at a per capita compensation of \$125 per annum.

Yours very truly,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

MW



30-2

June 9, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

For your information and guidance, there is enclosed copy of approved contracts for the care and education of 56 Choctaw and 44 Chickasaw pupils in your school, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, at a per capita compensation of \$125 per annum.

Yours very truly,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

MW

[Enclosure]

5-085 a

This Agreement, made and entered into this fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, by and between C. J. Rhoads, COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, for and on behalf of the United States of America, party of the first part, and The Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, Washington, D. C.

party of the second part,  
WITNESSETH: That the said parties have covenanted and agreed, and by these presents do covenant and agree, to and with each other, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The party of the second part, for and in consideration of the compensation hereinafter named, agrees:

1. To support, maintain, and educate under this contract, at the Industrial Boarding School at Ardmore, Oklahoma

on the St. Agnes Academy Reservation, known as

with a capacity and the necessary appliances for the healthful accommodation of all the pupils enrolled

during twelve (12) months, commencing July 1, 1930,

in a manner satisfactory to the party of the first part, an average, if practicable, of

fifty-six (56) Indian pupils, the total number attending the school at any one time not to exceed its capacity.

2. To enroll no pupil under this contract who is under six one or over twenty one years of age, provided, however, that any pupil over twenty one years of age and under twenty-three years of age who was attending said school during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, may be continued in said school during the current fiscal year.

3. All Indian children, before being accepted as pupils by the party of the second part, shall be certified to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs by the agency physician, or other authorized physician, as in good health and sound physical condition.

4. To procure pupils under this contract, if otherwise eligible under this contract, only from children of duly enrolled members of the Choctaw

tribe of Indians, ~~now under the supervision of the~~ and must be citizens by blood of that nation.

*Hand 2331*



5. To enroll no pupil under 6, or over 21 years of age, except as provided for in section 2, article 1, without special permission therefor from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

6. To provide for said school a sufficient number of employees to conduct it to the satisfaction of the party of the first part, presenting satisfactory evidences of the qualifications of each instructor, all employees to converse with pupils under their charge in English, and to be able to speak and write in the English language fluently and correctly; to instruct the male pupils of said school in gardening and farming and care of stock, or such other industries as are suitable to their reservation; to instruct certain of the male pupils in mechanical trades; to instruct the female pupils in cookery, laundering, needlework, dairy work, and general housewifery; to teach all the pupils in the ordinary branches of an English education; to teach the effects of alcoholic drinks and narcotics on the human system, as required by act approved May 20, 1886; to observe with appropriate public exercises all national holidays; to instruct pupils as to the duties and privileges of American citizenship.

7. To supply the pupils of said school with suitable and sufficient ~~clothing~~, subsistence, lodging accommodations, medical attendance, medicines, school books, stationery, school appliances, and all other articles necessary to their personal comfort; ~~and also to supply the school with mechanical tools, seeds, and all other articles necessary in a properly conducted industrial school.~~

8. To have school-room exercises on five and industrial exercises on six days in each week, legal holidays and five days at Christmas excepted, and excepting also a vacation not to exceed ~~1~~ months within the fiscal year, unless otherwise expressly agreed, provided that period is covered by this contract, during which vacation there need be no school-room exercises, and the pupils may, in the discretion of the party of the second part, be relieved from industrial work, and permitted to visit their homes at no expense to the party of the first part for transportation either going or returning.

9. To report concerning said school as required, and on blank forms to be furnished by the party of the first part.

10. Not to transfer this contract or any interest therein, as provided by section 3737 of the United States Revised Statutes, to any party or parties, it being understood that if this contract or any interest therein shall be transferred by the party of the second part, by that act the party of the first part will be relieved from all obligations under the contract; but all rights of action for breach of the contract by the party of the second part will be reserved to the party of the first part.

ARTICLE 2. The party of the first part, in consideration of the faithful performance of the aforesaid agreements and stipulations by the party of second part, agrees:

1. To pay said party of the second part at the rate of Forty-one and two-thirds  
dollars \$41.66 2/3  
per quarter as compensation for every pupil in attendance under the provisions and restrictions of this contract, and authorized to be received under section 4, article 1 hereof, payment for each quarter to be computed on the average attendance of pupils in such quarter,  
~~provided that pupils enrolled prior thereto whether or not present in person~~  
~~during the Christmas holidays mentioned in Article 1, section 8, shall be~~  
~~regarded as in attendance for the purpose of payment thereunder. Provided,~~  
~~however, that payments shall only be made hereunder if and when funds are~~  
~~available.~~

and that there shall not be paid to the party of the second part, under this contract, as compensation for the fiscal year, a sum aggregating more than Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00)

2. To make payments under this contract from ~~any or all the funds of the~~ tribal funds  
tribe of Indians of the Choctaw Nation

as may be decided by the party of the first part.

3. To make these payments to the party of the second part at the end of every quarter, on vouchers in duplicate duly certified to by the Supervisor of Schools

Five Civilized Tribes, that the said Industrial Boarding School has been maintained and managed according to the true intent and meaning of this contract.

ARTICLE 3. The party of the first part reserves the right:

1. To abrogate this contract in the following manner and for the following reasons: (a) On a notice of fifteen days, given in writing to the party of the second part, provided that the party of the second part has failed to comply with the agreements and stipulations of this contract, the fifteen days' notice to be counted from and to include the day on which the notice is served personally by a duly authorized officer of the United States Government on the party of the second part, or is left by such officer at the schoolhouse of the Industrial Boarding School above mentioned. (b) On a notice of sixty days, given in writing to the party of the second part, and for any reason satisfactory to the party of the first part, the sixty days' notice to be counted from and to include the day on which the notice is served personally on, or is left at the schoolhouse of, the party of the second part, in the manner provided above for serving notice of the abrogation of this contract for failure of the party of the second part to comply with the agreements and stipulations thereof.

2. To make inspections of the said school, and to require the party of the second part at any time immediately to dismiss from the service of the school all school employees who may be considered by the party of the first part not qualified for the respective positions occupied by them in the school.

ARTICLE 4. It is expressly agreed and stipulated by and between the parties to this contract: 1. That this contract may, by mutual consent, be changed, altered, modified, amended, or abrogated, in whole or in part, provided such change, alteration, modification, or amendment does not affect the rate or amount of compensation or fund out of which payment is to be made, or eligibility of pupils.

2. That no Member of or Delegate to Congress, Resident Commissioner, officer, agent, or other employee of the Government, shall be admitted to any share or part in this contract, or derive any pecuniary benefit therefrom.

3. That where the word "eligible," in relation to children or pupils, occurs in this contract it is mutually understood that said children or pupils are those provided for under section 4, article 1 hereof.

ARTICLE 5. This agreement is made subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year hereinbefore written.

Witnesses:  
Bertha M. Henderson  
Elizabeth R. Gillespie  
For the party of the first part.

Eugene J. Welch  
Margaret J. Whitehead  
For the party of the second part.

Signed) C. J. Rhoads  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs. [SEAL.]

Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions  
by Wm. Hughes [SEAL.]  
Director.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D. C., 5-29-33, 19

The foregoing contract is hereby approved.

(SIGNED) JOS. M. DIXON  
First Assistant Secretary.



It is hereby certified that the following changes were made in this contract before signing and sealing:

In Article 1, Section 1, the words "on the" and "reservation" were stricken out. Number of pupils changed from fifty (50) to fifty-six (56).

In Section 4, the words "now under the supervision of the" were stricken out.

In Section 7, the word "clothing" and beginning at "and also to supply" to the end of the section were stricken out.

In Article 2, Section 2, the words "any or all the funds of the" and "tribe of Indians" were stricken out.

Article 3, Section 1, total sum changed from six thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$6,250) to seven thousand dollars (\$7,000)

Art. 2, Sec. 1: The clause "Provided, however, that payments shall only be made hereunder if and when funds are available" was lined out from the contract.

Witnesses:

Bertha M. Anderson

Elizabeth R. Gillespie  
for party of the first part

Eugene J. Welch

Margaret J. Wholihan  
for party of the second part.

Signed) C. J. Rhoads  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions.

Wm Hughes  
Director.



[Enclosure]

5-085a

This Agreement, made and entered into this Fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and Thirty, by and between C. J. Hoode, COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, for and on behalf of the United States of America, party of the first part, and the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, Washington, D. C.

party of the second part,  
WITNESSETH: That the said parties have covenanted and agreed, and by these presents do covenant and agree, to and with each other, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. The party of the second part, for and in consideration of the compensation hereinafter named, agrees:

1. To support, maintain, and educate under this contract, at the Industrial Boarding School ~~at Ardmore, Oklahoma~~ at Ardmore, Oklahoma, known as St. Agnes Academy, with a capacity and the necessary appliances for the healthful accommodation of all the pupils enrolled during twelve (12) months, commencing July 1, 19 30 in a manner satisfactory to the party of the first part, an average, if practicable, of Forty-four (44) Indian pupils, the total number attending the school at any one time not to exceed its capacity.

2. To enroll no pupil under this contract who is under six one or over twenty one years of age, provided, however, that any pupil over twenty one years of age and under twenty-three one years of age who was attending said school during the fiscal year ending June 30, 19 30 may be continued in said school during the current fiscal year.

3. All Indian children, before being accepted as pupils by the party of the second part, shall be certified to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs by the agency physician, or other authorized physician, as in good health and sound physical condition.

4. To procure pupils under this contract, if otherwise eligible under this contract, only from children of duly enrolled members of the Chickasaw

tribe of Indians, now ~~under the supervision of the~~ and must be citizens by blood of that nation

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5. To enroll no pupil under 6, or over 21 years of age, except as provided for in section 2, article 1, without special permission therefor from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

6. To provide for said school a sufficient number of employees to conduct it to the satisfaction of the party of the first part, presenting satisfactory evidences of the qualifications of each instructor, all employees to converse with pupils under their charge in English, and to be able to speak and write in the English language fluently and correctly; to instruct the male pupils of said school in gardening and farming and care of stock, or such other industries as are suitable to their reservation; to instruct certain of the male pupils in mechanical trades; to instruct the female pupils in cookery, laundering, needlework, dairy work, and general housewifery; to teach all the pupils in the ordinary branches of an English education; to teach the effects of alcoholic drinks and narcotics on the human system, as required by act approved May 20, 1886; to observe with appropriate public exercises all national holidays; to instruct pupils as to the duties and privileges of American citizenship.

7. To supply the pupils of said school with suitable and sufficient clothing, subsistence, lodging accommodations, medical attendance, medicines, school books, stationery, school appliances, and all other articles necessary to their personal comfort; and also to supply the school with mechanical tools, seeds, and all other articles necessary in a properly conducted industrial school.

8. To have school-room exercises on five and industrial exercises on six days in each week, legal holidays and five days at Christmas excepted, and excepting also a vacation not to exceed 3 months within the fiscal year, unless otherwise expressly agreed, provided that period is covered by this contract, during which vacation there need be no school-room exercises, and the pupils may, in the discretion of the party of the second part, be relieved from industrial work, and permitted to visit their homes at no expense to the party of the first part for transportation either going or returning.

9. To report concerning said school as required, and on blank forms to be furnished by the party of the first part.

10. Not to transfer this contract or any interest therein, as provided by section 3737 of the United States Revised Statutes, to any party or parties, it being understood that if this contract or any interest therein shall be transferred by the party of the second part, by that act the party of the first part will be relieved from all obligations under the contract; but all rights of action for breach of the contract by the party of the second part will be reserved to the party of the first part.

ARTICLE 2. The party of the first part, in consideration of the faithful performance of the aforesaid agreements and stipulations by the party of second part, agrees:

1. To pay said party of the second part at the rate of .....  
~~Forty-one and two-thirds dollars (\$41.2/3)~~  
per quarter as compensation for every pupil in attendance under the provisions and restrictions of this contract, and authorized to be received under section 4, article 1 hereof, payment for each quarter to be computed on the average attendance of pupils in such quarter,

~~provided that pupils enrolled prior thereto whether or not present~~  
~~in person during the Christmas holidays mentioned in Article 1,~~  
~~Section 8, shall be regarded as in attendance for the purpose of~~  
~~payment thereunder. Provided, however, that payments shall only be made~~  
~~hereunder if and when funds are available~~

and that there shall not be paid to the party of the second part, under this contract, as compensation for the fiscal year, a sum aggregating more than ~~Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars~~

2. To make payments under this contract from ~~and out of the funds of the~~ tribal funds  
~~tribe of Indians~~ of the Chickasaw Nation

..... as may be decided by the party of the first part.

3. To make these payments to the party of the second part at the end of every quarter, on vouchers in duplicate duly certified to by the Supervisor of Schools

Five Civilized Tribes, that the said Industrial Boarding School has been maintained and managed according to the true intent and meaning of this contract.

ARTICLE 3. The party of the first part reserves the right:

1. To abrogate this contract in the following manner and for the following reasons: (a) On a notice of fifteen days, given in writing to the party of the second part, provided that the party of the second part has failed to comply with the agreements and stipulations of this contract, the fifteen days' notice to be counted from and to include the day on which the notice is served personally by a duly authorized officer of the United States Government on the party of the second part, or is left by such officer at the schoolhouse of the Industrial Boarding School above mentioned. (b) On a notice of sixty days, given in writing to the party of the second part, and for any reason satisfactory to the party of the first part, the sixty days' notice to be counted from and to include the day on which the notice is served personally on, or is left at the schoolhouse of, the party of the second part, in the manner provided above for serving notice of the abrogation of this contract for failure of the party of the second part to comply with the agreements and stipulations thereof.

2. To make inspections of the said school, and to require the party of the second part at any time immediately to dismiss from the service of the school all school employees who may be considered by the party of the first part not qualified for the respective positions occupied by them in the school.

ARTICLE 4. It is expressly agreed and stipulated by and between the parties to this contract:

1. That this contract may, by mutual consent, be changed, altered, modified, amended, or abrogated, in whole or in part, provided such change, alteration, modification, or amendment does not affect the rate or amount of compensation or fund out of which payment is to be made, or eligibility of pupils.

2. That no Member of or Delegate to Congress, Resident Commissioner, officer, agent, or other employee of the Government, shall be admitted to any share or part in this contract, or derive any pecuniary benefit therefrom.

3. That where the word "eligible," in relation to children or pupils, occurs in this contract it is mutually understood that said children or pupils are those provided for under section 4, article 1 hereof.

ARTICLE 5. This agreement is made subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year hereinbefore written.

Witnesses:

Bertha M. Henderson

Elizabeth R. Gillespie  
For the party of the first part.

Eugene J. Welch

Margaret J. Robinson  
For the party of the second part.

Signed) C. J. Rhoads

Commissioner of Indian Affairs. [SEAL.]

Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

By W. M. Hughes [SEAL.]  
Director

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D. C., 5-29-30, 19

The foregoing contract is hereby approved.

(SIGNED) JOS. M. DIXON

First Assistant

Secretary.

It is hereby certified that the following changes were made in this contract before signing and sealing:

- In Article 1, Section 1, the words "on the" and "reservation" were stricken out.
- In Section 4, the words "now under the supervision of the" were stricken out.
- In Section 7, the word "clothing" and beginning at "and also to supply" to the end of the section were stricken out.
- In Article 2, Section 2, the words "any or all the funds of the" and "tribe of Indians" were stricken out.

WITNESSES:

Bertha M. Henderson  
Elizabeth R. Gillespie  
for party of the first part.

Signed) C. J. Rhoads

Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Eugene J. Welch  
Margaret J. Whelihan } agd  
for party of the second part.

Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions.  
By W. M. Hughes  
Director.

July 7, 1930.

Mr. Herbert C. Calhoun,  
Supervisor of Schools,  
Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Okla.

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

I am returning herewith the Vouchers and Reports,  
covering attendance of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils in St.  
Agnes' Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, during the quarter ended  
June 30, 1930, having signed the Vouchers.

I know that you will let me have checks covering  
the payments due, i.e., \$1,108.68 on account of Choctaws  
and \$848.25 on account of Chickasaws, at the earliest date  
possible.

Very sincerely yours,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

JR

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Standard Form No. 1034a  
Form approved by  
Comptroller General U. S.  
June 15, 1926

**Public Voucher for Purchases, and Services other than Personal**

[enclosure]

D. O. Voucher No. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Voucher prepared Muskogee, Okla., July 1, 1930)  
(Give place and date)

U. S. Interior-Indian-Five Civilized Tribes  
(Department, Bureau, or Establishment)

Appropriation: "Proc. of Id., etc., F.C.T. Okla., Chickasaw (Educ-1930) 5T109.003"

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., To BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS,  
(Payee)

Address 2021 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

PAID BY  
  
  
  
(For use of Paying Office)

Contract No. I 1 ind 2085 Date May 14, 1929 Req. No. \_\_\_\_\_ on file in I.O. \_\_\_\_\_  
Activity Schools - attendance Chickasaw For Tuition Date \_\_\_\_\_

Expenditure Symbol	No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, Item Number of Contract or General Supply Schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms ..... % Discount Cash ..... days	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT		NOTATIONS Payee must NOT use this column
					Cost	Per	Dollars	Cts.	
			For maintenance and education of Chickasaw Indian pupils in St. Agnes' Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, under contract I 1 ind 2085 dated May 14, 1929, during the quarter ending June 30, 1930 as per report of attendance hereto showing:						
			Total days attendance during quarter			2652			
			" " schools in session during quarter			91			
			Rate per capita per quarter \$41.66 2/3 of 91 days			\$1214.28			
			Amount of contract			5500.00			
			Amt. paid under above contract			4651.75			
			Balance available					848.25	

(The certificate not required when a like certificate is made by payee on attached bill or bills)  
I certify that the above bill is correct and just, and that payment therefor has NOT been received.

Do NOT sign  
\* Payee BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS Title SECRETARY

(Additional statements by Department, Bureau, or Establishment, if deemed necessary) 33764-29  
(Accounting Classification)  
(Payee must NOT use this space)  
Differences: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account verified; correct for \$ 848.25

(Signature or initials) (Signed) E. A. Hughes

I certify that the above articles were received in good condition, after due inspection, acceptance, and delivery prior to payment as required by law, or the services performed as stated; that they were procured under the contract numbered above or the unnumbered contract attached hereto, or that they were procured without written contract, in open market, and with or without advertising, under the circumstances stated in No. \_\_\_\_\_ of "Method of or Absence of Advertising" shown on reverse hereof, and were necessary for the public service; and that the prices charged are just and reasonable and in accordance with the agreement.

Approved for \$ 848.25 (Memorandum—Do not sign)  
(Signed) Herbert C. Calhoun, Supervisor of Indian Schools Title Act. Supt. F. C. T.

Paid by Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ 848.25 { on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.  
Cash, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ \* Payee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Memorandum—Do not sign)

\* When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the voucher, Secretary, or Treasurer, as the case may be.  
If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_" and over his official title.  
Per \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_





COPY  
Standard Form No. 1031a  
Form approved by  
Comptroller General U. S.  
June 18, 1929

**Public Voucher for Purchases, and Services other than Personal**

[enclosure]

(Voucher prepared Muskogee, Okla., July 1, 1930)  
(Give place and date)

U. S. Interior-Indian-Five Civilized Tribes  
(Department, Bureau, or Establishment)  
Appropriation: "Proc. of Id., etc. F. C. T. Okla., Choctaw (Educ-1930) 5T159.007"

THE UNITED STATES, Dr. To BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS  
(Payee)

Address 2021 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

PAID BY
(For use of Paying Office)

Payee must NOT use this space

Contract No. 1 lind 2086 Date May 14, 1930 on file in I.L.  
Activity attendance Choctaw Req. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
For April, May and June 1930

Expenditure Symbol	No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, Item Number of Contract or General Supply Schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms ----- % Discount Cash ----- days	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT		NOTATIONS Payee must NOT use this column
					Cost	Per	Dollars	Cts.	
			For maintenance and education of Choctaw Indian pupils in St. Agnes Academy, located at Ardmore, Oklahoma, under contract I 1 ind 2086, dated May 14, 1929, during the quarter ending June 30, 1930 as per report of attendance hereto showing:						
			Total days attendance during quarter			3325			
			" " " " in session during quarter			91			
			Rate per capita per quarter $\$41.66 \frac{2}{3}$ of 91 days			\$1522.43			
			Amount of contract			7000.00			
			Amount paid under above contract			5891.42			
			Balance available					1108.58	
						TOTAL		1108.58	

(This certificate not required when a like certificate is made by payee on attached bill or bills)  
I certify that the above bills are correct and just, and that payment therefor has NOT been received.

\*Payee BUREAU OF CATHOLIC INDIAN MISSIONS Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Title SECRETARY  
Differences: \_\_\_\_\_  
Account verified; correct for \$ 1108.58  
(Signature or initials) (Signed) E. A. Hughes

I certify that the above articles were received in good condition, after due inspection, acceptance, and delivery prior to payment as required by law, or the services performed as stated; that they were procured under the contract numbered above or the unnumbered contract attached hereto, or that they were procured without written contract, in open market, and with or without advertising, under the circumstances stated in No. \_\_\_\_\_ of "Method of or Absence of Advertising" shown on reverse hereof, and were necessary for the public service; and that the prices charged are just and reasonable and in accordance with the agreement.

Approved for \$ 1108.58 (Memorandum—Do not sign)  
(Signed) Herbert C. Calhoun  
Supervisor of Schools

A. G. McMillan  
Title Act. Supt. F. C. T.

Paid by Check No. \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_, for \$ 1108.58 (on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.)  
Cash, \$ \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_ \*Payee \_\_\_\_\_

\* When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company, or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.  
† If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_" and over his official title.

*"Cutlers Ardmore, July 14, 1930.  
Chickasha & Purcell"*

Mr. Herbert C. Calhoun,  
Supervisor of Schools,  
Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Okla.

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

This will acknowledge the receipt of checks No. 572 for \$1,108.58 and No. 571 for \$848.25, covering payment due this Bureau, for the care and education of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils, respectively, in St. Agnes' Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, during the quarter ended June 30, 1930.

With many thanks and kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

JR

July 14, 1930.

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Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardsboro, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I enclose, endorsed to your order, checks of  
Special Disbursing Agent, Five Civilized Tribes Agency,  
No. 571 for \$848.25 and No. 572 for \$1,108.58, covering  
payment due your school, on account of Chickasaw and  
Choctaw pupils, respectively, for the quarter ended June  
30, 1930.

Very sincerely yours,

JR

Eugene J. Welch,  
Secretary.

St. Agnes Acad  
Ardenmore  
Okla

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July 17, 1930

R. Rev. Monsignor Tom Hughes,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Rev. Father.

We received the  
Government Check to-  
day. Thank you very  
much for your  
kindness.

Yours in the S. H.  
Sister M. Williams

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Check sent \_\_\_\_\_

August 19, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I have a letter dated August 15 from the Indian Office in which it is stated that at the present time there are no Choctaw funds available. The Choctaw fund consists of moneys due from coal lands. It amounts to approximately \$300,000. The persons owing this money have not as yet made their payments.

Therefore, the same provision that appeared in the Chickasaw contract will also appear in the Choctaw contract. The provision is as follows:

"Provided, however, that payments shall only be made hereunder if and when funds are available."

I expect that there will be funds available before the opening of your school in September. I will let you know as soon as I find out from the Indian Office. The Indian Office now believes the funds for Choctaw pupils will be available at each quarter of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931 and beginning with the September 30, 1930 quarter.

If, however, the funds are not available, the Bureau promises to pay you 50% of the Choctaw portion each quarter on condition that you will repay the Bureau when you receive the check for the quarterly payment from the contract.

Yours in Christ,



REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

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Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director, Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions,  
2021 H. Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Monsignor Hughes:

There is inclosed herewith copy of agreement modifying contract No. I 1 ind. 2331 to provide for the payment of tuition for 56 Choctaw Indian children in the St. Agnes Academy, Ardmore, Oklahoma, at a rate of \$125 per pupil per annum during the fiscal year 1931, if and when tribal funds of the Choctaw Nation shall be available for such payments.

Sincerely yours,

*C. J. Rhoads*  
Commissioner.  
*W. B. ...*

Inclosure 64997

1930

[Enclosure]

WHEREAS, a certain contract has been entered into by and between the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, dated May 15, 1930 (Contract No. I 1 ind 2331), and providing for payment of tuition for fifty-six (56) Indian children of the Choctaw Nation in St. Agnes Academy, at Ardmore, Oklahoma, at a rate of \$125 per pupil per annum, payable from the tribal funds of the Choctaw Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, this agreement entered into this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1930, by and between the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and said Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions;

WITNESSETH, That the contract aforesaid is hereby modified so as to provide that payments shall only be made on behalf of the United States under said contract of May 15 if, and when, tribal funds of the Choctaw Nation, Oklahoma, shall be available for such payments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The undersigned have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year hereinbefore written.

WITNESSES:

(Sgd) Burdine Melior J. Henry Scattergood (Seal)  
Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs

(Sgd) Charlotte B. Crozes  
For the party of the first part  
Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

(Sgd) Eugene J. Welch (Sgd) Wm Hughes (Seal)  
By Director

(Sgd) Margaret J. Whalihan  
For the party of the second part.

Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., SEP 10 1930 1930.  
The foregoing contract is hereby approved.

John H. Edwards  
First Assistant Secretary.

COPY FOR: BUREAU

Muskogee, Oklahoma.  
October 9, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Madam:

I am glad to receive your letter of October 1. I know how open hearted you are in the way of taking the very destitute cases, and consequently I am more pleased than surprised to learn that you have 27 above your contract. I sure hope a way will be provided for you to care for the children you have accepted and that this year will bear the same degree of success that all of your undertakings have had in the past.

I am sending you under separate cover some of the report forms you wish and return envelopes.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Herbert C. Calhoun,  
Supervisor of Indian Schools,

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St. Agnes' Academy,  
 Ardmore, Oklahoma.  
 Oct. 14, 1930

Monsignor W. Hughes,  
 Washington, D. C.

Rt. Rev. and dear Monsignor:

Your letter received. I thank you very much for your kind thought of and interest in us. If we can catch our Bishop at home, will try it again, but I feel sure I will meet with the same fate.

*Tennelly!*

We have our new laundry and bakery finished and some help from Rev. Father Tennelly would be very acceptable.

We have One Hundred and twenty-eight children, Twenty-eight over our Roll. We have been compelled to refuse many others. It is pitiful to see how very poor they are. We had our Roll full long before school opened.

I am enclosing a letter we received from Mr. Calhoun written after he received our Reports.

Thanking you again for your kindness to us and asking a remembrance in your prayers, I remain,

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart,

*Sister Mary William,*

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October 24, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I have your letter of October 14, enclosing letter from Superintendent Calhoun. It shows a very fine spirit. I am returning the letter to you.

I would like to be able to give you some substantial help towards your expenses for bakery and laundry. My only hope of getting money for such needs is THE INDIAN SENTINEL. I will ask you to have prepared a rather full story of the work at St. Agnes' Mission and its needs, for the Winter number. ~~I understand you would not want to play up too strongly the poverty feature. But you can put a great deal into such an article without danger of exaggeration.~~

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

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CONFIDENTIAL

November 4, 1930.

Sister M. Williams,  
St. Agnes Academy,  
Admore, Okla.

Dear Sister Williams:

In my letter to you of June 4 the Bureau promised to pay you the Chickasaw portion each quarter on condition that you would repay the Bureau when you receive the check for the quarterly payment from the contract. Also, in my letter of August 19 to you the Bureau promised to pay you fifty percent of the Choctaw portion each quarter, under the same conditions. The Bureau will fulfill these promises if funds are not available. I am writing to Supervisor Calhoun today asking him if partial payment at least can be made for the quarter ended September 30. As soon as I hear from him I will send you a check to make up the difference for the September quarter.

You must do your part to get the money. It would about wreck the Bureau to have to advance the money even for a short period. But if you do your part, we will do ours.

The Choctaw funds consist of moneys due from coal lands. It amounts to approximately \$300,000. The persons owing this money have not as yet made their payments. The Chickasaw funds consist of moneys due from sale of land. It amounts to approximately \$200,000. The persons owing this money have also not as yet made their payments.

The Indian Office expects sufficient funds by the first of the year to be able to make all payments.

This letter is confidential. It should not be shown to Supervisor Calhoun.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

November 4, 1930.

Sister M. William,  
St. Agnes Academy,  
Armore, Okla.

Dear Sister William:

I inquired at the Indian Office concerning the delay in the payments due you for the care and education of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils in your school, for the quarter ended September 30, 1930. I was informed that there was a shortage of available Choctaw and Chickasaw funds on hand. Mr. Garber, Head of the Administrative Division of the Indian Office, is today writing Supervisor Calhoun asking that partial payment be made, if the whole can not be, to your school and to the other three mission schools under his jurisdiction. You and the superiors of these three schools should get in touch with Supervisor Calhoun, if convenient, in regard to this matter.

I am sending identical letters to the superiors of those three schools having Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Mggr. William Hughes,  
Director.

EW:JR

Rec'd NOV 12 1930

Ans. NOV 13 1930

Post'd

Letter to

Order filed

St. Agnes Academy  
Arden  
Okla  
Nov. 9. 1930

Rev. Monsignor Wm. Hughes,  
Washington D. C.

Dear Rev. Father.

Your letter received.  
Will send you something for  
the festival.

About accepting your offer  
to loan us some money.  
I appreciate and sincerely thank  
you. I can hold out until  
Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> but I am not going  
to tell Mr. Calhoun that.  
We have good credit here  
in Ardmore thank God.  
Wish that I could send  
you some instead of  
your sending us.

as we grow older in  
religion our crosses  
grow also. I guess it  
is a good sign, I  
hope so anyway.

I thank God after  
little ones are well,  
some came, in sick  
but are all right now.  
With every good wish  
to your dear Father  
and again thanking  
you for your kind  
thought of us.

I remain  
Sincerely in the S. H.  
Fr. M. William

TYPESCRIPT OF PRECEDING DOCUMENT

COPY FOR *Bureau*

[*enclosure*]

ST. AGNES' ACADEMY,  
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA.  
November 9, 1930.

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

Dear Rev. Father:

Your letters received. Will send you something for The Sentinel.

About accepting your offer to loan us some money, I appreciate and sincerely thank you. But I can hold out until January 1, but I am not going to tell Mr. Calhoun that. We have good credit here in Ardmore, thank God. Wish that I could send you some instead of your sending us, as we grow older in religion our crosses grow also. I guess it is a good sign. I hope so anyway. Thank God our little ones are all well. Some came in sick but are all right now.

With every good wish to you dear Father and again thanking you for your kind thought of us, I remain

Sincerely in the Sacred Heart,

(Signed) Sister Mary William

COPIED BY JR



November 13, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I have your letter of November 9, copy of which I enclose.

The Indian Office informs me that they have received word from the Special Disbursing Agent of the Five Civilized Tribes Agency, that there are sufficient funds on hand to make the September quarterly payments for the care and education of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils in your school. The Indian Office also informed me that the Vouchers and Reports should be received at this office in a few days from Supervisor Calkoun. I will let you know as soon as I receive them.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

WR:JR

30-2

December 8, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

*ew*

Dear Sister:

I enclose, endorsed to your order, checks of Special Disbursing Agent, Five Civilized Tribes Agency, No. 904 for \$904.89 and No. 911 for \$1321.11, covering payments due your school, for the quarter ended September 30, 1930, on account of Chickasaw and Choctaw pupils, respectively.

I am sending this letter by registered mail and a copy by ordinary mail. These checks were just received at this office today from Supervisor Calhoun.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

JR We will do everything possible to get the payments due for this quarter to you promptly.

07901

Recd DEC 15 1930 Amt  
 Ans. 266  
 Paid  
 Letter to  
 Order filled  
 Supt  
 Copy to 1.5  
 Dr. *Agnes Academy*  
 Mission  
*Ordinaire*  
 Work Slip  
*Okla*  
 Dec. 10 " 1930  
 30-2

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Hughes,  
 Washington D.C.  
 Dear Rev. Father:

Just received the  
 Government Check, thank  
 you very much for sending  
 them so swiftly.  
 We still have fair 128  
 all well and happy,  
 "Thank God"  
 May the Divine Infant  
 Grant you every blessing,  
 Yours in the Sacred Heart.

Sr. M. William

PAID DEC 16 1930 Amt. \_\_\_\_\_  
APR DEC 18 1930 No. 2166 St. Agnes Academy  
FIELD \_\_\_\_\_ Ordmore  
ORDER TO \_\_\_\_\_ O.Kla.  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_ Dec. 12. 1930  
D.G. & R. \_\_\_\_\_

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Hughes:  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Rev. Father:

To-day received a  
box from Miss Bill & J.  
Enclosed find letter of acknowl-  
edgment.

Miss Allen of Bloomfield  
Academy, Ordmore, Government  
Indian School, sent us 40  
rain coats, and 37 pairs

of overalls, and is going  
to send us some leather  
jackets. Of course you saw  
the newspaper account  
of the appropriations that  
have been made for Bloom-  
field. They have been

without their payments also.  
Until last year they had  
only Chickasaw, but now  
they take any tribe,  
Mrs Hampton one of the teachers  
of Bloomfield was rumored  
that the Contract schools will  
be discontinued after Jan. 1, 1931  
I called Mr. Finley, he had  
just returned from Muskogee  
He said it must be a mistake  
as Mr. Calhoun would have  
mentioned it to him if it  
was true. If we have more  
leather jackets than we  
need, I will send some  
to any Indians you advise  
I am in the Sacred Heart,  
Dr. M. William



TYPESCRIPT OF PRECEDING DOCUMENT

Copy For:

St. Agnes Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.  
December 12, 1930.

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Hughes,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Father:

Today received a box from Miss Ball of Kentucky. Enclosed find letter of acknowledgment.

Miss Allen of Bloomfield Academy, Ardmore, Government Indian School, sent us 40 raincoats, and 37 pairs of overalls and is going to send us some leather jackets. Of course you saw the newspaper account of the appropriations that have been made for Bloomfield. They have been without their payments also. Until last year they had only Chickasaws, but now they take any tribe.

Mrs. Hampton, one of the teachers of Bloomfield said it was rumored that the contract schools will be discontinued after January 1, 1931. I called Mr. Finley. He had just returned from Muskogee. He said it must be a mistake, as Mr. Calhoun would have mentioned it to him if it was true.

If we have more leather jackets than we need, I will send some to any Indians you advise.

Yours in the Sacred Heart,

(Signed)

Sister M. William.

Copied by: MF

December 20, 1930.

Sister Mary William,  
St. Agnes' Academy,  
Ardmore, Okla.

Dear Sister:

I have your letter of December 12, copy of which I enclose.

It was very kind of Miss Allen to send you the raincoats, overcoats and leather jackets. In case you have more leather jackets than you need, you can send them to St. Andrew's Mission, the full address of which I enclose.

You want to be very careful that this gift of Miss Allen doesn't get into print. As you no doubt know, Government appropriations of money can not be used for sectarian purposes. The articles would fall under this ruling.

The rumor that the contract schools will be discontinued after January 1, 1931 is not true. The new Interior Department Appropriation Bill as introduced in Congress covers the item for the care and education of Choctaw and Chickasaw pupils in our contract schools. Of course, this bill has not yet passed the House and Senate. If such a rumor was true, no doubt I would have heard of it.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,  
Director.

EW:JR

Rec'd JAN 8 1931 Amt. St. Agnes Academy 30-2  
Ann. \_\_\_\_\_ Post. \_\_\_\_\_  
Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Money \_\_\_\_\_  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order sheet \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Oklahoma  
Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1930

Rt. Rev. Monsignor Am. Hughes.  
Washington, D. C. 30-2

Dear Rt. Rev. Father:

Pardon the delay in our acknowledging the box of clothing received from the Sisters at. Nelter. Barre. Thank you for telling me to be careful not to make known where I got the raincoats. You are the only one I told. I did not tell any of my sisters here in the house. When I receive the leather coats, will send some to the mission you mentioned. Wishing you God's chocest blessing the coming Year. Love Yours in J. C. for M. William

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

Two thousand, four hundred eighty-one and 43/100

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Choctaw pupils,

For quarter ended December 31, 1929

\$ 2,481.43

Arduora, Okla.  
Rec'd APR 25 1930 Amt 1930  
Ans. See J  
Mason  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filed \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_  
List \_\_\_\_\_  
D.D. or Ref. \_\_\_\_\_  
Check sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Sister Mary William

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

One thousand, nine hundred twenty-four and 82/100

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Chickasaw pupils,

For quarter ended December 31, 1929

\$1,924.82

Arduora, Okla.  
Rec'd APR 25 1930 Amt 1930  
Ans. See J  
Mason  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filed \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_  
List \_\_\_\_\_  
D.D. or Ref. \_\_\_\_\_  
Check sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Sister Mary William

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

-----ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN 05/100-----

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Chickasaw pupils,

For quarter ended March 31, 1930

\$1,918.05

Ardmore, Okla.  
April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1930  
Rec'd APR 29 1930 Amt  
Ans. See J  
Mason  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filed \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_  
List \_\_\_\_\_  
D.D. or Ref. \_\_\_\_\_  
Check sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Sister Mary William

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

-----TWO THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY 95/100-----

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Choctaw pupils,

For quarter ended March 31, 1930

\$ 2,380.55

Arduora, Okla. 30-2  
April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1930  
Rec'd APR 29 1930 Amt  
Ans. See J  
Mason  
Letter to \_\_\_\_\_  
Order filed \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Slip O.K. \_\_\_\_\_  
List \_\_\_\_\_  
D.D. or Ref. \_\_\_\_\_  
Check sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy to \_\_\_\_\_  
Sister Mary William

30-2

Armore, Oklahoma

Date DEC 15 1930 Amt See 10<sup>u</sup>, 1930  
 Recd File Pmt

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

-----NINE HUNDRED FOUR AND 89/100----- Dollars

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Chickasaw pupils.

For quarter ended September 30, 1930

\$904.89

*Sister Mary William*

30-2

Armore, Oklahoma

Date Dec 10<sup>u</sup>, 1930  
 Recd File Pmt

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

One thousand, three hundred ~~twenty-one~~ one and 11/100----- Dollars

Payment due St. Agnes' Academy, on account of Choctaw pupils,

For quarter ended September 30, 1930

\$1,321.11

*Sister Mary William*