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1929

Rt Rev Msgr Hughes
Director, Bureau of C I
Washington, D C

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St. Francis Mission
Tribal River, Arizona
January 1, 1929
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Rt reverend and dear Monsignor:

As I wrote you in my last letter I said I would inform you of the Cibecue school question as soon as negotiations started. This morning I went to see Mr Donner about having the government turn over their school and residence to me. He said he would write at once to the office. My arguments for the transfer were the following:

- a) There was no need of three schools in this one village. The Lutherans have one, at present the government has one, and now I am determined to have one.
- b) When I start my school the government school will have a little more than two thirds of the pupils left, with prospect (and a good one) of losing more as time goes on. Finally they will have to close up and leave their buildings stand idle.
- c) If they turn the school over to me they save themselves the expense of maintaining a school and save me the expense of building one. We are both ahead and they know as well as I do that we will give the pupils as good and even a better education than they are getting now.
- d) The office has done that for the Lutherans at East Fork (near Fort Apache) so there is a precedent. Now is our turn.
- e) The children would then be turned over to the Lutheran and Catholic missions, the two churches to either of which they must all belong.
- f) If the government wants the different denominations to do their work effectively they should let them care for the education of the children where there is no need of government schools and where the denominations can and will give as good and even better education than they are getting.
- g) My plan is to get a sufficient endowment to run the school on it's interest. This would make it a secure and permanent undertaking.
- h) I have first hand information to the effect that the government can get all the money it wants to care for the Indian affairs, and that they are glad to divert the money in these channels for financial reasons, or for the welfare of the country at large, for the same reason that they appropriate monies for a battleship. If that is the case (I never had that impression) it would be an easy and sensible thing for the office to give the missionaries a lift such as I would need in this case to put the school on a good footing, instead of making them hunt all over creation for support. Of course some norm of distribution would have to be established to avoid the squabbles among the denominations e.g. a certain flat rate regardless of denomination or adherents. The denominations would have to do the rest themselves just as before. I am making these remarks not that I expect this to happen at once, but as pertaining to something we might find sentiment for and later on a working basis. Provided THESE REMARKS I HEARD FROM ONE WHO KNOWS ARE TRUE.

I hope you will do all in your power Monsignor to push this through. I see no reason why it should not find the office favorable. With best wishes I am Your pal

Rev. Father's Very Obedt. Servant

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St Francis Mission,
 Whiteriver, Arizona
 January 2, 1929

My reverend and dear Monsignor:

I received your various notices of shipments. Many thanks Monsignor. I also received your statues. They are dandies. The kiddies sure love them. I do hope you will have no trouble getting a donor for them. Don't get any grey hairs about it. I will dye for you if you do.

^{under separate cover} Enclosed you will find the quarterly report and letters for various donors whose shipments are at hand. *PR*

With best wishes and kindest regards I am

Yours devotedly
Rev. P. Delia Joss O.F.M.

P S Monsignor, what can you do in the line of salaries for teachers? I am just trying to get the government school at Cibecue (inter nos). I think this probable for they have done that once before. The whole, if the transaction is successful, will be turned over to us for our use. In this case, they know I am determined to build if they do not come across, and they might as well quit when I get started. There are 40 in the school now and when I take out about half at the start, they will not have many more to keep them going, especially the following year after the Indians begin to drift this way. The government is as a rule satisfied to get rid of this expense. I will let you know when things get under way, so that you can push it on that end.

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Mr. John Beimford,
R. 2,
Horton, Kansas.

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.
January 3, 1929.

A-911
Dear John:

Your shipment of crib and vestments arrived in fine shape and just in time for Christmas. I surely was glad to receive them, for I was in need of vestments and crib. I placed the crib in the chapel of the 200 Navajo children at the boarding school in Fort Apache, about 5 miles from here. It was the first crib they ever had. I rushed over there the day before Christmas, built the stand, went up in the mountains and cut some real Christmas trees and made a fine setting for the whole crib. It looked pretty and the children just crowded around to see it. I thought they would devour it with their eyes. After the Mass Christmas morn I had them all pray for you and Reverend Father Mulvihill for this great gift. I will adorn the chapel every Christmas hereafter. Permit me to thank you from the bottom of my heart, in my own name and that of the dear children for this beautiful gift. I do hope that the Christ Child has given you and dear Father a most happy Christmas. May I also wish you and Reverend Father a most prosperous New Year though I may be late in my wishes. They are nevertheless sincere and hearty.

With sincerest thanks and all good wishes I am

Very gratefully yours

(Signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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[ENCLOSURE]

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.
January 3, 1929.

Mr. C. Depperman,
3550 Ester Place,
Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio.

A-1000

Dear Mr. Depperman:

Your fine shipment of slides arrived here safe and sound in spite of the long journey they made. They were well worth the trouble. The colors are beautiful and the scenes are of such places as will make the children familiar with their geography. In my brief experience of two years with the Indian children, I have found that pictures are a very great help in bringing ideas to their little minds. I have adopted films and slides in all my work in the Government schools. Your contribution will aid materially in the classroom work of the school I am about to open. May thanks therefore for this splendid contribution to the great work of educating the Apache child. Accept my sincerest thanks for your great help in the cause. The little Apache tots have already prayed for their kind benefactor.

With best wishes for a very happy new year I am

Very gratefully yours,

(Signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
January 3, 1929

Dear Mr. Trapp:

Your ciborium arrived here yesterday. It is a beautiful gift that reveals a beautiful spirit, the spirit of zeal for the horse missions. If it would not be for kind people like yourself who read THE SENTINEL, see the needs of the missions, and dig down in their pocket to help, we could not exist. I am glad to see that there are at least a few who will give and thus promote a cause so many are interested in. Your ciborium will house the Great Spirit of the Apache in the chapel erected in their midst. Many and I am sure fervent will be the prayers offered by the regenerated Apaches for their kind benefactor.

With kindest thanks and all good wishes for your temporal and eternal welfare for which we also pray, I am

With a heart full of thanks,

(Rev.) Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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January 10, 1929.

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Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

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Dear Father Fidelis:

I inclose Preservation Society check for \$200, covering your salary for attending the Whiteriver Mission, during the quarter ended December 31, 1928.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,
The enclosed check for \$275, covers your salary and the salary of catechist-teacher for the past quarter. As you know, the \$75 allowed for your catechist-teacher is the gift of the Marquette League. I will ask you, therefore, to write a letter of thanks direct to the League, addressing it to Rev. William J. Flynn, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

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January 10, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I am sending to you today by express a beautiful crucifix, the gift of
Miss Mary Timlin, given in memory of her aunt, Bridget Duffy.

Immediately upon receipt of the crucifix, please send a letter of thanks
through this Bureau for transmittal by me to Miss Timlin.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

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January 17, 1929.
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Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your letter of January 1. I will answer your questions in the order presented:

(a) Three schools may not be needed at Cibecue but the Government will not close its school doors because some denomination proposes to open a new school in the same locality. If this were a fact the Government would have to close schools in many places.

(b) Until such time that the Government sees fit to close a school there is no possibility of having it turned over to Catholics or anybody else. Whenever a school is closed the abandoned buildings might possibly be leased for educational purposes at a nominal cost.

(c) The Government certainly will not turn any school over to Catholics or Protestants in order to save expenses for any party. It is true the parties concerned might be benefited by such a transaction, but the Government does not argue that way. You maintain that in the Catholic school the children will get a better education, but you never read or heard of a Government institution admitting that fact.

(d) What the Government did for the Lutherans at East Fork, was done at a time, no doubt, when such a transaction would not be questioned. The Lutherans probably were the only ones on the ground at that time. To do such a thing now would evoke a storm of opposition not only from ourselves, were others thus benefited, but also from any other sectarian institution were the Catholics benefited.

(e) Granting that the Catholics and Lutherans are in the majority still there is and always will be a certain class of Indians who would object to sending their children to either a Catholic or Protestant school.

(f) What you say would be an ideal situation. But where a Government school has been in operation for a number of years, be assured that it is not going to close up and move off because ~~you~~ or somebody else proposes to put up another school. Question (f) was partly answered under (b). "It is a fair field with no favor and the devil takes the hindmost."

(g) Try and get an endowment! If you would get one I should say that then your troubles would begin. Experience has shown that a lot

of grief and pledges and tie-ups and red tape are appended to a foundation. It is like being presented with a thorough-bred dog with a tin can tied to its tail. You will be doing well if you get enough money for running expenses.

(h) The Interior Department may be able to get ample funds (it really cannot) to run the Indian Department but these funds are positively prohibited by law to be diverted to sectarian purposes. The Catholic contract schools we have and Government monies appropriated for them are not taken from Government funds. It is Indian money. The Government simply acts as the custodian for the Indians with whom it has treaty rights. The Government gives the Indian the right to determine what school his children shall be educated in. The Indians at Whiteriver can choose their school. The Indian Office has not and can not divert any money to any channel than that directed by law. Your "first hand information and from one who knows" is pure bunk. The Government will scarcely allow any additional contract schools.

In your letter of January 2 you ask about teachers' salaries. I have no funds for such purposes. In fact I am about bankrupt. All I can do is to insert your need in THE INDIAN SENTINEL. In that way some reader may be willing to furnish salary for a teacher.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JW:MC

Do not discuss the idea of contract schools publicly. Our present contract schools are always in danger of attack by our enemies. Don't invite trouble.

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
January 20, 1929.

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Mrs. A. McGlennen,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mrs. McGlennen:

Your parcel is at hand. Several of the articles enclosed will be of great utility to me in my travels up here in the mountains, especially the trunk and the coat. The other articles I can use in the missions. I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this fine shipment and also for the zeal you are manifesting for the home missions. I shall get the little Apache kiddies to pray for you. I, too, shall include you in my prayers.

In your letter you said you would like to hear something about the mission. I am at a loss what side of the cloud to show you, the silver or the dark side. But I guess we see and hear enough of the dark side of mission work so I am going to give you the bright side and talk about the country and the people. This reservation is in the Whitemountains. We are a mile high in a huge forest belt of pines and cedars. Authorities say it is the largest in the country. There are many mountain streams which abound in trout. The country is live with wild turkeys, deer, bears, mountain lions and other game usually found in such belts. This does not sound like Arizona at all does it? This is only one section of it. Although it is mountainous throughout, it has parts that are called the desert and they are hot too. Down there we find the copper mines. North of us (also desert) we find the petrified forest and the painted desert. The grand canyon is in a better belt. Arizona in my opinion is the most wonderful state in the Union. You can find almost any altitude and climate, from blistering hot to icy cold. There are ice caves in the desert and hot caves in the cold districts. Lots of contraries and lots of vegetation, i.e. varied. The desert had the cactus, the mountains the trees and many varieties in both. Coming back home I want to say a little about the Indians. You have read enough about the Apache to know their traits. Well we are just pioneering among them and trying to get them somewhere. They are still primitive in their ways. I am glad to say however that they are now gradually leaving their cold and dark tents and building houses for themselves. An Apache is anything but clean but we hope to take off a few layers of dirt before long. The evolution is slow and in spite of themselves, but it will be sure, I am confident.

Wishing to thank you once more for the fine shipment and hoping you are all in the best of health, I am

Gratefully yours,

(Signed) Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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St Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
January 26, 1929

Rt Rev Wm Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C I
Washington, D C

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Rt reverend and dear Monsignor:

I am in receipt of your letter about the school proposition. It appears as if there was not much of a chance for getting this Cibecue school. Still I was willing to try even, if I should fail. I just wanted to give you some pointers that affect this case, so that if Burke should call on you, you would be informed. The fact is Monsignor, that both the Navajo school at Fort Apache and this reservation are pulling hard for money and cannot get it. Both superintendents told me that and it is evident that their statements are true. I just wanted to take the advantage of the situation especially since I had a precedent and things here were favorable. If I could save myself the cost of a school (at least \$5000) I was going to do it. As I intimated in my letter that 'statement from one who knows' is true secundum quid but not de facto as facts prove, at least around here, some of the recent denunciations of the government bureau have some foundation in truth.

I mentioned that I wanted to get an endowment for the school. You bet your sweet life I would not take one with the usual red tape and obligations (unless they were very easy to fulfill and reasonable). But my idea of an endowment was to raise a good lump of money by stringless donations and other money raising schemes. The scheme is launched already and though entirely new, it might work out. If it does, and that only half as good as it might, I shall easily have enough to put up the school and completely furnish it. I am just waiting results. If the idea makes an appeal, I am going to carry it out on a larger scale at once. But I figured that if I could get the school at Cibecue I could put that much in the so called endowment fund and make it bring interest. An endowment of about \$50 000 will make me safe for a while, provided I get a salary for the teachers. It is a goal devoutly to be wished and to be worked for. My superiors on the coast think a school is at present impossible (financially) but I wish you would put in an appeal for a teacher anyhow. I can use it if the school becomes a reality anyhow, or it can be used in another school. There is nothing lost in getting the money.

Thanking you Monsignor for your information and hoping our hopes will be realized I am

Yours devotedly

Rev. Francis Joss O.P.M.

P S Baby Ford has several sisters or brothers here in town now. She is still percolating without a miss. About three months ago a fellow in a Buick hit me at 45 an hour. I was going that myself. He ripped up my fenders and broke the rear wheel and axle, but he did not get old Ford off the road. He lost control after I tore off his fenders and broke his rear wheel and axle. He landed in a ditch and turned over. No one hurt. Ergo: Don't play with a Ford.

your playing with dynamite.

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St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
February 3, 1929.

Rev. M. A. Schemel,
R. 5,
Carroll, Iowa.

Reverend and dear Father;

Your shipment of clothes arrived here yesterday. It was a monster shipment at that. I was surprised and delighted at the cleanness and good quality of the clothes shipped. It sure was worth the money paid for freight. There will be many an Apache widow and her children made happy with this charity on your part. Right now the winter is somewhat severe and some of the people are in sore need of some decent clothing.

Permit me to thank you reverend Father from the bottom of my heart for all that you have done for me and this mission. I appreciate so much the cooperation of a brother priest. You surely have been a good Santa to me. Thank also all the dear children of St. Mary's school who have so nobly helped along. Tell the people who furnished the clothes that I thank them most heartily and that I wish them all a hearty "God bless you." We shall remember you all in our prayers.

Thanking you dear Father once more for such great kindness and interest in the home missions and wishing you God's choicest blessings in your field of work. I am

With a heartfull of gratitude,

(Signed) Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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Sister M. Sylvester,
Ursuline Academy,
Louisville, Ky.

Venerable and dear Sister:

Say but that shipment you sent sure went a long ways to make the kiddies happy. Those socks were prize winners. The goodies they contained hit the spot. There was something of everything in the shipment to make the Apaches and their missionary happy. Without question you succeeded in bringing a lot of happiness to this part of the world.

Permit me to thank you again for this dandy shipment. Thank the dear children for me who I am sure worked so hard and made such great sacrifices to pack this box. Tell them that I appreciate very very much their great zeal for the home missions. They are to be congratulated on the life and pep in their unit. Here's hoping for their further success.

With kindest thanks to you dear Sister and best wishes to you and all the Sisters at the Academy, I am

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Yours gratefully,

(Signed) Rev. Videlin Voss, O.F.M.

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
February 3, 1929.

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February 13, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I had the mimeograph machine examined and the necessary repairs made. It is now in good shape and ready for use. It is electrically operated and has the Universal motor, 110 volts. The Universal can be used either with direct or alternating current.

What voltage do you use? Is it direct or alternating current? Please answer these ^{two} questions at once.

Yours fraternally,

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

EW:JR

Answer the questions because I have a chance to get another mimeograph. I know that St. John's can use this one as is. You may be able to use another.

February 13, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have received a gift of \$253 from the Propagation of the Faith, Chicago, Illinois, \$100 of which I have assigned to payments due you quarterly.

I wish you would address a letter of thanks, without envelope, to Very Rev. James J. Horsburgh, the director, and send it to me to forward.

My purpose is to express gratitude for past favors and to encourage future favors. But I must ask absolutely that you do not communicate directly at any time with this donor.

Tell the donor something interesting about your work.

Yours fraternally,

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

WH:JR

St Francis Mission, Feb 26 1929
 Whiteriver, Arizona
 February 26th 1929

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Rt reverend and dear Monsignor:

I am in receipt of your letters. I was just tickled pink to hear that you had the mimeograph in readiness. It is just the right voltage for here. Our voltage is 110, 60 cycles, alternating current. Ship her as soon as you can. I am just going to start instructions for first communion. It will aid me immensely.

I am enclosing a letter Very Rev James J. Horsburgh. Keep an eye open for furnishings at Cibola. I am so bloomin' busy that I even have no time to crack a joke. Casually I might say that the article of P. Augustine "The flying padre" in the Sentinel came to my notice in Phoenix, just when he was there. The tilt was amusing. The fact is that down in the desert the aviators stay out of the sky all day during the summer on account of the air pockets and twisters. Passenger lines follow the mountains as much as possible. A regular passenger line is coming through Holbrook, Winslow, Flagstaff, Williams, Prescott. These are almost the highest places in the state. All they have is mountains. Fellows who fly to Whiteriver told me there is no hazard at all. They would prefer to fly here than in the desert, at least during the summer. So all in all we are at the least on a level and it is just as hard to settle this as it is to distinguish between one who is a "nut" and one "sane" enthusiastic. It sure takes a philosopher to distinguish between them.

Waiting for the arrival of the Vamie and wishing you bushels of luck with the Propagation etc I must again sign myself as per the verdict in the Sentinel

I'm a nut

Rev. Adelin Ross C.F.M.

P.S. Say tell Mussolini to sidetrack some of those millions due the Pope over to the Bureau. What are they going to do with all that cash? You are the Pope's chamberlain, bring in your tray.

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*Bureau
Aug. to J. H. Harsburgh*

MAR 11 1929

[enclosure]

ST. FRANCIS MISSION,
WHITRIVER, ARIZONA.
February 20, 1929.

Very Rev. James J. Harsburgh, Director,
Propagation of the Faith,
Chicago, Ill.

Very Reverend and dear Father:

Monsignor Hughes has just informed me that you, as director of the Propagation of the Faith Society, have made a donation to him and that a part of it will be given to me. I wish to thank you sincerely for this. It means so much up here. You can rest assured that it has come to the right place. If the Faith is to be propagated with this money up here, it is absolutely going to do it. The reason is this:

We have just opened this mission among the Apaches about six years ago. The field is entirely new. It is attended by one Father in comparison with the six preachers of the Lutheran sect. We have no schools, with four to their credit. One catechist to their six, not mentioning the members of their families. They, themselves, admit that only the Catholic Church can do anything with the Apache. Their orphanage and boarding schools are large institutions, have large attendances, but there are no ostensible results. In fact they claim they are not here to civilize the Indian. This is indeed a sad picture and it shows too what we must do among the 2,500 Apaches of this reservation. As Indians, they are 25 years behind any other tribe. Government officials say that themselves. As Christians they can not be reckoned at all. They are heathens, pure and simple. They have qualities that will make them as good and even better Catholics than many other tribes. Mescalero in New Mexico proves it. So far we have been limping along without moving. There is sure a lot of faith to be propagated here and let me tell you frankly, it looks like it will be a long time till it is propagated. We might be visible but they do not feel our presence. From this pen-picture you can readily realize what your donation means to this reservation and hence also to Monsignor Hughes who is trying his utmost to help. Of course I realize he can not give any more than he has and that is not much, granted too that the money of the society is getting to the proper parties, it seems that it will be a long time till he does get enough, unless the propagation on whom we depend to a great extent has an unexpected era of prosperity. Till then the Indians and the missionaries who are struggling along as best they can will have to wait. But that is just what is getting me and many others. The field is ripe but there is none to gather the harvest. In the meantime, others are sowing cockle.

Thanking you once more most sincerely for your valued help and wishing you and the Propagation a most successful year, I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed) Fr. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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February 21, 1928

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have just received a letter from Mrs. Jeanne Sherer, the donor, of the gift of \$100 for an altar. This gift I sent to you September 29, 1927. You sent a letter of thanks for it.

Mrs. Sherer also gave a set of stations of the cross. As the stations were shipped some days ago they must have reached you by this time. Send me a letter of thanks addressed to the donor acknowledging receipt of the stations.

Mrs. Sherer says she has the altar cloths, etc. ready for the altar. But wants to hear from you as to when it is to be put up. She also wishes to know if the stations have been received and erected. Please cover these points in your letter of thanks.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

SF:MB.

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February 23, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

I have your letter of January 26.

It would be useless to make any advances to the Interior Department about the Cibola school building until after March 4. Should you at any time know of a Government school closed or to be closed I would suggest that you inform this office and transact the Government business through this Bureau. I will tell you confidentially, the nominal lease charge for abandoned Government school property is usually \$5 a month.

In my opinion endowment at the present time is impossible. Fifty years from now it may be done. In the meantime all we can do is to get all the funds possible and use them for the upkeep of the missions. Should you get the school I shall put an appeal for the teacher's salary in THE INDIAN SPECTATOR.

Be sure that I wish you success in your zealous efforts.

Yours fraternally,

MJ:MF

Rt. Rev. McGr. Wm. Hughes,
Director.

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March 2, 1939

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

On February 25, I received your mission need blank filled in. You have listed under statues, five. But you do not give me the names of the statues needed or the size.

I will ask you kindly, to send me this information by return mail.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,
Director.

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St Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.

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Rt Rev Msgr Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C
Washington, D C

Dear Monsignor:-

I received your letter inquiring about the statues. I merely mentioned the number because I had previously given you the names and the size. I have on hand one statue of the Sacred Heart Pleading -- 3'4" high. I would like to have one of the Blessed Virgin 3'4" high to match that of the Sacred Heart. Then I need one of St Catherine and one of St Joseph about 3'. I also need that crucifixion group for the niche behind the high altar which would otherwise be empty. The width of the niche is 4'8" and the height 5'11" at the top of the arch. The cross should not be more than 5'11" from the bottom of the base to it's tip otherwise it will not fit into the niche. I would appreciate two adoring angels about eighteen inches high if they are available.

Let me know when you are going to ship that mimeograph. I could use it so well these last few months for the special instructions and the drives I am making.

Enclosed is a letter for Mrs Mc Glannen.
With best wishes for your success I am

Yours a hustling,

Rev. Adeline Voss

sub by
MB

St Francis Mission .
Whiteriver , Arizona ,

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Rt R v Msgr Hughes
Director , Bureau of _____
Washington D C

Dear Consignor:

I wanted to write to you on the following topic last night but the light s went out before I could get to it I want to ask you what you think about trading in my Ford Sedan for a Ford truck I need a truck badly around here and I could just as well go around here in that as in a sedan It will have a cabin and it rides pretty smoothly I have the advantage too of doing a little freighting when I go from one point to the other and can thus defray the expenses of travel Let me know what you think of this proposition The new Ford sedan has 12000 miles on it now and if I wait too long I might loose on it when trading At present it is in good running condition and will bring a good price

With best wishes and kind regards I am

Yours devotedly

Our Father's Post.

P S Do you think you could get someone to add the balance for the truck If not do you think you could get someone to help make the monthly payments of about \$15 a month I think I can get \$550 or \$600 for the sedan I also have an old Star truck a fellow out East bought me that is worth a hundred So that gives me \$650 or \$700 on the new truck I then have about \$100 to pay in twelve monthly payments

*Don't forget to sign that certificate of title
I sent you & return it so that I can get
my license plates.*

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March 7, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

The enclosed copy of order form will inform you that I am placing
order today for a Mass kit complete.

Kindly send me a letter of thanks for transmittal to the donor.

Mrs. P. E. Joyce of New York.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MB.

Please remember Mrs. Joyce's special intentions in your Masses and
prayers.

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March 12, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I am in receipt of a gift from a reader of THE INDIAN SENTINEL for the purchase of a small statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

On December 10, 1928, I placed order for three small statues, Mother of Grace, Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Joseph and Child to be sent direct to your mission. I informed you at the same time that the Bureau would have to be reimbursed for the statues. You agreed to this.

Please send a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal by me to Miss Rose Byron. Do not inform her of the reimbursement to the Bureau, but thank her for her gift of a statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MB.

40-54

March 14, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your letter of March 7 and your telegram
of March 12.

What you do with the machine is entirely up to
you. You must use your own judgment whether you should
consult with your superior.

You ask me to sign the certificate of title you
sent me. I have received no certificate of title. Maude
agrees with me that I turned all of the papers over to you
in Glendale. I naturally would have signed the papers
then.

I have no hope of getting the \$100 which you say
you need for the trade.

You are some telegram boy. Where do you get the
money?

Yours fraternally,

March 25, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have received a donation of \$5 which was designated for you.

This is the gift of the pupils of the Ursuline Academy, Louisiana. I will ask you kindly to write the students a letter of thanks and send it to me for transmittal to them. The \$5 will be applied to the payment which I will send to you at the end of this month. I know you understand that I depend on such gifts to pay the salaries of missionaries such as yourself.

Yours fraternally,

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

JR

St Francis Mission .
 "Whiteriver ,Arizona ,
 April 2 ,1929

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Rt Rev Msgr Hughes
 Director ,Bureau of 'C I M ,
 Washington , D C

Dear Monsignor
 I received your several letters but have not had occasion to answer them till now. *(separate envelope)*
 I am enclosing letters of thanks to Mrs P E Joyce , Sophia Fetz and the children of the Ursuline Academy at New Orleans whose gifts are now at hand. Anent the latter donation by the children of the Ursuline Academy, I wish to remark that it is the result of a special appeal I made in person to them and others for the school I intend to build. It is intended for a school and not for my salary. Of course I am not going to fight about a miserly five dollars. You can use your own judgement on that. But if any more should come in your way that would be of value for this enterprise, I wish you would assign it to that cause. How can I build a school if all I pour goes to my salary?

Mr Donner informed me that the government wants to keep their school out at Cibecue. I shall try to build my own.

This morning I wrote to Jesse Smith at Glendale asking him to have the title for that car placed in my name. He first sent me that title about two months after the purchase, since he did not have my address. I happened to write to him about credit on a defective part and that is how he got in touch with me and sent the title. I am sure I sent the title to you in my last letter. Perhaps it was misplaced. It does not matter, however, I think things will be straightened out alright.

I know I am a telegram boy but the immediate settlement of the truck proposition happened to mean a saving of \$80 to me. I did not want to go ahead on a trade till I got your opinion. My superiors on the coast balked at the proposition in spite of the fact that it would net me a saving of \$1000 in freight right now. Last year I spent \$997.65 on truck freighting. Often I drove behind the truck, carrying the load, in my sedan in grand fashion. I had the pleasure of footing the bill later. I must make these trips anyhow and a Ford truck is any day as good looking as a model T sedan and it rides every bit as comfortably as a Dodge touring. However, I have managed to save the money anyhow since I have gotten the free use of a two ton Nash truck for freighting the building materials. The way it looks now I shall get the three thousand I need for the school, provided, of course, that the "Arquette League gives me a little lift. I must then get the money for furnishings. I am trying my best to get that school. I need something to carry on the work. One man cannot do justice to this reservation. There are no prospects of getting another father for several years.

Say what the devil are you trying to do? Make money on me? I wired for those statues of the sacred heart, blessed Virgin and St Joe and you sent them. I never did say that I would reimburse the Bureau, look at the enclosed letters from Monsignor Hughes. Looks like we are getting back to Nuts again.

Did you forget about that mimeograph? Send her as soon as you can.

Ceterum ambulemus in pace et mutua caritate. A happy Easter to you monsignor and to Maude and the rest of the crew over there. We are still in the octave so I guess the greetings will still count. I am so bloomin busy right now that I just have enough time to take my regular breath. Could not get my wishes to you in time for Easter, but I did remember you all on that glorious day. We prayed for all with Jewish blood and for all gentiles. I heard quite a few people in Washington are eating onions. A bad sign Monsignor. I could have smelled that in your letters. The next time you write sign your self 'Shylock'. Drop in on your way to the coast and smell some pork at Whiteriver. The government is fattening up two little fellows for me in their pens.

With best wishes and kindest regards I am

Yours gratefully,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.F.M.

P.S. I am sending films under separate cover. Return negatives + one or two prints of each to me.

Copy for Bureau
" " I.S.
Orig. sent donor 4/16/29 MB.

[ENCLOSURE]

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
April 2, 1929

Dear Mrs. Joyce:

I am just in receipt of the Mass kit you sent me. I wish to thank you sincerely for this fine outfit. I was sorely in need of a kit. My old one was hardly fit to use especially down at Fort Apache where I hold services for 250 Navajo Indian children in the boarding school. The children as well as myself appreciate this so much because we can now have fitting services in our little chapel. Next Sunday I shall get the children to remember you in their prayers. I shall likewise remember you in the first Mass I read with the new outfit.

Thanking you once more for your commendable generosity and hoping God will grant your intentions, I am

Very gratefully yours,

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

Mrs. P. E. Joyce,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Copied by MB.

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[ENCLOSURE]

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
April 2, 1929

Dear Sophia:

I am just in receipt of your parcel of clothes and quilts. I was dumfounded at the high quality of the things you sent. The Indian papooses surely will strut their stuff when they get those knitted caps and stockings and gloves. Those are comforts their little bodies know little about. Such clean and new things are a godsend to them. Permit me to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this excellent shipment. It was really worth the while. If I think of it I shall baptize the next little girl clothed in some of your articles and she will get the name Sophia.

With heartfelt thanks and all good wishes during this holy season I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

Copied by TB.

Mrs. Sophia Petz,
276 Edmund Place,
Detroit, Mich.

Copy for *Bazem*
" to *S.S.*

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
April 2, 1929

[ENCLOSURE]

Dear Children:

Many thanks for the five dollars you gave me to help along the work for the little Apache rascals. I had almost given up hope of hearing from you. I appreciate little ones the fine lift you have given me. May God bless you all for what you have done for these little heathens. I shall get them to pray for you next Sunday. I am sure that the prayers of these little and wild Apaches is pleasing to God and will find an answer. I just had some pictures taken of them and enclose one for you with my compliments.

Thanking you sincerely and wishing you all a most happy Easter tide I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

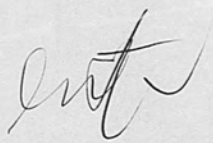
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Ursuline Academy,
Louisiana

40-54

April 10, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.



Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose Preservation Society check for \$200, covering your salary for attending the Whiteriver Mission, during the quarter ended March 31, 1929.

As soon as I received the allowance from the Marquette League for the salary of your catechist-teacher, I will send it to you.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JR

40-54

April 10, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

I am sending to you today by express prepaid a very pretty set of candelabra and crucifix, the gift of Mrs. W. J. Seymour. The candelabra and crucifix are for Mrs. Seymour's altar.

You promised Mrs. Seymour in a letter of thanks a picture of the altar when it is completed and in place. The altar is in memory of John and Anna Huckestein. Should the altar be finished, you could take a picture of the set of candelabra and crucifix on it for the donor.

Upon receipt of the shipment, please send a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal by me to Mrs. Seymour.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MB.

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April 15, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

I have your letter of April 2 enclosing letters of thanks, for which I thank you.

The gift of \$5 which I received from the children of the Ursuline Academy at New Orleans was not in response to an appeal made by you. Should I not apply stringless gifts which I receive from donors to the missionaries' salaries, it would be impossible for me to meet the payments. I have no definite income for them.

I trust that you will get aid from the Marquette League. If you write an appeal for publication in THE INDIAN SENTINEL, possibly I can get help for you for the necessary furnishings needed for the school. You must write the League direct.

You evidently misinterpreted my letters to you on December 10, 1928. I did not mean that you would reimburse the Bureau for the three statues, but that I would find donors to reimburse the Bureau's funds. I would then only ask for letters of thanks. You would not be any money out, simply letters of thanks.

The mimeograph will be sent to you as soon as possible, in a week.

With every best wish, I remain

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MR.

40-54

April 16, 1929

Mrs. P. E. Joyce,
616 Teall Ave.
Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Joyce:

I take pleasure in inclosing a letter of
thanks which I have received for you from Rev. Fidelis
Voss, O.F.M. of Arizona.

I also wish to add my thanks to those of
Father Voss for your kind charity to his poor Indian
mission.

THE INDIAN SENTINEL which I am sending to
you at each quarterly issue will inform you of the
good work which would never be done without such help
as you have given.

Yours in Christ,

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

MB.

40-54

April 16, 1929

Miss Rose Byron,
635 1st Ave.
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Byron:

I take pleasure in inclosing a letter of thanks which I have received for you from Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M. of Arizona.

I also wish to add my thanks to those of Father Voss for your kind charity to his needy mission.

Do not miss the stories the missionaries tell in THE INDIAN SENTINEL. They will inform you of the good work which would never be done without such help as you have given. The magazine also tells you, on the inside front cover, the spiritual benefits you enjoy by sending your gifts to missions through this office.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. McGr. Wm. Hughes,
Director.

MB.

Copy for Bureau
" " I.S.
Orig. sent donor 4/16/29 MB.

[ENCLOSURE]

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
April 2, 1929

Dear Rose:

I am in receipt of your beautiful statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I am using it in the little chapel for the 250 Navajo Indian children at the government boarding school at Fort Apache. Before this we had nothing in the chapel to make it look like a place of worship. But now thank God we have an altar and statues for the altar. It makes such a wonderful difference not only in the atmosphere of the chapel but also in the spirit of the children. They now have something objective before them to help them in their devotions. Permit me to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this beautiful contribution to the house of God, especially for these good children. I shall surely get them to pray for you next Sunday when I have Mass over there.

With hearty thanks to you for your kindness and hoping the good Lord will bless you, I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

Miss Rose Byron,
New York, N. Y.

Copied by MB.

St Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
April 22, 1929.

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Rt Rev Msgr Hughes
Director, Bureau of C I M
Washington D C

Rt reverend and dear Monsignor:

I am in receipt of your letter and the enclosed check, many thanks.

Sorry I misunderstood you. Of course as long as you do not touch my pocketbook I will do anything to get some equipment. All O.K. here. Glad, too, to hear that the timeograph is coming.

I am enclosing the certificate of title which I just got from Jesse Smith. I can't get my license until you sign that as directed in the letter and return it. Do it fast or I might find myself serving a few days in jail. So far I have evaded the cops by plastering my license plate with mud when I want to civilization. But the muddy season is over now and they might get curious to know why that mud is there. *(under separate cover)*

I am enclosing letters of thanks for donors whose parcels are at hand, *for Mrs.*

With best wishes and kindest regards I am
Yours gratefully,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.P.M.

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April 22, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose Preservation Society check for \$75, covering Marquette League allowance for the salary of your catechist-teacher, for the quarter ended March 31, 1929.

Please write a letter of thanks direct to the Marquette League, addressing it to Rev. William J. Flynn, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JR

40-54

April 25, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have received a letter of thanks from you addressed to the Ursuline Academy, Louisiana, in which you say that you are enclosing a picture of the little Apache.

I regret to say that this picture was not enclosed. If you will send it to me promptly, I will forward the letter of thanks to the donors.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Magr. William Hughes,
Director.

MC

40-57

April 25, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

On December 10, 1928, I ordered for you three statues and informed you at the same time that the Bureau would pay for them, but would have to be reimbursed when we found donors for the statues. As you know, the Bureau has been reimbursed for the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

I will ask you kindly to send a letter of thanks through this Bureau for transmittal by me to Miss Rose Byron for the small statue of Mother of Grace.

With every best wish, I remain

Yours fraternally.

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

MB.

Air mail

April 27, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, C.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your letter of April 22, with inclosures.

I am enclosing Certificate of Title which I just received from you,
together with the letter of April 15 addressed to you from The Jesse E. Smith
Company.

The mimeograph machine was shipped out yesterday.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

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 Director Bureau of C. P.M.
 Washington D.C.
 Copy to _____

St Francis Mission
 Whiteriver Arizona
 April 29 1929

Right reverend and dear "onsignor: I am in receipt of your letters.
 I am sorry that I overlooked enclosing that picture of the kids.
 You will find it enclosed this time. I am also enclosing a letter
 of thanks for Miss Rose Byron.
 Don't forget to sign and return that certificate of
 title as soon as possible One policeman tried to get me already.
 I have a ten days license to drive
 Withm best wishes I am
 Yours gratefully

Per. Fidelis Vos O.P.M.

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[ENCLOSURE] 40-54
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
April 29, 1929

Dear Friend:

I am now using your beautiful statue of Our Lady. It is being used at Fort Apache in the little chapel for the 250 Navajo Indian children at the Government boarding school located at that place. I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this very beautiful donation which surely gives more of a church atmosphere to our chapel. We shall make good use of it during the coming month, the month of Our Lady. You would be surprised to see what a difference it makes among the children to have statues before their eyes.

Thanking you once more for this beautiful gift and assuring you of the prayers of the children at the Fort, I am

Yours gratefully,

(signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

Miss Rose Byron,
New York, N. Y.

May 6, 1928.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

I have your letter of April 29.

I enclosed the certificate of title in my letter of April 27 which
I sent by air mail. It probably passed your letter on the way. Let me know
if you received it.

Yours fraternally,

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

EW:MW

40-54

May 9, 1928.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

On April 26 I shipped to you the mimeograph machine.

I have been waiting since that time to receive the prepaid freight bill-of-lading, but up to this time time it has not yet reached me.

I do not think you will have any trouble in getting the box from the freight office at McNary. But if you do, you could present the letter to the clerk there.

Please let me know when you have gotten the machine.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JR

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St Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
May 13 1929

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Rt. Rev. Wm. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.,
Washington, D.C.

Rt. reverend and dear consignee: I am in receipt of your letters and the certificate of title. I have sent it to Sacramento and hope there will be no more red tape. Such incidents are enough to knock the politics out of the most zealous politician. I surely wish I could make the dollar as easily as the vehicle department. Still I guess I have no kick coming. I got a thousand in one day in Phoenix some time ago. I came to repeat the stunt but the pastor got the shivers. I had pity on him and desisted from doing it again. I would not want to have a nervous wreck on my conscience. Besides he pointed the canons at me and that meant surrender.

With best wishes and kindest regards I am
Yours gratefully,

Rev. P. J. Delis, S.S. C. M.

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
May 20, 1929.

At. Rev. Msgr. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.,
Washington, D.C.

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 Letter to _____
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 Copy to _____ (check mark)

Right reverend and dear "onsignor: I am just in receipt of your mimeograph machine. I wish to thank you most heartily for this great help in my work up here. I have not as yet caught on to all the workings of the thing while looking at it tonight but I shall get it after a little inspection. It will be a great lift in the school work up here especially since I am going to build that day school out at Cibecue. while talking of day schools I want to take up another matter I have on my heart. Some time ago a man in St. Louis by the name of Schimmel died and in his will bequeathed several thousand dollars to the Indian missions through the Bureau. I at once wrote to Mr. Schneiderhahn, a lawyer and the executor of the will for a share in the will. (his was previous to his letter to me telling me that it was willed through the Bureau). As soon as I got the letter of Mr. Schneiderhahn who is a personal friend of my father, and through whose efforts this money was bequeathed to the missions, I decided that I would write you at first opportunity for a lift in building the day school. My superior was just here this week and he insists on the Bureau living up to it's promise to build this place up. I happen to know all the ins and outs of the whole affair and I think that when the Bureau has a chance as it has now to fulfill it's promise it should do so. A good lift now would help to iron out a lot of difficulty and put the Bureau in better grace. The position I am in is as follows: My superiors refuse help because they fall back on the promise of the Bureau and the Bureau tells me it has nothing. Well that is not going to get me nor the mission anywhere. I am just between the devil and deep blue sea. Here you have a chance do your part and I hope you will. A thousand will be a good lift. Let me know your decision in this matter.

I shall send letters of thanks as soon as I get a chance to write them. These are for donors of various parcels.

With kindest thanks and all good wishes I am
Yours gratefully,
M. J. P. M. J. P. M.

Rev. Adelin Voss O. F. M.

May 20, 1929

Rev. Fidelis Vese, O.F.M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

You sent me a picture showing yourself with an Indian boy on your shoulders.
What is the name of the boy and the meaning of his name in English?

I enclose copy of this letter for your convenience in replying. Simply
note your answer and return the copy to me.

Yours fraternally,

St. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

CP:TB.

Name of boy: _____ Meaning _____

40-54

May 21, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose original freight bill-of-lading which I have just received and which covers the mimeograph shipped to you on April 26. As you will see from the bill-of-lading, the charges have been prepaid. They amounted to \$12.78.

Please let me know just as soon as you have received the mimeograph.

Yours fraternally,


Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JR

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
June 5, 1929.

Rt. Rev, Msgr. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.,
Washington, D.C.

Rec'd JUN 11 1929 AMK
Ans. 7/17/29
To Mr. Hughes
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Right reverend and dear Monsignor:

I am in receipt of your letters regarding the pictures I sent you. The name of the boy on my shoulders is Wendel Roosevelt, son of my interpreter, Teddy Roosevelt. Would like to have an extra print of the boy pictures for my interpreter.

I am enclosing letters of thanks to several donors. Would you receive my letter regarding that will and the amount you will give me? Would like to hear from you on this point as soon as possible.

With kindest thanks and best regards I am

Yours gratefully,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.P.M.

June 6, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your last letter of May 20. I can not count my chickens before they are hatched.

Please send me Mr. Schneiderhahn's full name and address.

You have fared better than any other missionary. So quit your kicking.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Mgr. William Hughes,
Director.

EW:MC

June 25, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.

Dear Father Voss:

Before leaving for a visitation for the southwest missions, Father Hughes has directed me to write you on such matters.

In my letter of June 6 addressed to you I asked that you send me Mr. Schneiderhahn's full name and address.

I will need this information in order that I may get a copy of the bequest left to this Bureau by Mr. Schimmel.

Please reply immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

Eugene J. Welch,
Acting Secretary.

EWJ:MMW

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July 18, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I thank you for your letter of June 5.

I am enclosing one print of each of the negatives showing Wendel Roosevelt
which you requested for your interpreter, Teddy Roosevelt.

Thanking you for your kindness in allowing me to keep these negatives, I
remain

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MC

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July 20, 1929. 40-54

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

In my letters of June 6 and June 25 addressed to you, I asked for the address of Mr. Schneiderhahn. This matter should be attended to at once. It is most urgent that you give me this information.

Please reply immediately.

Yours very sincerely,

Eugene J. Welch,
Acting Secretary.

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
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Mr. Eugene J. Welch,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter inquiring into the address of Mr. Schneiderhahn. I was gone for some time out East to the bedside of my mother and could not therefore answer you at once. I am giving you the address of the party concerned at the end of this letter. Mr. Schneiderhahn cannot do a thing as executor of the estate till he has made an inventory of the estate. His takes some time. After that he will inform the recipients so that they are duly advosed. I know for a certainty that the Indian Bureau gets one fourth of his estate.

With best wishes to you and the staff I am
yours truly,

Rev. Adeline Mrs. O.P.M.

The address of Mr. Schneiderhahn:

Mr. Edward V.P. Schneiderhahn,
Title Guaranty Building,
Seventh and Chestnut Streets,
St. Louis,
Missouri.

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July 31, 1929.

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Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose Preservation Society check for \$275, covering payments
due for the quarter ended June 30, 1929, as follows:

Your salary for attending Whiteriver Mission,	\$200. P. S.
Salary of your catechist-teacher,	75. M. L.

Please write a letter of thanks direct to the Marquette League,
addressing it to Rev. William J. Flynn, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

Yours fraternally,

Ht. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

JR

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ST. FRANCIS' MISSION,
WHITERIVER, ARIZ.
August 26, 1929.

Mrs. Sophia Pötz,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sophia:

I am in receipt of your shipment of quilts and clothing for the mission. I appreciate such protection up in this country. Arizona might be hot in the desert but we have pretty snappy winters up here next door to heaven. The road there is a mile shorter for the Apaches for whom you are working. I am trying my level best to teach them the shortest and best road thither and I think I shall succeed in getting them over it in due time as long as friends like you lend me a helping hand. You know right well that we first have to live to earn heaven and you can not live on air nor live under it.

Thanking you for your thoughtful gift and assuring you of our constant prayers,
I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed) Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
September 3, 1929.

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Rt. Rev, Wm. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.,
Washington, D.C.

Rt. reverend and dear Monsignor:

I am enclosing article for the
Sentinel and a print of the accident. I have sent you letters of
thanks for Mrs. Shea donor of the altar for Fort Apache, and
Sophia Petz.

I hope that will proposition is near settlement and
that I shall hear from you soon.

Many thanks again for the check covering my salary.
With best wishes for your success in the coming year I am
Yours gratefully,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.P.M.

September 4, 1929

Mrs. Ella T. Shea,
366 Dunker Hill St.,
Charlestown, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Shea:

I take pleasure in inclosing a letter
of thanks and picture which I have received for
you from Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M. of Arizona.

I also wish to add my thanks to those
of Father Voss for your kind interest in his
poor Indian missions.

May the Lord reward you for the many
kind deeds you have done to extend His kingdom
in the souls of Indian children.

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Magr. Wm. Hughes,
Director.

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[ENCLOSURE]

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St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
August 26, 1929

Mrs. Ella T. Shea,
Mass.

Dear Friend:

Enclosed is a picture of the altar which you have so kindly furnished for the 250 children at Fort Apache. They as well as myself are proud of it and happy in it's possession. It is the work of one of the Indians. You will notice the amount of hand carving on it. Any cabinet maker would be proud of it. People who have scrutinized it say that it is a wonderful piece of workmanship. I simply made the plans and handed them over to the Indian to be executed.

I wish to thank you in my own name and that of the Navajo children at Fort Apache for this first and greatest acquisition in our chapel. It surely has a more church like appearance now. They are about to start remodeling the interior and then we shall, indeed, have a house of God.

With sincerest thanks and all good wishes, I am

Yours gratefully,

(signed)

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

Copied by MB.

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September 12, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose Bureau check covering Marquette League donation of \$1000.00
designated to be sent to you for building of day school at Cibecue.

Kindly make acknowledgment of this gift direct to Rev. William J. Flynn,
Secretary General of the Marquette League, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City,
New York.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

MC

This gift is taken from the general treasury of the Marquette League.

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September 14, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O. F. M.,
St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your letter of September 3 with enclosure. Is the story of the bishop to the Lincoln an appeal? It is not clear whether you are asking for help or just warning readers against investing good money in a Lincoln. If help is needed, write it in dollars. OK

Yours fraternally,

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

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Right reverend and dear Monsignor:

wanted and I give it herewith. Among the boys to go along was Marcus Gatewood. He is 6f the Lutheran denomination. His stepfather John Williams (guardian) approached me just as I was leaving Cibecue with the rest of the children and told me to take Marcus along as the boy had told him he also wanted to go to St. John's. I asked the stepfather to come in with me and sign up but he said he could not do it at present since he had lost so much time the previous week. He said in the presence of all the children and some grown Indians that he would sign later. I then went to Mr. Donner on arriving at Whiteriver with the children and told him of John Williams' request. I also told him of the need of signing later. Mr. Donner said that would be alright. He also said that Marcus could go as far as he was concerned but that he would want to hear what Mr. Mackey the principal had to say about it. I saw Mr. Mackey a few minutes later at the post office. He was unwilling to let the boy go because as he said he did not want to reduce the number in the class (seventh) which was about 22 or 23. I told him then that one more or less would not matter. I also told him that the government recognizes the right of the folks to send their children to any mission school provided it is not during the school year the transfer is made. He persisted in refusing saying too that since they had brought the boy so far they did not like to change him. He said he would see Mr. Donner. I told him to let me know what was to be done. In the meantime according to a prearranged plan (with Mr. Donner) I took some of the other children who had not been examined physically, to Dr. Ferguson at Fort Apache. I took Marcus with me so that in case Mackey should agree there would be no delay. I told Marcus to tell Mr. Mackey his intent and to let me know in the morning. When he came in the morning he said that Mackey had refused. I then told the boy that if he was still anxious to go I would take him along nevertheless since it was clear he as well as the stepfather wanted it (spontaneously as far as I know) and that Donner made no difficulty about signing later. I knew that as long as the rights of the parent were secured and their consent apparent I could take the boy and notify the agent later in case he should not find out about it. The law simply requires that the agent be notified. Moreover I would not have a last minute dispute over what I considered of little import. The law has been clearly stated several times to the effect that: The parents have full right to send their children to a mission school and that if the agent refuses we should insist on it anyhow. Now Mr. Donner is not against it except that Mr. Mackey opposed it. But Mr. Mackey evidently has a poor excuse for not letting the boy go. They have sent out children of the higher grades right along. Why should this

case be excepted.¹ Because there were only 22 or 23 in the class.² That seems foolish. It also seems arbitrary to limit an otherwise clearly stated law in this fashion. I simply took the law to mean what it said and only that. If we allow a hundred and one "ifs and buts" we do not know where we are. The law is as good as nil. Moreover if we have to wait for word from the principal of the agent (I mean consent) where it is denied the agent or principal determines the fate of the child and not the parent or guardian. In that case the law is entirely nullified. For the above reasons I simply took the child along. A telegram was sent to Phoenix to Pedro Martinez in which Bonner said that if he would not bring Marcus back he would be deprived of any and all privileges. I did not give the telegram to Pedro because it would spoil his stay and because as far as I knew he had nothing to do with the case. I had decided to let the boy there and I was holding myself responsible for the move. I do not know why Bonner did this. He is either under the impression that Pedro is responsible for the boy going or he wanted to force me to return the boy by threatening to punish Pedro. If the first was his mental attitude I think he is wrong for I never heard that Pedro had anything to do with the boy or the stepfather. I am not conscious of anything of that sort happening. Even if it did happen, what does it matter? Pedro is not a real government employee. He is doing fence work up on his ranch for the government but he is for this reason no more a government employee than an Indian who mixes cement for a few days while the government is building. If Bonner tried to force the issue by threatening Pedro it was not fair. I hardly think that he would have done that.

From all this you can see that I did the above for the simple reason that it was the only alternative. I read and reread the law. It was clear enough to me. There were no exceptions made except regarding a transfer during a school year. The exception on the part of Mr Mackey seemed trifling anyhow. I knew Mr. Bonner would support Mr Mackey although Bonner himself was willing to leave the boy go. I did not want to quarrel the last minute and at the same time I knew that the law only requires that the agent be notified of the transfer. I intended to do that later if necessary and took the boy along. If the law permitted the boy to go he was going as far as I was concerned. I had no intention of walking over any authority but I did want to avoid a pitched battle. In fact I am not conscious of overriding any authority. If the law is such we obey it just so.

I wish you would let me know what is to be done in the case. I shall get the subsequent signature of the stepfather which Mr. Bonner deemed sufficient. I am not placing any stress on the boys power of selecting his own school or religion since he is 17 years old and the law requires that he be 18. I want to stick to the clear tenor of the law.

With sincere greetings I am

Yours truly,

Rev. J. J. Voss O.P.M.

P.S. Copy of telegram sent to P. Augustine in a similar case Sept. 17, 1923.

Indian office recognizes as fundamental right of parents to send children to mission school. Superintendent has no option provided transfer is not made during school term. If parents gave consent for mission school first and superintendent prevented insist on sending boys. Indian office denies that quota for government schools must be filled first. Show telegram to superintendent. Save him embarrassment of having Bureau obtain order from Indian Office. Letter follows.

Rev. Wm. Hughes.

P.S. Last year several Indian children of sixth & seventh grade were permitted to go to St. John's without difficulty. They were glad to get out of the school because they do not want to catch down the class.

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona,
September 19, 1929.

Rt. R^v. Msgr. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Monsignor:

Just returned this evening at eleven P.M. after an all days trip to Carizzo to secure the signature of John Williams. He had promised it when he asked me to take the boy and kept his promise as soon as I told him what I came for. I have at least 15 witnesses to what was transacted then for the Indians were at the cowboy camp when I arrived and all were there. I have only two signatures as I thought that would suffice. I had to walk fourteen miles to get up to their place. I am about tired out now so I am going to cut this short. John has also penned a letter of his own dictation to the commissioner telling his own story and explaining how the boy came to go. As you can see from his own letter he was perfectly free. His asking to take the child to St. John's was spontaneous. Now since all is settled I hope that this is the end of the matter. It was not anything for the officials here to worry about anyhow if they only knew their regulations.

With best wishes I am

Yours devotedly,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.P.M.

P.S. Keep these signatures on record since Donner might call for them. I did not take the time to show them to him because I want to have everything in Washington as soon as possible to forestall an order contrary to these presents. If necessary I can swear that these signatures are genuine so there is no need of verifying them.

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I put you in school
or sent you there. I wish
my boy go to Catholic
school. I want him get
Catholic education as
much as he can get.

Then you. After ^{my} boy
learn something in
Catholic school might
look back where he
went to school and
what he had learn.

I want to tell you
that I asked to send
this boy of my
own accord. no body
asked me about sending
him to St Johns

His

John Williams

Charles Trax

Clinton Cody

Mark

Witnesses.

October 2, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have your letters of September 15 and 19, the latter inclosing a statement and a certificate signed by John Williams by thumb mark and witnessed by Charles Truax and Clinton Cody, expressing Williams' desire as stepfather and guardian of Marcus Gatewood that the boy go to St. John's Mission School at Komatke, Arizona.

I am keeping the statement. There is no need of presenting it to the Indian Office unless the case is called to the attention of the Office by Superintendent Donner. I do not think he will do so. I enclose the certificate. You should present it to the Superintendent. That will satisfy his agreement with you that the request in writing of the parent could be obtained later.

From your statement of the case I see nothing to criticize except that it was unfortunate that the fact could not be made known to Superintendent Donner and Principal Mackey that the boy would go to St. John's at the beginning of the new term. You and I must surely sympathize with the principal's desire to keep that number in the seventh grade, especially when the pupil has been in the school some time. In our mission schools we desire the same.

But the right of the parent or guardian to change schools outside of the school term is an unquestioned right.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

WH:JR

CONFIDENTIAL

October 2, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

Referring to the case of Marcus Gatewood, I hope that you consult with a priest of excellent judgment like Father Gerard Erenneke.

The right of the parent to send his children to the mission school is exactly as stated in my telegram of September 17, 1923 to Father Augustine, which you quote. But Superintendent Donner may claim that this is a case of changing religion and that it therefore falls under the decision reached in the agreement brought about by Father Novatus Benzing and Inspector Hammond. In that case the parent or guardian would simply have to appear before the Superintendent.

In order to carry out your agreement with Superintendent Donner, either you or John Williams will have to present or send the certificate. In this case you do it. In the spirit of the Benzing-Hammond agreement, I am inclined to think that a Superintendent could require the personal appearance of the parent or guardian even for a change of school, except where the contrary custom is well established and the inconveniences would be too great. I have in mind the fact that the Sisters at St. Catherine's, Santa Fe, go out about a week before the schools open and gather up the children. If they find a child whose parents really desire that the child shall now enter St. Catherine's, Commissioner Burke agreed with me that the child might be taken and the Superintendent notified at the earliest possible date. But the consent of the Superintendent is not asked.

On the other hand I have no doubt that you try to cooperate as fully as possible with the Superintendent and other employees.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,

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"to donor"
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Mrs. Sophia Petz,
276 Edmund Pl.,
Detroit, Mich.

St. Francis Mission,
Whiteriver, Arizona.
October 9, 1929.

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Dear Mrs. Petz:

I am in receipt of your dandy parcel. Won't the kiddies feel snug with all that warm apparel. Thanks, a thousand thanks to you Sophia for your kind forethought. Just imagine the little papooses all dressed up in the warm little caps and mittens and dresses and I am sure you will get a thrill of delight out of your shipment. If you could only see them tucked away in their little wicker cradles straddled on the backs of their mothers you would chuckle with joy. These comforters will surely bring comfort to the parties who are lucky enough to have the use of them. I just happen to recall Jiggs oft repeated remark to Maggie in the funnies "Maggie use discretion." We might turn the tables and I hear Sophia say "Father use discretion." I assure you I will especially if like Maggie the Apaches stage and attack when I give them out.

With kindest thanks and good wishes for a happy Indian summer, I am

Yours gratefully,

(Signed)

(Rev.) Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.

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October 17, 1923.

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Rev. Fidelin Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

In my letter of October 7 I stated that Superintendent Donner may claim that this is a case of changing religion. In that case the parent or guardian would simply have to appear before the superintendent.

Sub-section C of Section 130 of The General Regulations for Religious Worship and Instruction of Pupils in Government Indian Schools provides, "That transfers from one religious denomination to another of children under 18 years of age shall only be permitted upon voluntary request of the parent, or guardian, who shall appear before the reservation superintendent unaccompanied by priest or minister and signify in writing his desire as to the religious affiliations of his child." This rule arose as a result of the Benzing-Hammond agreement.

I am inclined to think that Superintendent Donner could require the personal appearance of the guardian. Marcus Gatewood is of Lutheran denomination. He has made this change to your mission school and will most likely change his religion.

Yours fraternally,

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

JR:EW

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October 21, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
Whiteriver,
Ariz.

Dear Father Voss:

I enclose Preservation Society check for \$200, covering your salary for attending the Whiteriver Mission, during the quarter ended September 30, 1929. As soon as I receive the allowance of \$75 from the Marquette League, I will send you the payment due for the salary of your catechist-interpreter.

Yours fraternally,

JR

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

November 5, 1929.

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Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

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Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose Preservation Society check for \$75, covering
Marquette League allowance for the salary of your catechist-teacher,
for the quarter ended September 30, 1929.

I am very sorry, indeed, that there has been some delay in
sending this payment to you. But the allowance has just been received
from Father Flynn.

I will ask you kindly to write a letter of thanks direct to
Father Flynn, addressing it to 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

Yours fraternally,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Hughes,
Director.

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November 7, 1929

To Rev. Fidelis Voss,

Street and No. (or Telephone Number) St. Francis Mission,

Place Whiteriver, Arizona

Cannot recall details. Letter mislaid. Submit to meeting then me.

William Hughes

Charge to

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St. Francis Mission, 40-54
Whiteriver, Arizona;
November 10, 1929.

Rt. Rev. Wm. Hughes,
Director, Bureau of C.I.M.,
Washington, D.C.

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Reverend and dear Father:

I am in receipt of the check for my salary. Permit me to thank you most heartily for it.

With best wishes and kindest regards I am

Yours gratefully,

Rev. Fidelis Voss O.F.M.

X P.S. Please send me a reference copy of the new regulations governing affiliation, studying etc. Never saw them yet.

December 3, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I have received a gift of \$100 which I have applied to the payment due you for your salary for the quarter ending December 31.

I will ask you to write an interesting letter of thanks to the donor, Rev. C. A. Erkenswick, and send it to me to forward.

Do not say that this money is yet to come to you. You should consider that you will receive it at the end of this month, or did in past quarters, because you know that I depend on such donations to make up the payments which I send you.

Hoping to receive this letter of thanks soon,
I remain

Yours fraternally,

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

JR

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December 4, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
Whiteriver, Ariz.

Dear Father Fidelis:

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the Catholic Institute, 309-3rd Street, Jersey City, N.J.,
you to pay the express charge on the shipment they
sent to you, which is only prepaid as far as Holbrook.

JR
Sister Louis Gonzaga of the Catholic Institute informed me that she was
told that your shipment would go only as far as Holbrook and for that
reason she sent me the gift of \$2 which she thinks will cover the charges
from Holbrook to Whiteriver. Please let me know when you receive this
shipment.

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[WHITE RIVER]

December 31, 1929.

Rev. Fidelis Voss, O.F.M.,
St. Francis' Mission,
St. Francis, S. Dak.

Dear Father Fidelis:

I enclose a letter addressed to you by one of
the students of St. Vincent's Academy, St. Vincent, Ky.

If you answer this letter, I will ask you to
do so through this office.

Yours fraternally,

JR

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

Received from Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

Payment due as salary of Whiteriver catechist-teacher, (M. L. allowance)
For quarter ended December 31, 1928.

\$ 75.

Whiteriver, Arizona.
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Rev. Felix Voss O.P.M.

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Payment due as salary of whiteriver catechist-teacher, (M. L. allowance)
For quarter ended March 31, 1929/9

\$ 75.

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Rev. Felix Voss

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Payment due as salary of Whiteriver catechist-teacher, (M. L. allowance)
For quarter ended June 30, 1929/9

\$ 75.

Whiteriver, Arizona.
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