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About

Office of Indian Affairs, Mission school supplies, Government Relations with Native Americans, Native American Schools

Identified Persons

Eugene Chirouse; Father Pierre Richard; Major Edmond Mallet; Sister Benedict

Identified Places

Tulalip Indian School; Tulalip Mission

Recipient

unknown

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March 18 78

Sir:

In the "Remarks made in the Office of Indian Affairs on the Cash Accounts of Edmond Maclell, U.S. Indian Agent, Tulalip Agency for the 1st 2nd 3rd & fractional 4th quarters 1877, Shoulter, Examiner." are the following):

" [1st q^r 1877]

No. 14 E. C. Chirone Supt of Schools \$750.

The agent will stand charged with this amount until he furnishes a detailed statement showing the purposes for which the money was expended properly supported by sub-vouchers and proof that the service derived the full benefit of said amount. "

" No 31 [2nd q^r 1877] E C Chirone Supt. of Schools \$300.00

Remarks to Voucher #14, 1st q^r. 1877 apply "

I remark that like ^{exceptions} ~~exceptions~~ should have been made to my 4th q^r 1876 account for the sum of \$1,500.00 ^{having been} disbursed in the same manner ~~irregular~~ manner during the ^{July 1st to} ~~period from~~ ~~Sept 1st to~~ ~~Oct 31, 1876.~~

In explanation of and partial justification of my action

1500
750
3

2550
450

450
3

1350
450

1800

^{in an irregular manner}
in thus disbursing the sum of \$3,550.00, I respectfully represent.

First. That until January 1, 1876 the schools at the Sealap agency were supported by contract and that under the terms of that contract the fees and ^{the expense of its execution} of the Congressional Appropriation ^{for the support of the schools} was paid ⁱⁿ quarterly ^{in installments} to Rev. E. C. Chase, ^{Agent of the Agency}, on condition that he ^{should} ~~maintain~~ ^{keep} ~~the schools~~ ^{the schools} ~~in operation~~ ^{in operation} ~~at his own expense~~ ^{at his own expense} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Government~~ ^{Government} support the schools without further expense to the Government.

Second. That after the abrogation of the contract, on Dec. 31, 1875, the agent, my predecessor, continued to pay the amount of the appropriation to the said Rev. E. C. Chase in the same manner as when the contract was in force.

Third. That ^{on} when I assumed the management of the agency on Oct. 11, 1876 I, ^{being required by the requirements of the regulations} ~~knowing no better~~, and being informed that ~~the~~ the method adopted in force was the simplest and ~~had~~ ^{naturally} followed the precedent in force. ^{not} ~~imagining~~ that this was natural enough since I was ^{instructed} to ~~follow~~ copy by the office of Indian Affairs and since I was ^{advised} ~~to~~ do by my predecessor. ^{since} The Indian Office has ^{his} taken no exceptions to ~~the~~ practice of ~~my~~ ^{my} nor did it take exceptions to mine until after I had left the service.

Ours

~~at the time of my taking charge of the school ^{in practice} during the fiscal year ending June 30 1877~~

The method of supporting the school was as follows: The superintendent of the mission ~~employed~~ ^{in quarterly installments} ~~the~~ received the \$3,000 appropriated by Congress to defray the ^{on half of the} ~~total~~ obligations; he gave \$1,500 to Rev. Mr. Richards the principal teacher of the boys school ^{on half of the money} and the remaining ^{half} \$1,500 to Sister Benedict the principal of the female school; the principals of each school supplied the necessary food, clothing, bedding, books &c. for their ^{respective} pupils and retained the balance if any for their own services and their children's services. The agent was recognized as the real superintendent of the school and ~~inspected it~~ he satisfied himself from time to time that ~~it~~ it was in every way properly supported and managed.

Such was the manner in which it was supported during the fiscal year ended June 30 1877 ^{in day of accounts} except that the sum of \$450 was paid ^{to} the actual teachers (wages on the regular pay roll of employees) for the quarter ended June 30th 1877

Having learned from ~~official sources~~ that my action in paying at the cost of the ~~appropriation~~ to the superintendent of the school on condition of his properly supplying in the school material of the age of, ~~instead of doing myself~~, was irregular.

I ~~being~~ ^{permitted} the ~~super~~ ^{was irregular} supervisor of the mission ^{to} ~~to~~ ^{the} school ~~in~~ ^{at} the low ~~year~~ ^{year} China of doing it myself, I called upon ~~the~~ ^{principal} ~~to~~ ^{to} furnish me with the means, of the funds ~~purchase~~ ^{to} ~~by~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{to} ~~amount of \$1000.00~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{amount of \$1200.} for the exclusion of the pupil, as I had much prepared ~~changing~~ the purposes for which the money ~~apport~~ ^{was} ~~paid~~ ^{was} ~~there~~ ^{expended}. I herewith ~~submit~~ ^{submit} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~accounts~~ ^{accounts} ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~remaining~~ ^{remaining} ~~\$1550.~~ ^{\$1550.} by ~~submitting~~ ^{submitting} ~~vouchers~~ ^{vouchers} for salary of teachers. I herewith ~~submit~~ ^{submit} ~~vouchers~~ ^{vouchers} for the ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~amount~~ ^{amount} ~~of~~ ^{of} \$1213.60 ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~pay~~ ^{pay} ~~for~~ ^{for} \$1200.

Crawford + Warrigite	school supplies	694.66
Frankthal Brothers	"	53.90
Boyd Concin + Yang	"	37.46
Dillon + Co.	"	21.16
L. Goldsmith + Co	"	124.46
Schwalbecher Bros + Co.	"	111.38
James P. Crawford	"	149.18
George Boone	"	75.30
		<hr/>
		1267.50
		53.90
		<hr/>
		1213.60

~~that~~ I account for it being \$1350. by selling under for 5
~~months~~ the letter of instructions
 sales of books as follows:

Brother Henry de Vries services of school teacher	\$675
Sister Pacific	675
	<u>1350</u>
	256360

I further desire to show the following:

- 1 The purchases were in open market ~~and I respectfully ask that~~
~~their price in the manner under the circumstances be con-~~
~~firmed by the Hon Secretary of the Dept of the I~~
~~terior.~~
- 2 The salaries paid the teachers ^{were} ~~at~~ the rate of \$900. a year
 each. — the ~~same~~ ^{amount} ~~as~~ ^{allow} for the current fiscal year as
 per Ind. Office letter dated Sept 31, 1877. "R.G.A."
- 3 The articles purchased ^{were} ~~not~~ ^{entirely} the property of
~~as~~ ~~could~~ ~~not~~ ~~be~~ ~~under~~ ~~the~~ ~~circumstances~~ ~~and~~ ~~I~~ ~~am~~ ~~not~~ ~~at~~ ~~all~~ ~~con-~~
~~cerned~~
~~I~~ ~~therefore~~ ~~in~~ ~~no~~ ~~wise~~ ~~con-~~
~~cerned~~
 In view of all the circumstances I respectfully ask that
~~I~~ ~~be~~ ~~in~~ ~~formed~~ ~~with~~ ~~letters~~ ~~that~~ ~~you~~ ~~direct~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~Hon~~ ~~Secy~~
 of the Department of the Interior, letters ^{for} ~~confirming~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~purchase~~
 in open market, also that you furnish me with necessary letters ~~to~~
~~remove~~ ~~the~~ ~~objection~~ ~~which~~ ~~may~~ ~~be~~ ~~made~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~confy~~ ~~of~~ ~~app'ts~~
 of Bro de Vries & Sister Pacific for July 1st 1876 to June 30th
 1877 at a salary of \$900. each, if each letter

I certify on honor that the schools at the Lelip Agency were properly supported and managed during the period from July 1, 1876 to Jan 30 1877 as they, but the purchase been made by the agent instead of by the support of the schools as hereinbefore explained, ~~the~~ the additional expenses ^{to the govt} (for transportation of the goods purchased) would have ~~been~~ ^{been} nearly \$200. which amount was saved ^{by reason of the gift} ~~to the govt~~ being been paid by the said agent for funds other than those intended for the support of schools.

I certify on honor that the schools at the Lelip Agency were suitably supported and ^{properly} managed during the period from July 1, 1876 to Jan 30 1877, and I further certify that ~~the goods purchased~~ ^{the goods purchased} ~~at the agency~~ ^{at the agency} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~said~~ ^{said} ~~goods~~ ^{goods} were expended in buying clothing and other sundries for the pupils of the schools ~~the govt~~ ^{the govt} ~~of nearly~~ ^{of nearly} ~~about~~ ^{about} \$150. ~~and was paid to the govt~~ ^{and was paid to the govt} ~~by reason of~~ ^{by reason of} the transportation ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~charges~~ ^{charges} on the goods purchased for the support of the schools ^{paid} were paid by the support of the schools, thus saving about \$150. to the govt.

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