

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATE FOR INDIAN SCHOOLS.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

*A copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, submitting a supplemental estimate of the amount required for the enlargement and support of schools upon Indian reservations for the ensuing fiscal year.*

APRIL 17, 1890.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, April 16, 1890.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior of the 15th instant, submitting a supplemental estimate of the amount required for the enlargement and support of schools upon Indian reservations for the ensuing fiscal year.

Respectfully yours,

W. WINDOM,  
Secretary.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Washington, April 15, 1890.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a communication of the 17th ultimo from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, submitting a supplemental estimate of the amount required for the enlargement and support of schools upon Indian reservations for the ensuing fiscal year.

This matter meets with approval, and I have the honor to request that the Indian appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1891 be amended as recommended by the Commissioner.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

JOHN W. NOBLE,  
Secretary.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
Washington, March 17, 1890.

SIR: Soon after entering upon the duties of my office I was called upon to submit an estimate of appropriations required for the Indian service for the next fiscal year. I had no opportunity to examine in detail the educational needs of the Indians, and could only take as a basis for my estimate the appropriation for the preceding year. Since then I have given the subject of appropriations for Indian schools careful attention and have ascertained the status and needs of each school in the service, having called for special reports thereon from agents and school superintendents.

In regard to training schools, I have already submitted for your consideration some supplemental estimates based upon information acquired since the original estimates were submitted.

I respectfully present herewith a supplemental estimate of the amount required for the enlargement and support of schools *upon reservations* for the ensuing fiscal year, as follows:

Support of Indian industrial and day schools and for other educational purposes not hereinafter provided for .....	\$811,000
Construction and repair of school buildings, including pay of draughtsman and architect to be employed in the Indian Office at Washington .....	100,000
Purchase of stock, trees, and libraries for schools .....	10,000
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>921,000</b>

These sums should be substituted for the respective amounts contained in the original estimate, viz, \$685,000, \$55,000, and \$10,000, an aggregate increase of \$171,000.

In support of the first and second items I submit herewith a table, which shows the school population (estimated at 20 per cent. of the total population) of the several agencies or tribes, the number for whom school accommodations should be provided, the accommodations in Government school buildings which will be available at the end of the present fiscal year, the additional accommodations which ought to be provided immediately, and the cost of the same; also the cost of such repairs and improvements of present buildings as should be made within a year, and the cost of supporting the schools for another year, carefully compiled and compared.

You will observe, upon comparing the figures of the amended estimate and those of the table referred to, that while there is a necessity for an expenditure of \$519,824 in buildings and repairs at these reservation schools, I am asking for but \$100,000 for the next fiscal year—less than one-fifth of the amount actually needed to push the educational work among the tribes with that vigor which I suggested to you in my supplemental annual report.

Economy in the management of the affairs of this Bureau has led me to ask for the very modest sum of \$45,000 more for buildings the coming year than the estimate originally submitted.

As you will see by the same table, accommodations will be afforded for 5,076 children at the Government boarding schools June 30, 1890. Of this number the accommodations for 500 are included in the following new schools: Pima Agency 100, Nez Perces 75, Comanche 50, Navajo 150, Colville 50, and the following to which additions are now in progress of construction: Colorado River 25, Yankton 25, and Yakima 50. In the original estimates the expense of the support of these 500 children is not calculated.

If the appropriation of \$100,000 for buildings and repairs be made, another 500 boarding pupils and 600 day pupils will be added in the next year. As these will not all be provided for until the latter part of the year, I have included the cost of the support of one-half in my amended estimate, which, summarized, is as follows:

Original estimate now before Congress .....	\$685,000
Cost of 500 new boarding pupils, at \$155 each .....	77,500
Cost of 250 new pupils at schools to be erected in 1891, at \$155 each .....	38,750
Cost of 300 day pupils, at \$34 each .....	10,200
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>811,450</b>

I am convinced that the necessities of the service require this sum and the work of education among the Indians can not be properly carried forward for less. In fact, as the table herewith referred to shows, a much larger sum should be appropriated, and is actually and urgently needed. In making the above estimate, I have assumed that the original estimate of \$685,000 for support will provide for all but 500 of the boarding pupils, although the per capita of \$155 per boarding pupil, which experience has shown to be the actual average cost, would make the expense far in excess of the sum named, exclusive of the amount required for day schools. I am hopeful, however, by increasing the average attendance to thereby reduce the average per capita cost, and thus to be able to push the work with the limited sum asked for the purpose.

I should add that the Government is credited with accommodations in all the calculations above which, in many instances, are much to its discredit—so unsightly, unstable, ill-arranged, ill-ventilated, cramped, crowded, uncomfortable, and unhealthy as to add every possible disadvantage to the inherent difficulty of bringing children out of barbarism into enlightened civilization. As a rule, assembly-rooms, sitting-rooms, laundries, bath-rooms, hospitals, store-rooms, and shops are inadequate or altogether wanting, and a large part of the sum asked for buildings and repairs will be needed to put many existing buildings into proper order for their purpose.

It is believed that the \$10,000 can be used to better advantage if trees and libraries are also furnished schools therefrom instead of having the whole amount expended for stock for schools according to the original estimate. This is the sum already asked in annual estimate.

I respectfully recommend that you forward this letter through the proper channel to Congress with your favorable recommendation.

Very respectfully,

T. J. MORGAN,  
*Commissioner.*

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

## Appropriations needed for Government

	School popula- tion (20 per cent of popula- tion).	Number for whom school accommo- dations should be provided (90 per cent. of 75 per cent.).	Accommodations pro- vided to June 30, 1890.		Pupils allowed contract schools for 1890.	Pupils for whom additional boarding accommoda- tions are needed.
			Boarding.	Day.		
<i>Arizona.</i>						
Colorado River .....	195	132	75			16
Yumas (Fort Yuma school)...	223	151	a 250			
Pimas and Papagoes .....	2, 303	1, 555	(Partial) 100		100	100
San Carlos .....	788	532	50			150
Mohaves at Fort Mohave ...	80	54	Fort Mohave. b			
Hualpais and Suppals .....	188	127				
<i>California.</i>						
Hoopa Valley .....	95	64	Fort Gaston	} c 60		
Klamath .....	42	28	next year.			
Mission .....	651	439		236	75	50
Round Valley .....	106	72		80		40
Tule River .....	29	20		21		
<i>Colorado.</i>						
Southern Ute .....	354	239	(d)			40
<i>North Dakota.</i>						
Devil's Lake .....	203	137	{ 30 } e 100		e 100	20
Turtle Mountain .....	386	261		155	(day) 60	
Fort Berthold (Fort Steven- son.)	239	161	150		120 33	
<i>South Dakota.</i>						
Sisseton .....	297	200	140		125	
Yankton .....	352	238	100		(enrolled) 40	
<i>Idaho.</i>						
Fort Hall .....	320	216	100			50
Lemhi .....	104	71	(very poor) 30			10
Nez Percé .....	290	196	{ 75 } 125			
<i>Indian Territory.</i>						
Cheyenne and Arapaho .....	719	485	225	{	35 50 75	{
Kiowas .....	228	154	115			
Wichitas and Apaches .....	102	69	60			
Comanches .....	318	215	50			100
Osage .....	299	202	175	{	(day) 15 50 125	{
Kaws .....	40	27	70			
Pawnees .....	170	115	(inadequate) 80			
Poncas .....	106	72	100			
Otoes and Tonkawas .....	79	53	75			
Peorias, Miamis, and Modocs ..	59	40		90		
Senecas, etc .....	146	99	100			
Quapaws .....	23	16	f 45			
Absentee Shawnees .....	130	88	80			
Sac and Fox .....	103	70	60			
Citizen Pottawatomies, etc. ....	205	138			108	50
<i>Iowa.</i>						
Sac and Fox .....	78	53		30		
<i>Kansas.</i>						
Kickapoos .....	45	30	(poor) 38			
Pottawatomies .....	89	60	(poor) 38			
Sac and Fox and Iowas .....	47	32	50			

boarding-schools on reservations.

Cost of needed buildings and additions at \$234 per pupil.		Cost of repairs and improvements of buildings now in use.		Cost of support of boarding pupils, 1891.		Remarks.
General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	
\$3,744		\$1,000		\$11,625		a Keep 200 pupils there from Yuma and other tribes.
		2,500		31,000		
23,400		10,000		15,500		{ b 100 pupils can doubtless be placed at Fort Mohave next year.
35,100		500		7,750		
		2,000		15,500		
				6,200		{ c 40 pupils can be cared for in Fort Gaston next year.
11,700		2,500				
9,360		500				
		250				
	\$9,360					d Present building, in which twenty-five pupils have been wretchedly accommodated, has been abandoned because unsafe.
4,680		1,500		4,650		
		1,000				{ e Contract school in Government building.
		2,500		23,250		
		2,500		21,700		
		1,000		15,500		
11,700		2,500		15,500		
2,340		2,500		4,650		
		3,000		{ 11,625 }		
				{ 19,375 }		
		1,500		14,875	\$20,000	
		500			17,825	
		500		9,300		
23,400				7,750		
			\$2,500		27,125	
		500		9,500	13,050	
		5,000		1,200	11,200	
		1,500		15,500		
		1,000		6,625	5,000	
		1,200		15,500		
		750		5,975	1,000	f 45 Quapaws and others now in attendance.
		1,000		12,400		
11,700		750		4,300	5,000	
		1,000		1,890	4,000	
		1,000			5,890	
		1,000		1,750	6,000	

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			Boarding.	Day.		
Minnesota.						
White Earth .....	398	269	110	80	{ 25 80 }	a 50
Leech Lake .....	427	288	(worthless) 45	.....	97	.....
Red Lake .....	233	157	70	.....	40	25
Mille Lac .....	188	127	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sioux in Minnesota .....	83	56	.....	.....	(day) 30	.....
Michigan.						
Chippewas, Ottawas, etc. ....	1,485	1,002	.....	205	{ 75 50 }	.....
Montana.						
Blackfeet .....	458	309	b 65	.....	85	50
Crow .....	491	331	(worthless) 60	.....	{ 50 100 }	150
Flathead .....	382	258	.....	.....	(special appropri- ation.) 300	.....
Fort Belknap .....	358	242	100	.....	125	50
Fort Peck .....	378	255	150	.....	.....	50
Tongue River .....	173	117	.....	90	45	50
Nebraska.						
Omaha .....	227	153	70	.....	50	.....
Winnebago .....	242	163	90	.....	.....	.....
Poncas (in Dakota) .....	44	30	.....	50	.....	.....
Nevada.						
Pyramid Lake and Walker River .....	191	129	50	35	.....	30
Western Shoshone .....	95	64	.....	40	.....	45
New Mexico.						
Mescalero .....	94	64	45	25	.....	.....
Navajo .....	3,600	2,430	c 200	.....	.....	300
Moqui .....	440	297	50	.....	.....	100
Pueblos .....	1,650	1,114	{ 140 200 }	Santa Fé Albuquerque	{ (day) 160 330 (day) 100 125 35 }	.....
North Carolina.						
Eastern Cherokee .....	600	405	d 80	d 201	{ (day) d 80 225 }	30
Oregon.						
Grand Ronde .....	74	50	80	.....	.....	.....
Klamath .....	180	122	190	.....	.....	.....
Siletz .....	121	82	60	.....	.....	.....
Umatilla .....	196	132	90	.....	.....	.....
Warm Springs .....	170	115	(very poor) e 150	.....	.....	e 100
Utah.						
Uintah .....	175	118	f 90	.....	.....	.....
Ouray .....	206	139	.....	.....	.....	90



## Boarding-schools on reservations—Continued.

Cost of needed buildings and additions at \$234 per pupil.		Cost of repairs and improvements of buildings now in use.		Cost of support of boarding pupils, 1891.		Remarks.
General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	
\$11,700	-----	\$2,000	-----	\$13,050	\$4,000	{ a For Indians who are to be removed to White Earth.
5,850	-----	500	-----	6,975	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	10,850	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	{ b Assuming one building will be erected before June 30, 1890.
-----	\$11,700	-----	\$1,000	-----	10,075	
35,100	-----	1,000	-----	8,100	1,200	
-----	-----	-----	-----	(special appro- priation.)	-----	
7,200	4,500	2,500	-----	-----	15,500	
9,950	1,750	500	-----	-----	23,250	
11,700	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-----	-----	1,000	-----	10,850	-----	
-----	-----	1,000	-----	13,950	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
7,020	-----	1,000	-----	7,750	-----	{ c Assuming one building will be erected before June 30, 1890.
10,530	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
-----	-----	500	-----	6,975	-----	
70,200	-----	-----	-----	31,000	-----	
23,400	-----	1,500	-----	7,750	-----	
{ (special appro- priation.) }	{ (special appro- priation.) }	{ (special appro- priation.) }	{ (special appro- priation.) }	{ (special appro- priation.) }	-----	{ d Schools carried on by contract in Gov- ernment buildings.
7,020	-----	1,000	-----	(special appro- priation.)	-----	
-----	-----	1,500	-----	9,400	3,000	
-----	-----	2,000	-----	20,450	-----	
-----	-----	1,500	-----	9,300	-----	
23,400	-----	-----	-----	11,050	2,900	
-----	-----	-----	-----	23,250	-----	
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	{ e Abandon present buildings and erect new building for consolidated agency and Sinemasho school.
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-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	13,950	{ f Assuming one building will be erected before June 30, 1890.
-----	21,060	-----	-----	-----	-----	

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			Boarding.	Day.		
<i>Washington.</i>						
Colville.....	460	310	50	50	260	75
Neah Bay.....	147	99	50			
Puyallup.....	173	117	85	30	25	
Chehalis.....	28	19	50			
Skokomish.....	44	30	40			
Quinalt.....	91	61	30			
Tulalip.....	246	166	a 150	60	{ (day) 30 a 150 }	
Yakima.....	335	226	150		60	
<i>Wisconsin.</i>						
Menomonees, Oneidas, and Stockbridges. }	662	447	100	371	{ (day) 20 140 25 (day) 50 }	50
Bad River Chippewas.....	142	96				
Fond du Lac Chippewas.....	146	99		30		40
Grand Portage Chippewas.....	57	38		20		
Lac Court Oreilles Chippewas.....	244	165		40	(day) 60	
Lac du Flambeau Chippewas.....	127	86		25		40
Boisé Forte Chippewas.....	143	97		50		40
Red Cliff Chippewas.....	80	54		50	{ (day) 40 20 }	
<i>Wyoming.</i>						
Shoshone Agency.....	389	263	80		100	100
Total.....	27, 104	18, 302	b 5, 656	2, 124	4, 298	2, 091



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General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	General fund.	Treaty.	
\$17,550				\$7,750		
		\$500		7,750		
		1,000		13,175		
		500		7,750		
		500		6,200		
		1,000		4,650		
				(special appropriation.)		{ a Schools carried on by contract in Government buildings.
		1,000		23,250		
11,700		2,500		13,500	\$2,000	
9,360		300				
		50				
		100				
9,360		500				
9,360		500				
23,400				10,900	1,500	
440,924	\$48,370	78,900	\$3,500	605,015	181,765	b Taking explanatory notes into account will reduce this to 5,076.