

August 7, 1963

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Maj. Gen. Roy W. Kenny
The Adjutant General
Military Department of Oklahoma
2205 North Central
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Wash:

It is a pleasure to forward the enclosed letter from the Bureau of Indian Affairs assuring me that the charges for utility services and repair and maintenance of utility systems at Chilocco will not be increased during the Fiscal Year 1964.

This should effectively remove any threat to continuation of the National Guard Armory at the Chilocco Indian School.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Branch of
Plant Management
Brief #5235-63

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Honorable Mike Monroney
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Monroney:

This acknowledges your letter of July 10, 1963, with enclosed letter of June 19, 1963, from Office of the Adjutant General, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, regarding a proposed contract with our Anadarko Area Office and the National Guard Armory, for utility services and repair and maintenance of utilities systems located on the grounds of the Chilocco Indian School.

We assure you that the cost for such services will not be increased during the Fiscal Year 1964. The formula used for arriving at the charges will be adjusted so that it will be possible for the Oklahoma Military Department to maintain Armory at this location.

We appreciate your calling this matter to our attention.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd.) J. Leonard Norwood

ACTING ASSISTANT Commissioner

July 10, 1963

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Dear Wash:

Thank you for writing me, and for sending me a copy of your letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, regarding the exorbitant amount proposed as the Military Department's share of the utility expenses for the National Guard Armory at the Chilocco Indian School.

As I recall the \$1,101.00 which the Department paid during the past fiscal year was a healthy boost over the amount which had previously been paid. It seems incredulous that the Department should now be asked to pay \$1,798.00 since the heating, electric, water and sewage facilities will be used no more than in the past.

In view of the fact that the armory facility provides an annual income of some \$33,000.00 to members of the unit enrolled at Chilocco Indian School, I am of the opinion that the Bureau is taking an unnecessarily narrow view as to how much of the expense the Oklahoma Military Department should bear.

I am taking the matter up with the Bureau in an effort to arrive at a more equitable formula.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

July 10, 1963

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Department of the Interior
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Attached is a copy of a self-explanatory letter from The Adjutant General, Oklahoma Military Department, regarding a proposed contract with the Anadarko Area Office for utility services and repair and maintenance of utilities systems used in connection with the National Guard Armory located on the grounds of the Chilocco Indian School.

The Oklahoma Military Department agreed to pay \$1,101.00 in Fiscal Year 1963, which was a considerable increase in the amount which had been paid in previous years. It is now proposed that the annual payment be increased to \$1,798.00 for Fiscal Year 1964, a boost of over \$58.00 per month, when the Armory and facilities will be in use no longer than they have been in the past.

It is the wish of the Oklahoma Military Department to maintain the Armory as a home for the Chilocco Indian School unit, but the excessive overhead charge proposed makes it practically impossible to do so. Unless a more equitable formula is arrived at, it is my opinion that the Oklahoma Military Department would be completely justified in discontinuing the Chilocco unit.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure

8 July 1963

Honorable Mike Monroney
U. S. Senator from Oklahoma
U. S. Senate Chambers
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mike:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is making an unreasonable request of this Department in connection with the use of utilities for our National Guard armory located on the grounds of the Chilocco Indian School, in Kay County Oklahoma.

It is believed the details as set out in the enclosed copy of a letter written 19 June to Mr. Ernie Page, Head of Plant Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C., will be sufficient to establish the unfairness of their proposed contract.

The sub-office at Anadarko claim they cannot alter the policies on which the proposed charges are based because they are handed down by the Bureau. I have not received a reply to my letter and we are continuing to use the building but I am afraid we will not be able to if the proposed charges cannot be materially reduced.

It is requested that you use your influence in behalf of the Military Department, State of Oklahoma, in an attempt to help modify the demands of the appropriate governing Board of the School so that we can be allowed to continue to occupy and operate the armory at Chilocco on some reasonable service charge basis.

If you desire further details or if you have any suggestions as to further action on our part, please advise.

Thanking you, I am

Cordially,

ROY W. KENNY
Maj Gen, AUS Retired
The Adjutant General

cc: Governor Bellmon



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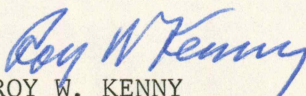
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