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Ottawa, March 28th, 1935.

MEMORANDUM

The Honourable the Superintendent General.

In November last the Indians of Pasqua Band, Saskatchewan, passed two resolutions asking that the sum of \$600.00 of their interest funds be made available for road work on the Reserve.

The work was recommended by the Indian Agent and before authority was granted by the Department, the Indian Agent was forced to go into the hospital and the Indians, under the Farming Instructor, undertook to do the work thinking that because they had passed the resolutions and payment was being made from their own funds, it was quite in order to do so. The explanation is offered that if the work had not been undertaken when it was, it could not have been done as the season was so far advanced.

Besides doing the road work it was found necessary, on account of the extremely dry weather, for the Indians to construct dams to furnish them with a supply of water. The road work, as well as the construction of the dams, was very necessary and can be considered in the nature of permanent improvements.

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