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Box 68
Prince Albert, Sask.,
March 15th, 1955.

Indian Affairs Branch, Department of Citizenship & Immigration,
Ottawa.

Re: George Custer, No. 172
Peter Ballantyne Band.

When preparing an application for Old Age Assistance on behalf of the above noted Indian recently, it was learned that he is legally married, although he is shown on the membership list as a single man.

A Certificate of Marriage has been secured from the custodian of Church records at Cumberland House recording the marriage of George Custer, ^{and} Clarisse Nabess on October 3, 1913. George Custer and his wife separated in about 1920 and she now lives in common-law relationship with Gilbert Fiddler, who is apparently of non-Indian status.

George Custer lives in common-law relationship with Mrs. Catherine Custer No. 90 Peter Ballantyne Band.

The purpose of this letter is to ascertain as to whether Mrs. Clarisse Custer was ever listed on Annuity paylists of the Peter Ballantyne Band, if so, the reason why her name was removed. On the other hand, if she was never shown as the wife of George Custer, does the Department wish any action taken in this regard.

Mrs. Clarisse Custer has not been contacted in this regard nor have we received any requests for Annuity money from her during the time the Peter Ballantyne Band has been under the jurisdiction of this office.

V. M. Gran
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Superintendent,
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