APPENDIX IC

B.C. INDIAN ARTS & WELFARE SOCIETY

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1513 Laurel Lane,
Victoria, B.C.,
May 10, 1948.

The Secretary,
Committee on the Revision of the Indian Act,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:—I enclose a list of recommendations proposed by our Society, following the conference on Native Indian Affairs, held in the University of British Columbia on April 1, 2 and 3.

The report and recommendations, when printed, will be sent to members of your committee but in the meantime we felt that you should have an advance copy of the recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

ELLEN HART,
Corresponding Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A. *Arts and Crafts.*

1. Marketing of Handicrafts.—In view of the fact that the B.C. Indian Arts and Welfare Society has for a considerable period of time carried out a sustained experiment in the marketing of Indian Arts and Crafts, we recommend that the Society prepare an evaluation of the experiment with suggestions as to the possibilities for future development and expansion, and that these suggestions be submitted to the Indian Affairs Branch, Ottawa.

2. Sale of Crafts in National Parks.—We recommend that the Department of Mines and Resources be approached with the view of securing its co-operation in the fostering of plans to market Native Indian Arts and Crafts through the National Park Service of Canada.

B. *Health and Welfare.*

1. Tuberculosis.—From evidence presented by the medical officials of the Indian Affairs Branch, we are convinced that real progress is being made in the fight against this disease. We are impressed with the light quality of institutional treatment now available in several hospitals. However, we recommend that the Indian Affairs Branch give increased attention to preventive treatment on the reserves, and to Health Education.