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January 28, 1958.

Mr. H. A. Bustad,
Roseglan, North Dakota.

Dear Mr. Bustad:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter telling of your difficulties with the reservation horses.

You certainly do have a problem and I hope we can do something to help you solve it. I am writing immediately to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and to the Superintendent of the reservation at Ellsworths, asking them to take immediate steps to either dispose of their horses or keep them within the boundaries of the reservation.

As soon as I hear from these people, I will write you again, further. I hope to be able to contact Carl Whitman, Chairman of the Tribal Business Council, who, I believe, is still in Washington, and discuss the matter with him.

You can be sure I will keep after this matter until some solution is reached.

Will you please convey this message to Mr. Mattson and Mr. Giffey, who also signed your letter. Donnell Haugen sends his greetings.

Sincerely,

Usher L. Burdick, m.c.