November 10, 1945

Mr. William K. Divers
Regional Representative
National Housing Agency
201 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Divers:

When I talked to your Mr. W. J. Braun yesterday about the use of house trailers for married veterans returning to college, he suggested that I submit information in regard to our enrollment for the past five years and the number of veterans expected to enroll upon their return from the services.

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We would like to obtain forty trailers for the use of married veterans. I understand that rental is \$1.00 per year but that the college is expected to pay transportation costs and the expense of setting up the trailers for occupancy. Mr. Braun said that these trailers are equipped with stoves on plates for cooking and heating stoves. If necessary, the college can provide heat and light from its utilities plant and can install a sewage system.

Mr. Braun mentioned the possible availability of dormitory trailers to accommodate unmarried veterans. We are not applying for this type of accemmodation now because our stadium can be made available for use of unmarried veterans. It was used as barracks for a flight training unit during the war but is not adaptable for apartments.

Enrollment figures for the past five years, exclusive of army trainees, follow:

| | Men | <u> Women</u> | Total |
|---------|-----|---------------|-------|
| 1940-41 | 435 | 423 | 858 |
| 1941-42 | 412 | 416 | 828 |
| 1942-43 | 466 | 473 | 939 |
| 1943-44 | 96 | 515 | 611 |
| 1944-45 | 68 | 600 | 668 |

Figures for this year are: men, 82; women, 684; total, 766.

Mr. William K. Divers - 2 -November 10, 1945 Of the men students registered this semester, twenty-three are veterans, of whom four are married. The college has adopted a plan to admit veterans at mid semester as outlined in the enclosed mimeograph. Up to this time three married veterans have applied and more are expected. It is estimated that from 200 to 250 of the boys who left college to enter the services will return and that the proportion of married veterans will increase. At present the proportion averages about 20 per cent but the trend would indicate an increase to 25 or possibly 33 1/3 per cent. We feel, therefore, that our request for the trailers is conservative. The college has six comparatively large dormitories on campus, normally housing 750 students. These are entirely occupied by women students this year. None of these buildings is suitable

The college has six comparatively large dormitories on campus, normally housing 750 students. These are entirely occupied by women students this year. None of these buildings is suitable for occupancy by married couples. Men students this year are housed in off-campus dormitories which are large residences in the town of Northfield, owned by the college. Northfield is a city of approximately 4500 inhabitants, exclusive of Carleton and St. Olaf Colleges. It is no exception to large communities in respect to the housing shortage. There are no vacancies at present and all apartments suitable for young married couples are spoken for months in advance.

I understood from my conversation with Mr. Braun that if trailers are available in this area, we will be permitted to inspect them. We shall appreciate your best consideration of this request and hope that it can be acted upon soon. Our Mr. Klinefelter, Director of Admissions, plans to be in Chicago Sunday and Monday and will call at your office if possible to discuss this matter with you.

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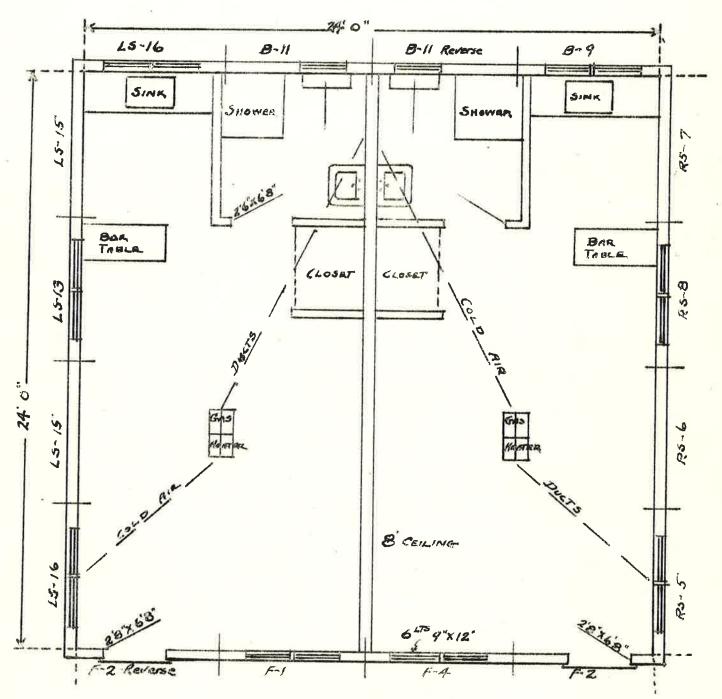
Yours very truly,

Treasurer and Business Manager

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Bruce Pollock: st cc to Mr. Klinefelter Enc. 1

025.14 December 26, 1945 Mr. Orvil R. Olmsted 201 North Wells Street Chicago 6, Illinois Dear Mr. Olmsted: We received "Emergency Supplement No. 23. Bulletin Higher Education and National Affairs, from the American Council on Education dated December 21, 1945, stating that President Truman is expected to sign immediately, appropriation of \$191,900,000 for transfer of emergency housing under Title 5, Lanham Act, which provides the government will pay cost of moving and erection on or adjacent to the campus. The bulletin states that allocation will be made on the principle of "first come, first served". We, therefore, wired you by day letter today, "If emergency housing is now available under Title 5, Lanham Act, we need February 1st provisions for fifty single veterans and ten family units. In September we need additional forty family units." In November we had correspondence with your office in regard to purchase of trailers. Your Mr. W. J. Braun was good enough to tell me what was necessary to be done in order to furnish the required information to your office. About that time, however, after consulting with friends at the University of Minnesota, we thought that not sufficient time remained within which to obtain trailers which would be suitable to our needs. In fact, they informed me sometime ago that they thought that the usable supply had been exhausted and that the latest allotment made to them probably comprised the last trailers available in this area. I shall appreciate it if you can give us descriptions of the housing units covered by the Lanham Act and direct us to the nearest place at which they may be inspected. Yours truly. Business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock: bl



CARLETON COLLEGE

PROPOSED GI HOUSING UNITS

NORTHFIELD, MINIV.

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NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY 201 North Wells Street Chicago 6, Illinois

December 28, 1945

In reply please refer to R:III:EPG

Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

This will acknowledge your communication of December 26, 1945, with respect to the provision of temporary housing facilities under Title V of the Lanham Act.

Before any steps can be taken for the provision of housing under this Act, which has been recently amended, making it possible for the Federal Government to provide financial assistance, an application must be filed in duplicate form by you with the Federal Public Housing Authority. We are, therefore, enclosing three copies of the required form of application, one of which may be retained for your files. We believe the application, with the instructions contained thereon, is self-explanatory.

It appears that there is likely to be a shortage of housing facilities to meet the demand. Since this demand may be met in part by surplus housing facilities on Federally-owned properties, it may be helpful if you can inform us of any surplus facilities on Federal properties, such as Army and Navy Posts, etc., in your general vicinity, which you believe might be used for housing as is or by conversion of the structures.

If, after review of your application, we find that we can make housing facilities available to you, we will contact you.

Sincerely yours,

WM. E. BERGERON

Acting Director, Region III

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Enclosures

ATIONAL HOUSING AGENC

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR



REGION III
CHICAGO 6, ILLINOIS

201 NORTH WELLS STREET

December 29, 1945

Mr. Bruce Pollock
Business Manager
Carleton College
Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

Congress has recently passed legislation relating to the distribution of Federally-owned properties to serve as emergency housing for veterans and their families, families of servicemen, and single veterans attending educational institutions. This legislation also provides for the payment of costs by the Federal Government for the converting, moving, and re-erecting the units on a site to be furnished by the applicant and approved by the Regional Director of the Federal Public Housing Authority.

In order to expedite the allocation of available surplus public housing units and to provide an equitable distribution in accordance with new regulations, which became effective December 26, 1945, we are passing your letter of November 10 on to Orvil Olmsted, Regional Director of the Federal Public Housing Authority, 201 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, our constituent agency, which has charge of the actual assignment and installation of temporary housing for World War II veteran student occupancy.

To save time, we are enclosing herewith application forms to be filled out in triplicate. Please mail two copies to the Federal Public Housing Authority, 201 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois and retain one copy for your files, in order that they may follow through on your application and give you every assistance possible in connection with the allocation of housing facilities.

Very truly yours,

J. P. McCollum

Assistant Regional Representative

Enclosures

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NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

BUDGET BUREAT NO.63-R340

PLICATION FOR FEDERAL AID IN PROVIDING HOUSING FACILITIES FOR VETERANS AND SERVICEMENT

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| | | Northfield's population is approximately 4,500. All housing |
| | | facilities are occupied. Applications are filed months in |
| | | advance on rumors that quarters may be available. Many large |
| Contract units | | houses have been altered to provide smaller apartments. The |
| | | local Veterans Information Center which maintains an office in |
| | | a downtown building and employes a full time secretary has |
| - | | investigated possibilities for housing returning veterans, both |
| | | students and others. A house-to-house survey was conducted on |
| | | the east side of the Cannon River representing about half the |
| | | city. Other investigations have been conducted by telephone |
| | | in cases of need by individual veterans. Local newspapers have |
| s been said to | | given wide publicity to the need. St. Olaf and Carleton |
| | | Colleges have made surveys by house-to-house canvass and by mail. |
| | 3. | The College is using four large houses in the city as dormitories |
| | | for men, including veterans. It now has under constructions rooms |
| | | to house 28 to 30 single veterans in its stadium. It submitted |
| | | bid to State of Minnesota for purchase of houses at camps at |
| | | Savage, but these structures were sold to higher bidders. It |
| | | has under consideration purchase of pre-fabricated houses at |
| | | Albert Lea and Shakepee to house married veterans. These are |
| A SECURIT NAME | | new construction and comparatively expensive. Up to \$50,000 has |
| | | been appropriated for the purpose, but we are limited by the |
| | | action of our Board to \$1250.00 per unit which may preclude |
| 5 West of our | | completion of the plan because it now appears cost per unit will |
| | | run between \$1500.00 and \$2000.00, particularly if private bath- |
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THE APPLICANT FURTHER REPRESENTS THAT IT WILL ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN OR SPICEOR & PROBRAM DESIGNED TO STIMULATE THE PROVISION OF PRIVATELY FINANCED HOUSING AND TO FOSTER THE FULLEST POSSIBLE UTILIZATION OF THE EXISTING HOUSING SUPPLY TOX. THE BENEFIT OF RETURNING STUDENT VETERANS.

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CARLETON COLLEGE

NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND BUSINESS MANAGER

January 4, 1946

To Members of Executive Committee:

In re Veterans' Housing

- 1. Supplementing the report to the Committee at its meeting on December 12, 1945, it has been determined that there are no more usable trailers available in the area from which we might expect to obtain them.
- Mr. Klinefelter's survey of Northfield's east side indicates rooms for about 25 students will be available. We are now constructing rooms for 30 in the stadium which will compare favorably with rooms in campus dormitories. In addition to present facilities these provisions will meet the needs for unmarried veterans for next semester.
- 3. It will not be possible to construct temporary apartments for married veterans for the coming semester. Only a limited number of these students is expected. They will be cared for by doubling up with married students who now have quarters and by assignment to rooms in Northfield residences.
- 4. Formal application has been made to the Federal Public Housing Authority for this area located in Chicago for units at disposal of the Government. No high hope is held for assistance from this source.
- 5. The most desirable units now available were found at Albert Lea manufactured by the Super Structure Company of that city. These are prefabricated in sections six feet wide for sidewalls and roof. Sections are interchangeable. A picture of a completed cottage is enclosed together with floor plan prepared by Mr. Meline, suggesting our use of the unit, and estimates of the cost of the building and equipment. The plan differs from the illustration in that a door to each apartment is provided in front. Only the shell is furnished by the company. The inside partitions, insulation, floor, etc., and equipment would have to be supplied in addition. The gas heater shown would be installed beneath the floor with ducts removing cold air from the points shown. Mr. Moline is confident that by opening of college next fall he can obtain the necessary equipment but that orders both for structural supplies and equipment must be placed soon if material is to be obtained.

Mr. Moline's estimate except for furnishings is based on a twoapartment unit. The following discussion relates to a single apartment. I have revised the estimate as follows:

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One-half the estimate of \$2,655,37 for single unit \$1,327.68 Plus 5% for omissions 66.38 Boulymon's 150,00 \$1,544.06

I have reduced the estimate for cost of furnishings by eliminating the charge for chairs, dressers, study tables, cots, etc., now on hand which the College can furnish without cost, as well as easy chairs, lamps, curtains, and things of that sort which I think the young people should provide for themselves. New equipment actually needed will be mattresses, refrigerators, and stoves and possibly some cons.

The cost per unit approved at the last meeting of the Committee was \$1250.00. It does not seem possible to provide quarters within that limit. Mr. Middlebrook of the University estimated the cost of each unit at between \$1500 and \$1600, but the specifications did not include any plumbing in the individual units. They did include the proportionate cost of a central washroom. In his opinion, to construct such apartments with completely modern facilities would create slum conditions within a few years. That condition would not prevail at Carleton because it would be our plan to remove these buildings when the energency ceases.

It has been suggested that we charge \$300.00 per college year for each apartment. Anticipating an average residence of two and one-half years this would produce \$750.00 less an estimated \$250.00 charge for maintenance, repairs, and interest for that period or \$500.00 net. It is difficult to forecast the salvage value of these buildings, but it seems reasonable to assume that it would be at least one-third of the original cost or \$500.00 per unit. If these figures are approximately correct, a total income and salvage of \$1,000.00 could be offset against an original cost of \$1,550.00 creating a loss of \$550.00 per unit. Assuming 40 to be the total number of single apartments, the College would face an estimated loss of \$22,000,00 which, following Mr. Bean's line of reasoning, would be counteracted by tuition at \$450.00 per year over a similar period or \$45,000.00, possibly more if some of the veterans' wives attend college. This, of course, is not a direct offset but is sufficiently important to be taken into consideration.

This is the best plan we have been able to develop. It seems necessary to decide soon whether we will embark on the enterprise or not try to accommodate married veterans in any special menner; therefore we will appreciate an expression of opinion from each number of the Committee in respect to this plan.

Iours truly,

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Bruce Pollockidl

OFFICES OF

H.H.IRVINE - T.E.IRVINE 2257 FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING ST. PAUL, MINN.(I)

January 7, 1946

Bruce Pollock, Business Manager and Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

I have your letter of the 4th inst. addressed to members of the Executive Committee on the subject of Veterans' Housing.

It seems to me in view of the early date of the Trustees' meeting this subject should be discussed at that time. I am personally not too enthusiastic about spending any great sum of money on buildings which would perhaps have a useful life of not to exceed two years at the College.

I have advised Mr. Bean that a conflicting engagement on the 17th will make it impossible for me to attend the meeting on that date, except possibly for a short time late in the afternoon. If this subject should be discussed prior to the annual meeting, kindly let me know and I might be able to get together with the other members of the Committee. I am rather afraid that costs may be much higher than you estimate, and whether we should take chances with this in mind I cannot say; however I believe the matter should be given careful consideration before a decision is reached.

Yours very truly.

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January 16, 1946

EASTERN SALES OFFICES

NEW YORK 4, N. Y.
PHONE: WHITEHALL 4-4053

Mr. Bruce Pollock Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Bruce:

I am replying, again a little belatedly to your letter of January 4th, re Veteran's Housing at the college.

If, in the opinion of Mr. Moline and yourself the units suggested by the Super Structure Company are satisfactory and you feel that the cost estimate is reasonably conservative, I would be willing to go ahead with the construction of twenty two-family units, representing a total cost of some \$62,000.

It seems to me that we should do this regardless of the fact that I think your estimate of the salvage value of the buildings is probably high, and consequently the total loss per unit might be higher than \$1100. (2 x \$550.). I say this on the assumption that the total revenues that we will receive from rent, tuition and salvage will at least equal the total outlay for construction and maintenance. Everything indicates that there is going to be a tremendous influx of men into colleges during the next couple of years, under the G.I. Bill of Rights. The attitude of a very considerable number of Carleton's alumni going to be determined by the provision which the college makes to take care of these men. Having in mind our long-term program of alumni financing, I am in favor of taking chances in spending money on Veteran's Housing. If you and Larry Gould thought that there was a good chance that more than forty living units (20 housing units) could be used effectively, I might even be in favor of expanding the program. This is one college program that I am far more afraid of being too conservative rather than too radical.

Thank you very much for the figures on average student costs. Frankly, I have been taking a few days vacation in New York and have not had a chance to go over them, but I will, presently. I certainly hope that the board agrees with the stand that the executive committee took on establishing a uniform \$1000. college expense fee.

Sincerely,

Atherton Bean

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January 21, 1946

Mr. Atherton Bean 800 McKnight Building Minneapolis 1, Minnesota

Dear Atherton:

Mr. Been.

Members of the Executive Committee have been slow to respond to the proposal in regard to housing for married veterans. Mr. Irvine and Mr. Headley considered our estimate too low and were not in favor of the proposal. Mr. Williams thought we should consider more permanent housing which could be sold later on to people who wanted to live in Northfield. Mr. McKnight, I think, is the only one who responded whole-heartedly in favor of the idea. Mr. Bell who visited the campus for three days before the Trustees' Meeting did not commit himself except to express some doubt as to whether all the materials could be obtained. After a very prolonged discussion at the Trustees' Meeting, it was decided to approve action of the Executive Committee in appropriating \$50,000 for this purpose and to leave with the Executive Committee the question of cost per unit so I expect I will have to start all over again.

I am inclined to think that we should place orders immediately for as many of these houses as can be completed within the limit set because, although we can obtain an HH priority for building material, plumbing and heating supplies, etc., the demand is going to be so great I am afraid by fall we may not obtain all that we need. I suppose I will have to talk individually with various members of the Committee in order to clear this; and, if time permits, I will attempt to do so next week. I thank you kindly for your very helpful suggestions in this respect.

No comment was made in regard to the comprehensive fee at the meeting of the Trustees. The subject was not brought up although minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee were given to the Trustees there. I suppose there was so much conversation that the members did not have time to read the minutes while the meeting was in progress. There is still a question in my mind as to whether we should change the room differential to result in a fee of less than a thousand dollars for students who occupy the average priced room which, of course, are more in number than those with the highest type of accommodations.

January 21, 1946

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Telegram received February 1, 1946

To Dr. Gould:

I am pleased to advise you that the National Housing Authority has allocated ten temporary family housing units for Carleton. You will be officially notified by the agency. I will endeavor to secure an additional quantity of units for the College.

August H. Andresen

ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON, D. C.



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DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

8February, 1946

Dr. Laurence M. Gould, President Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Larry:

I happened to be talking to my good friend Louis Ream who formerly was Deupty Director of OSS. Prior to that he was on the board of U.S.Steel Corporation, and has continued his interest in education as a member of the Board of Trustees of Rhode Island State College of Education.

In his latter sphere of intererest he has been quite helpful to Rhode Island in their present problem of housing returning veterans and also in providing temporary class-room space. His solution, which I admit leave; much to be desired, has been to procure a large number of Qounset Huts for installation on the campus. I know he has a very good entree to this type of property- even to obtaining free shipment of the huts to the College.

I dont know if your housing problems are going to become more serious than they are. If so this might offer a temporary solution to the difficult problem. If there is anything I can do to help solve this problem through Louis I'd be glad to help.

Sincerely,

Leonard S. Wilson



026.16 February 16, 1946 Lt Leonard S. Wilson, USNR Interim Research and Intelligence Service Department of State 25th and E Streets NW Washington, D. C. Dear Len: Larry referred to me your letter of February 8th. We have considered various forms of temporary and semi-permanent housing for married veterans but have not as yet embarked on any plan except that the Federal Public Housing Authority has now informed us that they will provide housing for ten families. If this is suitable it will take care of about one-fourth our needs. There is some indication that more of this type of housing may be obtained but no definite assurance. I gave up the idea of using Quanset Huts when Bill Middlebrook of the University who had made a detailed investigation of facilities throughout this entire region told me that they were not available. If we could obtain them at reasonable cost, I think we would want to do so, depending somewhat on the usability of the facilities offered by the Federal Public Housing Authority. Our Executive Committee authorized spending \$50,000 for this purpose. We would like to provide the veterans with modern quarters, that is, a bathroom and small kitchen for each family, even though it were necessary to limit the other facilities to a combined living and bedroom. If, without too much trouble, you can find out from your friend Mr. Ream whether Quonset Huts are available and what it might cost to buy them and deliver them to Northfield, for free if possible, I shall greatly appreciate it. We are all working hard: just at present I am snowed under. We are particularly puzzled about what to do with our large enrollment of women if we accept a full enrollment of men next year, but Larry thinks we can crowd them in so that perhaps is what we will do. It is a good thing Ickes got out before he discovered you were working for the government. With kind regards. Yours truly. Business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock:dl



DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON

February 25, 1946

Mr. Bruce Pollack, Business Manager, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Dear Bruce:

I have your recent letter regarding the need of the College for housing facilities to take care of the war weary vets who wish to resume their coeducational pursuits at Carleton. Preliminary inquiries regarding quonset huts have led to the following information, some of which is old to you.

Despite the establishment of Bureau upon Bureau to aid in the housing situation the only way to get unit huts is to have them declared surplus by the Navy. My friend, Louis Ream, has the channel and has offered to put me in to the best of his ability. Therefore, will you please tell me the following bits of information:

- 1. How many individual dwelling huts do you want?
- 2. How many messing units can you use?
- 3. How many large huts do you want?
- 4. How much is your ceiling price for each type of unit?

It is apparent that messing units are quite plentiful. Large ones can be had and individual units are very very tight. If you wish to appoint me as the Washington representative of the College in dealing with the Navy, I will be pleased to follow this channel as far as I can. I guarantee nothing but I do promise that if I receive this appointment I will spend no money without prior approval from your office.

Of Inatdently, what is the faculty housing situation?

LEONARD S. WILSON
Lt. Commander, USNR

MEMORANDUM

FROM: THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, CARLETON COLLEGE

Mr. Pollock TO:

DATE

March 2, 1946

Mr. Merriam of the Federal Housing Administration in Chicago called me just a few minutes ago. He informed me that four Army barracks consisting of three apartments each were available for transfer to Carleton College from some site in Iowa. Each of the apartments has two bedrooms. The size of each barracks is about 20' x 100'. He estimated, therefore, that the space necessary for these accommodations would be about one acre.

By the end of next week a representative of his office should be here to look over the sites and advise with you concerning further procedure. If such a representative does not arrive by the end of next week, Mr. Merriam suggested that we call Mr. George Frogh, Randolph 8911, Chicago.

Mr. Merriam further stated that a contract would be prepared and sent along to us in a week or ten days. Shortly thereafter a meeting will be held in Chicago at which the College must be represented by someone familiar with the program for veterans. I take it that the procedure for the management of these buildings will be discussed in detail at that time.

I believe the above gives all of the information which came to me just a few minutes ago.

FROM Cecil Houghton

To Dean Kille

DATE March 20 1946

SUBJECT: Survey of married vets on housing for next year.

The following couples have expressed a desire to live in the housing Units provided for married couples next year.

- (new couples to be here next year)

 1. Mr. & Mrs John Bierman

 1. Mr. & Mrs. Harold Henry
- 2. Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cross

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- 3. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Drake
- 4. Mr. & Mrs. Allen Gruman
- 5. Mr. & Mrs. James O'Hara
- 6. Mr. & Mrs. James Reigel
- 7. Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Rialson
- 8. Mr. & Mrs. Walter Small

Other arrangements:

- 1. Mr. & Mrs. William Richards; not interested in a unit.
- 2. Mr. & Mrs. Alton Welson: Won't be here.
 - 3. Mr. & Mrs. Donald Gruden: Plans to make own arrangements.

March 21, 1946

Lieut. Comdr. Leonard S. Wilson, USNR 4607 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Len: The land, when they are Murafun and Property

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I am returning herewith the correspondence which you brought in on Carleton College.

I note that they wish to provide accommodations for 40 married couples, an undetermined number of whom have one offspring. I would say that the latter factor is entirely unpredictable and certainly one hundred per cent uncontrollable.

The best housing for 40 such couples would be twenty Quonset huts of the Officer or Chief Petty Officer type which have two six-room apartments in each hut, complete with bathroom, etc. If such units are declared surplus by the Navy to the Federal Public Housing Administration and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation agrees that these can be transferred with no transfer of funds, they can be obtained by the college for shipping charges, alone. However, there is legislation pending which will provide funds by the Federal Government for the shipment and erection of such units on a college campus or property at institutions where veteran students are to be enrolled.

The first step to take in the acquisition of Quonset huts is to contact the local FPHA representative in Chicago. You have his name and address as given by Mr. Rothman in FPHA here in Washington. If there are no Quonset huts or other housing available in that district, we can then take up with FPHA here in Washington to see if it is available anywhere else. If it is not available anywhere in the country, we can then approach the Bureau of Yards and Docks in the Navy Department to see if they have any such items which can be declared surplus by them to FPHA. If the local representative in Chicago advises that housing is available in his district, and the college puts in a requisition for same, have them send a copy to you so that it can be followed up and expedited.

In regard to the equipment, that is, furniture, etc., there is no difficulty in obtaining this, as a great many of such items are readily available from Government surplus stocks. Whatever type of housing the college uses, this equipment can be made available at no cost except shipment.

Our experience at Rhode Island State College has been that the erection of 31 Quonset huts, complete with equipment and all utilities, such as, electricity, sewerage, water, heat, etc.,

cost a total of \$75,000. There was no transportation charge to amount to anything on these huts.

I would suggest that if similar housing is made available for Carleton College, that the same contractors be used as did our job at Rhode Island State College. The two members of the firm were superintendents for the Fuller Construction Company, and erected large numbers of Quonset huts in Newfoundland, Iceland, etc. They are therefore conversant with all the difficulties of this particular type of housing and have been extremely efficient and useful to us. In fact, they impressed us so strongly that we obtained for them a similar contract at Yale and Bowdoin.

I think this gives you the general gist, and if there is anything more please let me know. As ever,

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NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

201 N. Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

April 1, 1946

In reply please refer to R III: JLO: MINN-V-21037

Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

According to our records, we have not been furnished with the proposed contract between your College and this Authority for the development and administration of Project No. MINN-V-21037 for war service tenants at your institution duly executed by your appropriate officials, nor have we received a reply to our letter of March 21, 1946, transmitting such contract for your consideration.

Most of the steps which must be taken in the development of the Project can be taken only after the satisfactory execution of a contract. Consequently, early attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated and will expedite the provision of the additional housing facilities assigned to your College.

Very truly yours,

WALTER E. STANTON Regional Counsel



OFFICE OF THE

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

April 2, 1946

In reply please refer to RIII:MGMT: HWW:MINN-21037

Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

During your recent visit to the regional office of the Federal Public Housing Authority, our management representative discussed certain requirements referred to in your original contract (Form FPHA-1481) as the Project Management Plan.

It may be helpful to you if the items which are required as a part of your Management Plan, are restated. In addition to the discussion here, the HANDBOOK OF INFORMATION ON TITLE V HOUSING, which was recently given you, will be of help to you in completing the work. The items required are as follows:

1. Completion of Form FPHA-1481b "Project Management Plan", eight sets of which are enclosed. The method of completing this form is covered in Part III, Chapter 1, of the Handbook.

When completed, these eight sets should be signed by the person who entered into the original contract with this agency, and returned to this office. When approved, a signed copy will be forwarded to you for your files. The proper signing of the 1481b acknowledges your acceptance of Section "A" titled, "Standard of Selection of Tenants".

- 2. Name of person or agency responsible for project operation.
- 3. Statement of the total yearly income and total yearly expense you anticipate in connection with the housing. Part III, Chapters 3 and 4 of the Handbook will be helpful to you in computing this income and expense figure.
- 4. Your recommendation of the rents to be charged for the various types of units. Your recommendations should show what utilities are a part of the rental figure. Your proposed rents are subject to the approval of this office.



Mr. Pollock - 2

The above four items complete our requirements in connection with Part II, Paragraph 2.01 of your original contract, and will become a part of the final contractual documents.

Item 4 should be covered in a separate letter to us, as soon as possible, and before you complete the other items. Items 1, 2, and 3, should be submitted to us, in accordance with your original contract, within thirty days of your signing of the Development Contract, but in no case later than ten days prior to occupancy. Items 2 and 3, of course, will be in the form of a letter accompanying Form FPHA-1481b.

Your early consideration and completion of the above material will be appreciated. Members of our management staff will be available for your assistance should you need it in completing the required data.

Sincerely yours,

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Henry of persons or agency responsible for project operation.

L. SHERMAN ALDRICH
Acting Assistant Director for
Project Management, Region III

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President Gould:

BEFER BENEFIT

I am enclosing copy of a letter written to the Federal Public Housing Authority in response to a telegram informing us that more housing units would be available depending on enrollment of veterans on February 28, 1946.

As I have explained in the last paragraph of my letter to them, Carleton is at a tremendous disadvantage having a very small enrollment of men at present which will be expanded greatly by next fall. The opinion seems quite general that the Federal Public Housing Authority is amenable to suggestions from politically important people, particularly representatives and senators. I am not sure that their regulations can be changed to provide housing for veterans who will come next fall but who are not in attendance now. Possibly the law requires that veterans be in attendance now to receive these benefits but that does seem a little unreasonable when it is considered that these accommodations probably will not be ready for occupancy by the veterans until fall. I shall appreciate it if you care to refer the question to our representative Mr. Andresen and any other representative, possibly Mr. Judd, and our Senators Ball and Shipstead.

Bruce Pollock

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April 16, 1946

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Editor of The Carletonian:

I have informed your reporters that the College has been allotted an additional 33 family units by the Federal Public Housing Authority. We have learned only today that we are to receive 17 two-family units making 34 instead of the 33 mentioned. These are steel structures now ready for shipment at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. They are not quonset huts but of the gable-roof type and, among other uses, were planned for the Arctic.

Bruce Pollock

BP:dl

May 22, 1946

NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

May 22, 1946

In reply please refer to R III:GDM:WH

Mr. Laurence M. Gould President Carleton College, Norfield, Minnesota

Dear Sire

This office is presently conducting a survey of all educational institutions which have received housing facilities from this Agency to relieve the housing shortages for enrolled student veterans, to determine what additional furniture and furnishings will be required to complete the initial housing assignment.

In the first stages of this program only such furniture and furnishings were supplied as were immediately available from terminated Federal Public Housing Authority War Housing Projects, and in many instances completion of basic furnishings for the dwellings assigned was left to the institution. While some schools have been able to complete their needs through local sources, others are still unable to fulfill their essential requirements.

A working agreement is being formulated between this agency and the War Assets Administration, to freeze all current available surplus applicable for basic housing furnishings. Such stocks together with others being concurrently accumulated from other Governmental agencies will form a reserve pool of furnishings to be allocated within the limits of availability, in accordance with the educational institutions requirements as determined from this survey.

A separate canvess of educational institutions having no prior Federal Public Housing Authority veterans! housing assignments is also being made, in an effort to render assistance to those institutions developing their own housing program.



Carleton Corporation

Dear President Cowling:

We all share a common interest and responsibility in the problems of post-war adjustment, perticularly as they pertain to the treatment of our returning veterans. We feel sure that everyone will want to share in some organized effort to discharge this responsibility in an efficient and satisfactory manner. For this reason, any organization which is intended to function on behalf of the community should include a large and representative membership. In the interest of general perticipation by membership, the dues for membership in the City and Rural Association have been limited to a maximum which is easily within the reach of interested firms, professions, and citizens.

While a nominal dues is highly desirable in the interest of a broad membership base, at the same time, it makes a large membership of several hundred members necessary to successful financing. It is impossible for the membership committee to call upon each of several hundred interested citizens and extend a personal invitation to membership. This will explain why the Board of Directors has addressed you by letter regarding your membership.

We believe that your interest is such that you will be willing to select the membership base upon which you wish to participate, and then, make your decision known to the membership committee by taking your membership at once. This action on your part will be both gratifying and encouraging.

The membership committee will appreciate your assistance at all times in bringing helpful information to the attention of other interested citizens in order that they too may take membership without delay.

Perhaps you have given Robert Shumway, treasurer, a check for your membership dues by this time. If you have not done so, will you please take care of your membership now?

Cordially yours,

The Board of Directors

The Membership Committee Ray A. Mohn, chairman

E.C. Bruce Pollock

If it is your intention to support a community program for action in this matter, we would like very much to take adventage of the added influence which would be gained by the inclusion of your name and that of your institution in the charter membership list.

Carleton Corporation

Dear President Cowling:

The Veterans Administration at Washington, D. C., through its director, General Hines, has asked the governors of all states to cooperate with the federal program for returning veterans. In compliance with this request, Governor Thye has charged the state of Minnesota Department of Veterans' Affairs with the responsibility for formulating a plan of organization to provide a uniform and coordinated program throughout the state. This plan calls for a local organization and an information center in each community, such as has been under consideration here in Northfield for the past several months.

Now that we have the assurance that we are in line with the accepted state program, it is important that we proceed with our preparations for action. Recent military developments would seem to indicate that it is now high time that local plans were completed.

It is not necessary for us to suggest to you that we have a responsibility, and that we owe a debt of honor to our returning veterans. We all recognize our obligation, but what we have to decide is how best to meet it.

Since early last summer, a group of interested citizens have been giving this matter much serious thought and study. As a result certain plans have been formulated regarding organization and financing. Since this is not a charity proposition, but an outright obligation, it was decided that the financing should be undertaken on thebasis of membership dues. This makes it possible for each member to participate on an equal basis within the group of his own choosing. The "sustaining membership" for established business firms and professions has been limited to \$25.00. For those who feel that they should not be expected to take a "sustaining membership", there is provided a "regular membership" at \$15.00.

We are writing you because we believe that you will wish to participate in this program, and that you may be interested in being identified as one of its charger members. If so, will you please step over to the First National Bank and leave your membership check with the tressurer, Robert Shumway.

The charter membership list will include all members at the time of the organization meeting to be held in the music room of the high school, Northfield, Monday evening, April 30, 1945, at eight o'clock.

Yours truly,

encl 2 c/c to Mr. Bruce Pollock

January 2, 1946

Dr. Curvin H. Gingrich Carleton College

Dear Curvin:

I keep wondering whether the Methodist Church has fully considered the advisability of either leasing or selling to the College the Parish House.

It is increasingly apparent to us that we are faced with an almost impossible task to provide housing for the students whom we must have here for the next two or three years at least. So many of the students will be ex-service men that there is a large element of patriotic opportunity to help make provision for them. If they are to be taken care of, it will mean generous understanding and cooperation on the part of the community.

I wonder if you had ever considered such an idea as exchanging your present half block for the half block adjacent to your own home. The house in which the Pinkhams live would be a good parsonage and you could then build a combined church and parish house which would exactly fit your needs. With the great pressure that is going to be placed upon the College in the years just ahead, we could afford to buy the old property at a price which can probably never be duplicated in the future.

I do wish you would give me a ring and stop in and talk with me informally about these ideas. If you have any others, I will be glad indeed for them also.

Cordially yours,

L. M. Gould

August 7, 1946 Mr. Ward Lucas Hayes Lukas Lumber Co. Winona, Minnesota Dear Ward: The FPHA as you know allotted us four barracks from the prison camp at Algona to be converted into three two-bedroom apartments each. The Madsen Construction Company, Minneapolis, have the contract with the government to convert these buildings. They are unable to find necessary lumber for this purpose, and have asked us to assist them. We are having plenty of difficulty on our own account, as I told you over the phone not so long ago, but if this material is not found the apartments cannot be made available for married veteran students. This job normally carries an HH priority known as HH Minnesota V 21037 but 1f necessary to break this stuff loose a triple A priority can be assigned. If you can tell me where to find all or any part of the material listed on the enclosed sheet designated requisition I shall very much appreciate it. I am writing to Mr. Irvin as well on the theory that we should not overlook any of our lumber magnats in this effort. Our other FPHA project in which we have been allotted seventeen steel buildings to be constructed into two apartments each is not yet under way. The barracks buildings are here now, but have not been set up for lack of material. Yours truly, Business Manager and Treasurer Enc.

Hayes-Lucas Lumber Company OPERATING RETAIL YARDS WARD LUCAS, PRESIDENT J. L. KROGSTAD, VICE-PRES. BUILDING MATERIALS GENERAL OFFICE COAL A. O. STUBSTAD, SECY. & TREAS. HARDWARE ERNEST SCHULDT, ASST. SECY. Winona, Minn. August 16, 1946 Mr. Bruce Pollock Carleton College Northfield. Minnesota Dear Bruce: Yours of August 7th crying in the wilderness--and I mean wilderness--for some lumber, was waiting for me on my return to the office this morning, after a very restful vacation of two weeks. This explains my not answering sooner. We could not possibly undertake to furnish the 40,769 ft. of lumber. 5,270 ft. of insulating board, etc., and the other items on your requisition dated July 3rd for shipment to Madsen Construction Company (which incidentally is a very fine outfit), for use in converting the barracks from the Algona prison camp into apartments at the college. In the first place, I am sure we wouldn't have these items at any one yard, and even if we could spare any or all of them, it would be a very complicated job to get this list together from several places and come anywhere near close to furnishing the specified items. In the second place, I think in all fairness to our trade, we should reserve what little building material we do have on hand to the people in the immediate neighborhood of our yards. Of course, you and I realize that your request is in the line of a favor, and if times were anywhere near regular, we would jump at the chance of serving the college, probably through turning the order over to some friendly lumberman near you. I do believe, however, that in these crucial times, our first obligation is to our customers in our own trade territory. Mr. Irvine has written me about this, giving us "carte blanche" as far as he is concerned, to go ahead and furnish all of this without considering him. I feel the same way toward him, and I only hope that out of Thompson Yards or from some Weyerhaeuser affiliate, he can give you some or all of the help that you need. Maybe you already know that the HH rating gives you the authority to shop anywhere and wherever you please, and the CPA regulations are that any lumber yard having any of these items, is required to turn them over to you unless he has already tagged them for an HH or superior rating. As a suggestion, if you have the time, why not get in your car and make a spiral around Northfield and hit every lumber yard that seems to have anything in it, and see what you

can pick up. The manager may try to bluff you out and then you really have to go to work, but I don't believe you have the authority to demand that he

show you prior priority commitments.

CARLETON COLLEGE Northfield, Minnesota

August 28, 1946

To Married Veteran Students:

Our hope that apartments for veterans would be ready for occupancy by opening of the fall term will not be realized. The date when they will be ready cannot be forecast with any degree of certainty. At least two months and possibly longer after the opening of college will be necessary to complete them. In the meantime, while it will not be pleasant and in some cases will actually create hardship, there is no alternative than to suggest that veterans who have registered for these apartments come without their families and that rooms in the Stadium be made available to them. Those who wish to follow this plan should notify Mr. Marvis R. Williams in the Business Office immediately. A charge at the rate of \$15.00 per month will be made for accommodations in the Stadium. Rooms will be occupied by two to four or possibly more men for the period required.

Rent for FPHA apartments has been set at \$40.00 per month including heat, light, and water, except that in case of hardship the rent may be reduced to \$22.50 per month. The apartments will have two bedrooms, Living room, kitchen, and bathroom. Oil space heaters, oil water heaters, and oil stoves will be furnished, and probably ice boxes. The FPHA will supply the following furniture for each apartment: 4 single beds complete with springs, mattresses, and mattress covers and pillows; one dinette table with four chairs; one settee. Occupants will be expected to furnish table linen, bed linen, blankets, silverware, dishes, and cooking utensils. The College will try to provide other furniture for the apartments but so far has been unable to purchase more than some occasional chairs for the living rooms.

A questionnaire is enclosed on which you are asked to list any items of furniture which you can supply of your own or by borrowing or renting. The government has set rentals for various articles of furniture assuming they can be obtained. For instance, for antire equipment of furniture a monthly charge of \$6.00 is made. A single bed rents for 33ϕ per month, a dinette table for 23ϕ , a dinette chair for 1.4ϕ . The regulations state that where furniture is provided by the College rental to be charged may be determined by allowing 3ϕ per month rent for each dollar of purchase price. If you will supply the information requested by the questionnaire, we will do our utmost to augment furniture to be obtained from the FPHA and that which you may be able to bring with you,

Some of you who have registered for these apartments have rented or are trying to obtain quarters in Northfield. The College requests that you limit your agreement to rent such quarters to the period necessary to complete the government housing because the government is investing over \$1.00,000 in the project and the College will have invested a very considerable sum in providing utilities, and it would be extremely unfortunate not to have the apartments occupied when they are ready.

All of the buildings for these apartments are now on hand. Shortage of lumber and other materials cause additional delays, but the contractor is doing his utmost to complete the apartments expeditiously.

Lours truly,

Business Manager

Bruce Pollock:dl

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November 29, 1946

Federal Public Housing Authority 201 North Wells Street Chicago 6, Illinois

Attention: Mr. Madley

In re Project MINN-V-21037 Project MINN-V-21059

Dear Mr. Hadley:

There appears some prospect that some of our housing units may be occupied by veterans within the next few days, and we are planning to set up the accounts on our books in accordance with the Project Management Plan and provisions of the handbook. However, some of the accounting requirements in the handbook seem unnecessary in view of the fact that our books as now set up are readily adaptable to these accounting needs.

We follow the standard form of accounting and reporting adopted by colleges and universities throughout the country, and it seems to me that these rental accounts could be treated much the same as the dormitory accounts which we now carry for single veterans who occupy dormitory rooms and that no difficulty would be experienced in following your form of reporting by taking the information from our records on work sheets much as we did under four Army contracts during the war. The requirement that we open separate bank accounts for each project seems unnecessary to us in view of the fact that we now have five bank accounts in addition to our investment agency accounts and that our books as now constituted will reflect at any time the balances in each project.

These remarks are not intended in any way to be critical of the menner in which your organization is handling its business but merely by way of suggestion to relieve this office of additional accounting at a time when we are still understaffed and somewhat behind with our regular work. It occurred to me visit us and study our accounting and bookkeeping systems much of the work could be simplified, and I shall appreciate it very

Yours truly,

Business Manager and Treasurer

Bruce Pollockidl

much if this can be done-

NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

201 North Wells Building

Chicago 6, Illinois

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December 6, 1946

In reply please refer to R III:JPT:MINN-V-21037

Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Gentlemen:

Attention: Mr. Bruce Pollock Business Manager

This will acknowledge your letter of November 29, 1946, which has been turned over to this division for reply since your questions relate to fiscal matters.

Not knowing the specific accounting requirements contained in the handbook which are considered by you as unnecessary, we would like to present what we consider as basic requirements in your record keeping considering no changes, such as contained in the various alternate plan, are made.

Since the number of housing accommodations in either or both of the projects is less than fifty, Form FPHA-62lWx is required which only reports income and expense without further detail. Accordingly, the accounting requirement from an operating statement standpoint would be the maintenance of two accounts, namely, Income (Credit) and Expense (Debit). If it was found that a very few adjustments were made making it a simple matter to distinguish between income and expense items then a single account might be kept as Net Income or Loss in which the income would be reflected by the individual credits thereto and the expense by individual debits.

In accordance with Part IV, Chapter 1, Paragraph V - Audit, it is a natural requirement the records and posting media be maintained in a manner that will facilitate the audit and relieve your employees of answering unnecessary questions. We are sure your records are in such a condition; however, we would like to point out that the lack of sufficient identification of postings, such as woucher numbers, etc., quite often finds the Auditor analyzing other college records in order to find the original documents, etc.



Although the handbook is not specific in regard to whether the accounting is to be on a cash or accrual basis, the latter is by far the preferred. If reports were on a cash basis, it would be quite possible to pay FPHA the net income thusly exhibited at the end of the fiscal year before all expenses had been paid. Furthermore, the accrual basis provides a far more accurate and uniform guide of your operations even if only total expenses and income are reported.

In respect to maintaining separate bank accounts, reference is made to the last sentence of Part IV, Chapter 2, Paragraph V, which permits lifting this requirement by the Regional Finance Officer if circumstances warrant the same. Your advice of the depository selected should contain this request which is normally granted under the stated conditions.

We appreciate your letter and in no event consider it as a reflection on our fiscal requirements; however, the foregoing may not cover the conditions to your satisfaction as is so often the case in such correspondence. We would be favored if you would survey your problems in the light of what we have set out as simple requirements above and advise us of any specific problem being caused by our fiscal requirements. As soon as possible after the first of the new year, one of our field accountants will pay you a short visit to assist in any matters you care to refer to him.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. D. PEYTON

Regional Comptroller



January 17, 1947 Regional Finance Officer Federal Public Housing Authority 201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois In re Project MINN-V-21037 MINN-V-21059 Dear Sir: We request an exception to the provision in the handbook in Part IV, Chapter 2, Paragraph V, requiring that all receipts be deposited in a separate bank account. We have previously designated the First National Bank of Northfield and the Northfield National Bank for depositories for this purpose. At present we carry accounts in these two banks as well as the State Bank of Northfield and the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis. Our request is based on two considerations: (1) Northfield banks make a charge of fifty cents per month plus three cents for each check paid less a credit of ten cents per hundred dollars on the minimum balance for the month. If the account is active a substantial charge is incurred unless a large balance is maintained. We have not been required to pay this service charge in the past because we do maintain sufficient balances to offset the charge for individual checks, but it seems probable that some charge would be incurred in connection with separate accounts for these two projects. (2) Maintaining separate bank accounts would necessitate separate handling in this office including filing of vouchers whereas the system may well fit in with our bookkeeping and procedures if funds can be carried in our regular bank accounts. In making this request we have in mind expressions in Mr. Peyton's letter of December 6 with which it is our intention to comply. Yours truly. Business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock:dl

NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY 201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

January 17, 1947

In reply please refer to R III: FPK: V-21037, V-21059

Mr. Francis Pollock, Business Manager Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

We are extremely anxious to complete all units on all projects as soon as possible, and we are making special efforts to meet your demands, where you have made definite commitments for the next semester. We have wired our Project Engineer to concentrate on these projects and contact the educational institutions in his area. A copy of this wire is attached hereto for your information. Please feel free to contact this office, if there is any present indication that sufficient units will not be available at a specified date to meet firm commitments for student occupancy, which you may have made.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the cooperation we have received from you in this Program, and trusting that your projects will be completed in the very near future, we remain

Sincerely yours,

WM. E. BERGERON

Assistant Director for Development and Reutilization

Region III

Enclosure

OFFICE OF THE

Mr. William E. Bergeron
Assistant Director for
Development and Reutilization
Federal Public Housing Authority
201 North Wells Building
Chicago 6, Illinois

In ro R III;FPK:V-21037, V-21059

Dear Mr. Bergerons

After receiving your letter of January 17 enclosing copy of telegram to all Project Engineers, Mr. Archibald of your Minneapolis office and Mr. Stocke of the Madsen Construction Company came to Northfield to consult with the men on the job and to set a schedule for completion of the work. According to the schedule apartments in Project V-21037 will be complete at the end of this week and in V-21059 on February 19. The oil hot water heaters are not yet functioning, but I understand that missing parts are now in shipment so that this lack can be supplied soon. If the entire project can be completed by March I we shall be happy.

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Delay in construction of these apartments I suppose has been no greater than that experienced elsewhere. It has caused the College considerable embarrassment because veterans have been compelled to live in unsuitable quarters. In fact, the College has provided room for several families in our Stadium which was altered last year to make dormitory rooms for single men students. The situation has not been happy because the Stadium is used as a field house, semewhat complicating the bathroom arrangements for the young ladies.

These remarks are not made in criticism of Mr. Archibald and the Madsen Construction Company. We seem to have been plagued by jurisdictional labor disputes ever since construction started, largely for the reason that Morthfield is in the Faribault Area whereas our contractors come from the Twin Cities in which area higher wages are paid. There was, of course, lack of crucial materials at times, adding to the difficulties of completing the work. However, we feel that Mr. Archibald and representatives of

Jamuary 23, 1947 Mr. Bergeron the Madsen Construction Company are entitled to commendation for the efforts they have put forth to complete the projects and the cooperation they have given us and their forbearance of complaints addressed to them by the College and by the veterans who were inconvenienced by the delay. On one occasion these men very gracionaly consented to meet with the veterans and their wives, and I can assure you that many misunderstandings were cleared in the course of an evening meeting held in one of our lecture rooms I presume it will not be possible to have these apartments fully occupied by student veterans during the coming semester because some veterans have been able to find fairly comfortable quarters in the city of Northfield. Others have decided not to attend Carleton because of uncertainty in respect to the time whom the apartments would be ready for occupancy. However, I think next fall we can expect to rent all of the apartments. Yours truly, the late of the second of the late of the business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock:dl Copies to: Mr. Leon Archibald Project Engineer Federal Public Housing Authority 604 Corn Exchange Building Minneapolis 15, Minnesota Mr. Harold Stocke the City of the order of the Marion Color Madsen Construction Company 1790 Lyndale Avenue South Minneapolis 5, Minnesota Section to Post who emission which happened held for the the Confidence whose submitted which happened held the terms of the fill the terms the states and the confidence which the confidence is the confidence of the confidence o edipted strong semestically. More plus of named, that it soughtly setterness at a Salar and has the third a Winderstein of sought ting the

the company of the same and the same of the first of the January 25, 1947 south be made to precise they with more confortable belo and Mr. L. Sherman Aldrich Acting Assistant Director for Project Management Federal Public Housing Authority 201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois In re Project MINN-V-21037 MINN-V-21059 SAME SON Dear Mr. Aldricht Student veterans who are to occupy these apartments have several times urgently requested that laundry facilities be provided. We understand that the sink which is being installed has a deep compartment to be used for laundry purposes and that the service closets provide space for machines. However, during the past year we have installed coin-meter washing machines in the doraitories which have become quite popular with the students, and our veterans would very such like to have a separate building equipped with such machines and facilities for drying clothes. Is there a possibility that we can file an additional application for a building of this sort? In negotiations and correspondence with your office I have refrained from criticism and complaint because I have known the difficulties under which you and other officers of the Authority have labored. I do not assume that you are personally responsible for the kind of mattresses which have been supplied these apartments. They are more pads about two inches thick and offer little comfort when placed on the springs of the cots with which they are supposed to be used; moreover, the mattresses are only 30 inches wide whereas the cots are 36 inches. Incidentally, I heard a vague rumor last summer that Hollywood beds would be furnished these young married couples. I suppose that is too much to expect, but it does seem to me that the cots and inadequate felt mattresses which have been furnished are not suitable for the purpose. I have recently sent a comfortable mattress to one of the young women who is pregnant and who said she simply could not sleep on the mattress

Nine of the apartments are now occupied. The College has augmented furniture supplied by your Authority, and aside from the complaint in respect to the beds the young people are exceedingly

which had been provided.

January 23, 1947

enthusiastic about the apartments and the manner in which they have been furnished. I thank you for the efforts you have put forward to obtain comfortable furniture for them. I wish that something could be done to provide them with more comfortable beds and mattresses.

Yours truly,

Business Manager and Treasurer

Bruce Pollockidl

Mr. Leon Archibald
Project Engineer
Pederal Public Housing Authority
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OFFICES: 308 DIVISION STREET ALEX MARSHALL BLOCK

TELEPHONE 700

January 28, 1947

Mr. Bruce Pollack Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Bruce:

I have a connection with the Northwestern Mutual which is offering money to buy or build houses, 60 percent of the appraised value at 4 percent. Some of your men may be interested. I have had business deals with this company during the last 10 years and they have always been a good outfit to work with.

The company can also make F.H.A. approved loans at $4\frac{1}{2}$ percent interest up to 90 percent of the first \$6,000 and 80 percent thereafter.

However, I want to tell you if you don't all ready know it, that an F. H. A. loan is a damn slow and complicated matter and the further away we stay from these government bureaus, the better off we are.

Yours very truly,

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FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY
201 North Wells Building
Chicago 6, Illinois

In reply please refer to

RIII:MGMT:HWW:MINN-V-21037, 21059

Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager & Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

May we acknowledge your letter of January 25, 1947, concerning your request for a building for laundry purposes on Project MINN-V-21037 or MINN-V-21059.

We are sorry to inform you that such a building could not be provided by this Authority. Interpretation of the legislation providing the veteran housing you have received, indicates that commercial facilities were not contemplated in the enabling legislation. Therefore, it has not been the policy of this Authority to provide separate laundry buildings for Title V projects, except for trailer accommodations.

We are sorry to learn of the dissatisfaction with respect to the beds and mattresses you have received for use on the above projects. Your comments concerning them are being directed to our Property & Procurement Section, and we are asking that they communicate further with you with respect to this problem.

Kindly advise if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN D. LANGE

Assistant Director for

Project Management, Region III



NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY 201 North Wells Street Chicago 6, Illinois

February 20, 1947

In reply please refer to: RIII:GDM:GJK: MINN-V-21037 MINN-V-21059

Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Attention: Mr. Floyd J. Morgan, Assistant Treasurer

Gentlemen:

This is in reply to your letter of February 13, 1947 relative to beds, springs and mattresses now on hand at Projects MINN-V-21037 and MINN-V-21059.

You have previously stated in your letter of January 25, 1947 that the condition of the mattresses and beds is very poor. Further that the beds provided are of 36" width, the mattresses 30" wide and approximately 2" thick and therefore considerable dissatisfaction has arisen among the veterans occupying these units. We exceedingly regret the condition of these mattresses.

At the time we requested the transfer of these beds from surplus stocks, we were assured that they were in good condition and were of 30 width. To rectify this matter we are preparing the necessary documents to provide the above projects with the following furniture; 36 complete double beds and 76 complete single beds.

In accordance with your telephone conversation with Mr. George Kadlec of this office we will declare the present unsuitable beds and mattresses to the War Assets Administration at Minneapolis, Minnesota. It is our understanding that you will assume custody of this property until such time as shipping instructions have been issued. When shipping instructions will be issued, you will take necessary steps to deliver the 152 beds and mattresses to the War Assets Administration warehouse at Minneapolis at your expense.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours very truly,

Regional Comptroller

BUSINESS MANAGER

April 3, 1947 Mr. Jack B. Silverman Federal Public Housing Authority 201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois Re: Projects MINN-V-21037 MINN-V-21059 Dear Mr. Silverman: Part III, Chapter 3, Handbook of Information, Title V Housing, provides under Section VII that if it is the policy of an educational institution in its own dormitories not to charge rent during vacation periods, that practice may be followed in Mead-Lanham dormitory projects, but that this policy is not extended to family dwelling units. We do not have a summer session, and while some veterans and their wives plan to occupy their apartments, several will be leaving to study elsewhere during the summer or to take jobs for that period. These apartments have only now been turned over in their entirety to the College, and those turned over earlier have been occupied for only two or three months. To charge for three months' rental when the apartments have been vacant does not seem reasonable, and I wonder whether this regulation was intended to apply in a situation of this kind, or rather to universities and other colleges which conduct summer

schools. I shall be pleased to have your comments in this respect. I feel rather sure that the veterans will protest emphatically if the regulation is invoked.

Yours truly.

Business Manager and Treasurer

Bruce Pollock: jb

FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

April 10, 1947

In reply please refer to RIII: MGMT: HWW: HJS: MINN-V-21037 & 21059

Mr. Bruce Pollack, Business Manager & Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollack:

May we acknowledge your letter of April 3, 1947, with reference to the above captioned projects.

The policy commented on in the first paragraph of your letter, grants authority to Educational Institutions to waive rental charges on dormitories during vacation periods within the school term. This, of course, had no relationship to Educational Institutions who did not hold summer school.

You are advised that if the veteran student vacates his dwelling unit during the summer vacation, no rental charge shall be made. However, if he remains in possession during the summer vacation period or leaves his personal belongings in the unit, the appropriate rental charge should be made. In those instances where the student vacates, the unit may be re-rented to another veteran with the understanding that he give up possession prior to the opening of the fall semester, so that the former occupant may again have quarters while attending school.

This latter point, however, should be cleared with your O.P.A. Rent Director if your area is under rent control. These units are not to be rented to non-veteran students during the summer vacation period unless prior approval has been secured from this office.

We hope that the above satisfactorily answers the questions you have posed in the above letter.

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Nr. John D. Lange Assistant Director for Project Management, Region III Federal Public Housing Authority 201 M. Wells Building Chicage 6, Illinois

Ro: RIII:MBMT:OFK:MINN-Y-21037-21059

Dear Mr. Lange:

In reviewing the accounting having to do with the above two projects for the period ending June 30, 1947, we find that an error was made in the amount submitted to your office as the annual settlement. Carleton College check in the amount of \$98.80 was forwarded whereas the amount of the check should have been \$98.60.

We would appreciate being advised as soon as possible as to the procedure for correcting this mistake. We are indeed sorry that this happened and hope that it will not cause you too much inconvenience.

Your truly,

M. R. Williams Project Manager

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201 North Wells Building Chicago 6, Illinois

August 21, 1947

In reply please refer to R III:LHE:MINN-V-21037,21059

Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager and Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Attention: Mr. M.R. Williams, Proj. Manager

Dear Mr. Pollock:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated August 11, 1947, relative to an error in making your settlement for the period ended June 30, 1947.

Inasmich as your check has been deposited, we would suggest that you show a 20-cent debit on Line 5, Prior Years' Adjustment, on your next Operating Statement. Using this method, the 20 cents will be automatically deducted from the Net Operating Income (Line 4) in your next report. (Please refer to Paragraph 17, Part IV, Chapter 5 of the Handbook of Information).

Should you have any questions in regard to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

DAN F. COLLINS

Regional Comptroller



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COMMITTEE ON
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April 1, 1948



Mr. Bruce Pollock Business Manager Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

Thanks for your interesting letter of March 25 concerning the iniquities which will develop under the present Veterans' housing projects as a result of the increase in subsistence.

I called the Office of Public Housing and was informed by them that they are well aware of the problem but as yet have made no decision on it. From what I can ascertain, they have not yet determined whether under the existing laws rent must be increased. In the event that an adverse ruling is made, legislation would seem to be the only solution.

However, since this question has not been decided, no legislation can be taken now.

Sincerely.

Joseph H. Ball

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HOME ADDRESS: RED WING, MINN.

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

April 2, 1948.

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Mr. Bruce Pollock Business Manager and Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

I quite agree with the position you have taken in your letter of March 25, in protest to increased rents on veterans' housing projects. I am sure that it was not the intent of Congress to have any part of the increase in subsistence allowance for veterans absorbed by higher rental charges.

I have written a letter to the Commissioner of the Public Housing Administration in opposition to an increase in the minimum charge, and as soon as I receive a reply, I will let you know if there is any possibility that the proposed increase may be prevented. You may count on my wholehearted cooperation.

Thanking you for calling my attention to this matter, and with kindest personal regards, I remain

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON

EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

Washington 25, D. C. April 12, 1948

Mr. Bruce Pollock Business Manager and Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Bruce:

Senator Thye has just received a reply from the Public Housing Administration concerning the inquiry submitted in response to your letter of March 25 regarding the minimum rents that may be charged students occupying the veterans' housing units in view of the increased subsistence allowances.

Apparently the administration feels that adjustments must be made in the schedule of reduced rentals based on the contract provision setting the minimum at 25% of the net family income but less than \$22.50. You will note the increased payments to veterans will not actually be available until May 1, which should be considered when the adjustment is made.

I am wondering if you think any further steps might be taken by Senator Thye in this matter. At all events, I know the Senator would be interested in how you work out the rental changes.

Carl L. Weicht Administrative Assistant to Senator Thye

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> Honorable Edward J. Thys United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Thye;

This is in reply to your referral note of March 29, transmitting a letter from Mr. Bruce Pollock, Rusiness Manager & Tressurer, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota. Mr. Pollock raises points in connection with rents paid in veterans' re-use housing by some of the veterans receiving Government subsistance allowances in attending educational institutions pursuant to the G.I. Bill of Richts.

The rent schedules for accommodations provided educational institutions by the Government in connection with Title V of the Lenham Act are fixed in accordance with the terms of that Act at figures equal to that charged for comparable accommodations in the locality. This, we believe, conforms to the requirement that the rents shall be "fair rentals."

Because the Act also provides that the rentals shall be within the financial reach of the veterans, these "fair rentals" may be adjusted dommund where such rentals constitute an excessive part of the family income.

It is generally agreed that rents requiring more than 25 per cent of the family income are not within its financial reach, therefore provision is made to adjust the rent downward in an agreed upon percentage not lower than 20 per cent for smaller families, or 16-2/3 per cent for families with three or more minor dependents. A minisum charge below which adjustments cannot be made is also set to cover the cost of operating the project. These percentages are applied to income of the family from whatever source, and remt charged will therefore fluctuate from time to time as the family income changes.

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cc Dr. Leurence X. Lunden 4/20/46

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It does not appear proper to disregard this additional income in calculating the point to which the downward adjustment of rent may be made, as the base for all adjustments has been placed on ability to pay a given rent, measured in terms of available income. For this reason the increase granted is counted as income in the same manner as the original \$90 family allowance, and will result in lessening of the amount of adjustments previously available. Because increased payments under Public Law 411 will not actually be available to veterans until May 1, we believe that the decreases in adjustments should not be made until that date.

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HOME ADDRESS: RED WING, MINN.

Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

April 19, 1948

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Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager & Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

This has further reference to your letter of March 25, concerning rent schedules applied to veterans for accomodations provided educational institutions by the Government.

I received the enclosed letter from the Commissioner of the Public Housing Administration, which indicates that subsistence allowance increases are considered to be additional income, the same as a corresponding increase from a different source would be counted. In view of the position of the Public Housing Administration in this matter, it appears that action by Congress is necessary to amend Title V of the Lanham Act. I will talk with the Chairman of the proper Committee to see if anything can be done before the end of the present Session. I will also explore the possibilities of an amendment to Public Law 411 of the 80th Congress which would preclude increased subsistence allowances to veterans being used as a basis for higher rental charges on college federal housing projects.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

> Honorable August H. Andresen House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

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Dear Congressman Andresen:

This is in reply to your referral note of April 2, transmitting a letter from Mr. Bruce Pollock, Business Manager & Treasurer, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota. Mr. Pollock raises points in connection with rents paid in veterans' re-use housing by some of the veterans receiving Government subsistence allowances in attending educational institutions pursuant to the G. I. Bill of Rights.

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Returned herewith is Mr. Pollock's letter and enclosure.

Sincerely yours,

Commissioner

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April 20, 1948

Mr. Carl L. Weicht Administrative Assistant to Senator Thye United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Carl:

I can't see that there are any further steps which Senator Thye could take to have the Public Housing Administration change its mind about adjustment of rentals in veterans' housing, and I do not know why I should become hot and bothered about it especially in view of the attitude of the veterans themselves, which is that while they consider it unfair not to be allowed the benefit of the full increase, they still are glad to have the net increase and apparently are not going to complain.

I noticed your suggestion that inasmuch as the increase will not be available until May 1, adjustment in rent can be deferred until then. We had thought that inasmuch as the increased allowance to veterans begins for the month of April, rent, which is payable in advance, should also be increased for that month; but we are pleased that we have misinterpreted the situation to that extent and will refund to veterans the increased amounts which we have collected from them for the month of April. I guess I am not a very consistent or persistent crusader.

Aside from this business, it is very pleasant to have a letter from you. Alfred Hyslop reported that you are working too hard and devoting too much time to your duties. I suppose you have been counseled by more authoritative profferers of advice gratis, but perhaps a little repetition will not do any harm to the effect that the U.S. Senate probably will still be there after you have gone, assuming the Russians have not taken us over by that time; and you might try letting some things go by in order to have some basis upon which to appraise their relative importance.

We are now emerging from a tough winter, the worst in the history of mankind according to Stewsie. The long, continued cold seemed to act as a depressive upon our normally unrepressed daughters who were ill off and on and petulant because they were not allowed outdoors as much as they desired. Bridget has been raising the deuce for the last month or two not wishing to sleep at the appointed time. Suzanne had her tonsils out Monday and is fairly well over it by now. I think Shirley felt the confinement to her house and children somewhat depressing but has, in the main, been enjoying life, although fairly and definitely expressive to the contrary at times.

We hope you are not wearing yourself out too quickly and that you will have occasion to return to Northfield before long to afford an opportunity for a reunion.

Please thank Senator Thye and his administrative assistant very heartily for their efforts in behalf of our veterans and all of the veterans similarly situated, and please accept best wishes from all of us.

Sincerely,

Business Manager and Treasurer

Bruce Pollock: jb

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Washington, D. C. May 6, 1948

Mr. Bruce Pollock
Business Manager and Treasurer
Carleton College
Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

You may be interested in an analysis of the veterans' training allowances and ceilings which has been made for the senatorial offices by the staff of the Conference of the Majority. A copy is herewith enclosed for your use.

Sincerely yours,

Faward J. Thyel, U.S.S.

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COMMITTEE ON EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

> Washington, D. C. June 12, 1948

> > OFFICE OF THE

Mr. Bruce Pollock Business Manager and Treasurer Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Pollock:

In view of your interest in the problem created by the fact that the Public Housing Administration ruled that an increase must be made in the adjusted rents charged veterans in the housing project, as a result of the increased subsistence allowance, I think you will be interested in a letter which I have just received from Commissioner John Taylor Egan of the Public Housing Administration, concerning a similar situation at the University of Minnesota. I am enclosing a copy of this letter herewith for your information.

You will note that the Administration adheres to the original administrative ruling in this connection but that it has informed its regional offices that where the particular adjustment results in rental increases that absorb an undue portion of the increase in the veteran's subsistence allowance, consideration may be given to amending the project management plan to avoid such inequities. Basically, however, there has been no change in the policy about which I previously wrote you in April.

EIT:wt Enclosure

June 18, 1948 Honorable Edward J. Thye United States Senate Washington, D. C. Dear Senator Thye: I am pleased to have your letter of June 12 with copy of Mr. Egan's letter dated June 10. A few weeks ago we applied to the Regional Office of the Public Housing Administration at Chicago for an amendment to the Project Management Plan under which Pine Hill Village is operated, asking that rents in hardship cases be adjusted downwards; and it seems probable that our request will be granted, although I understand matters of this sort require a considerable length of time. Thank you kindly for your continued interest in our situation. If our request is not granted, we may find it necessary to call upon you again. With kind regards, Business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock:jb

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY PUBLIC HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

Washington

OFFICE OF

June 30, 1948

To Educational Institutions
With Contracts for Title V Projects
Located on Land Owned or Controlled
by the Institution

Gentlemen:

There is enclosed a copy of the so-called McGregor Act, Public Law 796, 80th Congress, approved by the President on June 28, 1948, together with forms which may be used in making requests pursuant to that Act for transfer and relinquishment of the Government's contractual and property rights in Title V projects under contract with your Institution and located on land owned or controlled by your Institution and not held by the United States. There is also enclosed a suggested form of opinion of the chief law officer or legal counsel of the Institution in support of the request. The following points are specifically called to your attention:

- 1. The Act is applicable only to projects located on land owned by the Institution or controlled by it and not held by the United States. Accordingly, if the United States owns or holds a lease on the land underlying the project, such project is not eligible for transfer pursuant to this law.
- 2. The Act requires that requests must be filed within 120 days of its enactment. As the President approved the Act on June 28, 1948, requests must be filed on or before October 26, 1948. A separate request for each project, together with attachments thereto, i.e., the legal opinion of your chief law officer or legal counsel and a certified copy of any resolution of the governing body of the municipality or county with respect to removal requirements (where such resolution has been adopted as explained under paragraph 3) shall be submitted in triplicate to the appropriate Regional Director of the Public Housing Administration.
- 3. In order to obtain a waiver of the removal provisions of Section 313 of the Lanham Act (Public Law 849, 76th Congress, as amended) and the provisions for removal presently contained in the contract for the project so that they will not continue to apply after the relinquishment and transfer by the Government of its rights in the property, the request for relinquishment and transfer

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must be supported by a resolution of the governing body of the municipality (or, if the project is not within a municipality, of the county) having jurisdiction over the area in which the project is located, specifically approving the waiver of the removal provisions of said Section 313.* Requests not so supported may be honored with the removal provisions remaining applicable. These provisions may later be waived if a resolution approving such waiver and an opinion of the chief law officer or legal counsel of the institution with respect thereto are also furnished within the 120-day period. The request form should, of course, be appropriately modified in the event it is submitted without this supporting resolution.

4. The opinion of the chief law officer or legal counsel of the Institution shall be made a part of the request and must cover the items set forth in the attached suggested form for such opinion.

Action on each request will be taken as promptly as practicable. It is hoped that your institution will be able to take advantage of the provisions of this Act.

Sincerely yours,

Commissioner

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^{*} The resolution of the governing body may be in short form, out care should be taken to properly identify the project and the institution, as well as the removal provisions to be waived, e.g. BE IT RESOLVED By the _______ of the City (County) of _______ which has jurisdiction over the area in which Project (number) of (name of institution) is located that the waiver of the removal requirements of Section 313 of the Lanham Act (Public Law 849, 76th Congress, as amended) with respect to said project is hereby specifically approved in accordance with Public Law 796, 80th Congress.

July 9, 1948 Mr. Richardson D. Barrett 808-809 New York Life Building Minneapolis 2, Minnesota Dear Mr. Barrett: The McGregor Act provides that the ownership of veterans' housing facilities built by the government may be transferred to the colleges. We are very anxious to take advantage of the provisions of the Act as soon as possible, inasmuch as income will accrue to the college beginning the month following the transfer. In order to effect the transfer, it is necessary for the college to make a formal request which is to be accompanied by a resolution of the board, a resolution of the city council, and a legal orinion. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for July 16. At that meeting I hope to have the required resolution enacted, and, if possible, I would like to obtain from you the required legal opinion that afternoon in order that the request may be submitted immediately after the meeting. I think the City Council will pass the required resolution at a meeting next Tuesday evening. So that you may have time to study the matter before then, I am enclosing papers pertaining to it, being a copy of Public Law 796, a letter dated June 30 from John Taylor Egan, Commissioner of Public Housing Administration, suggested form of legal opinion, form of request (the latter two forms I have completed except for signature), and copy of resolution to be enacted by the City Council. Will it be possible for you to acquaint yourself with the information contained in these enclosures and return all of them to me, except the suggested form of legal opinion which I think you should retain, and if it meets with your approval sign when I appear at your office after the meeting, assuming these arrangements suit your convenience. It will be necessary for me to have the other papers at the meeting; so I ask that you return them to reach me not later than Thursday of next week. Yours truly. Business Manager and Treasurer Bruce Pollock: jb Enclosures cc Mr. Atherton Bean

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RICHARDSON D. BARRETT LAWYER 808-809 NEW YORK LIFE BLDG, MINNEAPOLIS ATLANTIC 5944

July 13, 1948

Carleton College Northfield, Minnesota

Attention: Mr. Bruce Pollock, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Pollock:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 9, 1948, together with the documents you referred to.

I have read over carefully the provisions of the Lanham Act which you sent me, and the letter from the Public Housing Administration, dated June 30, 1948. I have also carefully reviewed the proposed resolution of the City Council which authorizes waiver of the removal requirements of Section 313 of the Lanham Act, and the proposed resolution which I understand the Executive Committee of Carleton College will adopt at its meeting on July 16th.

It seems to me that the proposed resolution of the City Council and of the Executive Committee of Carleton College Will authorize the transfer of the Veterans' Housing Units on the Campus to Carleton College.

I am returning all of these papers to you, with the exception of the draft of my Opinion as counsel for Carleton College on the subject. I will deliver this Opinion to you when you call on me on the 16th inst.

Very truly yours

R. D. BARRETT

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125 W. Pewabic Street Ironwood, Michigan June 9,

Dear Dr. Gould.

I would like to call your attention to the rise in rent for Pine Hill Village. After we had made our drawings for houses, Mr. Williams sent us notices that there was to be a flat rate of \$32.50 a month next year and we would pay for our own utilities. According to the plan, the oil company and the electric power company would deal directly with us. Mr. Williams estimates that the cost of utilities should be approximately \$16 a month excluding furniture rental. This would total \$4850. But those already living on Pine Hill tell me that oil will cast at least \$.75 a day and near \$1.00 a day in cold weather. Adding the cost of electricity the total monthly rental will be between \$50 and. \$60. The rate for the 1948-1949 school year was \$26.50, including utilities, or 25% of the combined income up to a maximum of \$40. Compared to this the 1949-1950 rate seems rather formidable. Had the catalogue mentioned the change. or had we been notified earlier we might have been able to make different arrangements. However we were not given this information until final exam week, which was too late to make other arrangements. In view of the fact that the school will not grant work allowances to married students this additional rent makes it more difficult to squeeze by on the \$105 government allowance.

I would appreciate your considering the justification for this increase and, if you reach the conclusion we have, I hope you will exert your influence to reinstate the former plan. Thank you.

Sincerely.

Bill Miller

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You will remember that last year we installed separate fuel tanks and electric meters for the apartments in Pine Hill Village with the idea that we would set a flat rate for the apartments themselves and the tenants would pay for their utilities, excepting water. We were unable to complete our plans until about the end of the academic year at which time we gave notice to tenants and prospective tenants of the change.

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On receiving notice Mr. Bill Miller of Ironwood, Michigan, wrote to you on June 9th complaining that a flat rate of \$32.50 had been set, and commented that had the catalog mentioned the change or had he been notified earlier he might have been able to make different arrangements.

In view of the late notification of the change, we agreed that it would be better to proceed under the old plan and did so for the current year but changed the statement in the new catalog to provide that beginning July, 1950, married veterans living in Pine Hill Village would be charged rental of \$30.00 per month and would be expected to pay for electricity and heating and cooking fuel in addition.

Recently, Mr. Billie Hume complained to Mr. Williams that the change would increase his rental about \$30.00 a month. He is now paying \$30.00 per month, including utilities, and something over \$2.00 for furniture, but furniture rental does not appear to be in question. We estimate that his utilities will cost not more than \$15.00 per month so that his total rental would be in the neighborhood of \$45.00.

He states that the increase will make it impossible for him to complete his course at Carleton. If that is so and if he is a worthwhile student, it seems to me that it would be preferrable to give him assistance by way of a grant in aid rather than subsidizing him with below-cost rental rates, which would mean that other tenants are charged more in order that he be charged less. I understand that only about four married veterans attending Carleton will be affected by this change. If all of them can qualify for student aid to the extent that the increase effects their rental rates, the total would not be large and we would have the benefit of operating the project on a business—like basis.

It is my recollection that at the time we discussed the Bill Miller protest last year I outlined to you the reasons for the change, the principal one being that some of the tenants use more oil and electricity than others, presumably because they do not have to pay any more for it, whereas those who really try to economize receive no reward for their efforts.

President Gould -2-April 11, 1950 We set the flat rate at \$32.50 last year, which was the amount estimated necessary to recover our investment over a period of approximately two years. However, in order to temper the change as much as possible, we fixed the rate at \$30.00 per month this year, realizing that it would take a little longer time to recover the balance of our investment. During the first year of this operation the corporation invested \$14,762.01, which was carried in prepaid expense. On June 30, 1949, there still remained \$7,616.00 to recover. Mr. Williams estimates that by June 30 of this year there will remain \$5,540.00, if the corporation is to come out whole without any interest on its investment. Before the buildings were transferred to our ownership, we paid net earnings to the Treasurer of the United States in the amount of approximately \$3,600.00. Actual expense for 1948-1949, not including heat or light but including a credit of \$3,690.00 to prepaid expense, was \$12,379.05. If we base the rentals for next year on this amount, we would apportion it between 414 unit months, that is, 46 units at 9 months. This results in a forcasted expense for each apartment of \$29.90 per month, from which we arrive at the rental charge of \$30.00 per month. In fixing the rental at this rate we anticipate again crediting \$3,690.00 to the prepaid expense account, but this is an optomistic estimate because we anticipate vacancies in increasing numbers during the coming two years and very considerable increases in repairs and replacements, redecoration, etc. I have gone into the subject at some length in order to give you complete information in case some of the tenants who feel abused come to you. I believe that many colleges have adopted a flat rate of rental charge in these Government projects since buildings were transferred to them by the Government. d bean that other thought are tharged core in color that he is charged land. I independent that only about Tone oberies retending attending Christen will Bruce Pollock this changes. It all of these our quality for student and to the present that BP/18 Tease offacts obsir restal rates, the total scale set be larger It is up secolisation that at the time we dispensed the Bill Miller protest last year I outlined to you the yourous for the charge, the pulsaryal one being that noise of the townshi one were off and electric they show atteme, promundly because they do not have to may any may for the wharmen there who could key to somewhat recover no remark for

MEMORANDUM

FROM: THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. CARLETON COLLEGE

TO:

Bruce Pollock

DATE:

April 24, 1950

A few minutes ago the four following married veterans from Pine Hill Village came in to see me: Loren Cleland, Billie Hume, Ken Johnson, Charles Thibido.

They were concerned, as you know, about the increased rental and what it would do to them. I had not realized before that the government rental on these houses was in part a function of the income of the occupants.

I pointed out to these young men that we had planned to make the change when the College took over the property and took on the responsibility of paying taxes nearly two years ago. To make sure that nobody was short-changed, we waited until July, 1950 to inaugurate the change.

They seemed to have a deep feeling of injustice that they were not treated like other veterans. I suggested that from our standpoint it would be more feasible for us to maintain the program as planned and to take care of their individual wants in terms of specific grants-in-aid. I suggested that they carefully appraise what it had cost them and try to come up with a round figure of what the additional cost would be for the forthcoming year in terms of the new proposal. I said then we would have a working tool and that if the matter were taken care of in this way the grants-in-aid would have no strings attached whatsoever. In other words, they would be just as well off as under their own proposal and we should still maintain the techniques consistent with business operations.

I believe they were satisfied with this idea, but they may come to talk with you about it. If so and there are any questions between us, please call me.

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