

ARCHIVAL RESOURCES RELATED TO NORTH DAKOTA INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOLS

The state's archival resources fall into four categories: federal government records, state government records, manuscript collections, and photograph collections. The State Archives received these resources from private individuals, organizations, and government agencies.

Federal records listed in this bibliography are microfilm copies of records managed and housed by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Citizens are welcome to view the microfilm copies at the State Archives Orin G. Libby Memorial Reading Room in the North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum, but staff cannot provide digitization or produce copies of these federal records. To access original records, contact the National Archives in Kansas City (kansascity.archives@nara.gov or 816-268-8000) or Washington, D.C. (Archives1reference@nara.gov or 202-357-5385). Some records digitized by NARA are accessible at:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs: <https://www.archives.gov/findingaid/stat/discovery/75>
- Adjutant General's Office: <https://www.archives.gov/findingaid/stat/discovery/94>

FEDERAL RECORDS AVAILABLE AT STATE ARCHIVES

Federal Records. Census. Schedules for the Devils Lake Reservation and the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation

State Archives Series 31112
1885-1905 (4 microfilm rolls)

Series consists of annual census schedules providing Indian/English names, age, relationship, sex, tribe, marital status, and "degree of blood" for persons listed at the Devils Lake Reservation (now called Spirit Lake Tribe Reservation) and Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Census. Schedules for the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation

State Archives Series 31113
1889-1939 (5 microfilm rolls)

Series consists of annual census schedules providing Indian/English names, age, relationship, sex, tribe, marital status, and "degree of blood" for persons listed at the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Census. Schedules for the Fort Totten Indian Reservation

State Archives Series 31114
1910-1939 (3 microfilm rolls at the North Dakota State Archives)

Series consists of annual census schedules providing Indian/English names, age, relationship, sex, tribe, marital status, and "degree of blood" for persons listed at the Fort Totten Indian Reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Census. Schedules for the Standing Rock Indian Reservation

State Archives Series 31115

1885-1939 (17 microfilm rolls)

Series consists of annual census schedules providing Indian/English names, age, relationship, sex, tribe, marital status, and "degree of blood" for persons listed at the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Census. Schedules for the Turtle Mountain Reservation

State Archives Series 31116

1910-1939 (13 microfilm rolls)

Series consists of annual census schedules providing Indian/English names, age, relationship, sex, tribe, marital status, and "degree of blood" for persons listed at Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Interior, Department of. Office of Indian Affairs. Correspondence

State Archives Series 31119

1824-1887 (248 microfilm rolls)

Consists of correspondence relating to administration, finances, claims, treaty rights, and affairs at the Devils Lake Agency, Fort Berthold Agency, Standing Rock Agency, Upper Missouri Agency, and the Grand River Agency.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Interior, Department of. Index to Cartographic Records of North Dakota at the Bureau of Indian Affairs

State Archives Series 31121

Undated (1 microfilm roll)

Series consists of maps of Indian reservations, townsites, and railroads in North Dakota.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. War Department, Fort Totten Medical History

State Archives Series 31146

1868-1890 (1 microfilm roll)

Series consists of the Medical Officer's monthly reports describing health, mortality, and sanitary conditions at the post; activities of medical personnel; and the post hospital and equipment. Series includes physical descriptions of the post and information concerning the local area, history, climate, and other activities associated with the post.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 94. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. War Department. Fort Totten Reservation File

State Archives Series 31147

1875-1891 (3 microfilm rolls)

Series consists of correspondence, memoranda, legislative bills relating to administration, supplies, and boundaries of the reservation.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 92 and 393. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. War Department. Fort Totten Historical Sketch and Building Specifications

State Archives Series 31148

1887-1910 (1 microfilm roll)

Series consists of letters, reports, estimates, architectural drawings, and specifications of buildings at Fort Totten.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 92 and 393. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Interior. Fort Stevenson File

State Archives Series 31354

1877-1936 (1 microfilm roll)

Series consists of photocopies of correspondence and orders from the General Land Office, Department of War, and Dakota Territory relating to establishment, boundaries, and administration of Fort Stevenson. Series includes an army survey of a wagon road from Bismarck to Crook City in the Black Hills, 1877.

This is a copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records may be found in NARA RG 92 and 393. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Federal Records. Interior, Department of. Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Totten Agency, N.D., Fort Totten Indian School Sanitary records of Sick, Wounded, Births & Deaths

State Archives Series 31864

9/1892-7/1910 (1 microfilm roll)

Series includes microfilm roll of Fort Totten Indian School Sanitary Records of Sick, Wounded, Births and Deaths, Sept. 1892-July 1910.

The records were borrowed for microfilming in November 1994. The original records were returned to the Fort Totten Agency in April 1995. This record series may include restricted birth and death records. To access these records, contact the Spirit Lake Tribe.

Federal Records. Interior, Department of. Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fort Totten Agency, N.D., Record of Births and Deaths

State Archives Series 31865

1/1901-1/1903 (1 microfilm roll)

Series includes microfilm roll of Fort Totten Agency, N.D., Record of Births and Deaths from 1901-1903. The Record of Births and Deaths from Fort Totten Agency were borrowed for microfilming in November 1994. The original records were returned to the Fort Totten Agency in April 1995. This record series may include restricted birth and death records. To access these records, contact the Spirit Lake Tribe.

Federal Records. United States Army. Office of the Quartermaster. Burial Registers

State Archives Series 32161

1768-1921 (1 microfilm roll)

Series consists of a microfilm roll of two volume register of burials at military posts, camps, and stations from 1768-1921.

This is a microfilm copy of records at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records can be found in NARA RG 92. Contact NARA for access to originals.

STATE GOVERNMENT RECORDS AVAILABLE AT STATE ARCHIVES

Public Instruction. Administration. Reports of County School Superintendents

State Archives Series 30390

1877-1988 (145 volumes and 0.25 feet)

County Superintendent Reports consist of 139 bound volumes and one-quarter foot of county statistics. This record series provides data on school districts within counties, schools, departments within schools, school houses or buildings including one-room schools, schools in towns and in open country, health and community activities, transportation of pupils, pupils' studies, teachers' institutes, school libraries within districts, textbooks, blackboards, trees, fences and firebreaks, water, ventilation, consolidation, visits by patrons and supervisory personnel, enumeration, enrollment, enrollment in federal governmental Indian schools, attendance, school terms, number of students in each grade, tuition cost, lists of officers and teachers, teachers employed, teachers' positions, experience, and salaries, officers' salaries and expenses, warrants, bonds, costs per pupil, indebtedness, receipts, cash balances, taxes levied, valuation, sinking fund, general fund, building fund, private denominational and national schools/colleges and high and graded schools, academies and kindergartens not supported by public funds, independent and special school districts, teachers' certificates, county superintendent, and teachers' meetings. The county statistics provide data on type and size of districts, number and kind of schools, one-room schools, graded schools in open country and towns, transportation, visits, text books, libraries, equipment and community activities, health and sanitation, enrollment, enumeration, attendance, teachers' positions, experience, and salaries, bonds, indebtedness, sinking and interest fund, special reserve fund, building fund, recreation fund, receipts and expenditures of general fund, warrants, cost per pupil, balances, taxation, and value of school property.

Historical Society. Education and Interpretation. Indian Boarding Schools Oral History

State Archives Series 31857

1993 (1 foot)

Series includes audio interviews with North Dakota and South Dakota residents about their experiences attending boarding schools as children. Transcriptions of the audio interviews are included in the series.

Historical Society. Historic Sites, Fort Totten Records

State Archives Series 31937

1973-2008 (0.75 feet)

Series consists of administrative files, inventories, subject files, and recipe cards from Fort Totten. Also includes "A Report to Guide the Reconstruction of the Commanding Officer's Quarters, at Fort Totten, North Dakota." Authored by Alan R. Woolworth, researched by Nancy L. Woolworth, and illustrated by Charles W. Nelson.

Historical Society. Historic Sites, Fort Totten Photographs

State Archives Series 32286

1890-1960 (65 photographs)

Series includes photographs used for displays at the Fort Totten State Historic Site and dropped off by unidentified donors, a funeral card for Reverend Timothy Sexton, and a news clipping about St. Michael's Indian Mission.

MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS AVAILABLE AT STATE ARCHIVES

Charles Lemon Hall Papers

MSS 10005

1879-1938 (5 feet and 1 microfilm roll)

Collection consists of diaries, Indian language dictionaries, correspondence, miscellanea, and American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions records relating to Reverend Hall's Congregational missionary work at Fort Berthold from 1876-1930. Diaries document weather conditions, school and church attendance, bible passages, and gardening activities. Indian language dictionaries consist of Arikara, Mandan, Hidatsa, and Pawnee lexicons, phrase notebooks, correspondence, and translations of bible passages and hymns. Correspondence relates to fund raising, translating, and oil paintings.

Dana Monroe Wright Papers

MSS 10046

1813-1986 (10.5 feet, 1 microfilm rolls, 1 map, and 10 digital files)

Collection consists of correspondence, subject files, biographies, research notes, and maps. Papers relate primarily to local and family history, archeological surveys, the State Historical Society of North Dakota, diaries, correspondence, newspaper clippings, family histories, memorabilia, notes, and an 1863 map of the military trail of General H.H. Sibley in Burleigh, Kidder, and Stutsman County (ND). Includes research on Fort Totten and the Fort Totten cemetery.

Fort Stevenson Indian School Records

MSS 10093

1884-1886 (0.25 feet)

These records contain the Fort Stevenson Indian School records. Information in the book contains students' English names, their Indian names, behavior, academic ability, and school activities. The records document the discipline measures or punishments that individual students received for any behaviors considered to be unacceptable by the school staff.

Frank Bennett Fiske Papers

MSS 10105

1850-1979 (8 feet)

Collection includes Fiske family correspondence, minutes of the Catholic Order of Foresters (Fort Yates, ND), Fiske's research files, manuscripts, articles, diaries and journals, studio registers, cash books, guest register, programs, notes, notebooks, broadsides, audio recordings, and a play script by Angela Fiske.

Indian Schools Census Reports

MSS 10259

1924-1925 (0.25 feet)

Collections include annual census reports of Indian schools at Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, Fort Totten Indian Reservation, and Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation.

Harold W. Case Papers

MSS 10286

1864-1981 (59 feet)

Collection consists of correspondence, diaries, sermons, subject files, reports, scrapbooks, maps, photographic materials, records of various civic and women's organizations, and records of the Fort Berthold Mission. Included are a diary, architectural drawings, pamphlets, and stationery letterhead for Reverend Case, Congregational missionary. The American Missionary Association scrapbook contains letters to and from Susan W. Hall, wife of Charles Hall, American Missionary Association representative at Elbowoods (ND).

James McLaughlin Papers

MSS 10313

1855-circa 1968 (17.25 feet and 39 microfilm rolls)

Papers consist of correspondence pertaining to the Native Americans impacted by Devils Lake and Standing Rock Agencies during McLaughlin's work as Indian Agent and Inspector. The correspondence documents his treaty-making and inspections, correspondence concerning the arrest and activities of Sitting Bull while on the reservation, and contains personal business correspondence, such as his investments in land and mines. The collection also includes material on allotments and citizenship work, including thousands of carbon copies of individual American Indians' applications for citizenship, reports submitted by McLaughlin, abstracts of the 1888, 1891, and 1892 censuses of male Indians at the Standing Rock Agency, an account of the Indian Messiah movement, field notebooks, research notes, scrapbooks, drafts of *My Friend The Indian* (a book authored by McLaughlin), and correspondence regarding his estate and copyright of the book. Papers relate to administration of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, inspection of Indian reservations, Indian land patent applications, and personal and family affairs.

Ambrose Mattingley Papers

MSS 10447

1888-1939 (0.25 feet)

Papers consist of correspondence, poetry, and programs relating to the history of Little Flower Mission (St. Michael, ND), St. Ann's Indian Mission (Belcourt, ND), and the Seven Dolores Indian Mission at Fort Totten; essays, biographies, and histories concerning Brother Giles Laugel, Tamazakanhotanka, Rev. Jerome Hunt, Bishop Martin Marty, Rev. Lorenz Spitzlberger, Rupert Seidenbush, Rev. Jean Baptiste Genin, and the George Hall family; and letters to Rev. Claude Ebner, Devils Lake.

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation Collection

MSS 10513

1907-1933 (1 feet)

Collection includes a photocopy of the disbursing agent's journal recording daily events at the reservation, and letters, photographs, notes, programs, and brochures concerning the Congregational Mission.

Deborah (Hall) Hertz Papers

MSS 10522

1915-1977 (0.25 feet)

Papers include scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, memorabilia, photographs, and information associated with the Reverend Charles L. Hall, early missionary on the Fort Berthold Reservation at Elbowoods (ND).

Mary Carroll Collection

MSS 10525

Circa 1935 (1 feet)

Scrapbook includes an index of topics, a collection of pictures, postcards, and newspaper clippings about North Dakota, ephemera relating to the people, politics, and historical events in North Dakota. Items of interest are a postcard of the Bismarck Indian School and notes about the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Northern Plains Conference of the United Church of Christ Collection

MSS 10924

1872-2014 (42.5 feet)

Collection includes records of the Congregational Christian Conference of North Dakota North Dakota Conference of the United Church of Christ (NDCUCC), Northern Plains Conference of the United Church of Christ, North Dakota Congregational Home Missionary Society, Congregational Church Building Society of North Dakota, German Evangelical Congregational Conference of North Dakota, North Dakota Women's Home Missionary Society, North Dakota Branch of the Women's Board of Missions, the Congregational Women's Society of North Dakota, associations and individual churches within the NPCUCC.

Records include church record books (founding documents, histories, baptism records, marriage records, death records, membership lists, pastors, deacons, officers, minutes, annual meeting reports, and financial information), founding documents, policies, information on organizational mergers, minutes, board of directors records, committees records, conference and annual meeting material, correspondence, memoranda, records of women's organizations, records of Native American churches, files of people associated with the organization(s), histories and historians, reports, legal documents, scrapbooks, records relating to the Fargo College, Phillips Academy (New Rockford), and Pilgrim Park, printed material, photographs, slides, negatives and audio-visual material. Includes records related to Elbowoods, Fort Berthold Mission, and Rev. Charles Hall.

Lydia Frerking Schneider Collection

MSS 11113

Circa 1935 (1.5 feet)

Collection consists of 1933, 1934 and 1935 yearbooks from the Bismarck Indian School, correspondence, printed material, and photographs of students, the BIS and Fort Yates schools, and Lydia Frerking.

Remembering Nishu

MSS 11372

2018-2018 (138 digital files)

Collection includes interviews with thirteen Arikara elders about living in the Missouri River bottomland communities of Nishu and Elbowoods. It also includes interviews with two Arikara people from younger generations who did not live in Nishu, but who learned about it from former residents. The interviews cover various themes that collectively illustrate life on the Fort Berthold Reservation during the early to middle 20th century. Themes include gardening, ceremonies, children's chores, kinship, recreation, landscapes, Arikara identity, community, farming/cattle grazing, allotment, military service, transportation, reservation schools, Nishu, Elbowoods, Beaver Creek, Like-A-Fishhook, and family histories. The collection also includes transcripts, supporting documentation, photographs, and a copy of a published article about the project.

These materials are for reference use only. Requests for permission to reproduce materials from this collection must be directed to authors. Photos of interviewees may not be published on paper or online without their permission.

Vance E. Nelson Papers

MSS 11453

Circa 1992 (1 foot)

Papers include research used for Nelson's 1992 thesis: Interpretive Programming: Fort Totten State Historic Site. Includes photocopies of federal records, Nelson's notes from a research trip to Grey Nun Sisters Archive at St Boniface (Winnipeg, Man.), and documents from other repositories. Research in the collection could be of interest to those researching the Federal Indian Boarding School, the Grey Nun's School at Fort Totten, the history of the Dakota Indians, state historic sites and interpretive programs in North Dakota, the history of the Fort Totten State Historic Site and Fort Totten Indian Reservation.

C. H. Foster Papers

MSS 20268

1878 (1 folder)

Papers include a transcript of reminiscences of travel between Jamestown and Fort Totten, and descriptions of Fort Totten, Indians on the reservation, and military personnel.

Florence Jenson Papers

MSS 20455

Undated (1 folder)

Papers include a typescript entitled "A History of Benson County." History describes early settlement, Indians, the Fort Totten Indian School, churches, steamboat traffic, and harvesting buffalo bones.

C. H. Kermott Papers

MSS 20708

1900 (1 folder)

Papers include letters relate to charges of mismanagement of the Indian School at Fort Totten.

Mrs. Alfred (Hoiland) Zuger Papers

MSS 20755

1930-1985 (1 folder)

Collection contains copies of clippings about the "Sakakawea Junior club." The Sakakawea Junior Girls Study Club at the US Indian School, Bismarck (ND) was the only Girls Study Club in the United States comprised of all Indian girls representing nine tribes.

Attendance Book (Fort Berthold, North Dakota)

MSS 21196

1889 (1 folder)

Collection includes records of attendance for students at the Fort Berthold Mission School in the class of a Mrs. Williams.

James McLaughlin Correspondence

MSS 21211

1872-1892 (1 folder)

Collection includes letters addressed to James McLaughlin, Indian agent at Fort Totten and Standing Rock in Dakota Territory. The first letter, written in 1872, concerns a land grant in Maryland given to a military ancestor. McLaughlin appears to have asked the author of the letter to research the grant to determine whether McLaughlin held the land title. The letter provides initial results of the search. The second letter addressed to McLaughlin concerns a matter of law, and two are congratulatory wishes regarding his reappointments as Indian agent at Fort Yates.

Ewald C. Witzleben Papers

MSS 21276

Circa 1929-1930 (1 folder)

Papers includes letters written to E. C. Witzleben upon his retirement from the Indian Service from students, friends, and colleagues. Collection also includes digital scans of three items: a letter from W. S. Campbell to Ewald C. Witzleben requesting information about Sitting Bull; a photograph of E. C. Witzleben, Father Bernard Strassmaier, Frank and Francine Fiske at the Standing Rock Reservation, ca. 1930; and the program for the Witzleben farewell at Fort Yates Agency school, January 10, 1930.

Ida Mae Garrison (Evans) Papers

MSS 21430

2009-2014 (1 folder and 2 digital files)

Collection consists of three oral interviews with Selfridge native Ida Mae Garrison, in which she discusses Medicine Joe, betrothal, drum circle, Crazy Horse treaties, her experiences at the Bismarck and Pipestone (Minn.) Indian Schools, the great spirit, snakes, Chased by Bull, conversion to Christianity, native foods, move to Washington D.C., Pipestone quarry, Cheyenne boyfriend, Round House, feasts and dancing.

PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTIONS AVAILABLE AT STATE ARCHIVES

James McLaughlin Photograph Collection

Photo 00039

1864-1962 (149 photographs)

Collection contains portraits of James McLaughlin, the McLaughlin family, the Parkin and Van Solen families, various group images of delegations and other gatherings, scenes from the Standing Rock Agency, Fort Yates (ND), and across Dakota Territory, North Dakota, South Dakota, Oklahoma, and California.

Reverend Harold W. Case Photograph Collection

Photo 00041

1890-1980 (Approximately 15,000 photographs)

Collection includes images taken of and by Rev. Harold Case and Rev. Charles Hall, Charles of the Fort Berthold Reservation, the missions serving Fort Berthold area, and the Native Americans and their families living there.

Paul Ewald Photograph Collection

Photo 00086

1875-circa 1960 (1,672 photographs)

Collection consists of prints and some copy negatives created by several photographers on the Fort Berthold Reservation, primarily Gilbert L. Wilson, with works by Frances Densmore, Frank Fiske, Fred Olson, Sumner Matteson, and several unidentified photographers. Ewald wrote identification of many photographs in his collection based upon suggestions from the people of Fort Berthold. Images include celebrations and gatherings, dances, sweat lodges, Little Missouri camps, cradles, portraits, Buffalo Bird Woman, Wolf Chief, Goodbird, Indian crafts and skills, artifacts, wood gathering, gardening, food processing and cooking, earth lodges, bullboats, travois, and Indian cowboys.

Charles Lemon Hall Photograph Collection

Photo 00110

Circa 1880-1915 (95 photographs)

Collection consists of photographs of the Hall family and the Fort Berthold Mission, including Elbowoods.

William Grawe Photograph Collection

Photo 00162

1885-1915 (7 photographs)

Collection includes images of William Grawe's home and stores in Fullerton and Hankinson (ND) and of the Indian School at Fort Stevenson.

Fort Totten Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 00210

1900-1908 (8 photographs)

Collection consists of images of Fort Totten Indian School band, students, employees, and activities.

Aerial of Fort Totten Indian School Photograph

Photo 00211

Undated (1 photograph)

Collection includes an aerial image of the Fort Totten Indian School.

Fort Totten School Preventorium

Photo 00267

1934-1936 (15 photographs)

Collection consists of copy photographs of Indian children at the Fort Totten School Preventorium.

These are copies of photographs at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). These records may be found in NARA RG 75. Contact NARA for access to originals.

Joseph Plante Photograph Collection

Photo 00711

1926 (3 photographs)

Collection includes three black-and-white copy photographs of students and staff at the Fort Totten Indian School at Fort Totten (ND).

Bismarck Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 00715

1934-1935 (106 photographs)

Collection consists of black-and-white copy portraits and group photographs of students at the Bismarck Indian School.

Bismarck Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 00720

1920-1930 (2 photographs)

Collection contains two photographs of the Bismarck Indian School girls' basketball team from the 1930s and a Bismarck Indian School parade on May 7, 1920.

Deborah Hall Hertz Photograph Collection

Photo 00734

Circa 1875-1975 (45 photographs)

Images of students at Fargo College, people at Fort Berthold Reservation, the Fort Berthold Mission, Reverend and Mrs. Harold Case, and buildings moved in preparation of the Garrison Dam.

Emma Zuger Photograph Collection

Photo 00843

Circa 1900-1932 (83 photographs)

The album consists of pages of images of the Sakakawea Junior Girls Study Club at the Bismarck Indian School, the only Girls Study Club in the United States comprised of all Indian girls representing nine different tribes, and images of Native Americans collected by Zuger.

Fort Totten Indian School Band Photograph

Photo 00982

1907 (1 image)

Collection includes one image of the Fort Totten Indian School band.

Fort Totten Indian School and Students Photograph Collection

Photo 01009

1939-1953 (19 photographs)

Collection includes images of Fort Totten Indian School students and buildings.

Frank Bennett Fiske Photograph Collection

Photo 1952

1880-1952 (7,258 photographs)

Collection includes prints and negatives of portraits, agriculture, education, wildlife, hunting, Frank Fiske studio portraits, and views of South Dakota. Fiske's Native American photographs include portraits, gatherings and ceremonies, boarding schools, houses and dwellings, and agriculture.

Dr. William J. Whitman Photograph Collection

Photo 2002-P-001

1885-1888 (83 photographs)

Photographs taken by Dr. William J. Whitman on Fort Berthold Reservation.

Fort Totten Photograph

Photo 2002-P-026

Circa 1930 (1 photograph)

Collection includes one copy photograph of Fort Totten.

Fort Totten Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 2004-P-025

Circa 1910 (3 photographs)

Collection consists of an exterior image of school, a colored postcard of female students, and a group in a buggy.

Fort Totten (N.D.) Photograph Collection

Photo 2005-P-031

1890-1934 (6 photographs)

Collection includes copies of photographs of Fort Totten Barracks, Minnie H Steamboat, Little Fish at Indian Day Chautauqua Day, President Franklin D. Roosevelt at Fort Totten School, and Fort Totten Indian School baseball teams and bands.

Fort Totten Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 2005-P-032

1900-1910 (5 photographs)

Collection includes images students & school employees at Fort Totten Indian School.

Fort Totten Indian School Class and Sports Teams

Photo 2005-P-033

1953-1954 (5 photographs)

Collection includes images of Fort Totten football, basketball, soccer teams, and the junior class of the Fort Totten Indian School.

Fort Totten (N.D.) Photograph Collection

Photo 2007-P-002

1907-1966 (2 photographs)

Collection contains postcards of Fort Totten, featuring the Government Indian School in 1907 and an aerial view of Fort Totten from 1966.

St. Paul Indian Mission School, Marty (S.D.) Photograph Collection

Photo 2007-P-029

Circa 1950 (36 photographs)

Includes copy prints and negatives of students on the campus of St. Paul Indian Mission School in Marty (SD).

Fort Berthold Indian School Students Photograph

Photo 2008-P-024

1891 (1 photograph)

Collection includes one photograph of students at Fort Berthold Indian School (Fort Stevenson, ND) in 1891. Back of photo states the image was taken as the students returned from the harvest field. Back row (L to R): Jacob Bears Ghost, Mark Bateman, Cathele Andrews, Edgar A. Poe, Fred Fox, James Foote, James Patten. Middle row (L to R): Willie Deane, George Lewis, Byron Wilde, Conrad Smith, Richard K. Fox, Milo Jones, Philip Jones, John B. Gough. Front row (L to R): Oscar Wilde, Joseph Reed, Charlie Smith, Charles Matthews, Willie Goslin, Samuel Newman.

Bismarck Indian School Photograph Collection

Photo 2018-P-062

1930-1937 (23 photographs)

Collection consists of group photographs of graduates, students, basketball teams, and other extracurricular groups of the Bismarck Indian School taken by Risem Studio.

Ada (Mrs. Harlow L.) Walster Photograph Collection

Photo 2019-P-142

Circa 1930-1934 (2 photographs)

Collection includes images of Bismarck Indian School students and the Juvenile Club, Capital Lodge No. 16, Bismarck (ND).



PUBLICATIONS RELATED TO INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOLS IN NORTH DAKOTA

The North Dakota State Archives holds published primary sources related to the state and region. There are also numerous secondary sources not listed in this bibliography related to Indian boarding schools in North Dakota, the Northern Great Plains, and the United States. The following list of resources is not all-encompassing of available primary sources. For specific topics related to Indian boarding schools not found in this bibliography, contact the North Dakota State Archives (archives@nd.gov).

Publications include books, maps, newspapers, periodicals, reports, and general information files.

Yearbooks, or annuals, often provide informative material related to the operation, management, and daily life at schools. Other information found in yearbooks includes listings of students, employees, histories, photographs, maps, and overviews of student courses, sports, and committees. The North Dakota State Archives contains yearbooks from a few Indian boarding schools, such as:

- Elbowoods Warrior, 1952
- Fort Totten Indian School, 1909-10, 1913, 1939
- Wahpeton Indian School, circa 1985

Several Indian boarding schools published student newspapers. These newspapers covered stories related to the daily life, activities, and classes from the school and surrounding area. The North Dakota State Archives has a limited number of issues of student newspapers, including:

- The Chip-a-way (Turtle Mountain Indian School, 1935)
- Fort Totten Review (Fort Totten Indian School, 1911-1917)

The Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs annual reports contain summaries of programs, policies, legislation, appropriations, demographics, education, and other services administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The North Dakota State Archives holds many issues of this report, ranging from 1849-1957. Other reports by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, including those related to the inundation of Fort Berthold lands to the Garrison Dam, contain information related to the reservation including education, monuments, cemeteries, and other services and features. These reports may be available online through a different institution but are accessible in the Orin G. Libby Memorial Reading Room.

General Information Files includes secondary source materials, newspaper clippings, and other short articles related to various subjects. General Information Files related to Indian boarding schools include:

- Bismarck Indian School
- Fort Berthold Indian Reservation
- Fort Stevenson
- Fort Totten
- Indian missions
- Indians of North America—Education
- Standing Rock Indian Reservation
- Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation
- Wahpeton Indian School

The North Dakota State Archives holds newspapers from across the state dating from 1865 to present. These newspapers would likely have reports and articles related to events at the Indian boarding schools. Some of these newspapers are digitized and available on *Chronicling America* (<https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>) or *Advantage Archives* (<http://ndarchives.advantage-preservation.com/>).

STATE GOVERNMENT ARTIFACTS AVAILABLE AT AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT & MUSEUM

Museum Collection

The State Historical Society's Museum Collection contains artifacts related to boarding schools in North Dakota. Most of the collection relates to Fort Totten. Artifacts include canvas firefighting buckets, laundry bags, assorted books, bread pans, Navajo blanket, metal shingle, yellow brick, child's comb, scissors, dinner knives, soup plate, pen, photograph, clear glass jar, pants, apron, metal button, two metal jacks, child's jacket, work boots, ribbons, booklets, programs, and assorted additional objects. Interested parties may contact the Audience Engagement & Museum Department to view these artifacts by appointment. 701.328.2691 or 701.328.1476