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RALEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

Crosby-Garfield School  
March 25, 1955

Mrs. Mollie H. Lee, Librarian  
Richard B. Harrison Library  
214 South Blount Street  
Raleigh, N.C.

Dear Mrs. Lee,

We are so pleased to know that you are interested in our lunch problem - the first grade pupils in our school who remain through-out the day without any provision at home for them to be feed.

We have in our schools a free lunch program financed by a token contribution from the United Fund, but this is neither adequate nor will all hungry children come within the limits of the regulations.

A very recent survey of the four classrooms in which we have enrolled one hundred forty-nine first graders the following sad picture is revealed:

- 1. Number of pupils who never have any lunch . . . . 4
- 2. Number who have lunch on rare occasions . . . . . 5
- 3. Number who eat in the school cafeteria on the first one or two days of the week or bring a bag lunch one or two days . . . . . 10

The teachers are successful in sharing when there is only one or two without but with larger numbers a serious problem exists.

We foresee great danger in trying to set up a PTA fund for such a purpose - we might encourage those parents who are trying to become less self-reliant. It is the indifferent parent whose child is suffering. There, too, is the family in which the income is so small that this problem is very real and not manageable in large families.

Thanking you most kindly for your concern, we remain,

Sincerely yours

Crosby-Garfield School Family  
*N. Coover Lockhart*  
Principal

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Lucille Hunter School  
April 21, 1955

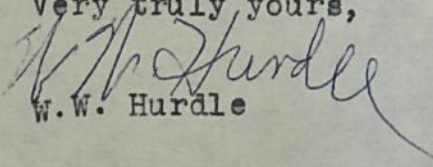
Mrs. Mollie Huston Lee,  
Librarian  
Richard B. Harrison Public Library  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Lee:

I am happy to furnish the information requested in making your study of the number of school children in the Raleigh Public Schools with or without lunch. Our figures look something like the following:

1. Number of 1st and 2nd grade children who never have lunches----- 39
2. Number of students who bring lunches or buy them periodically-----90.

Very truly yours,

  
W.W. Hurdle

615 S. East St.  
Raleigh, N.C.  
April 25, 1955

Mrs. Mollie H. Lee, Librarian  
Richard B. Harrison Public Library  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Lee,

I shall be very happy to accept membership on the committee to study the lunch program. I will do everything in my power to help make it a success.

I, too feel that it will be a contribution and I would like to thank you for affording me this opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

*Charles G. Irving Jr.*

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WASHINGTON SCHOOL

RALEIGH, N. C.

April 26, 1955

J. W. EATON

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. M.H. Lee, Director  
Richard B. Harrison Library  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Lee:

As per your request I am giving you the information you ask for. Please be advised that this is not absolutely correct information as it is hard to determine exact cases since our pupils eat spasmodically. (some)

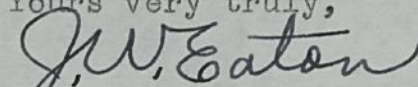
We have made considerable progress with this problem this year and hope to have it licked at least 98 percent by next school term.

Our check up today runs something like this:

1. Pupils who seldom eat lunches in grades 1,2---16
2. Pupils who bring lunches periodically 1,2---38

I would estimate that about 90 per cent of our pupils bring lunches or buy lunches in the caferetia daily. We hope to get at least 98 percent eating by December of next year. We have some plans in the making to improve this situation.

Yours very truly,

  
J.W. Eaton, Principal

Oberlin Rd.

8 without lunches  
6 occasional  

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14

Washington High

16 without lunches  
38 occasional  

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54

Rucille Hunter

39 - Without lunches  
90 - occasional  

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129

Crosby Garfield

4 - Without lunches  
15 - occasional  

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19

Total

67 - Without lunches  
149 - who occasional bring lunches.  

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216

### Milk contributions

1. Elect a chairman, I will serve as a secretary
2. Best way to get people to contribute
  - a. Ask clubs to contribute so many meals to number of children according to their membership.
  - b. P.T.A. groups not requested to contribute
  - c. Allow principals to decide what child should receive
  - d. When the com. meet decide the request from club.
  - e. 180 days in school. at \$45.00 a year for one child.

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LIBRARIAN

Oberlin School

Number of children  
who are able  
to buy lunches  
occasionally -

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8-1st + 2nd

Oberlin School