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Dear Pete:

Here I go again. Seems like it is always necessary to apologize to you. Not because I'm sending another token now, but because I just the other day opened up the package you returned, registered. I've been so "snowed" I haven't had a chance and figured it contained only the maps etc. and I'd file them when I got a chance.

So, I came across your very novel picture, portraying Chief Gi Me Mo" of the "ribe, "annasum.

You look like one alright. And were you here, close by, perhaps I could see if you smell like one! Very good. Someday maybe I could beg, borrow or steal the drawings, or get one with a stetson hat instead of a head dress, with an arrow whizzing by! Could be I could make myself a new letterhead out of it.

Seriously: Got your letter too with the back round. It will come in fine when the time comes. Caxtons lists D and D on their trade list as a book for which publication date, specifications is to be set, meaning it got sidetracked from this Christmas trade until spring I suppose. Anyway, there's material there for later writing here and in Calif. Many thanks.

Enclosed too, evidence of why I've been tied! Somehow or other, I suppose it's because of my big medicine as Now Tow Look, tho and did quite a big of figuring and writing, here comes a Federal Power Commission proviso, out of a clear sky specifying in settlement of big wrangle between State Power Commission and Grant PUD over P.R. Dam, that precautions be taken etc. So, got long distance calls in hurry to get Indians to dam site. So, chased all over Yak valley and rounded up 1 (one) others down in Ore. picking spuds.

Seems as how when we showed up at P.R. where ~~those~~ those mentioned in story were waiting -- the 1 Wanapum and I, they had orders not to proceed with anything till they checked with us. We washed off Indian problems in three hours that, the Yakimas, Spokanes etc. have been wrangling over for 100 years! But that's why the Wanapums are unusual. Less said about this the better now cause there's more work to be done but I think we are getting there and of course it shouldn't hurt D and D, and perhaps it is wise publication is lagging.

Also, now, sessions set up with congressmen and others so if this doesn't work out, I am sure congressional legislation will be introduced etc. So you can see, I'm quite busy, although my pay check hasn't started nor will it start, because, we Wanapums are unusual people. If we get the home for the preservation of the old culture and other safeguards, that is more than most Indians who have attorneys and spend big money get.

So Pete, forgive me, please, and keep your eye out for the proper outlet in Spokane, a old book store that deals also in new Americana, that I can line up. You will be hearing or they will be hearing much spot news about the Wanapums up around Quincy, Ephrata, Spokane etc. ere many months.

On ~~the~~ top of everything else, the publisher wrote a few weeks ago asking if I hadn't better send in an end paper/ Lord, what next?

It was another fan who wrote and they found it when they checked the publisher. So it shows they were getting things lined out, turning over from one dept. maybe to the editors or makeup or something. Of course

I had sent it in registered. But trouble!

kind regards