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Dear Mr. ^Relander:

You are a darling! And I shall be delighted to do a little "horse trading" to the very best of my ability.

Your "Drummers and Dreamers" has a fascinating and authentic sound - and I hope that Gaxton will "hump" itself and not keep us all waiting too long. I know they will do a fine job with it and it is just the sort of thing to come from their press.

I know very little about these Priest Indians and shall be happy to learn more. What amazed me is how much **you** have become a close part of this Northwest and its history in so very short a time.

I too am a transplanted ^Californian and I **intend to stay** transplanted because of this "young and vigorous area" which is as yet not too populated. And I confess that I tell some people how much rain there is and how difficult the climate is - because I don't want it to **become** too populated! I am afraid that I have a white lie upon my tongue after I have made such remarks - because I **love** it up here!

I shall give Bob Hitchman one of the clippings and I know he will be plotting good things for that future autograph party. I am sure he was very sorry to miss the Montana meeting which sounds as if it were most successful and happy.

Thank you - thank you for ^Caroline. You are too generous and too kind - but you will be rewarded - and before you get to heaven, too! I agree with all that you say about ^Caroline and I hope to do something quite definite about her.

With my very best -

Sincerely,

Dorothy Bevis