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SEATTLE 5, WASHINGTON

November 21, 1958

Dear Mr. Relander:

I don't know if you'll remember me, but I had a long talk with you at your office about "Drummers and dreamers." If you'll remember I am very interested in the Indians of Washington state. In fact, next quarter here at the U., I'll be taking some very specialized courses on the North west Indians.

The purpose of this letter is, however, to attempt to make an appointment with you for November 28, or 29, in the afternoon at about 3. Will you

be in your office at that time? I should like to discuss the following things: The Yakima Valley Museum, the bibliography of your book, and the location of Wanaqum Campsites. Also, if you have any information on Yakima Camp sites, I should like to receive it also. There are so many things to be done with the Yakima Indians, and so little time to do it in.

I certainly would appreciate any information you can give me, and an immediate reply,

Sincerely,

Edward Nolan

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January 6, 1959

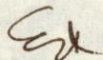
Dear Mr. Relander:

I am so sorry that I was not able to visit you while I was in Yakima over the Christmas holidays. However, I sure that we were both so busy that time would not have allowed us to get together.

Right now I would like to ask a favor of you. In an earlier letter, you mentioned Mr. & Mrs. Al Moore who did some research on sites in the Yakima Valley. Also, you mentioned a Campbell from Selah who also did this type of work. I am wondering if you could give me the addresses of these people so that I might correspond with them. It would be a great deal of help.

You see, I have a project for anthropology to locate the major sites of the Yakima Indians. Any bibliography that you might give will also be deeply appreciated. Thanks.

Sincerely,



Edward Nolan

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January 20, 1960

Dear Mr. Relander:

I am writing this letter to ask a very special favor of you. I hope that you will be able to help me. Indeed, without your help I shall not be able to complete my project.

The favor that I need is an introduction to certain members of the Yakima Indian Tribe who will be able to give me information for a paper that I am doing for Dr. Erna Gunther. I am told by members of the Museum in Yakima that you are well known among the Indians and therefore will be able to give me the proper introduction.

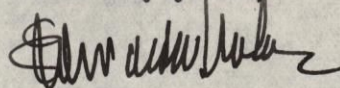
I will need an introduction to two women who have been involved in the construction of teepees. This information will be used as a part of an over all survey of the tribes of Eastern Washington.

Secondly, I would like to meet an old hunter who knows something of the tribes' use of traps, particularly fishing. This section of the work is still rather general.

The third aspect of this work will be to ascertain the feelings of the Indians toward the rattlesnake. Along with this we will want to know of any treatment given to victims .

I will be in Yakima on the 12, 13, and 14 of Feb. to start this work. Anything that you will be able to do on my behalf before that time will be most sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



Edward W. Nolan

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January 31, 1960

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Dear Mr. Relander,

I have your letter on my desk, and I'm sincerely sorry for not replying at an earlier date. However, the work around here has been piling up, and it seems that I can never get out from under.

I am deeply grateful to you for helping me to make the necessary contacts for the furtherance of my work. I hope that you understand how I do appreciate your efforts.

I sincerely hope that Mr. Saluskin will be able to find a party that will not be extremely difficult to reach, for I must depend upon my father or the bus lines for my transportation.

I noted that you emphasized the word "tipi" in your letter. We are interested in the construction of the tipi because we find that there are two distinct forms in use throughout the United States. The Plains Indians are distinctly divided between a three-pole base and a four-poled base. We notice some variation for the Plateau, but information is lacking for most of the tribes. If you have any specific information on the Wanapum in that respect, I shall appreciate hearing about it. Also in the future, we will be interested in other types of housing, but for the time being we must limit ourselves.

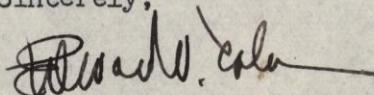
Do the Wesley's or Oscar Billy Harrison write English extensively? I would like to be able to do some preliminary correspondence with them if possible.

I should like to come to know the Yakima well, for some time in the future I might be able to help them. As you said to Mr. Saluskin, we never know how the Indian may need help in the future.

Again, the dates I will be there will be Feb. 12, 13, and 14. Of these the 13th would be best, but 12 is also okay. The next trip will be Feb. 19, 20, 21, and 22. Any of the first three will be my best days. I hope that they are flexible with your schedule and that of the Indian Agency.

Thank you again for your time and co-operation.

Sincerely,



Edward W. Nolan

1105 So. 6th Avenue
Yakima, Washington
March 16, 1960

Dear Mr. Relander:

I'm so sorry for not writing sooner and thanking you for the help you gave me in my research on the Yakima. The work was very successful, and the results are now in the hands of Dr. Gunther. I really don't know how to thank you.

Unfortunately, this spring quarter my financial situation is rather bad, and I am going to discontinue school until Winter 1961.

Is there any possibility of obtaining employment with the Yakima newspapers?

I, of course, am a specialist in historical and ethnographic research. Perhaps that would be useful in the coming Yakima diamond jubilee.

Also, I have done extensive work in the fine arts — record critiques, also critiques of performances.

Anyway, if you have any openings in these or any fields I would appreciate hearing from you.

Again, thank you so very much for the help on the Yakima.

Sincerely,
Ed Nolan