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Mr. William Knight, publisher,
The Oregon Journal,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Knight:

Under separate cover, and to the same address, I am sending with my compliments two copies of the recently published 1855-1955 The Yakimas.

I am doing this because I happened to come across your name in connection with the Pacific Northwest History conference in which I have been participating for several years. It occurred to me that perhaps you would care to add the little item to your own collection, and pass the other on to Mr. Ed O'Meara or whoever handles the Journal's book page.

I am not sending this for a review.

I might add that since coming to the Northwest from California nine years ago, I have had but limited contact with Northwest newspapers. I am city editor of The Yakima Daily Republic.

I am also enclosing an advance circular of my forthcoming book, Drummers and preamers, not for publicity but to ask that your book section editor might drop me a note, if convenient, letting me know to whom I should have the publisher send a review copy at the proper time which is to be next spring.

This book will be handled in Portland and according to the publisher is to be advertised in that city. I believe that a "book tour" perhaps on my vacation next spring, is being worked out to include Portland at which time a couple of these very interesting Indians will accompany me. They are the ones who contrary to the treaty Indians don't believe the government owes them a living. Their conduct and cooperation at priest Rapids has been so appreciated by the project planners, that they requested permission of these few people to name the upper dam, "anapum" in their honor.

If you have occasion for another copy of the Treaty Centennial item, please feel free to drop me a line and it will be sent. I was asked by the Yakima Nation to write several chapters in this booklet and edit it, which I did as a public service and so it could be published by our printing department. My only regret is that I had but 12 evenings of time to get it ready to meet the printer's deadline.

Sincerely Yours

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