

July 10, 1956

Mr. Al McVay, manager,
The Walla Walla Chamber of Commerce,
Walla Walla, Wash.

Dear Al:

I'm dropping you a note to let you know that the Relander production of Drummers and Dreamers will be "on sale" October 6.

I have confirmation from Mr. Leroy W. Soper of the Walla Walla Book shop that when the Indians and I go on tour, starting here on the October 6 date and swinging to the coast before inland, that we will be permitted an appearance at his store October 17. [2 to 4 p.m.] Invitations to this will be sent out to a selective list in due time and as per sample.

Our schedule calls for an appearance at Pullman Oct. 16, and I presume we would be able to make it to Walla Walla by noon Oct. 17.

I'm trusting to your judgment as to the possibilities of a luncheon club appearance; a historical talk or what have you. I've held my speaking engagements down but perhaps could make a creditable showing. I keynoted the Adams County Historical Society organization meeting, clip is enclosed pertaining to a Pasco appearance and some weeks I've made three to five talks on Fort Simcoe or in my capacity as a curator of the State Historical Society. Sometimes I talk on art [sculpture] at women's art groups and never make the same talk twice. The appearance of the Indians with me should help it out or if there's an assigned topic covering history, I might have time to work out a proper talk, but wish to get my speeches outlined and prepared by the end of August.

For your personal information, I suspect the Nez Perce claims action will reach a settlement of \$2,800,000 which should bring some business to Walla Walla. And also for your personal info. the PUD is planning ground breaking at Priest Rapids in late September or October.

I'll be appreciative of any suggestions you can give and will try not to outdo Buffalo Bill. Regards Click Relander