

Feb. 8, 1963

Mr. Robert Ries, production director,
The Grant County PUD No. 2,
Ephrata, Wash.

Dear Bob:

I have hopes of getting Max and Herb copies of this "leaflet" before too long.

The "leaflet" is 63,000 words long, more words than *Drummers and Dreamers* and I think a much better Indian book.

Most of it is factual, some little license is taken in situations and areas, but none on the true status of Indians.

As time goes on and you may have time to scan it, you may recognize bits. And there is a great deal of history enwrapped in the whole deal.

Now that this major project is "out of the way" (with some washup only at hand) I am straining at the tether again. I've got old Puck figured out now and am still dabbling with the projected hand on the bust and think it's whipped.

I hope you have all your problems whipped and the same goes for Max and the others.

Now with our weather improving Mrs. Relander and I may come hobbing in one of these days. And I am especially interested in looking over Wanapum.

I've got some Moses material and Wanapum country in "Strangers on the Land," and hear from Bob Ruby that his book on Chief Moses is getting a good screening by a major publisher. The Chief Moses high relief (the one with the warbonnet, suggested for a wall or glass door deal) may get into the book, just as a Chief Moses reproduction.

My best regards to my Priest Rapids Project friends. Tell them that working out 63,000 words is as tough a job as excavating for a dam and I'm in better shape than ever.

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My best

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