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Room 2129

Dear Lee:

Enclosed is a consignment, approximately one-third of that to be sent from Microcopy Wash'ton Suptcy. of Indian Affairs Letters from Agts. & Employees of Suptcy. Southern Dis. May 1, 1854--July 20, 1861

I have footnoted it for your rapid scanning. While some has reference to the Palouse, and may be of interest to No. 222 because of reference of Yakima-Palouse intercourse, most of it is for addendum to Yakima MS-I.

I have the roll completed and the other consignments should be sent shortly when I complete the footnotes for quick reference.

I was enthused, although not surprised, to find in this roll a statement of an agent that bears out the contention of Puck Hyah Toot [Johnny Buck] that Kamiakin and the other Yakima chiefs, at the Treaty Council of 1855 did not speak for all the Indians for which they ceded land. I shall call your special attention to that typescript.

Last week, one of my best Yakima contacts, Jim Looney, the "chief" of the White Swan long house, died of a heart attack. He was a step brother of Kiutus Jim, the Yakima tribal councilman, and knew more about the old Yakima things than any other Yakima I knew. He was a close friend of Puck Hyah Toot, a believer in the Washat religion, and his granddaughter was married to one of Puck Hyah Toot's sons.

I still feel that these typescripts of the Microcopy series will build up the various MS, Yakima, Wanapum, Colville, etc., and give you, the ethnologists assigned to the cases etc., some worthwhile information.

I have not yet found it necessary to use any of the stenographic authorization, and at the present pace I have established, that may not be necessary, unless I get swamped on other things. I shall try not to unless absolutely necessary.

Sincerely

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