

Sept. 29, 1955

Dr. Robert Ruby,
414 Crestview Drive,
Moses Lake

Dear Dr. Ruby:

Under separate copy, and to the same address, I am sending you a copy of the pamphlet 1855-1955 The Yakimas.

I noted in the Columbia Basin Herald the account of your book, and a friend of mine, Mrs. Kimmel gave me your address.

First: I wish to procure a copy of your book. You may bill me for it, have it billed or send in the most convenient manner to you.

Second, I wish to enlist your assistance in my forthcoming Drummers and Dreamers, which while not due for publication until midsummer perhaps of 1956, requires some promotion on my part because of the limited facilities of the publisher. This book is not a vanity publication, but I am joining in the promotion now while I have the opportunity and because it would be advantageous to the publisher to know how many books to plan on issuing.

Because of the "localness" I believe it will have a special appeal at Ephrata, Moses Lake and elsewhere in that area and I and the Wanapums plan to make a swing through the state upon publication.

I know you will be familiar with the best potential outlets at Moses Lake and elsewhere in your immediate region, and it may be that you will accumulate a list of persons to whom invitations could be sent out to come and meet the Wanapums and secure a lithograph of the cover, a four color painting by E.B. Quigley of Portland of an Indian Horse Race. Quigley is a fine artist, right in the class with Remington or Russell excepting for "publicity." By cooperating with stores and by some speaking appearances, plus what I feel will be news stories as the Wanapum and Priest Rapids Dams develop I believe the book can be properly presented in your area.

I am enclosing a circular to give you an idea of the book. It does not state that Dr. F.W. Hodge wrote the introduction, nor that one of the Priest Rapids Dams has been named Wanapum after the Dreamers.

I will appreciate your suggestions as to the proper stores at such cities as Moses Lake, Ephrata, Connell etc. I am well lined up in Spokane.

I wish you success on "The Oglala Sioux" and will be looking forward to reading your product, although I'll admit I'm a "Wanapum" man myself. A few clips enclosed for your general information.

Most Sincerely Click Relander