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Dear Miss Ratcliff:

I have never thoroughly read the Mann material in the McWhorter collection at WSU recently enough to be thoroughly knowledgeable concerning them.

Mann, as you know, was an interpreter and source for McWhorter and that seems evident and would be highly reflective in McWhorter's Crime Against the Yakimas, The Discards and other McWhorter material. And they were closely aligned in the irrigation conflict on the reservation.

Alex Saluskin, who I have not seen for some time and will probably again be stationed at Fort Simcoe State Park may be able to give some better insight, though he is getting rather "historic" as he grows older. Alba Shaw-away would have been a good source and he died several months ago. McWhorter worked with Alba's father.

I have made no especial search of Mann material, because some of the material, especially legends which he wrote for McWhorter are not true source material but are pretty much interwoven with other similar legends.

However, if you pursue your quest further, on the Yakima Reservation, there are numerous relatives of the Mann descend there now. Mrs. Bill Fudge Yallup, who last year took a degree at Central Washington State College is a granddaughter on one side of the family. Bill told me the other day she might know something, but not too much. She is in her low '30s. Another granddaughter, who also is approachable, is Mrs. Louis Cloud. Louie Cloud is a tribal councilman. The Clouds live at Parker, just below Union Gap, the Zip code is 98939. Mrs. Yallup's address is Box 748, Toppenish, ZIP 98948. You could use my name in writing to either of these and they might have other suggestions for you to pursue actively on the reservation. The Indian General Council recessed meeting is to convene on Friday, March 21st if that is a Friday, in the Wapato Long House at 2 p.m.

If I have contact with some older Yakimas, I'll ask them about Mann. But I would examine the Crime Against the Yakimas and the Discards very thoroughly. The irrigation matter, I would suggest, was of especial concern to McWhorter and Mann.

I'm afraid that this is not much help, but it will be some leads to start on.

Sincerely

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