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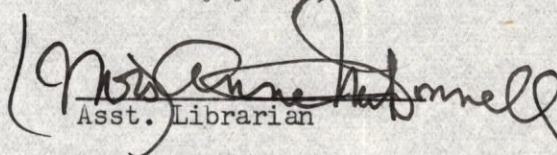
Dear Mr. Relander:

Thank you for renewal subscription to the Montana Magazine of History. The first two issues for this year, January and April, have been mailed to you.

I was very glad to hear from you and to know of the progress you have made in your historical writing and research. The title you have in mind seems a very good one to me.

If you should have anything published on the geographic names be sure to let us know for anything of that type is valuable for our library.

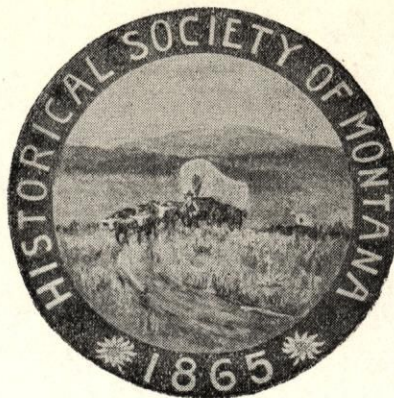
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P. S. Best wishes to the little dog from me.



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HELENA,

June 4, 1952

Click Relander,  
Route 3, Box 149,  
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Mr. Relander:

I have your letter of May 31 in which you thank me for the prompt service on the subscription renewal and the "kind remarks". I attended to the subscription renewal but the kind remarks were those of Mrs. Anne McDonnell, whom you met last summer. I have only been here since the first of the year. I believe your former letter was addressed to Mrs. McDonnell. However you are not the only person who has been confused by the similarity in our names and made a sort of composite person out of us; and I am very proud to be confused with Mrs. McDonnell.

We forwarded your letter to Mr. Dobie. We are also mailing you, today, copies of volume 1, nos. 1, 2, and 3 of the Rocky Mountain Magazine and enclosing a bill for the same. Our stock of no. 1 is now exhausted although we still have copies of nos. 2 and 3 - *as your order arrived*

*just in time*

Sincerely yours,

*Marguerita McDonald*

Marguerita McDonald,  
Assistant Librarian.



HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MONTANA  
HELENA, MONTANA

December 16, 1953

Mr. Click Relander  
Rt. 3, Box 146  
Yakima, Wash.

Dear Mr. Relander:

This letter is being sent to a substantial number of people who are well acquainted with the Northwest History Conference - much better acquainted, as a matter of fact, than I am. But it is also being sent to a number of people who have never heard of the Conference, much less attended it. Hence this is a rather long letter with something of an explanation of what the Northwest History Conference is and hopes to be.

The Conference first met in Tacoma, Washington in May, 1948. It was dedicated to the promotion of historical research on a regional basis. Its objects were to provide reciprocity in research facilities and information about research; to secure reciprocity in the recognition of regional history courses in fulfillment of requirements for teacher certification in state history; to attract not only the academic historian but to emphasize the interdependence of those who teach Northwest, state or local history on any level and those laymen who have an interest in Northwest, state or local history.

These several objects were and are fundamental, but within their scope the Conference has concerned itself with many subsidiary and related matters. It has discussed the preparation and publication of a syllabus of Northwest history; it has discussed audio-visual aids in Northwest history, particularly at the secondary level; it has considered the possibility of instituting a regional clearing house or general agency at which researchers could file a statement of their current interests and research in progress so that there could be a more effective interchange of information; it has pondered the feasibility of a regional catalog of unpublished materials and a possible extension of the scope of the Bibliographic center. Many other such matters have been discussed and investigated in conjunction with the reading of papers, luncheon talks, etc.

Each of the annual meetings has brought together historians, teachers, and laymen from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia. And to many of us, at least, the most hopeful and refreshing thing about the Conference was the fact that the lay and academic person got together and discussed the commonality of their interests.

The advent of regionalism in historical work in the United States led initially to a definite diminution of interest in state and local history, particularly in academic circles. The regional approach to history proved to be, and is proving to be, immensely profitable - but this does not mean that state and local history, on the one hand, and regional history, on the other, are incompatible. Quite the contrary, they are interdependent and



vital to each other. State and local history, after all, are stones in the matrix of regional history. They are the particulars of the general. Likewise, State and Local history are immeasurably enriched by very virtue of regionalism, because it is in the setting of the region that state and local events reveal themselves most significantly. So, far from being mutually exclusive, the two approaches to history are manifestly compatible. It is this general theme that will be explored at the Northwest History Conference in May, 1954 (see tentative program attached hereto).

The nature of next year's program should not be construed as representing a change in the basic purposes of the Conference. But it should be construed as something of an experiment. This coming Conference is to be held in Helena, Montana and is to be jointly sponsored by the Washington Historical Society and the Historical Society of Montana. This is an experiment in geography and only the test can answer the question: "Will Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and British Columbia send representatives to Montana?" We in Montana are betting that they will provided the program is stimulating enough.

And we think this experiment is important to the future of the Conference. Many a promising organization has died aborning because it did not experiment, because it became inbred.

If the Northwest History Conference is to be based on the idea that there is value in a regional approach, then the Conference itself must be regional. It must be more than that: It must attract 1) the layman, 2) the teachers of history in the high schools and junior colleges, and 3) the college level historian - and offer each of these groups something concrete and helpful. The Conference, it seems to some of us, is in some danger of turning into a small echo of the American or Mississippi Valley Historical Associations.

With one or two exceptions, the Conference has always met in Tacoma. Now comes the leap to Helena. This does not mean that the parental organization, the Washington Historical Society, (which has so effectively sponsored the Conference in years past) has severed the umbilicle. It merely means that we are experimenting in moving the Conference around the region for the good reason that it is a regional conference.

Also, the Conference, formerly a one day affair, now covers a weekend - starting Friday evening and ending Sunday morning. Tentatively, the dates have been set as May 7 (Friday), 8, and 9, 1954.

Obviously, the success of this experiment will depend on how many people we can draw from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and British Columbia. If only Montanans appear the experiment will fail.

Hence you are being contacted early in hope that you will begin now to plan to attend this conference. You will be receiving monthly letters from me keeping you posted on the development of our plans. Presently it appears possible that Clifford Lord, the dynamic Director of the Wisconsin Historical Society will be here to talk about the tie in between regional, and state and local history. A. B. Guthrie, Jr., Pulitzer prize winning author of the historical novel, The Way West, will probably be here to talk about fiction (the historical novel) and its relation to history.



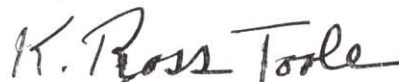
Among the prominent western historians and administrators who will in all probability be here are Charles M. Gates, Professor of History at the University of Washington and editor of the Pacific Northwest Quarterly; Dorothy M. Johansen of Reed College, Portland; Rev. W. L. Davis of Gonzaga University; Professor Paul Phillips of the University of Montana; Professor Merrill Burlingame of Montana State College; Willard Ireland, Provincial Archivist and Librarian of British Columbia; Hugh Dempsey, historian from Edmonton, Alberta; G. Rider Davis of the Alberta Historical Society; Chapin D. Foster, Director of the Washington Historical Society, and numerous others. These people will all have a great deal to contribute to the sessions.

But let me emphasize again that this year's Conference is of particular import to social science teachers in the high schools and junior colleges and to laymen who are interested in doing research in state and local history.

Transportation will, I know, be a problem for many of you. The solution would seem to be pool cars and shared transportation expenses. However, if there is sufficient interest, two 29 passenger buses will leave Spokane on the morning of May 7th for Helena (if May 7, 8 and 9 prove to be acceptable dates for the Conference) and will return to Spokane, leaving Helena at noon on Sunday, May 9th. These buses may be of considerable help because you will only have to pay half fare.

You will be kept posted each month from now through April on the development of plans. But it is imperative to know as soon as possible who and how many of you plan to come. Would you be kind enough, therefore, to fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return it to me.

Very truly yours,



K. Ross Toole  
Director

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# MONTANA MAGAZINE

## OF HISTORY

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MONTANA — STATE CAPITOL, HELENA, MONTANA

January 23, 1954

Dear Friend:

In checking today I was disturbed to learn that you missed our superb new "Winter, 1954" issue.

Undoubtedly, this was an oversight -- as the only warning that your subscription had expired was a brief note in the Autumn issue. Perhaps in the rush of the holidays you didn't get around to renewing.

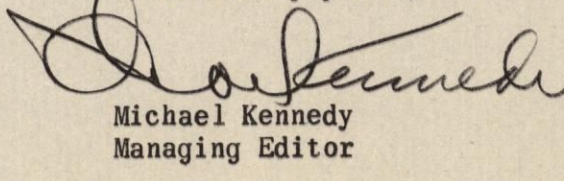
In the past it has never been too late to re-subscribe and receive back issues. This is no longer true. Now that we have the largest readership of any such journal in the U.S., we have limited our printing. As a former reader we want you to have priority. As a patient patron who tolerated our product when it was not quite up to the high standard we were seeking, we can offer you the '54 product which Lawrence Frost, Curator of the Monroe Historical Museum, in Michigan, calls "the finest history magazine in the country." Isn't such a product worth 25¢ a month?

Of the first issue for 1954, which is by no means the best we have planned, the Great Falls Tribune, on January 12, said this:

"In the three years it has been in existence this quarterly publication has advanced steadily and rapidly, issue by issue. It is nothing short of amazing to those who have followed it from the start to find in each new issue a sparkling content throughout which seems to surpass the excellence of previous issues. Those who read it will feel a sense of pride -- and no surprise at all, that it should be recognized nationally in the top rank of state historical journals. It is filling a gap that has been too long neglected. And it is rendering a great service to the present and future generations of Montana!"

Shall we reserve a place for you in the exciting 1954 replay of Montana's colorful past, brightened by the incomparable illustrations of C. M. Russell and E. S. Paxson and a galaxy of new ideas which we have planned? Or do you wish us to strike your name and find a substitute reader? Please use the enclosed postage -- free envelope to advise us, either way.

Historically yours,

  
Michael Kennedy  
Managing Editor

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Click Relander  
1212 N. 32nd Ave.  
Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

This is the second report on the Northwest History Conference which will convene in Helena, Montana on May 7-9, 1954.

It is my hope that I will get a definite commitment out of some of you presently listed as tentative. It is much easier to plan if I can begin to get some idea of total attendance. I am especially interested in knowing precisely how many bus passengers we'll have between Spokane and Helena. Remember, you pay only half fare, round trip.

The program is beginning to shape up. On Friday evening, at a lodge on top of the continental divide, some twenty miles from Helena, Professor Robert Athearn of the University of Colorado, will open things up with a dinner talk: "State and Local History in the Regional Setting." Incidentally, the cost of the dinner will be nominal.

Dr. Athearn is a young (36) man of considerable reputation. He is the author of Thomas Francis Meagher: An Irish Revolutionary in America, and one of the most entertaining books to come from the pen of a western historian in a long time, Westward the Britain. Dr. Athearn occupies himself betwixt by writing novels under a pseudonym. He is a fine speaker and an enthusiastic advocate of the interdependence of local, state, and regional history.

On Saturday morning, Willard Ireland, Provincial Archivist and Librarian of British Columbia will talk about: "Historical Source Material: Who Collects It? Where Do They Get It? Why Do They Get It?" Those of you who know Willard Ireland know that he, too, is young, enthusiastic, and a fine speaker. I cannot conceive of the audience that he could bore. Willard is president of the Pacific Northwest Library Association and he has had a great deal to do with the aggressive and excellent policies of that Association in years past. As an archivist he has a lot of ideas concerning the collection of the raw stuff of history that it will behoove historians to listen to.



At noon on Saturday, you will hear a talk by A. B. Guthrie, Jr. As you know, Mr. Guthrie is the author of The Big Sky and the Pulitzer Prize winning novel The Way West. Until very recently he had an academic berth at the University of Kentucky where he taught creative writing. He is a regular contributor to the Saturday Evening Post, to Harper's, Holliday and to a host of other magazines. When Mr. Guthrie talks about: "Historical Research and the Historical Novel," you can rest assured he knows whereof he speaks - and he speaks well.

There will be a talk on "History and the Press" on Saturday afternoon. I will announce the speaker in my next letter. You will be hearing from me within the next month.

On Saturday evening the dinner talk will be delivered by Professor Dorothy Johansen of Reed College, Portland, Oregon. Professor Johansen is the author of numerous articles bearing on Northwest History. She writes me that she will probably talk about "Latitudes and Platitudes," taking her title from Christopher Fry's, "The Lady's Not For Burning." She adds: "I only hope it pans out without burning me." I have never met Professor Johansen, but I expect she will wind up the Conference without getting burned. She has the reputation of having one of the most incisive minds in the business.

Please remember that these principle talks are interspersed with panel discussions and question and answer sessions on: 1) The Responsibility of the Historical Researcher to the Public, to the Schools, to his Colleagues and to Himself. 2) What Local Communities Expect From the Press in the Way of History and What the Press Expects From Historical Researchers. 3) A pre-Conference session Friday morning (the 7th) subject to be announced.

For those of you coming from Spokane by bus there is a special attraction beyond the fact that you'll pay only half fare. You will be given a running commentary on the historic region through which you are passing by Professor Francis Haines of Oregon College of Education. Professor Haines knows the region like the palm of his hand and there will be nothing dull about your trip.

As I wrote you in my previous report, this year's Conference is experimental. Its success depends on whether the Conference draws from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and British Columbia. May I urge you to make your plans firm at the earliest moment.

Will you kindly fill out the enclosed questionnaire. To simplify our records, please fill it out even if you have already filled out the preceding questionnaire.

Very truly yours,

*K. Ross Toole*

K. Ross Toole  
Director



- ( ) I am still interested and would like to be kept on your tentative list. I'll let you know definitely as soon as possible.
- ( ) I will definitely attend the Conference.
- ( ) I will definitely ride the bus from Spokane to Helena and return.

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There follows a list of people who should be put on the Conference mailing list:





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This will be the final word from me until we meet in Helena for the 1954 Northwest History Conference.

Enclosed is your identification card; because the Conference is proving so popular this year, we will be forced to limit the attendance severely. This card will admit you to all of the functions of the Conference, as listed on the following schedule; PLEASE BRING IT WITH YOU!

Upon arrival in Helena, you will find a registration desk located in the foyer of the Historical Museum. Prompt registration here will greatly facilitate our locating you for telephone calls and messages, and further material about Helena and the 1954 Conference will be dispensed from this desk.

To help those who have not visited Helena before, a map is enclosed which shows the location of the places important to the Northwest History Conference guests. With it you should have no trouble in finding your way to the Museum, Frontier Town and downtown Helena.

For those who will be driving their own cars to Frontier Town for dinner Friday night: dinner will be served at 6:00 P.M. and your cooperation is requested as to promptness, if only as a courtesy to the speaker of the evening.

At the gate to this charming place atop the Continental Divide, you will be accosted in the manner of the West by outlaws demanding silver; it is the custom at Frontier Town for each person to exchange a fifty-cent piece for a J. P. Quigley Territorial coin. This is a beautifully executed copper piece, which most of you will want to keep as a souvenir of your visit; however, it is good for fifty cents in trade at Frontier Town if you wish to demand justice and your money back. The outlaws, inevitably, go free!

I am looking forward to seeing you in Helena, May 7-9.

Very truly yours,

K. Ross Toole  
Director

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CHARLES M. RUSSELL ROOM



I am glad to inform you that definite arrangements have been made concerning the bus charter from Spokane to Helena and return.

Busses will leave the Spokane Terminal at 9:00 A.M. (PST) Friday, May 7th.

You will arrive in Helena at approximately 4:00 P.M. (MST)

Your bus will take you to Frontier Town on the Continental Divide for the dinner talk by Dr. Robert Athearn. There will be a charge of \$1.00 for this trip.

Busses will depart from Helena at 12:00 M. on Sunday, May 9th.

You will arrive in Spokane at approximately 7:00 P.M. (PST)

A stop will be made on both legs of the round trip for lunch.

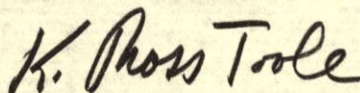
We are pleased to have arranged for Professor Francis Haines of the History Department of Oregon State College to give a running historical account of the trip as the bus proceeds on its way. Professor Haines is well versed in the facts pertaining to this part of the country, and his presence will prove to be a great addition to your trip. In the event that two busses make the trip, Professor Haines will ride each bus one way.

The cost per person for the round trip will be \$7.76, which is one-half the usual fare. Your bus driver will demand such payment, and no identification other than your Northwest History Conference card will be necessary. However, BE SURE YOU HAVE IT WITH YOU WHEN BOARDING THE BUS.

A registration desk will be set up at the Placer Hotel for facilitating your conference registration upon arrival.

It will be a pleasure to welcome you to Helena and the 1954 Northwest History Conference.

Very truly yours,



K. Ross Toole  
Director





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Very great interest has been exhibited with respect to the Northwest History Conference to be held in Helena, May 7-9. Because we expect a large crowd, we cannot guarantee meal reservations or accommodations unless those who are on our tentative list make their plans definite. The return of the enclosed post card will be sufficient notification of your intention to attend.

This letter contains information concerning transportation and accommodations. The final program, which has been slightly changed since my last letter, will reach you before you leave for Helena.

Because a great interest has been evinced in the Conference and because we want to accommodate you with as much efficiency as possible, will you please fill out and mail the enclosed post card as soon as possible. This is necessary because luncheon and dinner meetings have been scheduled as follows and we need to know precisely how many will attend each function:

Friday: 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 - Dinner at Frontier Town;

Talk: "State and Local History in the Regional Setting," Dr. Robert Athearn, U. of Colorado.

Transportation provided at a nominal cost from Helena to Frontier Town.

Saturday: 12 N. to 2:00 P.M. - Luncheon Meeting, Placer Hotel.

Talk: "Historical Research and the Historical Novel," A. B. Guthrie, Jr., Great Falls.

Saturday: 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 - Dinner Meeting, Placer Hotel.

Talk: "The Importance of State and Local History," Don McNeil, Wisconsin Historical Society.

At the request of many who have not had previous opportunity of becoming acquainted with historic Helena, tours of the city and surrounding sites have been arranged at times which will not conflict with conference events. We must again ask in advance information as to whether or not you will be interested in joining one of these tours. Please fill in the proper post card blank.

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Also, specific arrangements must be made for the Greyhound Bus charter from Spokane to Helena and return. The bus will leave the Spokane terminal at 9:00 A.M. (PST) Friday, May 7th, arriving in Helena at approximately 4:00 P.M. (MST). Departure on Sunday will be at 12 N., bus arriving at the Spokane terminal at approximately 7:00 P.M. (PST). The cost will be half fare - \$7.76 round trip. A suitable stop will be made for lunch.

Again, we must know positively and finally how many of you intend to ride the bus. So would you fill in the proper blank on the post card please. Those of you who are definitely going to ride the bus will receive a separate letter from me containing final ticket purchasing information in the very near future.

I would suggest that you make your hotel and motel reservations early. Along with the final program, you will receive a map of Helena which locates the hotels, motels and other places of interest as far as the Conference is concerned.

We all look forward to seeing you and hope that you will enjoy the conference.

Very truly yours,

*K. Ross Toole*

K. Ross Toole  
Director

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
OF MONTANA  
Helena, Montana

August 7, 1954

Dear Subscriber:

Periodically, you have read something about your state historical Museum in the Montana Magazine of History. Perhaps you know that we are in the process of creating one of the country's really fine museums here in Helena. A good many of you have probably seen what we have done thus far.

This museum is taking form under the direction of museum specialists from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. We have a museum crew of real talent, and that crew is now trained, enthusiastic and experienced.

In the next few months over 100,000 people will visit the museum, and children and adults alike (many of them for the first time) will get an over-all picture of Montana's rich heritage. This story is told with color, drama and fidelity. It is a story worth telling, with lessons worth learning.

But, a good museum doesn't, like Topsy, "just grow". It takes cohesive planning, artistic talent, trained personnel and MONEY!

Our trouble is money. The State does not now subsidize this museum. It is being built by private donations. We have solicited the big companies, the banks, and other businesses, but the simple fact is that we cannot complete our work without your help as an individual.

We are not "crying wolf". The museum is in serious jeopardy. We have funds to carry on for about three months. Then, we will have to let our crew go and, in effect, close our doors. The museum is about one-third completed. If it isn't finished now, while the crew is here and the momentum established, the chances are that it will never be finished. It will stand, then, simply as a monument to our apathy.

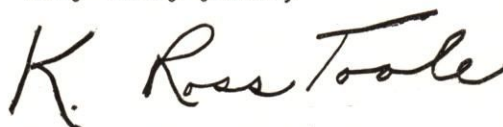
Because you are a subscriber to our magazine and are therefore familiar with our endeavor to get some of Montana's rich history on the market, we are violating the rule of three year's standing..the rule that we do not contact you except in connection with the magazine. We are violating this rule because we need help badly and we need it now.



In addition, as a member of our society and a subscriber to our magazine, you have been supporting us - both morally and financially. Perhaps your annual membership is all that finances permit you to do for us. If so, please know that we are grateful to you, and do not expect more. But if your finances do permit it, we solicit your aid.

Will you help us? If you are proud of this state and chagrined by how little we have done about our heritage, will you mail us a check? Large or small, your contribution, made out to the Historical Society of Montana, will be the determining factor in whether we succeed or fail. The measure of your interest is the measure of our success --- or failure. The museum must be finished to be saved, and only you can save it.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "K. Ross Toole". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

K. Ross Toole, Director





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May 18, 1955

Click Relander  
1212 North 32nd Avenue  
Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

Thanks very much for your letter of May 15th. I am very sorry that I missed you at the Pacific Northwest History Conference and I am happy to hear that the attendance was good and the program above average. I hope not to miss the next one.

I enjoyed the clipping that you sent and it is perfectly obvious that you have not been idle. I am also glad that Caxton is bringing your book out in the near future.

My situation here at the Historical Society is simply this: Our throats were neatly slashed by the recent legislative session and I do not have one cent to spare for any purpose other than direct operation of the Historical Society. Our budget was cut from \$64,000 to \$43,000 and I have already had to let several staff members go.

I, therefore, am in no condition to participate in the promotion of your book if it involves the outlay of money. I appreciate the fact that doubtless in this case the risk is very small and I would like very much to take it. The fact is, I simply haven't enough capital to put on the line for anything.

If there is any way, short of the expenditure of money, that we can help you with the promotion of your book, please let me know. You may rest assured that we will give it a great deal of attention in MONTANA, The Magazine of Western History and do everything else in our power to help you. It was nice to hear from you and congratulations on being elected Curator of the Washington State Historical Society.

Best regards,

*K. Ross Toole* [K. Ross Toole]

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August 31, 1956

Click Relander,  
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Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

If you will send a review copy of  
Drummers and Dreamers to Michael Kennedy we will  
ship it off to our review editor in Colorado.  
Since our magazine covers the entire west I do  
not think the book is too localized. I believe  
that all copy for the October issue is now at the  
printers and therefore it isn't likely that we will  
review the book until January.

Best regards,

K. Ross Toole,  
Director

KRT/A





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ROBERTS STREET BETWEEN 5TH & 6TH AVENUE

HELENA, MONTANA

February 13, 1963

Mr. Click Relander  
1212 N. 32nd Avenue  
Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

It was very nice of you to write and to send on a sample copy of your Strangers On The Land. Although the locale is not Montana, I do feel that we can serve as a fairly good sales outlet. If it will help you, we would just as soon buy these at our dealer's discount, through you. I presume that this is 40% off, which is the normal discount.

For a beginning, we would take 20 copies of Strangers On The Land and 10 of 1855-1955, The Yakimas.

Cordially,

Michael Kennedy, Director.

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Mr. Click Relander,  
3701 Commonwealth Road,  
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

We hope that your plans materialize and that you can come in to Helena after your visit to Missoula and Kalispell. As it now stands, however, I am planning to take my family on a vacation the first two weeks in June, but if you have a chance to come over, please don't let that stand in your way, because the staff here would be most happy to take care of you.

Actually, we have not yet received any of the bronzes we have in process of casting, but we do have other models here that you could inspect. As for the diorama, of course, Bob Morgan or any of the curatorial staff would go into the whole matter with you.

As for the castings you are considering, perhaps we could work out some sort of an exchange arrangement whereby both of us might benefit mutually. At least we are always interested in exploring such possibilities.

Cordially,

Michael Kennedy, Director

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Mr. Click Relander, 3701 C  
3701 Commonwealth Road,  
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

It was so nice visiting with you and we certainly appreciate the fact that you found it enjoyable too. Glad to have the clipping of Quigley's work. He is definitely scheduled to exhibit here during August and September of next year. We do have his address but thank you anyhow.

Glad to know that you had such a pleasant trip.

Cordially,

Michael Kennedy, Director

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Mr. Click Relander,  
3701 Commonwealth Road,  
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

It was so good to have your letter of recent date. And pardon me for not answering sooner, but if you have been reading the Montana newspapers, you will know that little complex things have been going on around here, and we have all been rather up in the air.

Your subscription has been taken care of and you will receive the Spring issue of Montana. Thank you for same.

Yes, indeed, we would be greatly interested in having the Quigley photograph of his mural. You may know that he is to have ashow with us next fall, to which we are looking forward with pleasure.

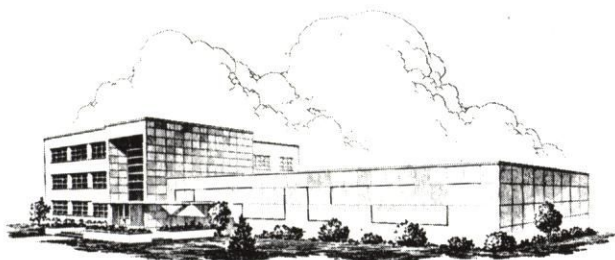
Best wishes and lots of luck,

Cordially,

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December 3, 1968

Mr. Click Relander  
3701 Commonwealth Avenue  
Yakima, Washington 98901

Dear Mr. Relander:

Thank you for your letter of November 28, and we are pleased to enclose the material you have requested.

This includes our Montana Post bulletin showing plans for our building addition (on which bids will be opened December 11). The layout is somewhat generalized but is still substantially the way the addition will be. We are also at work on a new display area tentatively called "Frontier Village."

I am enclosing a copy of our Acquisition Receipt given to donors or those who make loans (we are pretty restrictive now on taking much material on loan, unless it is something exceptional). We have no special library card, but we do have a form, or card, used by the Curator, and we are enclosing a sample.

No doubt you are familiar with "Museum Registration Methods," published by the American Association of Museums. It has a wealth of detail on this topic.

We are also enclosing our Russell catalog and a copy of our Society folder. We look forward to receiving your 12-page insert. Come over and see us!

Sincerely,

*Sam Gilluly*  
Sam Gilluly  
Director

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Enclosures



[Enclosure, 3 Dec 68]

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