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Click Relander

City Editor Yakima Republic

Dear Sir,-

Joel Ferris just sent me the clipping of your Ellensburg address on the Indians of Priest Rapids.

It especially in the part about the newswriter's duties to history interested me very much because years ago when I was Hannah Hinsdale on the Spokesman I felt it also. However I do take issue with you on Missionaries Vs Indians and wish we could argue it out. ^{However} ^{of information} everyone I've asked refers me to you for sources on the Indians of the Yakima. I've done lots on Smohallah especially from Moody's articles on the Ghost Dance and Spier's "The Prophet Dance" as well as Splawn etc.

What I am after is Colwash of the Wichram's and the tribal dances of the Yakimas. The Indian agency is non committal on the subject and sources are very hard to reach. I've dug out a lot of good stuff from government records at the Bancroft Library and hope to later list the citations with them. Don't tell any one in Yakima I'm at this task because my attempts at books have amused my friends there. Eastern publishers however are interested in the project and I'm hard at work on the novel. Thanking you for any ideas on the subject I am in advance gratefully yours

April 10, 1953 Hannah H. Hawkins

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P. S. You may not know the story Judge Bruce Milroy told me about his father who was on the union side during the civil war. At the battle of the Wilderness a Confederate Officer died in his arms, Milroy taking down his last messages and keepsakes for the Southerner's family. Later when the elder Milroy (I have his name somewhere) was superintendent at the agency at Simcoe he realized he had succeeded the man who had died in his arms. I'd like to know sometime if the army officer Garnett who designed the Seal of the State of California was the same man also.

H. L. H.

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Dear Mr. Relander,-

Here I am again. As an old reporter I
felt remiss in not giving you Bruce Milroy's father's
name. It was ^{Mr}Robert H. Milroy and he was agent at
Simcoe in 1881. Just found the data in my notes.

Sincerely yours

Hannah ^Winsdale

(Helen L. Hawkins)

April 17- 1955

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'H. L. Hawkins', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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Dear Mr. Relander,-

Thank you many times. In the game of historical detection it is a wonderful sensation when you get your man. Your description of Colwash is an invaluable bit of historical data. And by the way if you haven't a publisher already committed, my daughter Quail Hawkins, who is assistant ~~sales~~ ^{sales} manager of the University of California Press is anxious to see "Drums and Dreamers." The press might use it.

Any way I'm sorry if I puzzled you about citations and a novel. The theme of mine is fear and I am taking a bit of the history of Ft. Simcoe, ~~telescoping~~ telescoping history into a novel to show that fear was at the root of the cruelties of both Indians and whites. That Wilbur whom I call Willmott, narrow minded as he might seem today, regarded each individual as a soul to be saved and himself free from fear, kept peace and brought prosperity for a period to the reservation. I take it through the eyes of a young boy who knew fear himself and show how he lost it. I think I do justice to both whites and Indians. however as to historical data. However much I have to juggle the time element and the incidents every fact I can use adds to the versimilitude of the story. When I interviewed people I took notes all the while because that way I could reproduce the

the personal idiom of speech and thought. Also by the way it never cramped any body's style.

I too knew and loved individual ~~Indian~~ Indians and as I may have told you was taken by Mary Lloyd and Christine Galler into the Colville tribe. They both worked for and with me and were dear friends. Your mention in the Priest River article of the ageing Yallup reminded me of my meeting with his Father during the early twenties when they stopped by the Review office on their way to Washington.

I joked with the old chief by asking him if I dared speak to him were the Colville's and the Yskimas friendly or on the war path. ? Later when I came back to the city room those hard boiled ones at the desk looked at me with a new regard. "Do you know what that old chief said about you?" some one asked. "He said 'The lady has a look of someone always looking for something new and better.'". Which remark I'd like on my tombstone.

Enough of the chatter but I do want to thank you and am proud to know that of all my inquiries on the subject it took a newspaper man to know the true answer. May I file your letter with my citation at the Bancroft Library? it's valuable and hard to find. *fun data*

Cordially and gratefully yours,

Hannah ~~H~~insdale Hawkins

Saturday April 23 ? nineteen fifty five
Please let my child know about your Mss.

Mrs H. G.

MISS QUAIL HAWKINS
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Dear Mr. Pelander, —

Knowing you ~~must~~ have
enough clippings of reviews
in closing this from the
Chronicle. You could not ask for
a better one.

Where can I get a copy of
your book? I thought I already
put down for one at \$6?

As for my ofers - two publishers
have turned it down (on the
kind words) & I am now revising
the book before trying again.

Very best wishes to you on
your venture, but you both know
published or not, there's nothing
equal to the fun of research.
Cordially yours "Harold" Hawkins

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P.S. Duail's latest book
tentative title

Mountain Courage
will be published by
Scribner's in the fall.
It's very rich in truth.
I forgot ~~also~~ it's her best.

Dear Chick Relander, -
Last week I did some promotion
for your book with The Saturday
Gate Book Shop

- Telegraph Office

By Kelsey

& told them they should
have copies on hand.

Also find enclosed a
check for your book
which I will send
love to have inscribed
by the author.
Cordially "Harmah"
Harmkens

Thank you for the inscription.

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Mr. Clark Kellogg, Jr. has
only some one who has
tried to find historical material
on Central Washington & the
Columbia country, can
appreciate what you have
accomplished by your book.

You probably collected
more facts in one volume
on Sonchalla & his influence
than may be found anywhere
else between the boards of
one book.

As an amateur in such
matters, let me salute you.
Also your sculptures are
impressive & I hope you
will give up that part of
your interests.

You'll finish over my historical
romance, if it ever saves
the life of the printed
page, yet published or
not nothing can ever
take away from me
the joy of the research
on Walbur & Linncoe &
the blessed reward of
such an effort is the
ability to appreciate
how much other people
have accomplished, as
you have done in
Drummers & Linncoe.
Cordially & admiringly
yours Helen L. Hambro
(Hannah Howdale)