

(For H.G. Barnett, socio report file)

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[Barnett Report]
June 18, 1962

Mr. Melvin Robertson, superintendent,
Yakima Indian Agency,
Toppenish, Washington.

Dear Melvin:

I received a letter from Dr. Barnett today, and an enclosing this copy so you can "identify" it more accurately. Additionally, and it did not dawn on me at the time, he wrote a book published a few years ago, The Shakers, although he did not mention it in his letter.

The photos referred to, if not in your files, and possibly the negatives, I am sure were turned over to the State Parks and Recreation Commission and when needed, can be obtained from that source. Although you might know differently. Some of the photos, for comparative purposes with 1962 situations or conditions, will be interesting.

I'm at work again, which is probably less than I've been doing at home, and have lots of "outside activities" to keep pegging away on, Indians for instance. My best regards to you for your courtesy.

Miss Derby, who has ~~also~~ returned to Colorado is appreciative of the agency's courtesies, as are her relatives in Yakima. She is working in "statistics" and will be bearing down more on ethnology and sociology, but I am sure will return, at the proper time to the Yakima Agency for continuation of "acculturation." As you know, such as this takes quite a bit of familiarization, and that was the purpose of her trip.

The Barnett letter is appended for filing with the Barnett report.

Sincerely Yours

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P.S. Incidentally Luther Hodges, Secretary of Commerce, made significant remarks at the Priest Rapids Dam dedication overlooked by the large

representative body of press, ~~and~~ radio and TV. I might have overlooked it in the "aftermath" of coverage. But he stated, as one of his principle points, the government's desire to support, encourage and assist as financially practicable (a policy statement) the Area Development Program. He pointed this out as one of the keys to the government's work at economy, progress, etc.

(The Barnett Letter)

University of Oregon, Department of Anthropology, June 15, 1962

"...I undertook the study of the Yakima in 1942, at the request of the Northwest Regional Council, an organization with offices then located at Portland. I deposited the original of my manuscript and the negatives of the pictures I took with the Council. Not long after that it went out of existence, and as far as I know so did the materials I submitted to it. At least I was never able to find out what happened to the organization's record of files.

"I am doubly sorry then that I cannot lend you the negatives. It is my recollection, however, there ~~was~~ was a set of photos with the copy of the manuscript I left with the Yakima Agency.

Sincerely Yours

H.G. Barnett

(I know several associated with the council, profs like Dr. Herman Deutsch, WSU, retired, now part-time at UW and will ask them when I see them about negatives and supplementary information.

(I strongly suspect, too, that if Culverwell has no clue, when I see him, that Thomas Vaughn of the Oregon State Historical Society would be my next checkout point. And he's on his toes. Whether the society at that time fell heir to the Research Files or not, I don't know. It is probable, too the repository material may have gone to Washington State Historical Society, Tacoma, of which I'm a curator.