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Shields Book and Stationery Store,
1360 Jadwin,
Richland, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of the 64 pp illus. wraps item the Yakima Nation authorized for printing and asked me to help write and edit. This concerns the Yakima Treaty Centennial, history of the reservation, fisheries, timber, etc. I hope you enjoy it, although my only regret is that I had but 12 days time to get it ready for printing, because it came up fast. And that meant evening when I was not working at my regular job of newspapering.

Within a short time too, I expect to receive circular samples from Caxtons of my manuscript, Drummers and Dreamers of Priest Rapids. This concerns the history of the remnant and nearly extinct Priest Rapids band and their illustrious ancestor, Smowhala the prophet who was born at Pasco.

I don't know how you operate, but in event you cared for circulars with your name and address on them, Caxton will provide them in lots over 1,000. Smaller quantities I would provide from my own supplies.

I am mentioning this at this time because you will want an opportunity, I am sure, to check into it a little. Caxtons said to inform dealers it would be issued on a 60/40 or usual basis. If you conclude that you should place an early order for delivery upon publication (early next spring) this would help guide Caxtons in the number to issue. There would be no money involved of course and I'd simply send in your order or you could send it in if you have dealings with them. I believe that in time this will become a standardized book and there will be considerable publicity etc. attached to the publication as there has been about these unusual "anapums with which the footnoted work deals.

I also plan to "tour" Portland, Spokane, Seattle and the Pasco and Richland areas with some of these people, upon publication date. In fact we have some graveyard marking to attend to around the Richland area before this is through with.

When the circulars arrive I will drop you a couple of them to size up and you can then let me know your wishes and I will cooperate with you in all ways possible. I do not have the responsibility for taking care of these matters, but desire to see that the Yakima Valley is covered thoroughly.

Sincerely

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