

Comments

Page 1 - Paragraph 2: Father had completed the History of the Nez Perce people inclusive origin and life in their native land, and had taken thru the first battle of the war up to the Big Hole battle. From this point, Mrs. Bordin wrote the story using exclusively the data Father had assembled pertaining thereto. Mrs. Bordin also rearranged the first chapters condensing them into 20 chapters and to the appendix, while Father assembled all the data used by Mrs. Bordin, Mrs. Bordin did write the chapters after the Big Hole. I think she should be given full credit for editing & completing the book, this can be done without detracting in any way to Father's work, I leave it to you.

Page 1 - Paragraph 5: The Nez Perces were not all returned to Colville. Part were permitted to return to the Nez Perce Reservation. In my memory serve me right they all came by train to Walla Walla and the separation then made. I do not know if choice were permitted by the Indians themselves or if this was arbitrarily made. I do know that Joseph & Yellow Eyes were at Nez Perce & that Peo was to Lapwai.

Page 2 Paragraph 2 = These trips were made to the Colville & Nez Perce Reservations more I think to the latter than the former. Dad always stayed with Peo at Nez Perce, & with Y. W. at Colville.

Page 2 Paragraph 3 It was at the hospital that Dad completed the chapters leading up to the Big Hole Battle. Mrs. Bordin wrote the chapters from this point to completion of Book.

Page 3 - Top line: Dr. ^{Hereman J.} Deutsch of History Dept. was the connecting link at the College in completing the History. He selected Mrs. Bordin & maintained a personal interest always in the work.

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KIPLINGER LETTER
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AIR MAIL



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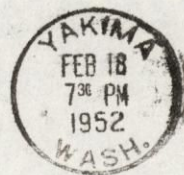
Paragraph 2: The first ~~10~~ chapters as written by Father were combined into ~~20~~ chapters. After our return stone turned to appendix. This was in keeping with what Father expected to do. Mrs Bordin wrote the first chapters (10) of the book from materials assembled, (Thirty chapters in book exclusive of Appendix + notes

Chick: I think you have done a wonderful job. Dr Deutch and deserving of credit for the part the College had in completing the history. The service of the latter were quite necessary in the successful completion of the work. Mrs Bordin is super. you will recognize this when the book appears. The attached circular just came from Captaro. You may wish to check this along with the papers you have written.

V.D. New

Note The collection at the Larson Museum has been given (not loaned) to the museum. It contains only the Johnson. The key Perce Collection of greater importance & more extensive than the Johnson Collection, is at the State College Museum at Pullman. It likewise is given that museum.

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November 24th., 1949

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

Dear Mr Relander:

The undersigned is very receptive to the suggestions given in your letter of the 18th inst. pertaining to the distribution of the remaining copies of " The Tragedy of the Wahk-Shum "

I think the proper time to come forth with this distribution is when this new book of Father's is about to come from the press. We have not yet contracted for its publication, and until this is done I think it well to await any word about this until final arrangements are completed.

Accordingly I am filing your letter for reference at that time and you may again expect to hear from me. I will likewise let you know when I think the proper time arrives for news about the publication of this new book. It will be, as above noted, after the contract for publishing is negotiated. Will keep you advised.

In the meantime I will certainly see that Miss Anthon gets two or three copies of the manuscript for her personal property and also that your associate in the Republic office to whom I gave your copy receives one.

Very Sincerely yours,

Virgil O. McWhorter

It will be a real pleasure to have you visit me here some evening. I have many things I would like to discuss with you - also pictures & other documents. Call me anytime please.

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May 6th., 1951

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

Dear Mr. Relander:

I am very pleased to have yours of the 2nd upon return here from Benton County where our ranch is located. I have about three weeks work there yet this season and then I can see you at any time convenient to you.

It is with regret that I must say I cannot go to Priest Rapids with you 13th of this month. But I do have a box of personal effects which belonged to my Father which I wish you would take to Chief Buck. I have previously sent some things to these indians which came from my Father's estate and I know Father would want Buck to have these few remaining items. If you will drive by our home here at Yakima, Mrs McWhorter will give you the box. I do not know where you live or I would take it to you tomorrow before returning to Prosser. Please call Mrs McWhorter before you come by, thus assuring she will be here when you come.

I am very interested in what you are doing. There are many many things which Father did in which I know you will be interested. These can be discussed when we get together. I will then show you a detailed report of the information which the College received from Father's papers. These records will all be open to the public after the Nes Perce History which Caxtons will bring out this year is off the press.

Please tell Chief Buck, that I know Father would want him to have the Hat which Father wore if it will fit him.

Very Sincerely Yours,

Virgil O. McWhorter
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616 Voltaire
Yakima, Washington

Mr Clecé Belauder

March 3-1952

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Dear Clecé: I think the article
about Wod splendid. I understand
you will be able to get some separate
sheets of the paper. I would like
to get 25030 as there are
many who would want them.

It is expected that I pay for these
of course.

Everything is now with Cortes
to complete the book. I am getting

some copies of the circular advertising
the book and will send you a few
copies.

Sincerely Yours:

Virgil O. Whitaker
616 Voltaire Yonkers N.Y.

Monday AM.

Since writing above, I have
your consideration please call this AM.
Hence this P.S.

Benj will give you a copy of the
Tragedy for Dr. Hodge. Please read
it when.

Any number you get of the reports would
be O.K. I thought they were available for
purchase - hence the request herein.

V.O.W.

[Enclosure. 1952, Mar. 9]

Yakima, Washington.

March 9th., 1952

J. H. Gipson, President
The Caxton Printers Ltd.
Caldwell, Idaho.

Dear Jim:

The enclosed clipping is from last Sunday's Herald. I think Relander did a good job in presenting the book to the public here at Yakima. I am referring all inquiries for the book to your firm. One came yesterday from Geo Cannon of the Yakima Chief Hop yards for 10 copies.

Gordon sent me 100 copies of the circular advertising the History. I am sending them to those who inquire about the book.

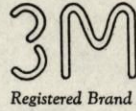
Sincerely Yours,

V. O. McWhorter

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March 9 - 1952

Dear Chick:

The enclosed copy of letter to Gibson is self explanatory.

You were very generous in giving me so many copies of the article. Yet I have but four remaining. My Bus. once said, Dad had more correspondents than many business firms. I am realizing this more & more. It seems most all were his friends.

Beryl is delighted about the little dishes. She thinks you are unselfish to part with them.

Sincerely,

Reginald McWhorter.

Mr Chick Relander
Yakima, Wash.

[Enclosure.
1952 May 26]

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THE CAXTON PRINTERS, LTD.
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 11, 1952

V. O. McWhorter
616 Voltaire Avenue
Yakima, Washington

Dear Mack:

Thanks for the tear sheets from the Sunday Herald of March 2, 1952, containing Relander's very nice story of your father's book.

Please congratulate him on the story, and thank him for us when you see him, won't you?

I believe that I have before advised you that I will be down your way--I am to speak Friday, the 25th of April, before the women's group of Pro America at a noon luncheon, if I remember the plans correctly.

In the matter of the type size, Mr. O'Neil of our editorial department felt that the types selected were manifestly the best, both for reader convenience and reader appeal and sound typographical practices. I think he is right.

With every good wish, I remain

As ever,

Jm

J.H.Gipson:ljp

Phib: please note above. |

V.O. mhw.

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Mr Chick Relander
Jobbing work

May 26-1952

Dear Chick:

The enclosed from Brimlow is self explanatory.
Please return with your reply.

If you can do anything for him I will
appreciate it. I have thought you may know where
to get the information he needs.

Brimlow is author of several books and
was a friend of my father.

Thanking you, Always yours,

Sincerely
V. O. McWhorter

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Billings mail
May 20/1952

Geo. W. Brimlow
1880
Stones
June
+ letter to
you edit

3-4-1954

Dear Chick:

I appreciate your letter regarding Dr. Don Clark. I am going to the Ranch & can't be here Monday.

I think you are about the only one we have discussed this Cannon deal with. You have helped us immensely.

Now that we have the Railroad map we will find it next time we go. Illness in our families kept us off the job this past year but we surely expect to go this summer.

After another trial I think we will be ready to discuss this matter with others if we fail. Until then we will go it alone. However I have all the information

we have gathered on film certainly
you will get it if we find the
trail.

Will be interested in talking with
you after you see Mr. Clark. I'll
be here all spring.

Very Sincerely

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3/15-1954

Click:

Thanks for your note with enclosures. Had already clipped these articles. That is the ones you wrote.

I am wondering if Clark "planted" then cannon he found. Cannot image it getting there thru jumb channels.

We are planning now on going again to the Nochez about the middle of May. I really think we will be successful this time. Not because of a story the cannon was left there, but because we have a man who actually saw the gun & now he has a map of the very survey by which it is located.

In case we are successful - you have first noting on an article for Life or Time or what have you. It will be interesting if what we do is successful. Best wishes

Birgit O. McWhorter

P.S. will see you before we go.

[Enclosure. 1954 Dec 19]

MARSHALL A. NEILL
HUGH J. AITKEN

TELEPHONE
5251

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LAWYERS
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG.
PULLMAN, WASHINGTON

June 16, 1954

Mr. V. O. McWhorter
616 Voltaire Ave.
Yakima, Washington

Dear Mac:

I have your letter of June 13th relative to the Priest Rapids Indian fishing rights. I find that the 1939 Act was repealed in 1949, but I cannot understand why they would just now be going after these Indians inasmuch as the law has apparently been changed for the past five years.

You referred to the Indian being convicted under Chapt. 72.12.025 of the State Fisheries Code. I wish you would check this number for me inasmuch as I am unable to locate such a code number. The Fisheries Act is titled 75 rather than 72.

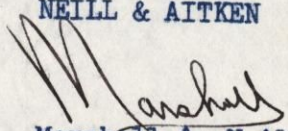
I would like very much to run this matter down and give you whatever assistance is possible. You know, Mac, I have not forgotten some rather substantial favors you did for me when I was getting started, and anything I might be able to do in return will be my distinct pleasure.

If you can check that Fisheries Code number under which the Indian was fined, I will ascertain just what has happened to those Indian rights and find out what, if anything, can be done to remedy this situation.

The whole families sends the best regards to you and yours.

Respectfully yours,

NEILL & AITKEN


Marshall A. Neill

MAN;s

P.S. The 1949 Bill which repealed your father's Act was introduced and sponsored by Sen. Shank of Seattle and Sen. Jackson of Tacoma.

2/10 ans advising will not help later if need be

[Enclosure. 1954, Jun. 16]

June 13th., 1954

Mr. Marshall Neil
Pullman, Washington.

Dear Marshall:

My Father was instrumental in having House Bill No 327 introduced in the State legislature in 1939 permitting the Priest Rapids Indians to take salmon at the Horn Rapids on the Yakima just above Richland. This bill was passed into law and signed by Governor Martin that year.

Until now these indians who were great friends of my Father have been permitted to take these fish at the old fishing site. They took only what they themselves would use and sold none of them.

This season the state game wardens arrested one of these indians and took him to Ben Knox court at Prosser where he was found guilty of violation of Chapter 72.12.025 of the state fisheries code. The indian was fined \$27.50, and being unable to pay the fine it was suspended under imposition of a thirty day jail sentence in event the violation was repeated.

Presumably the bill my Father had passed for these indians has been repealed. And presumably this has been done within the past two years. Knowing you will be familiar with what happened I will appreciate your advising me if the law has been repealed and if so by whom introduced and why it was favorably acted upon rescinding this right of the handful of indians, (not more than twelve) to fish at their old fishing ground.

We here in this community are not going to take this action without protest. I think it is a very highhanded way to treat these few people who depend upon these salmon each year for their winter food. If this is the function of the game department to see that these indians are denied this right, I think it high time that they be put in their place. Or am I correct in the deduction that this state fisheries group is responsible for repeal of the special act of 1939 giving these Indians the right to fish at Wahawish?

Very best wishes to Sis and to all the Hacks,

Very Sincerely Yours,

Virgil O. McWhorter

Yakima, Washington
616 Voltaire

December 19th., 1954

Dear Click:

Please pardon the delay in returning the enclosed papers which you so kindly sent me some months ago. I have been following your work through your writings in the paper and think you are doing a wonderful thing for the Priest Rapids Indians. Father carried the ball as best he could with his meagre connections over a long term of years. You are contributing to a worthy cause and like my Father, your sacrifices will be great and many if you continue to aid the Indians. Its just that way, with about everybody disinterested in the matter.

I think you are on the right track in working with the Govt and the Power firms about the Priest Rapids Indian camp at the very inception of this work. You will be able to get more help now before the work is started than you will later get, is my guess.

I am returning your Wanapum notes as you suggested, Also your correspondence with Gooding and the head of the Indians at Priest Rapids. Also correspondence I had with Neil regarding legislation for the fishing rights at the Horn Rapids. If this comes to legislative action, Neill will be with you in what you are trying to do. If I can help let me know.

Very Best wishes to Mrs Melander and to you for the Yuletide Season.

Sincerely Yours,

V. O. McWhorter

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*Enclosed also names of persons at Benthley who know about
Indians fishing at Priest Rapids. This given me by Rich.*

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Sept 23-1955

Dear Chick:

Did I thank you for sending me
a copy of "The Yolkies"? Well I received
it and appreciate this. I will bring it
over one of these days & have you inscribe
your name all over the first inside sheet.

You write clearly, understandingly &
well in all you do. I always read
when I see your name above a writing.
be it in paper or manuscript.

Sincerely
Virgil O. McWhorter.

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My Dear Dick:

Your letter & clippings are acknowledged.
It was kind of you. I'd prefer you have a look at my

The papers of my father, now at W.S.C. DeLong, are being
processed & catalogued. The college is not yet ready to

serve with photostat copies & won't be until the cataloging is

Completed. I presume this may be some months as things move slow in
these matters.

Kindest regards
V.D. McWhorter

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