

Mrs. J.J. Bartholet,
1615 Park Lane, Yakima.

April 16, 1953

Dear Mrs. Bartholet:

Lorraine tells me you made an extremely interesting talk at Ladies Musical Club today about the early history of that organization. Sorry I'm not qualified as a member of that "ladies" organization, or I'd have been there.

However, a more important reason for writing is the enclosed petition which our friends wish us to help them get signed so they can be taken to their hearing on Celilo Falls and The Dalles Dam.

Every name will help, but don't let it be of worry to you if you do not have the time now to get more than a few. I am enclosing a self-addressed envelope for the return within a week.

I think most of us feel that the Indians are fighting a losing battle against the dam and cannot overcome the tremendous argument being advanced for the construction. But I also know that we all sincerely feel we wish to see the government comply with its Treaty obligations .

Explain to those you contact there is no legal responsibility of any kind but it is our way of showing our friends that we are behind them in their gallant stand.

Meanwhile, thanks for your help on Port Simcoe. Rolph Whitnall tells me he was able to supply you with satisfactory pictures.

If your brother, Walter, would be interested in getting some names on a petition, give me his address so I can communicate with him at once.

Sincerely Click Relander