



Celilo Oregon

Feb. 26, 1954

Now - You - Look -

It is certainly a great pleasure to hear from you folks - At Present time the Chief my husband is sitting around. He is up and around - He is barely walking, though he is strong enough. But his legs are weak. Those pictures, you can send them out to honest true friends. We were certainly glad to get those clippings. Coming on March 4th here at Celilo long-house there will be a great Big Council. All the Supts will be present, from Idaho, Yakima, Pendleton, Warm Springs, Portland area office, Army engineers. Fish - Fish Wildlife. I was wishing some one out your way would come and take pictures, put in, in the Ad. This is sure going to be a Big problem to bring up. But it's all not final.

Still be writing again, sooner or later - Faith full Friends -

Mr. Mrs Chief Tommy Thompson,
Celilo. Oregon

Good lucks to all in fairly,
It's sure cold here.



Chief La-Wat.

Celilo - Or, Or Wy-um
Aug. 9th 1954

you have been greatly appreciated of some time ago - But as you know, I try my very best to make time for every one - To answer all the letters - We had a man here from Washington D.C. Named Rowdolph - coming to see the Chief personally - Mr. Burrick's from the Army office brought this man that here - So while they were here, They try to make the Chief make agreements for thirty-seven hundred - So I interpreted what Burrick's was telling the Chief The Chief only nodded his head and said No

So I told Burrick's - It's No use to Big and coax the Chief, or try to force him - or even coax him you see him - (the Chief) He looks old and feeble minded - But believe he has a good strong memory at that age - He can tell you a lot of things that you and I can't remember - So Burrick's said the Chief owes the Gov. - But he will not get any where with it. I said that's O.K. Burrick's, He never did have any indian service for assistance, Not in any ^{where} -

The one, indian's coming in on some body's personal property, on the Celilo-Fall. That's through the Falls Dam - Problem's

While a lot of people know's and understands
by now Who is Who, And Where-Where, When-When
The arginial tribe are entitled to all
the Dallas Dam problems.

So now the record of Chief Kuni is now under
way to the congressional record. July 13 1954. Then,
the Senate. So now we are listening for the next
report and see what comes next.

This Bill of the river indian's was received with out
objection, The Bill and statements will be printed
in the record - The yakima's are telling to much
lies plainly - We know where our record is
our treaty of Middle Oregon is Clean and Peace ful
not Blood shed treaty, Like the yakima's have, So
they better watch there step, And tell lies all
the Big office's. They turn right around
and tell the Chief about it.

There is to be a Big buckle berry feast
at Warm Springs, Or. At Hec-Hec Long house
Beginning on the 14th. till the 22nd.
But we will be home 3 on the 21st

Still it is sorta cold to day
ful-o like a change of weather
No more hot Summer from now and on

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We really don't know how Much
to Thank you for your help, even
if a little at time - But keep Kuni
up in coffee -

Mr Elliott is here to see Chief
This will be all for time being
yours as ever Brother
Chief Kuni to Chief La-wat,

Bye now

[Tommy Thompson]

How two looks

Celilo O. Hy-um Ore
Aug. 12 1954

Yours of the 10th
has been received. Am always glad to hear
from and especially of the Chippings, so
we could at least know what's
next - I wrote to fore may be some
one is getting your mail hid away

My husband sure had a close
call, to his death bed - for 1 week I
never had a wink of rest - day in
and night but, every body is going
to warm Springs Ore, called Hu-hu grounds
They feast of huckle berries for 1 week

But I'll be home all the time,

Yours as ever Friends
Chiz Kuni or La-Wat and Flora
Celilo

Oregon

excuse the scribbling as always -

We never hear from Martha for so long
Huckle berry feast same time White Swan
long house - on the 15th

at home Wye-um
May. 9th 1954

Now. tow-look.
Friend's



just but a short Note
of 9 may. We were in
Great sorrow. We lost 2 good Men
In the river. We had funeral for him at the
Warm Spring's agency. just on the 5th of May. We
just come back on the 7th. old dad went along to
We had hundreds of people for the funeral. In
fact he was a councilman. a delegate to D.C.
Still our feast didn't do so good
for some reason. But we did our best for
all the people. But among our selfs We
were rather of set. you know. women trouble
gossip. jealous at one another or so —

The river is sure high just now.
Still seems no rest for the wicked. I sure
must be wicked squaw. No rest for me.
Still I don't know when I'll ever get things
put away. The chief is a sleep now. I do my
best to keep all friend's dated. It is now 2:30
o'clock and I still got more letters to write.
Good Luck's to you all. Now. tow-look
as ever your friend's

Mrs and Mr Kanie

Celilo Oregon.



Celilo. Oregon,
Aug 26. 1952

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My Friend -

Yours of August 23 has been received. Only
that I truly make time to ans yours -

Yes you may be here on Sunday Aug 30th

The Chief is never to tell
But he said you may come - But have
every thing ready when you come. So you don't
take up to much time -

Well there are a lot of people coming in
or moving in right along.

Well this is all at this time
My Address is always Celilo, Or,
I am here year around.

Well this is all -

Yours Friend for ever

Chief Tommy Thompson Kumi

Writing by Flora.

Excuse the scribbling - As I am such a busy
woman, a lot of your kind of people come in and see
the Chief -