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Mr. Claude M. Gray, news editor,
The Walla Walla Union-Bulletin,
Walla Walla, Wash.

Dear Claude:

Here's the first "consignment" of the more unusual material pertaining to the Treaty Council. Suppose that things are still moving along slow on that score, but whether you will be publishing much in that line, this will provide you with a few bits of new things.

The enclosed material, pps. 12-88 (one page misnumbered I believe) are from the commonly known Treaty Notes, the full and complete council notes as on file in Washington, D.C.

The typing is generally lousy, but figuring that I had much material to cover I just rambled along, taking care to get names, dates ok. You'll notice quite a variation in spelling of "chief", "Yakamas," etc. These were copied as they appeared.

There's no hurry about returning this material, but if it is returned after you are through with it, it will be most helpful in enabling me to continue to make my material available.

Material still on hand to be sorted and gathered in a general semblance of order includes much on the Walla Walla War, the Volunteers, Peo Mox Mox, Umatilla Agency, etc.

I am obtaining prints of pictures (copies of the drawings) made at the Treaty Council of the council itself, Peo Peo Mox Mox, Kamiakin, and others. Don't know whether these will be in negative form or not but will see about making them available to you, too.

I'm working up a little roundup of events leading up to treaties, various organic laws, earliest treaties, authorization for them, etc. Haven't a carbon copy but hope to get some notes from it for you to give a suitable background.

This material is so extensive (the enclosed) you'll only want the gist or some parts of it I presume.

The page numbers inserted in the copy show the vast amount of material in the treaty notes involving the entire sequence of treaties which commenced on the coast.

Alex Saluskin, Wilson Charley, Watson Lotus I believe and some of the other Yakimas are going to be in Walla Walla the 12th (Saturday) for another planning session. They invited me to go down with them but I was tied here.

Hope this material helps out a little bit more. Just keep your eyes on it but don't worry about it getting lost or accidentally destroyed. And as I said, there will be more. If you give me an idea of your time schedule, providing it has shaped up by now, it would help me key it into my own "night shift."

Sincerely

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