

Monday: October 8, 1956

Mr. Bob Ries,  
Grant County PUD No. 2  
Ephrata, Washington.

Dear Bob:

I've dropped a letter, in an earlier mail just after talking to you, to Rex, emphasizing that he contact you if for any emergency reason he can not be available by the 15th.

I intended to write this letter at the same time, but got tied up on a rush of telephone calls, then came the book party, then a big school appearance, then dinner at the home of the artist who did the cover and a constant round of callers, some even driving over from Vancouver. I've shut the door now, at 9 o'clock at night, and thrown away the key.

The reception at Gill's was very good...a constant flow of people wanting autographed copies long past the two hours we were to be there.

Alba does a fine job but everyone really wants to see some of the "anapums" and I know that will be especially important at Wenatchee.

We will leave Seattle about noon or perhaps a little earlier on Friday, October 12 and Hu Blonk wrote me that he was working with the museum there for a possible night meeting with the group. We can take care of that ok, with Alba and his wife.

We will stop at the Cascadian hotel and have a book party appearance at Doell's from 2 to 4 p.m., which is Saturday, and then pull out for Spokane. At Spokane we will have what will probably be quite a big appearance at Graham's Monday afternoon. We'll be at the Crescent only an hour or so until noon.

I think we should have Bobby especially for the Wenatchee Saturday afternoon appearance, if he can come on the bus.

This whole thing is continuing fantastic. Don't know what it will be in Seattle but will write you or Ken Crow from there, reaffirming our arrival time at Ephrata. There'll be about a dozen Indians like Martha Johnny and the various closely related families interested especially in the religion coming up that evening (Friday, 19th), enough to put on a real song.

hurriedly..

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