

415 West Race Street
Visalia, California,
September 28th, 1956.

Mr. Click Relander
City Editor, Yakima Daily Republic,
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

I have just received the enclosed circular concerning your book - and being an old newspaper man myself, (Visalia High School News, circa 1922), and having collaborated to some extent with you on that journal, I thought I would write to you for a copy of your book - appropriately autographed, of course.

Enclosed herewith, therefore, is a check for \$6.50, which is to cover the price of the book, taxes, mailing, etc., and I am looking forward to reading it. I know it will be interesting, and I am anxious to add it to my modest collection of Californiana and Indian history.

I hope your book enjoys a lively and extensive circulation, and that the sales will encourage you to write another.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Dick.

R.E. Combs.

415 West Race Street
Visalia, California,
October Eighth, 1956.

Mr. Click Relander
1212 North 32nd Avenue
Yakima, Washington.

Dear Click:

Drummers and Dreamers arrived, duly autographed, and accompanied by the other materials you kindly included. I have to go to Los Angeles on a business trip for a week, and then to Berkeley, so I won't have an opportunity to read it until I return. Then I shall go to III Rivers, where we have a retreat on the river, and read the book *leisurely* - after which I will write you the kind of honest criticism you want - and, of course, that variety is the only kind that is worth a damn. From a cursory examination, it appears to me that you have accomplished an enormous amount of research, and that you have hammered out a real contribution to Indian history.

I met Jim Gipson of the Caxton^{press} at a dinner in Beverly Hills last year, and very much enjoyed talking with him. It was, therefore, a pleasant surprise to note that his firm had published your book. He is on intimate terms with several close friends of mine in southern California, and it was through them I met him and his wife.

While I am away, Marjorie will be reading your book, and when I have a chance to read it and write to you, I'll give both our reactions in detail.

With kindest regards, and the best of luck in the sales department,

Sincerely,

Dick

R.E. Combs.