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Dear Friends:

Enclosed: a couple of clips you may be interested in.

The magazine is arriving regularly and it is highly appreciated.
Perhaps I can reciprocate some time.

News: I'm marking time on the msct. which has been re-typed and re-worked,
and am concentrating on getting help for the Wanapums. Frank and Rex,
the errant sons, are now the best of friends.

The Public Utility District has put in to build a dam at Priest Rapids,
knocking out the Army Engineer's authorized dam (in the ~~\$200 million~~
\$300 million class. Poor little Wanapums would be washed out of last
place on river, but they still want to be friends, "not make trouble,"
etc. that is why I am for them. Want only some of the land in the
government's vast holdings along the river.

Thanks to remarks perhaps dropped in Washington I hear from Dept. of
Justice Lands division here to round up Wanapums. It is done. Preliminary
talk and then get word that attorneys are due in around August 14.
I have prepared 55 page occupation and used dissertation, footnotes galore
cited including plenty of documents bearing out my contention; maps
showing place names and occupation, folder full of newspaper clips and
folder full of ~~print~~ pictures; list of the few survivors and whether
they are allotted or not (only few have small bits of land because of
inheritance)

I wonder if Dr. Carl , in Chinese restaurant session with Puck Hyah Toot gained enough knowledge of language (which would be refreshed with the phoenetic dictionary I compiled) that he could give statement of these people's language, separating them definitely from the Yakima? If so, perhaps I can suggest to government men who come they could see you and employ you for expert "witness," on that score. Just an idea. I don't think I will have much trouble in showing right of these people, moral and otherwise, but I realize after that I will have to put pressure on to get some legal act undertaken. That won't be easy.

So much for rambling. I'm sticking close this summer, researching in archives, scanning File Microcopy of the Oregon and Washington Superintendencies and making what I believe to be real progress. I'm still plugging along at odd times making complete typescript of letter record books of old agents in Yakima Agency since I feel that will come in handy sometime. Having notes is one thing. Having complete file that can be broken down into such general headings as fisheries, fires, police, claims, council sessions etc. is another. My system is slow but when I get there, I have something.

Next year I hope to be able to travel a little, perhaps enough that with right breaks in the meantime the Last Prophet can make his first trip outside of the state of Washington. How's the seminary coming?

Hope other projects are working out satisfactorily and if in my poor way I may have references you are interested in, please let me know.

Lorraine is getting ready to take off for Europe around first of Sept. She sends regards.

Sincerely

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