

March 24, 1926

Mr. N. B. Brooks,  
Goldendale, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst., relative to our annual picnic.

At our meeting Monday night Mr. Grayham, our president, and myself were appointed as general committee to formulate plans for the picnic. As far as we know we think that about April 21 will be the date unless something you folks know of that would interfere. At any rate we will figure on holding it during week if possible.

I was obliged to go to Ellensburg yesterday and regretted very much that I was not in when the friends from Goldendale called.

With reference to your suggestion regarding the lunch, I read your letter at our luncheon today and it met with the approval of the members present that each one provide their luncheon for the picnic and it was requested that I convey to you and your members their appreciation of this suggestion. It is certainly very kind of your organization to do this and we know that it is a very happy solution of the problem which is no small matter to provide, especially when you are unable to know exactly how many will be there.

We will be delighted to furnish the coffee and such other trimmings necessary to make the lunch complete. I shall be very glad to know from time to time the condition of your end of the road and how well your work has been accomplished.

Our boys are beginning to count the days when they will have the pleasure of once more meeting your most congenial bunch and not only breaking bread with them but also to cross bats. We shall endeavor to have a good live program and sports committee named that will provide ample enjoyment for all present.



We appreciate the willingness of your friends to enter into any sports and that is what makes the day most enjoyable.

I presume by this time Mr. Byars has returned home and will be able to report on our end of the road together with our road between here and Ellensburg as I asked him to take the Northern Pacific track route up to Ellensburg.

Your suggestion regarding the matter of bring our wives along as well as the girls was also acceptable to the members of our organization. That they heartily approve, I don't know any particular reason but they seem to emphasize that particularly we shall keep you informed from time to time how well our picnic plans and any road matters that may be of interest.

We have not yet decided whom we will invite from this end of the line but we are talking of inviting Mr. Hamilton who is deputy state highway engineer located at Yakima, as the successor to Mr. Hock. It may be possible that we can bring along Mr. Rice who is the right of way man for the state in Hoover's office and who spends part of his time over here.

Yours truly,

By \_\_\_\_\_

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