

April 29, 1963

Attn: Refer to No 28200 as requested

Mr. Lewis Vielle,  
P.O. Box 520,  
Walla Walla, Wash.

Dear Sir:

A communication, "refer to No 28200 addressed to the Superintendent, Yakima Indian Agency, Toppenish, Wash., and received there April 26, was turned over to the Yakima Tribal Office.

The communication requested a copy of "your booklet free, Strangers on the Land.

The reason this was turned over to the Tribal Office was the superintendent had and has nothing to do with the booklet. This was a publication issued by a tribal committee from material I wrote because of my long interest in Indian affairs, and because I am a writer. The publication was made possible only through issuing so many copies at a cost to pay for publication, hence the publication costs the tribe nothing. The tribe of course, the superintendent etc. could nor would authorize anything that "cost" money for the tribe. In other words, each tribal member would have something to say about that, at a general Council vote, or authorization of proper officials would be required. Hence it is impossible for "free copies" to be sent out. The book costs \$2.25, which is approximate cost.

I do not know whether or not your library service provides for books on loan. If this is permissible, a loan copy could be requested through the library loan service from the state library and you could have it to read for the loan time specified. I do not know whether or not this is permissible.

The Yakima Agency (superintendent) did issue "A Primer of the Yakimas" a year ago. I am therefore enclosing a copy of that little issuance, inasmuch as I prepared it, at no cost for the superintendent's office. This is because many inquiries were being received from schools, students for "information on the Yakimas," and none was on hand. And the wish was to answer inquiries as possible? It is apparently of course impossible to answer each inquiry, because that would take one person's time and the government, nor tribe, could employ one or more persons for this purpose.

I hope the enclosed is of some use to you. And I'm sure you understand why free copies cannot be sent out.

Sincerely Click Relander