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window display, put out some 5,000 circulars themselves with their own name on them etc. and I'd have Portland on one of the "book party" visits to which I am committed. These would be made with a couple of the Indians.

I'm going into detail because one of these days I'll be getting proofs and have the very exacting and arduous chore of indexing to go through with, so I want to keep clear of as many outside things as possible. I didn't go into all that the other day, because there were too many Indians etc. around.

The man I had in mind (rather out of mind because while I know him very well I couldn't think of his name right then) was C. Marc Miller. His address is the Pacific Northwest Land Company, Fourth and Pike Building, Seattle 1, Wash.

I know he has much Nez Perce background done for the Department of Justice, largely on the appraisal side etc. I don't know who he had do the historical material for the Nez Perce, but I do know you can trust him if you wish to make a contact. He'll advise you properly I am sure. He and Lee Yost have worked very closely together on several cases and some are still active.

It might be that things would work out where I could give an assist in some sort of preparation, provided it was kept very quiet since I wish to pursue my Indian studies, contacts and story writing. Marc understands that. Hope this may be of some help to you. I'm hurriedly getting ready for my vacation departure (two weeks)

Again, my sincere regrets to Mrs. Othus that conditions were so unfavorable to sitting in comfort and getting acquainted.

Sincerely

Click Relander

May 15, 1956

Mrs. Maggie Kuempel,
Shields Books and Stationery,
516 West Lewis St., Pasco.

Dear Mrs. Kuempel:

I have not yet worked out the tour itinerary, having just completed indexing *Drummers and Dreamers*--a four week task--and checking over the page proofs sent by the publisher.

Caxtons did a fine job on the topography etc. and the book is shaping up to something I can be proud to go all out for, providing my "poor writing" comes up to expectations.

Monday, May 21, I am to be in Pasco to address the Pasco Chamber of Commerce luncheon. The address, I understand, is customarily broadcast over Station KPKW at 7 p.m. I am to cap the talk with an award of merit presentation to the Columbia Basin News in my capacity as a curator of the State Historical Society, and to Ted VanArsdoll, a writer on that newspaper.

If you get a chance to tune in on the rebroadcast, and is is handled by the radio, you might get an idea as to some of the Tri-Cities, Snake River background. I shall take occasion, of course, to point out that *D and U* is now in publication and I'll be back in the area later with the Indians. Later, say 40 to 30 days before publication, there will be considerable publicity in the papers reaching your area or published in your area.

I'm setting aside 500 of the "invitations" issued by the publisher for you and when I get the date set, will have imprinted in the space left the Kennewick Store name and the time.

I've been so snowed under on my lists, I can't place my hands on the carbon of the list of Tri-Cities prospects sent you. If you would be so kind as to either jot down eight or ten of them and send to me, I will be in a position to augment the list I sent you.

I trust you will not overlook, if not already attended to, ordering circulars to the number you wish to send out, either with the invitations, or to have on hand before.

I've heard from Mrs. Robbins, and she is still "waiting" I guess, being somewhat confused as many of us are by the "Indian situation". I am sure however she will be of assistance in due time with some good prospects or suggestions.

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Caxtons have said they would be willing for me to establish contacts for this book in an area I am in contact with and will, as you may know, provide name and address on circulars if printed in amount ~~xxxx~~ of 1,000 or over.

I would be pleased if you would desire some of these and if so, would let me know what you want printed as to name, address.

I assume there will be a later circular in the same manner, closer to publication time.

At time of publication I will be provided with a supply of lithos of the Indian race horse and Priest Rapids scene painted on the spot by E.B. Quigley of Portland. These will be wide margained, with Quigley picture and info on back, suitable for framing and will be given away in stores where I am permitted to appear briefly with the remnants of these historic people.

As far as "publicity" if called that, there is no book I know of, and as I told you at the time, that will have the breaks this will. Today for instance the Associated Press, as an opener, carried a 500 word signer by myself on the Spokane Eagle that has been dive bombing a boy, ~~habe~~bird was shot by the State Patrol, lodged in a tree and then the patrol and sheriff's office, at request of Wanapums, went out to chop down tree to obtain feathers for the ceremonial use of these Wanapums.

On May 12 I am to take Wanapums to Ephrata where one of the \$400,000,000 dams will be named Wanapum. This was requested of us and so far the Wanapums are only lukewarm on the idea but I think they will consent. And there are many things like that coming up, besides the feature stories in Sunday editions, radio stories etc. They are justifiable stories, not publicity cookups. (A few weeks ago I won the Knights of Pythias award for brotherhood for 1954-54 for my humane work with these people)

I am now gathering some clip ings that will ~~fdadddid~~ acquaint you with the human qualities of this subject to forward to you shortly.

Last weekend I was elected a curator of the Washington State Historical Society and I could go on and on, but clippings will bring you up to date. So I am hopeful that you will wish circulars on D and D.

Mr. Gipson said I could inform dealers that their own discount was 40 per cent.

There's another item coming up at our Republic Press you may wish to try.

The Yakima Tribal Council authorized publication of a Treaty Centennial history. This was done two months ago and then they came to me and asked me to write it. I agreed to do so for nothing, providing it was printed in our adjoining job shop where I could keep an eye on it.

It is now in process of publication and will run around 66 pps wraps. But I can assure you the cover will top anything in its line. It will run some 25,000 to 30,000 words with about 30 pictures, a map of the ceded area, a history of the treaty and considerable Oregon and The Dalles material, all pertinent. It will also include a history of setting up the reservation, Fort Simcoe references, Catherine Wilbur, the Paiutes and Sarah Winnemucca on the Yakima Reservation (450 were confined there for two years) etc. Other sections which I did not write but edited include the fisheries by the tribal biologist, timber and a story of the Saluskin family by the former chairman of the tribal council, now the secretary. I think it will retail at \$1, and will be sold at the usual 60-40 and will be returnable since the surplus, if any, will be kept for agency stock. It is planned to be on sale at the Treaty observance, June 9 and I don't know how long it will last but I am advising them not to publish too many. It will not be republished to my knowledge as the cost would run up. It is just possible that the tribe will permit me to buy a small quantity of these at cost to be used in pushing advance sales of D and D but that is not yet determined. In case it works out, perhaps you would consider something in the backup

along that line, For instance, I would provide you with some 25 copies early this fall and these would be circularized to your known "Indian fans" with the advance order offer, no money down or something worked out as you would care to.

I'm sorry to write such a long letter but it was necessary to cover three subjects:

1-Wouldyou desire circulars for D.and Dreamers? If up to 1,000, what name and address do you want printed thereon?

2-Wouldyou want to try a few of the Treaty Centennial, 1855-1955 booklets?

3-Wouldyou be interested in offering the Quigley lithos , upon publication, free to those who came into the store and inquired for them, (regardless of whether they purchased ~~Exer~~ Dx D and D or not?

4-Wouldyou be interested in working out some kind of bonus deal offering a copy of the Treaty Centennial booklet for advance orders?

I know you realize I feel under no obligation to push the book in this way, but I happen to have a reputation for going out and doing a thorough job for what I tie into.

Since I am leaving tomorrow to attend the Pacific Northwest History conference , of which I am a member of the steering committee, I will not be able to gather the clippings for several days. I would suggest if you are interested in the circulars, and I hope you are, you will notify me before receiving the clippings , since I am to give my estimates and orders for such material to Maxtons very soon.

Sincerely Yours

Click Relander

Sept. 23, 1956

Dear Louie:

Enclosed are the dates. I will list the important ones and the places first, the ones you should be present to attend (bring your wife of course if she can come).

Oct. 6, 2 to 4 p.m., Broad's, Yakima.

October 17, Walla Walla. Luncheon at Grand Hotel, noon (Kiwanis Club)
Walla Walla Book Shop, 116 S. Second St., Walla Walla, 2 to 4 p.m.

October 17, I will address Mid Columbia Writers Club at Jane Johnson Studio of the Dance on George Washington Way, next door to Lucky Five Tavern, 7:30 pm. ~~Kenneth~~ Richland.

October 18 - Pasco - ^{Richland} Kennewick (at ~~Kenneth~~ store) Shields Book Store, 1360 Jadwin, Richland 10 a.m. (afternoon talk at Pasco Woman's Club)

Have been invited to attend Grant County Historical Society dinner meeting, Friday Night, Oct. 19 in PUD Auditorium. This will precede out public meeting with PUD when we will honor PUD. That will be at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. The dinner will be at 6:30. We will also make book store appearance that morning in a small store, and probably visit a school or hospital during the day.

At Portland, Oct. 8 and 9 (we will be at the one store only, Gill's, see schedule, we may make school visit.) At Seattle, the 11th, we have TV appearance, that may shape up for Portland too.

Please let me know as soon as you figure it out, what ones you can attend. I would think the Walla Walla would be the first, from a practical standpoint, and then stay through to Ephrata. But the Portland and Seattle ones might be interesting. I'm going to be short on finances right at that time, but will help out some at least by the time we get back home.

I am enclosing clippings and will deliver the picture when I see you.

Hope your trip to Canada was ok.

I will write to Bob Ries about the job and send you a carbon copy of

January 14, 1957

Dear Friend Alba:

I have heard from the publisher, and while he yethasn't told me how the books are going, or given an accounting, which he does not have to do until four months after the first of the year, he said they were contemplating a second edition.

That could mean a run of only 500 books or 1,000. He said that would have to figure on whether they could move it, and that books sales stopped to a walk after Christmas.

But he asked me to send in any corrections, changes, etc. desired. These cannot be extensive, but should be in name spellings, dates, and little things like that.

I am writing to see if you do not have some changes to suggest, to seek better accuracy on a second edition if they get it out. Of course I will work in some way, without adding a page, toward the end of the book, the death and burial of the old man.

Tell Frank Chapay, too, I will make it plain that he is the leader of this religion, so he will be established in that and we will get him coming up for the recognition due as time goes on.

I have two speaking engagements coming up, and it would be nice if you and Nettie could come in for them.

One is the afternoon of January 23, that is a Wednesday. It is for 2:30 so we should leave the office by 2. It is a Selah Valley Woman's Club that meets in Yakima. I don't think it is a very large group.

245 The other is February 15, the Home Ec department of the Woman's Century Club. It is a larger group and will be in the afternoon, around 1:30 to 2:30. I don't know the time yet.

Then I have received word about the Pacific Northwest Historical Conference to be held at Pullman. This will be April 19-20. It is the one that they wish me to bring an Indian friend to a forum of panel discussion on how the white man writes up Indian history. They are inviting Joe Gary and some eastern Washington Indian leaders to participate. It is the one that would be very good for you to participate in. We could go over together, have a nice weekend (with Nettie along) take in the banquet, stay at the Student Union Building where we visited while waiting for the library appearance and have a good time. You would get to meet college professors from all over the Northwest, authors, teachers, educators. So you can be thinking about that too.

I hope you give some thought to any changes desired in Drummers and Dreamers and drop in one of these afternoons. If I am not there, they can call me at home. We can finish the day by having a meal at one of the hotels.

Hope things are going well with you on your problems. I have some interesting things to tell you about that, so if you come in by the middle of next week, or late this week, it would be fine. This I have to tell is right down your alley and very important to you, I believe.

Hope things haven't been too tough. Nice weather so far.