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Mr. Leland Yost,
Room 2129 Department of Justice Building,
Washington, 25, D.C.

Dear Lee:

Enclosed, first and second copies of Wanapum MS-I addendum dealing with the Kawachins, those living directly upstream from the Priest Rapids Indians. I have finally had an opportunity to put my personal notes into somewhat rough shape, and in view of the possibility Dr. V. might be interested, have included topographic maps, some photos of no particular consequence and some newspaper clippings.

Enclosed also is addendum for Colville, Palouse Notes MS-I. I feel sure the attorney on that case is familiar with the quotation, but I thought best to send it along and you are welcome to pass it on.

The third enclosure is a correction, one word, which I found I had recorded wrong in my original notes.

When I have the opportunity, I have in mind working up similar notes on the Wyampum, based on my interviews with Chief Tommy Thompson at Celilo, which would give a few additional pointers along the southern "boundary."

The Yakimas concluded a general council meeting. I attended one session, braving a bad sleet and snow storm that grounded everyone else on the main highway, but my contacts were worth it. They have named another group of "Washington" delegates, retaining only Wilson Charley and omitting Alex Saluskin and Watson Totus. They have added

Louie Schappy, an enrolled man who may be an "offshoot" of the Schappy family of Priest Rapids. I shall check his background in the agency files, parentage, grandparents etc. the next time I am at Toppenish.

Our weather hit 19 below the day before I went to the Council meeting. That night various factions battled over The Dalles Dam settlement and the faction wishing to cease negotiations until the dam is completed in 1957, won. That group is headed by Wilson Charley. Alex Saluskin and Kiutus Jim, I take it from their talk, wished to negotiate for a settlement. One small group wished to give up all talk about the dam. I received a very cordial reception and was asked to write some stories about selection of Indian queens and princesses, to represent the reservation at their "Washington Day celebration, etc. One Tom Albert, who I assume to be a relative of the nearly extinct mysterious tribe at Plymouth or near Alderdale, made a motion to keep the reservation closed to liquor. He is a comparatively young man and one of my friends told me his folks came from "down around Alderdale."

Hope things are going well with your various cases.

Sincerely

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