

March 7, 1956

Dear Brewster:

So glad to hear from you, and that your terrifically long studies and research, combined with the equally arduous writing, has reached "the end in sight" stage.

D and D could have been out this spring, but the dealers seemed to think it would have a mild ~~winter~~ whirl and then die a slow death when the fall books came out. The publisher was very willing to delay it until Oct. 6 (so it could be well established before the Christmas books really got in) Besides, and as you no doubt know, the Priest Rapids construction while nearly there, isn't quite there yet because of the financing. I think more on that will be known next week when the contractors' bids are to be opened.

Additionally, I was continuing negotiating, and the result is that we have things now well fixed for the few Indians when the time comes, but that cannot be announced until later because it is not approved yet.

The "royalties" for the book come through just the same. They are set in the contract the publisher gave and amount to nothing particular. As I recall, the publisher has you down for three copies and was to send these to you direct, billing me for them at the purchase rate I get for copies I wish to buy. That means I can get them for \$4.20, or perhaps a slight bit less. I left it up to the publisher whether to send the books to me, so I could deliver them when I hit Tacoma with the Indians, on tour, or send the end papers so I could write something in them. It might be well to let it stay at that as I recall they sent an order invoice. The thing to remember is that if they get mixed up, you don't have to send them anything.

Haven't worked out details of the tour yet, but it will start Oct. 6 and swing through two weeks, covering Portland, Seattle, Tacoma etc. etc. The Indians--or some of them, especially the old man--will be along. There are so many members of the historical society and others in Tacoma, that I think Mr. Fox will have no especial trouble getting rid of the few he has ordered, and in fact will probably find more of a demand. Invitations, to come in and meet the Indians and get one of the lithographs of the four-color cover by Quigley, with wide margins, will be sent out before the tour.

I expect to be at Tacoma for the State Board meeting April 7, and the conference May 4-5 and Lorraine no doubt will be along. We are keeping our eyes open for something in the "theatrical" line that might be in Seattle either of the Saturdays--although the conference Saturday night will probably be a conference banquet as per usual. We most surely wish to renew our pleasantries over a bowl or chowder or something like that. Lorraine joins in sending regards to you and yours. Sincerely Click