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Mr. Kenneth J. Crow,  
Public Utility District No. 2,  
Ephrata, Washington.

Oct. 30, 1954

Dear Mr. Crow:

Enclosed are a few clips and pictures for your files and personally for those who have interest in them. One picture especially was wanted.

In the rush of things on the inspection of the area Oct. 28, I neglected to mention the possibility relative to the graveyard on the bluff, the one that will be out of water of the proposed dam.

This is dependant upon foot traffic etc. that might be stimulated in the area and would involve the possible light fencing of the graveyard which is not as large as half a city block. People are buried so closely therethat when we visit it, great care is taken walking. This is something that would make those remaining very happy and give them much confidence, especially if many people are walking about, up and down the river. One thing done like this would instil much confidence. So it might be kept in mind as a possibility dependant upon conditions and situations.

The Indians have told me much about the fishing there and this was revived again when I took the picture of the white fisherman (clipping enclosed)

My explanation to them and as accepted by them is the day of fishing for the Indian is past on the Columbia River. Their greatest worry is that they continue to obtain enough fish (salmon) for their religious ceremonies. Tomalawash drove to Priest Rapids a few months ago and caught three there at the power plant, in less than an hour for one of the feasts. Until this year they have depended upon their traditional fishery low on the Yakima River, for such fish and for the 40 to 60 required for winter use. But the Department of Fisheries has canceled an old state law, unbeknownce to us and this year prohibited such fishing. That is why Tomalawash went to P.R. where there have been few fish in the last 30 years. We are hopeful of obtaining an adjustment of the fishing situation at "anawash" the place some 10 miles up the Yakima River from its confluence with the Columbia, similar to that granted the Yakimas at Prosser, further upstream.

As you can see, I've got myself into quite a situation attempting to salvage the wreck of this old culture of the "anapums and it's a thankless job.

I mention this only to explain the complication of things which requires considerable time for familiarization. So, many thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely

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