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Dear Click:

Yesterday I had a letter from Albert Turrill, manager of the Chinook Hotel, who is thinking about conventions.

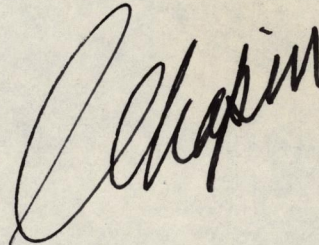
He mentions the fact that the centennial of Fort Simcoe will be observed next year and is wondering if something can't be done in the convention line. He mentions your name, and of your having told him that the History Conference is to be held in Tacoma next year. Apparently the History Conference is what he has in mind.

While I felt the Conference should come back to Tacoma next year, if there is to be a centennial at Fort Simcoe I'm wondering if the History Conference might not properly be held in Yakima. Probably most of the folks at the Conference would know little of Simcoe.

If you feel that there will be a centennial program at Simcoe I certainly wouldn't want to stand in the way of holding the Conference in Yakima, coming back here the following year.

Let me have your thoughts on the subject. It could come up at the December meeting. The decision, of course, would rest with the Board rather than with me.

Hastily

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "O. Chapin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "O" and a long, sweeping underline.