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Oregon Superintendency

Warm Springs Indian Agency,

April 1st, 1966

Sir:

You are this day put finally in possession of this agency at which are located the Confederated Tribes and Bands of Middle Oregon.

The property belonging to the government you will examine, prepare schedules of the same and sign triplicate receipts in my favor for the same. You will at once assume jurisdiction and control of the agency and its affairs... then in conformity with the laws of the United States the regulations of the Indian Bureau and such instructions as you may from time to time receive.

A full report of the condition of the agency and its affairs is required for the information of the superintendents office and to the preparation of such report you will first address yourself. It should be made full and explicit giving particulars account of the various branches of the service under your charge.

The lateness of the season and the insufficient manner in which the affairs of the agency have been conducted during the past winter will tend to ... you in efforts to put in a large breadth of land in agricultural products, but as this is the object most necessary to be attended you will use all diligence in so doing. If more team or agricultural implements are needed you will be supplied with them upon requisitions such as you may require compatible to obtain from the settlers in Tigh Valley it being now too late (sic) in the season to send them from Willamette Valley.

During the period the Agency has been without an agent a large number of the Indians have left the agency. Some of them are now at Priest Rapids and White Bluffs, others at Yakima at Simcoe, at

Celilo and in the vicinity of the Dalles. You will use diligent endeavor to return these Indians to the reservation and prevent them from again leaving. Those living near and in the Dalles are fully supplied with whisky by vagabond whites and are a nuisance to the whites in contact with whom they come, while they are rapidly becoming degraded and debauched. It is essential to the good of them and the quiet of the community that they be removed to the reservation and kept there.

The Treaty of 15th ~~Dec~~ November, 1865 stipulates that no Indian shall leave the reservation without a pass from the agent or superintendent. In granting passes you will observe the following rules to wit:

1st-Passes will always be in writing signed by yourself and delivered to the Indian in whose favor the permission is given.

2nd A record of all passes given will be kept in this office and the date of the return of the Indian noted thereon.

3rd Passes will be given always for short periods the duration of which should be definitely stated.

4th- They will be given with caution only to industrious Indians and only when it appears that the interest of the Indian will be forwarded thereby. The frequent interpositions of whites which you will doubtless receive for passes for Indians will be disregarded.

5th-You will see that the recipient of a pass returns to the agency by the time his pass expires and when he fails to do so you will inflict punishment in such manner (?) in your judgment the nature of the offense merits.

6th-The object of the government is to keep the Indians upon the reservations and advance them in material propensity through agricultural and other civilized occupations. You will be mainly governed by this consideration in issuing passes.

These instructions are given as a brief outline dddddd ?????
it is ... to ...the affairs of the agency conducted...
Huntington to Capt. John Smith, U.S. Indian Agent, Warm Springs

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Dallas, April 20, 1868

W.D. Gillett is hereby authorized to arrest and deliver any Indians in this superintendency who are absent from the reservation to which they belong and return the same forthwith to the agent under whose charge they lawfully belong.

J. W. Perit Huntington

Supt. Indian Affairs

p. 51 Annual Report, 1866

Warm Springs Reservation

This reservation is located on the edge of the Cascade Mountains at the eastern base of Mount Jefferson.

It contains a small amount of tillable land but has a vast extent of bunch grass which affords excellent grazing. Timber is abundant on some parts of the reservation, but there is very little within eight miles of the agency. The buildings are altogether the best in the superintendency and are ample for the use of the Agency, no more being needed unless it be for a few more barns and sheds which can be built by the regular employes without expense to the government.

Many of the Indians are well advanced in agriculture, raise wheat, corn and vegetables in abundance and have many horses and cattle

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Others prefer to lead a vagabond life about the little towns along the Columbia River, relying upon the prostitution of their squaws and sometimes a little labor to provide themselves with whiskey and subsistence.

The former class are tolerably thrifty and upright, always well behaved and of determined energy in the prosecution of an object. The latter class are lazy, thievish and vile. They are distinct as if they were two different races.

The supplemental treaty made by us with them the (blank) day of 1865 of which your office has been advised relinquished on their part the right reserved to them by the original treaty of June 25th, 1855 to fish, hunt, gather roots and berries and pasture their stock upon lands outside the reservation has been productive of much good.

It now gives the agent enough control over them to confine them to the reservation and the effect upon the Indians is most salutary in removing them from the demoralizing effect of whiskey and debauchery which it

The affairs of this agency which had relapsed into some confusion by the long vacancy in the Agency caused by the sudden death of Agent William Logan (drowned in the Steamer "Prother Jonathan July 30th, 1865) are now much improved under the efficient management of Agent John Smith. I refer to his report and those of the subordinate employes for further information...

...The + diene scattered along the Cau Colombia River, those on the upper branches of the North Umpqua a small band of flatsoo plains and the

p. 62 Military Force at Arencos

p. 03 arm Springs is situated on the edge of the hostile "cave" country and constantly liable to predatory raids from them.

The last time they appeared there was in 1964 when although a small force under Lieut. Galloran was stationed there they got away with over

200 horses. The lieutenant with his command promptly pursued them and recovered a part of the stolen property.

The Canyon City road from Dalles to Canon City passes within twenty miles of this agency. It has ^{been} ~~been~~ the scene of constant depredations ~~upon~~ from the Snakes. Last year there was scarcely a week passed that there was not some depredations committed. Pack trains with their cargoes stolen wagons and trains with their freight ... stock driven off, teamsters packers or travelers killed. In fact to pass over the road was to peril ones life.

I mention these facts to show the necessity for military protection there and the difficulties we labor under for want of it...

Yours etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington, Supt. of Ind.
Affairs

To D.N. Cooley,
Commissioner etc.
Washington, D.C.

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Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem, Oregon. Aug. 15, 1867

Sir:

I have received your letter of 10th instant concerning the presence of certain Clickitat Indians in Bledgetts Valley etc.

These Indians I suppose belong to Washington territory and I shall forthwith take measures to have them removed to the country where they belong. I will be obliged if you will give me particular information as to the number of Indians, and how long they have been there and just what locality they occupy.

Yours etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington, supt etc.

Wm Hammond esq.

Bledgetts Valley,

Via Corvallis, Ogn.

Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem, Oregon, Aug. 10, 1867

Sir: I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 12 instant concerning the presence of sundry Washington territory Indians (Clickitats) in Benton county. I have also received other complaints of the same Indians. Measures are now being taken to remove them to their own country and I trust the settlers who are complaining of them will assist the officers sent after them in discovering, arresting and removing them.

Mr. L.P. Everhart will probably have charge of the party and will communicate with you when he arrives.

Very respectfully etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington, supt etc.

? Carnold, Corvallis, Oregon.

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Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem, Oregon, Aug. 13, 1867

Sir: Much complaint has arisen for several years past of the presence of a band of Clickitat Indians in Benton county in this state. The band numbers from twenty to thirty and have been in the habit for several years of spending the summer in the edge of the coast mountains hunting and annoying settlers moving in the winter north to Portland or places beyond. A part of the younger ones have been in the Simcoe school and I understand all of them belong properly to Agent Wilbur's jurisdiction. They are often guilty of theft, often destroying crops by throwing down fences etc and are generally a source of annoyance and terror to the white settlers near wherethey locate. They now threaten to burn the crops and barns of the settlers and I am in receipt of many letters imploring their removal. I shall therefore forthwith send a party to arrest them and bring them to this place and trust you will provide some one to superintend their removal to the country where they belong.

They will probably reach this place by the 20th or ~~25th~~ 23rd instant and will be kept in confinement until I am ordered advised of your actions. If it will facilitate your operations I will deliver them at Portland.

Yours etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington, supt etc.

Hon. F.S. McKenny, supt. Indian affairs, W.T., Olympia.

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Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem, Oregon Aug. 15, 1867

Sir: I send you enclosed herewith a copy of a letter which I have addressed to Supt. McKinney concerning some Indians which belong to your jurisdiction. I am not aware whether you will feel authorized

to act without first communicating with Supt. McKinney and I trust you may ~~therefore~~ and therefore take this method of informing you of the facts. The necessity for removing the Indians is immediate and I shall keep them in confinement until I ~~xxxx~~ hear from you or Supt. McKinney.

In this connection I call your attention to the fact that in several instances I have been requested to remove Indians from Portland and vicinity ~~xxxx~~ which upon investigation proved to belong to Washington Territory. I do not know whether they are there with your knowledge or whether they belong in your jurisdiction, or that of some other agent but I mention it that you may take steps to remove them if you desire and I regard it advisable to do so.

Very respectfully

Your obt servant

J.W. Perit Huntington, supt. Ind.

Affairs

Rev. J.W. Wilbur,

U.S. Ind. Agent

Simcoe, W.T.

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Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem Oregon, Aug. 25, 1867

Sir: Concerning the Clickitat Indians about whom I wrote you on the 13th instant I have now to inform you that the party whom I sent out returned last night bringing in a band of Clickitats consisting of twelve men and twenty one women and children--in all 33. The chiefs or principal men are Albert and Edward (brothers) and Sam. is also another Indian of some note. These all belonged to the band of Clickitats which frequented southern Oregon fifteen or twenty years ago and are ~~xx~~ well known to me and I presume will be to Mr. Wilbur.

There is another band smaller in number here wh h I shall send for in a day or two. Probably there are twenty of them and they recognize McKay or Mc..ez as chief. The band now here have between forty and fifty horses and are well ~~xxx~~ clothed and armed.

I trust you will make arrangements to remove them forthwith as the expense of keepin them here is considerable.

The best route to remove them is via the Lebanon Road
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over the Cascade mountains but the distance is so great that the time required will be considerable.

I shall send a copy of this letter to Agent Wilbur

Yours etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington supt. etc.

Hon. F.S. McKenney, supt. Indian Affairs, Washington Terr.

Salem, Oregon, Aug. 29, 1864

My Dear Sir:

I received your note per hand of the Indian ~~M~~ Mamchute (or Wiauchute)

My instructions often repeated by the Department are explicit to compel Indians to reside upon reservations. If this is not always done it has been because it was not possible. No agent or superintendent has any direction which authorizes him to give permission to any Indian to reside outside the reservation to which he belongs.

I have received a great number of letters making complaint of the Klickitat within the last three months and accordingly I dispatched a party to gather them together and remove them to the Simcoe reservation whr where they properly belong. These Indians recognize Wianchut as their chief and while I have no doubt he is as you state a quiet and peaceable Indian he is undoubtedly the leader of a band of many of whom are peaceable and quiet. I can make no discrimination in Indians but treat all alike. No doubt you ~~are~~ and some others would like to have these individuals reside near you but if I tolerate it the next thing I hear will be a complaint from some one who thinks they ought to be removed.

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Yours etc.

J.W. Perit Huntington

Supt. Indian Affairs in Oregon

Hon W.L. Adams,

Lafayette

Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Sir:

Salem, Oregon Sept. 19, 1869

The Klickitat Indians concerning whom I wrote to you in last month were gathered upon taken to Portland and there started up the Columbia and sixteen who were not able to ride were shipped upon the steamer to the Dalles. The remainder went up by land and I suppose were met by Agent Wilbur at the Dalles. The total number of Indians (old and young) collected seventy six having one hundred and fifteen horses.

I wrote to Agent Wilbur (and telegraphed him) at the same time I did you but I have had no reply.

A copy of the report of Mr. Earhart the person employed to collect and keep the Indians in charge is sent herewith for your information.

Much complaint exists in Portland and other parts of Oregon by reason of the presence of straggling Indians who claim to belong to Washington territory and Idaho. They, many of them come from the Spokane and Kathlamet country some of them from the Nez Perce reservation and doubtless a good many of them are .. Oregon Indians who use the subterfuge for the purpose of escaping arrest and removal. I have for some time had an arrangement with the city authorities of Portland by which they arrest all the Indians who appear in town belonging to Oregon notify me and I immediately remove them. If we could jointly make such an arrangement providing for the capture of both W. Territory Indians as well as those belonging to Oregon it would in a short time remove all the Indians to the reservation where they belong. We would thus rid the white settlements of a gddddd great nuisance and remove the Indians from their chief source of disease and debauchery.

I shall be happy to cooperate with you in the matter if it meets your p. favorable consideration. p. 148

Very respectfully etc

P.S. McKenney, Supt W.T.

J.W. Perit Huntington

Warm Springs Oregon, Oct. 22, 1867

Sir: When I was at the Dalles and in that vicinity lately several settlers complained with much earnestness of the great number of Indians who are prowling about the settlements or loitering about the Dalles. They appear to have no difficulty in obtaining a plenty of whiskey and are very often drunk and ?? A very large part of them belong to Simcoe or other agencies in Washington Territory. A few to Klamath and the balance to your agency. The Indians often find it convenient to conceal the fact of belonging to either agency reservation to escape capture or restraint and there are some who have thus avoided living on any reservation whatever for many years.

If those who belong to your agency are all collected and detained upon it as they should be all cause of complaint of the Oregon superintendency will have ceased and although there will be a plenty of straggling vagabonds in the Territory alluded to they will be accountable to the Washington superintendency and not to ours.

You are therefore directed to proceed at once to collect in all the straggling Indians from your reservation whether in Casco County or Washington Territory on the opposite side to your reservation and to endeavor to keep them there unless in certain instances it appears necessary to give individual passes for short periods in which case the pass will be strictly subject to regulations of April 1st, 1866. The small number of ~~Unkxxx~~ Klamaths who were above alluded to you will ~~be required~~ require to go to their own country.

I shall communicate with the authorities of Washington superintendency and endeavor to secure their joint cooperation in an effort to rid the section alluded to of all stragglers.

Very respectfully

etc. J.W. Perit Huntington

Capt. John Smith

, U.S. Indian Agent

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Annual Report. Office Superintendent Indian Affairs, ~~xx~~ Salem, Oregon,
Aug. 29, 1867

.... Warm Springs, John Smith, Agent, Tribes, Wasco 317;
Deschutes 249, Tyghs 347, John May 13. Absented from all the above
tribes 200,...

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There are no other tribes within the state over whom control is now
exercised by the Department and now with whom treaties have been made
who are now hostile except the small tribe of Wall Pah Pa Snakes to whom
no annuities or other benefits under the treaty have been paid

The tribes not under the supervision of agents are estimated probably
inaccurately at 5,100 souls. They consist of scattered bands along the
Columbia River many of whom are renegades from Washington, Idaho and
perhaps Montana territories whose numbers I have before estimated at
900... 88 .. and the total number of Indians in the superintendency
is 13,006.

p. 207... Umatilla Agency..

The Protestant Mission Wailitpu was the scene of a terrible massacre in
1846. Rev. Dr. Whitman his family and some thirteen other white persons being
brutally killed and a few retained as prisoners by the savages. The few
individuals who retain any traces of the religion or literary instruction
which was given them adhere to the ~~Catholic~~ Catholic faith, but the greater
part show no evidences that there was ever missionaries or teachers
among them. They show no knowledge of agriculture or desire to cultivate
the soil and some ... skill in mechanic arts which they have retained that
they are not incapable of receiving instruction and that like all savages
they are easiest and best impressed with material things rather than
abstract ideas.

Office Supt. Indian Affairs

Salem, Ogn. Sept. 21st, 1869

Sir:

You will take charge of six mule teams from the Dalles on arrival retaining drivers and herers and so much of the cargo including goods as may be necessary and proceed to visit and collect all the bands and families of Snake Indians en route to Camp Harney reporting them them .. if possible there Oct. 18th inst.

You will be furnished six(6) men as escort from Fort Klamath . Employ such Snake Indian men under your charge as you believe valuable to the expedition ~~xxxx~~ not exceeding six(6) in number. You will then be strong enough to go with safety.

The agent at Klamath is instructed to furnish you with supplies of every kind he may have on hand and whatever further is necessary you will obtain at the most convenient source.

You will use all possible dispatch, lose no time in getting started expedition(sic)

You will represent to the Indians that I will treat them ... at Camp Harney;.. 15th to 26th Oct. at convenient points which you will indicate. escort to Klamath prepared to take them to Sprague (? (river some where on Klamath. ~~0000~~ Make them to understand that I do not intend or expect to take them elsewhere. .. About these instructions for the reason that they fear going to Siletz. You will further say that they will be assisted with ammunition, clothing, beef and flour. That as soon as they are on the reservation I will have more funds.

I have ordered four ox teams from Klamath to take out flour. Also the old oxen drove along for beef on the expedition

You will use discretion in selecting your Snake Indian guides. Take men

of sense and influence.

For your information and guidance I remark that I expect to leave the Dalles early in October with two (2) teams and twelve (12) men and hope to meet you at the time indicated.

Very much of the success of this expedition depends on your sagacity in preparing these people for removal. Your friends say you are equal to the emergency.

I think you might send one or two Indians in advance of you to good advantage. Take with you and keep in good condition for emergency such horses as you can obtain at the agency.

Very respectfully

A.B. Meacham

L.D. Applegate esq.

commissary etc. Klamath agn.

Supplemental instructions: You will advise with Peter W. Car ..? about organizing his wagon train which will consist of four (4) wagon and four (4) yoke of oxen to each wagon. Also select for ~~1~~ ~~add~~ ~~orders~~ ~~such~~ ~~men~~ ~~as~~ ~~are~~ ~~reliable~~ ~~for~~ ~~guides~~ ~~and~~ ~~that~~ ~~would~~ ~~be~~ ~~faithful~~ ~~in~~ ~~case~~ ~~we~~ ~~have~~ ~~any~~ ~~difficulty~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~Snakes~~ ~~Also~~ ~~about~~ ~~the~~ ~~amount~~ ~~of~~ ~~subsistence~~ ~~say~~ ~~for~~ ~~fifty~~ ~~(50)~~ ~~to~~ ~~sixty~~ ~~(60)~~ ~~days~~

A.B. Meacham

Supt. Indian Affairs in Oregon