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Dear Miss LeFever:

Thank you for your letter of May 23. I'm so far removed from "the center of culture" my participation in your activities would be few and far between with the exception perhaps of some attendance at the annual conference. So I am enclosing a membership remittance, providing I am qualified.

I presume you no doubt have contacted the state library, since the Northwest Writers shelf there should contain a fairly complete "listing." And perhaps the state librarian would wish your aid in filling out the Northwest Writers shelf.

I have jotted down a few persons. Some no doubt you already have. Mrs. Eva Louise Richards, who formerly lives here, now lives at 210 East 85th St., Seattle 5. She is a very gracious person. She wrote Arctic Mood, Caxton, 1949, some articles for the Minnesota Quarterly and should soon be completing a manuscript probably dealing with Minnesota. Arctic Mood as you no doubt know, was a book club selection published at 80,000 copies.

Dr. Robert Ruby, 414 Crestview Drive, Moses Lake is a young surgeon. He wrote The Oglala Sioux, Vantage (Warriors in Transition) I presume this was a subsidized book but it has I believe gone well and I think Dr. Ruby has material for other books on hand.

Mrs. Thelma Kimmel, Rt. 2, Toppenish E-Bar Ranch has written numerous newspaper series dealing with Fort Simcoe and the Rev. James H. Wilbur; several newspaper and magazine articles and published The Fort Simcoe Story, Toppenish, 1953, 26 pps. wraps. She has virtually completed research Wilbur material for a historical novel and you know how it goes from there.

Mrs. Helga Anderson Travis has published Mool Mool The Story of Fort Simcoe, Myrden Press, Kennewick, 1953 wraps, 29 pps. and The Umatilla Trail, hardback cover 1954. This I believe was Exposition press and subsidized.

Melvin Voorhees, formerly of Seattle, now at the Columbia Basin News, Pasco published Show Me a Hero, 1954, Simon & Shuster, N.Y. 312 pps., and Korean Tales. Don't know what he has done in Northwestern material aside from his newspaper work.

H. Dean Guie, Stanley Park, Yakima, The Yakimas, wraps, several years ago, edited several Caxton published books dealing with Indian

material, and has in publication, at The Republic Press, Fort Simcoe material dealing with the military period. This will run to about 160 pps. and will be in wraps as I understand. It is being published in connection with the Fort Simcoe Centennial, Aug. 12, 1956.

Roscoe Sheller, Sunnyside, published *Courage and Water*, 1952 Binsford and Mort, edited by Joseph P. Lassoie, 263 pps. This was subsidized. He has also written a local Rotary Club history, wraps and some magazine articles.

George M. Martin, Larson Building, Yakima prepared material for a Northwest Stamp club group on the history of the postal card. This was published by the association someplace in Oregon last year as a small hardback publication. He is working on geographic names and postoffice history.

Dr. Ira ~~Harold~~ Cardiff, 602 S. 32nd Ave., Yakima has published material through an eastern house on *Antayana*, nothing that I know of concerning the Northwest

Ted Van Arsdoll, 222 N. 6th, Pasco, a newspaper writer, has published Northwest material in several magazines (slick paper) and numerous Sunday supplement issues of Northwest papers.

And I suppose of course you know of the work of Albert Culverwell (State Parks and Recreation Commission, 100 Dexter, Seattle) some Quarterly material and various State Park booklets that run around 30 pps. He could tell you who have written some of the booklets. Right now he is completing one on Fort Simcoe.

Dick Landis, 1210 Folsom Ave. has written some children's material for slick magazine. He's a fireman now. Used to work on the newspapers here.

Some of the contacts mentioned aren't too extensively in the writing field, but most have a strong interest to do something. I don't know exactly your requirements so am merely trying to help out with various names.

I trust too you recall the work that Dr. C.B. Coulter of the College of Puget Sound is doing on the University of Wisconsin writing grant. ~~He~~ is nearly through with that and it should be quite scholarly and complete in its field of Yakima Valley irrigation. I don't think he intends to stop there.

I hope I have been of some small help to you. Still think the contact with the State library Northwest Shelf would be best for a complete roundup.

Sincerely

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