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Dear Sam:

Thank you very much for the Ten Animal Myths of the Flathead Indians paper by George F. Weisel. I am looking forward to the time when the others will join it and I can get all my material assembled in files. It is still accumulating, together with books, notes etc.

The short time I had with you and Dix was enjoyable, and I hope there will be other occasions.

Spent two long afternoons and nights at the Yakima General Council, the annual meeting for the tribe at which there was election of seven of a 14 member Tribal Council, and re-employment of a tribal attorney. This recessed the council and leaves about four other items on the agenda, fishing, legal status; tribal committee reports, ceded lands report re: status of negotiation with Colvilles, etc. This is scheduled for Dec. 10 and 11 at the Yakima Indian Community and Youth Center near Toppenish, opening at 1:30 p.m. I am to be at Tacoma that weekend for a quarterly meeting of the State Historical Society. Attending these councils over a period of years gives a tremendous background on tribal affairs, internal workings etc. They really worked over the attorney and some of them were better at citing various codes etc. than he, himself, and he has had the job over 10 years.