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Mr. Click Relander - Yakima

Have received your note regarding pictures. Am sure that have several items in the files which may interest you including the picture to which you refer, which includes part of the area at the mouth of the Palouse. Have others much more comprehensive of the area which includes the Indian burial ground which would be, I presume, what you are after. I have a few prints which might interest you such as Indian paintings on the rocks near Wallula, Fort Walla Walla site pix the "Twin Sisters" rocks, which were a landmark from early Indian days til now. Also some pix on a possible sand buried cliff city between the other two locations.

I can arrange to send you some prints for inspection if you wish. However, would you give me a little more on your requirements, that is do you wish 8x10 reproduction glossies released for publication, or have you in mind smaller prints to go with your research notes and not for publication use. There would naturally be a difference in cost.

You might say also what you ordinarily pay for prints for your purpose, if you wish. While on the subject, does your paper use any photo news or feature material from this area.

While the Indian slant has been only a minor one in my camera travels, might keep an eye out for usable material if you wish. Incidentally we have a local historian who is so fortunate as to be able to devote his entire time to the matter. Knows his stuff. His field is the Northwest prior to 1890. He really could talk Indian to you. Imagine you would be mutually interesting. sincerely

Ken Rowlen

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Recd your recent note. Do not know that this will reach you before you start out, but in any event will give you a record for your file of the name and address of the party should like you to meet.

Can not say that will or will not be home Sunday, as that will depend upon circumstances of the day. Darned few week ends in the last year that have been in town, come to think of it.

Most sorry that you did not write a week earlier as we were showing at the Yakima Kennel Club show last Sunday and could have brought a little material along, as there isn't much to do at these shows except when one of your dogs is showing.

You understand of course that I haven't specialized from the Indian angle, much more so from railroad angle. Some material which is allied and handy was picked up of course.

However this brings up Mr. E.R. Alexander, whose specialty is Northwest prior to 1890 and quite strongly Indian doings. He has worked as guide at the Whitman Mission grounds and has been active in the French town doings in the Lowden area and so far as my knowledge is accurate seems to have a really extensive knowledge of Indians, tribes, Indian names for geographical features and history related to the white man. His post office box is 412 Walla Walla, he rooms at 22 Boyer and the fone at that location is 4669-W. He says he will be within call at the time you are due Sunday in case you want to see him.

Have had an opportunity to walk over quite a number of Indian burial sites along the Snake river this spring. Some of them have some odd features. Most have been dug more or less, thru the years.

Kes Rowlen