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City Hall, Walla Walla.

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Dear friend:

Enclosed, a clipping. You may already know the sad news. Mrs. Nystrom suffered a stroke last week. The museum had planned a Walter Purdin afternoon, last Sunday, on Mr. Purdin's 84th birthday. It was postponed and re-set for March 10. Mrs. Nystrom's funeral is tomorrow.

Your personal check for copies of Strangers and the Treaty booklet was received and processed through purchases from the tribe.

I don't know how your museum is set up, but, since no Walla Walla dealer is handling "Strangers on the Land," here is a chance to make some money for the society. As a society copies could be purchased in lots of 2 or more for \$1.35 per unit for \$2.25 a book re-sale. This is the price for dealers. I know from Drummers and Dreamers, and this is a much better book, contains 33,000 words, more than the ordinary book, despite its deceptive appearance, from 35 to 75 copies could be sold easily by anyone stocking them in Walla Walla.

Perhaps if you are not interested you could give the attached to one dealer, interceding for the tribe. The tribe of course is not set up to market books. Seattle Public library after studying it ordered 21 copies alone. A small Ellensburg book store took 6 and reordered in three days, sold out. Here, before it was advertised, it sold 50 copies. And reviews are coming up this Sunday in the Seattle PI, later in the Oregon papers and a story March 10 or later in the Spokesman. I suspect, too, the Walla Walla paper will have a story on it. The sales are "made" for the dealer. And only a limited number was published. It will be out of print in about two months or less.

Your publication project, notes etc. is very noteworthy. Hope to be able, too, to visit the City Hall, soon as I have a day off during the week, when you will be open.

By all means drop me a note after you scan "Strangers" letting me know your reactions. It will be appreciated.

Sincerely

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