

[Ethnology of Indians]
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Dear Dick:

Enclosed are the Palouse pictures. Not much here, I'm afraid, but perhaps one or two or some interest.

I'm sorry I don't have photo facilities so I can copy them and send you copies, or negs. So if you'll return them when you sift them over and are through, I'd appreciate it.

One of the "travelling" editors for Readers Digest run me down, wanted to know what's stirring etc. I told her I didn't have a thing coming up, but mentioned that in time your monograph on the work you have been doing would be worth looking at for the untouched field it covers, pre-historic man, etc. No harm, when it does come out. There might be a "digestable" part for the layman, in fact I think it would be very interesting.

Incidentally on the Sun, Stars and Moon, the old man at Waitsburg, white, now dead and some 80-90 when I talked to him, knew one of the Chief ones (Old Bones came after Young Chief ones as I recall) and said he had a buckskin or cloth jacket with the sun, moon and star on them and was buried in it. Said they had photos of him in it at Walla Walla but the museum there wasn't in operation and I couldn't run it down. Also, came across this reference today from 1907 Yakima Republic regarding the burial of one Willie Saluskin, a great-great grandson of "e-ow-chit, who with Chief Moses Father was one of the three major chiefs of "dawn-history" time of all Northwest Indians:

"on the casket will be engraved sun, moon and stars."

And, Puck-Hyah-Toot of Priest Rapids had such a jacket and it was buried with him (although he had laughingly told me the year before he'd give it to me "when I die.")

Incidentally, too, does the library there, or you have: Erwin, Richard P, Indian Rock Writing in Idaho, and Cressman's Petroglyphs of Oregon? (both pamphlets?) I've dug out my copies and checking them over with the photos you so kindly sent. If you don't have the items in the lib. I think in time you'll wish to see them.

Guess by now I've cluttered you up with enough "useless" material and fragments of ideas for awhile. But if you get into historical needs concerning the Palouse at Colville, I've some names, council accounts etc. I can dig out on loan showing considerable deviation of opinion, on for instance Chief Wolf, the horse operator along Ice Harbor way, a Palouse? A "Columbia" or Moses Indian? a what? there was a difference of opinion at a hearing to determine where he should go on a reservation. Etc. and thus.

Keep in mind, please, a photo of the monument sketch and I'll reimburse you any copy costs.

Sincerely

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