

Washington Superintendency Roll 17

R.H.Lansdale, from Fort Simcoe, July 5, 1859 to Edward G. Geary

Concerns "death" in Columbia river of a son of Showaway by one Toos-a-ka-na, sentencing of "defendant" to be hanged at Walla Walla on August 2 at noon, "unless you interpose your authority to forbid execution of sentence

3 pp letter from Pinkney Lugenbeel, vvt maj. capt. 9th infy to E.R. Geary, from Colville Valley, July 15, 1859 ...under instructions I occupied this country with a battalion of U.S. Troops the 20th ultimo...reports on Palouse, Spokane, Colville, Lake, San Poils, Okinakans, some sketchy information...

R.H. Lansdale, Indian Agent, Fort Simcoe, July 27, 1859 to Edward R. Geary, supt. Indian Affairs, Portland, Ore., "... I have this day notified Capt. Black of the 9th Infy commanding Fort Dalles, Ore. of your disapproval of the sentence of Toos-ka-nee and have requested him not to deliver said prisoner to be hanged on the 2nd of August next. I have also requested him to hold the accused in custody till the 15th of August proximo, subject to the order of superintendent of Indian affairs alone... ..has had a more formal and equitable trial than sometimes falls to the lot of Indian murderers as vengeance is executed usually by relatives of those killers; this will no doubt be the lot of Toos ka nee when he is discharged...

(mostly of benefit for names of jurors

Elit Pah-ma, Looney, Weesahnepats, chiefs of Columbia River bands; Supelia, Towata, Skamowa, chiefs of Yakima bands Syimmahen, chief of Klickitat bands. Joseph Twyhelat, interpreter...

Edward R. Geary, supt to G.H. Abbott, sub Ind. Agent, from Portland, Nov. 7, 1859, directing him to proceed to Dalles and relieve Agent A.P.

Dennison and enter temporarily on charge of the Eastern District of this superintendency ..to investigate feelings at Warm Springs with Snake Indians and ascertain extent, if needed of military protection.

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Roll 6, Oregon Superintendency Ind. Affairs.

A. Hedges, supt. Indian affairs from Oregon City, Feb 6 (or 26th
~~1856~~ 1857 to R.R. Thompson, Indian agent at Dalles ... Sub agent
W.E. Raymond has been designated to relieve you... I am sorry that you have
~~me~~ found it necessary to resign your office.. I fear that you are leaving
~~at~~ us at the very time when your influence among those Indians will be
particularly needed...

reports from agents of indications of resumption of war

A. Hedges to W.W. Raymond, sub agent, from Office Supt. Indian Affairs,
Oregon City, Feb. 26, 1856... directing him to proceed to Dalles and relief
Agent R.R. Thompson..."the management of the Indians who will be
committed to your charge will require the exercise of much prudence and
care. The promises made them by Gen. Palmer have not been complied with for
reasons which you are cognizant of and you will be governed accordingly
in your dealings with them..."

A.H. Robie, special Indian Agent
from Dalles, March 31st, 1857 to Isaac I. Stevewash, ~~govr~~ ~~supt~~ of Indian
affairs, Olympia Reports Indians friendly, low on food, subsisting on
beef purchases as regards matters in the Yakima... about the 23rd
Skloom visited Fort Simcoe and turned over to the Q master 5 or 6 horses in
part payment for the horses and cattle he took last winter and promised faithfully
to pay for all.

Ow. whi is at Kittitash plain as near as I am able to learn. He has
~~about~~ with him about 200 of his people. He cannot be considered friendly.
He has visited Fort Simcoe but once since the troops have been stationed
there which was about the 1st of February. He promised to come back again
soon but nothing has been seen of him since...

There are about 600 in the vicinity of Simcoe as I reported March 2. Their general deportment is friendly but you know enough of their character to know that their intentions cannot be judged by their professions..they are subsisting entirely upon roots and are doing very well..I cannot conceive that anything can be done for them to advantage in the way of farming until permanent arrangements can be made and their reservation established...

LPinkney Lugenbeel, bvt Maj Capt 9th Inf. from Fort Dalles,Ore., May 5,1857 to Col.J.W. Nesmith, supt. Indian Affairs,Salem,Ore. , appreciates appointment of George Montuos as interpreter at Colville, he in British Columbia but have written him.."I accept the appointment of Acting Agent and will endeavor to perform the duty satisfactory... I leave here on the 14th inst. and hope to be in the Colville valley by the 10 of June...

Wash Suptcy. Miscel. letters rec No. 5, Roll 23, Dalles City,May 18,1857, William McWhirk, resident of Walla Walla Valley applies for tradin license , to operate at point near post lately established and now occupied by a portion of the U.S. Army under command of Col. Steptoe, amount of capital proposed \$2,000..memorandum of stock with clerk H.P. Isaacs in charge, 3pp list includes shirts, 300 sleigh bells, 25 pair blue blankets, 20 scarlet, 20 white at 6.50; 20 pr Hudson Bay blankets 3 point at 9; needles, brogans, 12 doz mirrors, 50 lb seed beads; 50 lb fancy beads at 1.75 and 1.50; 1 doz broad hats, 2 doz common blk hats; 4 cases oysters; 1 doz navy caps, 6 gross military buttons etc., value \$4,056.31.

Letter,applying for "vacancy" to Col J.W. Nesmith, refers to "the sudden and melancholy death of my much lamented friend Jas. Doty which occurred the 24th ulto (letter dated July 4,1857) Doty committed suicide by shooting himself...

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Record Group 75, Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs

letter from Yakima Mission, rec. Jan, 1857, from Father Pandozy to M. Mezpeil,
pries of Catholic Mission at Fort Dalles, Yakimaw country, April 1853 (sic)
translated (In J. Ross Browne papers) (3 pps, tells of plots)
later, Pandozy rev S. J. to rev. Mesplie, pastor the Dalles, Oregon.

Wash Suptcy, Misc. Letters Rec'd Roll 23, Chinook
census, 1857, reference to slaves in census, also marriage to white man of
Helen Smith; Chiefs or head men listed.

horses \$50, mules \$100 each Army reticent about helping equipt. Indian Dept.

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(excerpt from second page of notice published in Ump_quah Gazette

"...by an express provision of the treaty the country embraced in the cession... is opened to settlements excepting that the Indians are secured in the possession of their buildings and improvements until removed to the reservation...this notice is published for the information of the public and the attention of citizens proposing to locate claims upon the ceded territory is especially called to the above provision, and for further information they are requested to apply to sub-agent A.J. Bolon

Isaac I. Stevens, Gov. and Supt. ~~Ind'n~~

Ind'n. Affairs, W.T. July 26, 1855

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P.57-Report of Agent N. Olney expedition to the Snake Country, Camas Prairie July 30, 1855 to Palmer...

Dalles, O.T. Aug. 14, 1855 P 63- Annual Report of R.R. Thompson, Ind. Agent. (typescript page 4) to Joel Palmer, Supt. Indian Affairs, Dayton O.T.

...by the terms of the several treaties recently made in Oregon and Washington the Indians are permitted to roam withersoever they please to enjoy in common with the whites all unclaimed lands as also the fisheries without the reservations. To the commissioners it appeared absolutely indispensable that these privileges be granted them not only because they were deemed necessary for their subsistence but without them they feared the consent of the Indians could not be obtained to enter into treaty stipulations

(letters referring to Bolon's death, others killed, miners)

Washington Superintendency

Headquarters Dalles of the Columbia, Oregon, 31st March, 1853

Benj. Alvord, Capt. 4th Infy, ^{1st} Major U.S. A Comdy.

Bvt. Maj D. Townsend, assist Adj. Gen. Headquarters of the Pacific Division
San Francisco

..I convey it to be my duty to submit through the general commanding the Pacific division to the government...my opinion as to the importance of entering as soon as practicable into treaties with the Indians of Oregon and of the Cascade mountains, to extinguish the Indian title, ~~such~~ setting such reservations for the Indians as may be deemed necessary. There being no Indian agent in this region (and there has been none for months previous to my arrival in September last) the army regulations make it my duty to act in that capacity...

By an act of Congress on the 5th June, 1850 the President was authorized to cause negotiations to be made with the Indian tribes for the extinguishment of their claims to lands west of the Cascade mountains...

It would seem therefore to be conformable to custom (if not necessary) to obtain further legislation of Congress prior to the commencement of negotiations with the tribes east of the mountains...

,,,in the meantime he and his agents (supt. of Indian Affairs in Oregon) have only to tell the squatters that they must be careful to be on good terms with the Indians....

The number of emigrants arriving in the whole territory last year was probably about twelve thousand...

Many of the tribes from the day of Lewis and Clark into the country to the present have been extremely friendly to the Indians..

No 5, Roll 23--Application for license to Gov. Isaac I. Stevens of Wash Territory to trade with Flathead and Pend D'Oreille Indians in the St. Mary's Valley and the Coeur d'Alene and Spokane Indians on Spokane River...
Capital of \$4,000, B. Owen, Francois Fader, Baptiste Lolo (W. B. Owen)
Oct. 1, 1853.

E, A, Starking, Indian Agent for District of Puget Sound, writing from Steilacoom, W.T. June 15, 1853 advises Palmer

"I rec'd a letter lately from Gov. Stevens in consequence of his being ordered to explore for a route for a railroad across the plains. He will be unable he says to reach the territory before August..

Small pox reported among the "McCaw or Flattey tribe of Indians in this district. It has however ceased. .."ordered prevention of spread by prohibiting

Indians from trading for blankets, shirts etc. or having intercourse with neighboring tribes (half the tribe carried off) may not be small pox but similar. Some whites have it...

No. 84 Joel Palmer, supt to Hon George M. Manypenny, commissioner etc. June 25, 1853.. "I beg leave to call attention of dept to the propriety of removing a band of the Clickitat Indians who have been ~~been~~ roaming through the Willamette and Umpqua Valleys for a few years past, to their proper country north of the Columbia.. Band consists of about thirty warriors with their families. "They have not the least show of claim to any portion of country in these valleys."

Roll 13, Dalles, July 13, 1853, Jos K. Williams, special Indian Agent to Joel Palmer, complains of Indians at the Cascades in "a very drunken state... it is supposed there is a white who resides among the Indians and supplies them with liquor... Yakimas attempting confederacy with Cayuse and Wallawalla and other tribes against the whites "but were unsuccessful.." (same with Nez Perce.)

Letter July 8, 1853 from Supt Indian Affairs O.T. to Ind Bureau, Wash, "suggest the importance of early negotiations with Walla Walla, Cayuse, Nez Perces, Wascopams and Deschutes or Fall River Indians for extinguishment of their titles to territory.. this would secure to us the country traversed by the route of emigration that include extensive tracts of country well adapted to pasturage and agriculture.. which will soon be occupied by enterprising citizens.. the settlement of

country by the whites there without the consent of the Indians would instantly provoke their hostility....."

Philip ~~James~~ F. Thompson, sub Indian Agent to Joel Palmer from Umatilla (~~Ma~~ Umatilla, Aug 16, 1853) Indians indignant at no presents.. "The imig on is coming in health but slow having lost a great amount of stock on Snake River There are some 250 wagons passed. Some of the Indians are light fingered but they are surpassed by the whites..."

W.W. Raymond, sub Ind. Agent to Gen Joel Palmer, from ¹ansy Point, Mouth of Columbia River, Oct. 17, 1853 (Roll 13).. The principal tribes are as follows: Clatsops, located at Point Adams; the Cathamutty, living near the head of Cathlamette Cay on the Col. River, the Tillamooks between Tillamook, x head and Cape Foulweather on the sea coast... Ardent spirits has been a great auxiliary in destroying them for though they are quite when sober when intoxicated are perfect maniacs--judging the future from the past they will soon become extinct.. They have been very much troubled by reports in circulation they are to be removed east of the Cascade mountains.. death would be preferred.. strongly opposed to selling lands but will enter into almost any arrangement to be allowed to remain on the soil of their forefathers, they say they will soon be dead and leave the country in the possession of the whites..."

directed on a rival at Simcoe to temporarily take charge of the friendly Indians in that section

Fort Simcoe W.T. April 6th, 1857, J.C. Geer to Col J.W. Nesmith, supt. Indian affairs...concerning official status of J.C. Geer at Fort Simcoe....previous to Gen Wool's orders in regard to settling upon the public domain being extended to this section I had invested the proceeds of two years labor in seed and farming implements and at an enormous expense had transported the same to this valley and had commenced farming operations...

Office Indian Agent Dalles, Nov. 4, 1857 from A.P. Denison, Indian Agent to J.W. Nesmith, supt. Ind. Affairs

Since taking charge of the Yakima District Washington Territory which was formerly in charge of Special Agent Robie I have made myself somewhat acquainted with the wants and necessities of the Indians... estimate submitted, for purchase of provisions etc \$2,500; for purchasing of clothing etc \$2,000.

6 pp letter on missions, Dalles, Whitman, losses, value etc.

(undated and unsigned but precedes letter of date, April 11, 1852) includes description of ruins of Dalles Mission, adobe house reference, dirt fence, Nathan Olney aff statement that he arrived at the Dalles about 23 days after the Whitman massacre.

J.W. Nesmith, supt. Indian affairs Ore. and Wash Territories

Salem Ore. Nov. 19, ~~1856~~ 1857 to A. Dennison, Indian Agent, Dalles, notifying him that Agent R.H. Lansdale "is placed in charge of that portion of Washington Territory east of the Cascade Mountains and north of the Columbia River..."

Office Supt. Indian Affairs, Salem Oregon, March 22, 1870,

A. B. Meacham, supt. to E.S. Parker, commissioner, 3 pps, Expedition to Priest Rapids. "Smokeller".

J.W. Nesmith, supt. Indian affairs to Charles E. Mix, Commissioner,
Roll 7, P.295 from Salem Ore, Nov. 12, 1858

...referring to your letter of August 30 enclosing a copy of a letter from Jos Casbery recommending that the Yakima Indians be congregated and placed in charge of Father Pandosey and directing me to "carefully consider the same and report to your office my views..."

Having never had the pleasure of meeting Father Pandosey ...the fact however is within my knowledge that Father Pandosey, as Mr. Casbery (sic) says "has attended and instructed the Yakima Indians for some years back" I must in candor say that in my opinion no beneficial results appear to have flowed from the Father's ~~ad~~ministrations to that tribe...his location was prior and up to the latter part of the year 1855 in the Yakima country...the first acts of hostilities in that year were perpetrated by the Indians over whom Mr. Casbury (sic) represents that the father exercises so much influence and control. Those were the murderers of Matice and others and the same...cold blooded and inhuman murder of sub agent Bolon and when Major Haller of the U.S. Army proceeded with a command of U.S. troops to punish the murders he was attacked and defeated by Father Pandosey's Indians and within a short distance of the father's residence...during fifteen years residence here I have never known but one Indian who gave any evidence of knowing or caring anything about the Christian religion ...(in the month of November, 1855 I had occasion to visit the Yakima country as colonel in command of the Oregon volunteer force then in the field against the hostile tribes and visited the mission formerly occupied by Father Pandosey..While Father Pandosey failed to exert his influence and control over those Indians in 1855 I do not wish to be misunderstood as intimating that he incited them to or encouraged them in hostilities for I do not believe that such is the fact...
...And the fact is notorious that thus far the seeds of the Gospel sown among those people (Indians in Oregon and Washington territory) is a bountiful

crop of dissipated abandoned murderers, thieves, vagabonds and prostitutes...I do not believe that any wild Indian destitute of the forethought essential to supplying of his own physical wants is capable of entertaining any very accurate conception of the plan of salvation about which intelligent white men differ so much among themselves..I do not believe that the employment of Father Pandosy or that of any other priest or preacher to teach the Yakima Indians the abstract truth or practical workings of the Christian religion will result in any practical good to the Indian or the movement..."

J.W.Nesmith to Charles E.Mix, commissioner, Salem Ore. Sept. 30, 1858
by advice from Walla Walla I learn that the command of Col. Wright ~~has~~ had a battle with the combined hostile tribes at the Four Lakes in the Spokane country on the 1st inst in which 57 Indians are reported as known to have been killed without any loss on the part of the troops ...

J.W. Nesmith to Charles E.Mix , commissioner, Salem Ore. Nov. ~~18~~ 19, 1858- Enclose copy of General Orders issued by Brigadier General Harney commanding this department and bearing the date October 31, 1858...while the order on the face seems only intended to invite and authorize settlement in the neighborhood of military posts, the practical effects resulting from it will be to throw open the entire Indian country within the superintendency, excepting only the military....to immediate occupancy and settlement...the act of Congress making donations of land to actual settlers expired by its own admission on the 1st day of December, 1855..Under its operation but few settlers have established themselves east of the Cascade mountains ...

...the Constitution of the U.S. gives congress the exclusive powers to regulate commerce with the Indian tribes; 2nd the ordinance of 13th of July, 1787 provides in its third section that the utmost good faith shall always be observed towards the Indians, their lands and property shall never be taken from them without their consent etc...but "founded in justice

and humanity shall from time to time be made for protecting wrongs being done to them" 3rd the people of Oregon in their act organizing a provisional government ...1845..reenacted the very language above quoted from the Ordinance of 1787; 4th Congress on the 14th day of August, 1848 incorporated one provision of the 14th section of the laws of Oregon extending the Ordinance of 1787 over said Territory. The same law and same section also give force and vitality to the act of the provisional Government making it the law of the land. 5th I beg leave to refer you to the act of Congress of June 30th ~~182~~ 1834 which in its 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th sections not only protects the rights of the Indians but provides for furnishing persons who infringe them and makes it the duty of the military and officers of the Indian Department to enforce them...

J.W. Nesmith, supt. Ind. Affairs to Brig. Gen. W.S. Clarke, U.S. Army commanding the Department of California, Venecia.. Salem Ore. Dec. 13, 1858--Let er of Nov. 3d acknowledgement "you have urged upon the government the necessity of confirming the treaties negotiated by Gov. Stevens east of the Cascade Mountains..(appreciation expressed of disposition to consult and confer with officers of the Indian Dept....I have to regret that your successor has seen fit to adopt a policy marked by so wide a departure from that what is at least due to courtesy at the same time violation of the Acts of Congress in relation to our Intercourse Laws and in the utter disregard of the wishes of the Department and the rights of the Indians..."

Territorial Papers of U.S. Senate, 1789-73 Roll 13

Organic Laws of Oregon

1846--Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall for ever be encouraged. The utmost good faith shall always be observed towards the Indians, their lands and property shall ~~always~~ never be taken from them without their consent, and in their property rights and liberty they shall never be invaded or disturbed unless in just and lawful wars authorized by the representatives of the people. But laws founded in justice and humanity shall from time to time be made for preventing injustice being done them and for preserving peace and friendship with them...

Done by the House of Representatives of Oregon Territory this 14th Day of August, 1845. Adopted by the people at a general election held in Oregon the last Saturday in July A.D.

Fort Walla Walla, Oct 12, 1855 Roll 5, Oregon Suptcy. 1848-73 P. 352

Letter, Nathan Olney, Indian Agent to Joel Palmer, Supt. Ind. Affairs, Dayton, O.T. ...Indians this side of Nez Perce concentrating at mouth of Yakima and Palouse and perhaps other points...one thousand armed men should be put into the field...

(succeeding letters, reports of Olon's death, Kamiakin)

(pre-treaty letters)

Roll 23, E.H. Pambrun in miscellaneous Letters Rec. No. 5)

...I also enclose a vocabulary of the Walla Walla words with a description of the habits etc. for the Smithsonian Institute...

fine gold dust has lately been found at Colville...disengaged with the company and should be most happy to serve you...I should have applied for an Indian agency but I presume these are all filled up...

War Dept. Letters received/54/58-Columbia Lancaster, Delegate from Washington to Hon Jefferson Davis, Secretary of War...The prosperity of the Territory of Washington requires that there shall be opened as soon as

practicable another passage across the Rocky Mountains. The present route or "South Pass" draws through it the emigrations to California, Utah, Oregon and Washington... Again where great numbers are crowding forward in search of gold, there is not that care for the rights of the Indians along the route that there would be by emigrants who intend to cultivate the soil in the vicinity of tribes who inhabit near the route and whose kind offices and friendship it would be their interest continually to maintain and cultivate... I am informed by Lieut John Mullan that he took a cart along this route over the Rocky Mountains. That he has much knowledge of the different crossings or passes. That he remained in the passes of the mountains during the winter and that in his opinion \$30,000 properly expended would make the road passable... I cannot refrain from expressing a desire that he be placed in charge of this part of the road. (Letter dated Feb. 25, 1855)

Miscellaneous Letters Rec'd No. 5, Roll 23-James Doty to Stevens, from Cascades Feb. 17, 1855. I reached this place yesterday and shall leave tomorrow morning for the Dalles, arriving there tomorrow night and remaining there one day only, pushing on into the Yakama country, leaving some ~~of~~ men at the Dalles to forward the freight. My freight has been taken through from Portland to the Dalles at \$40 per ton. You will save time and expense by shipping your freight to Mr. Chenwoth & Seymour at this place who will carry it through to the Dalles at \$25 per ton from the lower Cascades landing.

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"...by an express provision of the treaty the country embraced in the cession... is opened to settlements excepting that the Indians are secured in the possession of their buildings and improvements until removed to the reservation...this notice is published for the information of the public and the attention of citizens proposing to locate claims upon the ceded territory is especially called to the above provision, and for further information they are requested to apply to sub-agent A.J. Bolon

Isaac I. Stevens, Gov. and Supt. ~~Ind~~
Ind'n. Affairs, W.T. July 26, 1855
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P.57-Report of Agent N. Olney expedition to the Snake Country, Camas Prairie July 30, 1855 to Palmer...

Dalles, O.T. Aug. 14, 1855 P 63 Annual Report of R.R. Thompson, Ind. Agent. (typescript page 4) to Joel Palmer, Supt. Indian Affairs, Dayton O.T.

...by the terms of the several treaties recently made in Oregon and Washington the Indians are permitted to roam withersoever they please to enjoy in common with the whites all unclaimed lands as also the fisheries without the reservations. To the commissioners it appeared absolutely indispensable that these privileges be granted them not only because they were deemed necessary for their subsistence but without them they feared the consent of the Indians could not be obtained to enter into treaty stipulations

(letters referring to Bolon's death, others killed, miners)

Follows: Letters from Walla Walla, Dalles, re: hostilities...
express from camp of Major Haines, troops 10 days from Dalles to Catholic
Mission on the Yakima...

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