

Salem Oregon Territory
April 5th 1854

Sir

Your commission as Indian Agent for the Indian Hills in Oregon, having been forwarded you, and your Bond being approved. I deem it ^{necessary} ~~expedient~~ to assign you temporarily to the Fort Oxford District. You will therefore proceed at the earliest possible moment, by Steam to Fort Oxford, where you will visit the Indians and settlers and endeavor if possible to bring about a better state of feeling. I am now on my way to Rogue River with a view of visiting the Indian tribes, from the settlements near Lake Rock, down Rogue River to the Ocean and shall probably arrive ^{at Fort Oxford} about the first of May, in the mean time I desire you will gather such information in relation to the condition and feelings of the Indians in that district, with a view of colonizing the Canions Bands, at suitable points where they can be watched and protected in their rights, and encouraged in their efforts to cultivate the soil and separated from the white engaged in mining operations.

Goods amounting to about Three Thousand Dollars have been shipped to that district, with a view of effecting this object. They are all marked in my name and directed to the care of J. M. Smith who was then special Agent, but who has recently resigned his post, since which I have directed him to turn them over to Lieut. Kautz, in the event you stand in need of some of these goods before my arrival, you are authorized to take them, and receipt to Lieut. Kautz, but should you not particularly require them, to enable you to maintain peace, you will cause them, to be properly taken care of until my arrival,

In consequence of my great hurry to proceed on my
journey, I am unable to give you in detail, instructions
for your guidance in the discharge of your duties, but
will read them until my arrival at Fort Arford,
I think you would do well to take with you an
interpreter,

Before leaving I desire you will visit the Indians
on the Molalla in the settlement of Jacksons when it
is represented some difficulties exist between a party
of Clamath Indians and the Settlers, and endeavour
to effect a reconciliation

Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

A. S. Danish Esq
Ind Agent,

Signed }

John Palmer

Superintendent

Duplicate of instructions
to Agent A. L. Parise
given April 9th 1854

W. H. P. K.

