

2705 S. W. English Court,
Portland 1, Oregon,
January 4, 1955.

Hon. Wm. C. Strand, Director,
Office of Territories,
U. S. Interior Department,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Strand:

I did not receive your letter of December 23rd and copy of your letter to Mr. Coe of the same date and copy of your letter of December 31st to Dr. Thompson until Yesterday. The reason for this was that I had my mail held at the Montavilla Postal Station during my absence from the hospital as I have been doing for several years during such times. I picked it all up on my way to the hospital Yesterday morning. Now it will be coming through again with the regular mail. When I did not see Wayne Yesterday I assumed that he had already gone to Washington. I did not ask any questions. However, this morning I learned that he was still in town. Then, at four o'clock this afternoon I learned that they were both flying to Washington tonight. For all I know, Dr. Thompson may be with them. I can hardly see how they could get along without him. They will probably have seen you before you get this letter. I have seen copies of two more letters signed by Dr. Thompson since the last big batch which I wrote you about. I suppose the boys will have blood in their eyes and murder in their hearts when they arrive. The Secretary apparently did not pay them a visit. I only want to add one more thought and that is that the names Coe and Morningside stunk in the Territory long before I ever heard of either.

With best wishes and personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



George F. Keller, M. D.