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Franklin Delano Roosevelt

PREFACE

The Historical Records Survey Project of the Work Projects Administration, initiated on a Nation-wide basis in January 1936 under the direction of Dr. Luther H. Evans, operated as a Federally sponsored project until 1939, when the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of that year required that all units of the project be locally sponsored. On July 1, 1939 the Works Progress Administration, under which this project functioned, became known as the Work Projects Administration. After the resignation of Dr. Evans and since March 1, 1940 Sargent B. Child has been National Director of the Survey.

The Survey in California was under the direction of Thelma Ziemer until January 1, 1938 at which time the State was divided into two separate administrative units of the Works Progress Administration: one in Southern California and the other in Northern California. Mrs. Ziemer became State Supervisor of the Northern California Project and Edgar L. McRae of the Southern California Project. In November 1941, Jacob G. Bragin was appointed State Supervisor in Southern California, replacing Mr. McRae who became Chief of the Research and Records Programs. On September 1, 1939, the project was placed under the Division of Professional and Service Projects, the name of which was changed on February 1, 1941 to Division of Community Service Programs. Since November 1940 the Southern California project has been sponsored by the State of California, Office of the Secretary of State.

The purpose of the Survey is to discover, preserve, and make accessible to the public the basic source material for research in the history of the United States. In December 1936, the Committee on Historical Source Materials of the American Historical Association suggested to the National Director of the Survey that the project include in its program the assembling of data which might serve to make the manuscript resources of this country available. It was decided that the Survey should undertake the preparation of publications in the field of American manuscripts to include the following: A Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in the United States, guides to manuscript collections, and calendars or lists of individual manuscript collections of outstanding historical interest.

This inventory of the Montana Papers in the William Andrews Clark Memorial Library of the University of California at Los Angeles is the sixth of a series of calendars, inventories and lists of manuscript collections to be published by the Southern California Historical Records Survey Project.

Most of the Montana Papers were acquired with a collection of books, pamphlets, separates, clippings, etc., chiefly relating to Montana and the history of the Upper Missouri country, made by Charles N. Kessler, a prominent citizen of Helena, Montana, and son of a Montana pioneer. As the Kessler Papers indicate, Mr. Kessler spent years in tracking down imprints, journals, memoirs, magazine and newspaper articles, paintings, sketches and photographs pertaining to the history of Montana and the Northwest. The balance of the collection consists of some papers of three men prominent in Montana history--William Andrews Clark, Thomas Francis Meagher, and Wilbur Fisk Sanders; miscellanea, which

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includes interesting journals and memoirs of early days and some manuscripts by the Stuarts, James and Granville, early discoverers of gold in Montana; and legal papers, mostly location notices to mining claims.

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A complete list of the publications to date of the Northern and Southern California Historical Records Survey Projects follows the index to this volume. Approximately 1,900 publications have been issued by the Survey throughout the country.

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CALENDAR OF THE MONTANA PAPERS  
IN THE WILLIAM ANDREWS CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

I. William Andrews Clark Papers

- 1881 W[illiam] A. Clark, New York. To [Wilbur F.]  
May 29 Saunders [sic], [New York].  
Explains inability to call on Sanders; hopes to see him soon in Montana; reminds him to call on Mr. Iansin [sic] for his card to the Union League Club.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20 x 13 cm. [1]
- 1883 Moulton Mining Company, Butte, Mont[ana Territory]. To  
Jan. 18 Abraham Elderkin.  
Check on the Moulton Mining Company, James Ross Clark, Treasurer, for \$185.25, signed by C. W. Galloway.  
D.S. 1 p. 18.5 x 8 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 5. [2]
- 1883 H[enry] S. Clark, Butte City, M[ontana] T[erritory]. To  
Nov. 13 William A. Clark.  
Certificate of election, on November 6, 1883, as a delegate from Silver Bow County, Montana Territory, to a Constitutional Convention at Helena, M[ontana] T[erritory], on January 14, 1884.  
Verso bears endorsement: "President [name illegible] Sam Alexander, Sergeant at Arms, 1884."  
A.D.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [3]
- 1918 W[illiam] A. Clark, Helena, Mont. To J[ames] U.  
Oct. 2 Saunders [sic], Helena, Mont.  
Requests additional copies of the Pioneer Society's report.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [4]
- 1927 J[oseph] C. P[yle]. To Will[iam A. Clark, Jr.].  
July 29 Encloses, as souvenir, a 44-year-old "perfectly good, unpaid, uncanceled check for \$185.00."  
L.S. 1 p. 12.5 x 12.5 cm.  
For enclosure see entry 2. [5]
- 1927 J. W. Redington, Berkeley, Calif. To William A.  
Sept. 10 Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.  
Encloses story about "your father's battalion of Montana Volunteers while in the field against hostile Nez Perce Indians in 1877. . . . I hope you will aid it in breaking into print somewhere"; states he "added a 12,000 word manuscript to the collection" of the Montana Historical Society describing "the activities of Major Clark's Volunteer Battalion" and including his [Redington's] later experiences; hopes "those frontier Manuscripts that the Montana [Historical] Society has on hand
- NBS  
08/1988  
Missing  
6/30/2010

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1927 will some day be published."

Sept. 10 L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

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[19]32

Mar. 15

J. W. Redington, National Military Home, Calif. To  
[Robert E.] Cowen.

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Hopes his story about "Banker's Ride" will appear in next issue of the Frontier Magazine; refers to manuscripts accumulating with Montana Historical Society; thinks the diary or journal of Lieutenant Bradley, who was killed in the Battle of the Big Hole in 1877, is among them.

L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

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n.d.

[John] Gilman Bullard.

Extracts of biographical material from Gilman Bullard's book of hand engrossed resolutions adopted by the Nineteenth Montana Assembly in memory of William Andrews Clark, together with a newspaper clipping describing the book.

Copy. 2 pp. 22.5 x 18 cm. Also includes envelope.

[8]

n.d.

D. H. McLeod, [Butte, Mont.].

Eleven red-crayon cartoons, with brief comments, of participants in a mining trial.

A.D.S. 11 pp. 21.5 x 14 cm.

[9]

n.d.

J. W. Redington. To Frontier Magazine.

Manuscript titled "Busy Banker's Rapid Ride," giving brief account of the ride of W[illiam] A[ndrews] Clark and his volunteers to reinforce General [John] Gibbon's troops in the battle with Chief Joseph's Nez Perce Indians at Big Hole Basin in 1877.

Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. (A typescript, not a handwritten manuscript.)

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II. Charles N. Kessler Papers

- [18]99 W[illia]m M. Wheny, Cincinnati, O[hio]. To [Charles N.]  
May 19 Kessler, Helena, Montana.  
Thanks Kessler for kindness while stationed at Fort  
Harrison a year ago; since then has "got through the Cuban  
campaign," been made a Brigadier General, and retired; asks  
when "broken banks - The 1st Nat[iona]l and the Merchants"  
will pay dividends.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [11]
- 1901 Freeman Thorpe, Helena [Mont.]. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Dec. 21 Helena, Mont.].  
Wishes to paint portrait of Kessler's father for  
Historical Library of State of Montana; mentions his portraits  
of Conrad Kohrs, Lee Mantle, and Granville Stuart.  
A.L.S. 5 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [12]
- 1902 N. P. Watters, Helena, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Apr. 4 Helena Mont.  
Sends invitation to the hanging of Clinton Dotson at  
Deer Lodge, "for your Curiosity Shop."  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 14 cm.  
Enclosure not with letter. [13]
- 1904 John J. Quinn, Butte, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 4 Helena, Mont.  
Invitation to attend the execution of James Martin for  
the murder of John R. Williams.  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 12.5 cm. [14]
- 1904 Harry W. Thompson, Missoula, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Mar. 10 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Invitation to attend the execution of Louis H. Mott for  
the murder of Leah H. Mott.  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 13 cm. [15]
- 1905 C. H. Sherman, White Sulphur Springs, Mont. To  
Apr. 17 Charles N. Kessler.  
Invitation to witness the execution of Herbert H. Metzger.  
D.S. 1 p. 11 x 8.5 cm. [16]
- 1906 E. M. Reynolds, Bozeman, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler,  
Apr. 7 Helena, Mont.  
Invitation to attend the execution of Lu Sing, for the  
murder of Tom Sing.  
D.S. 1 p. 17.5 x 11.5 cm. [17]
- 1906 John J. Quinn, Butte, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler,  
May 10 Helena [Mont.].  
Invitation to attend the execution of Miles Fuller for  
the murder of Henry Callahan.  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 12.5 cm. [18]

- 1908 J. S. Snoddy, Missoula, Mont. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 26 Helena, Mont.].  
Deals with a tentative list of writers of or about  
Montana "prepared with a view to making a complete biblio-  
graphy"; requests additional biographical and bibliographical  
data concerning such writers, or addresses of persons who can  
supply it.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [19]
- 1908 Henry Fifer, Deer Lodge, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
June 15 [Helena, Mont.].  
Invitation to witness the execution of George Rock for  
the murder of Deputy Warden John A. Robinson.  
D.S. 2 pp. 14 x 8.5 cm. [20]
- 1916 E[dwin] J. Stanley, Whitehall, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 19 Kessler.  
Refers to his father-in-law, Major [Thomas] Brooks and  
the Brooks family, the Whitehall stage station, also to his  
own writings on Montana.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 22.5 x 14 cm. [21]
- 1916 E[dwin] J. Stanley, Whitehall, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 26 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Regrets having sent defective copy of the "Minutes &  
Historical Sketch" and is mailing another; his "copies of all  
the pamphlets bound in cloth . . . have disappeared"; offers  
picture of old Whitehall Hotel and stage station as it was in  
Major [Thomas] Brooks' time; states that [George O.] Shields'  
book is in [Montana] State Historical Society library; thinks  
Kessler will disagree with some portions of the "Address";  
mentions his book, Rambles in Wonderland.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 22.5 x 14 cm. [22]
- 1916 Al[va J.] Noyes (Ajax), Dillon, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Feb. 1 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to the "Dimsdale of 1866" [Thomas Josiah  
Dimsdale's The Vigilantes of Montana] as a rare item; suggests  
contacting Mr. D. W. Tilton, the publisher, for a possible  
copy; would like to help write a school history of Montana.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 21.5 x 18.5 cm. [23]
- 1916 Cha[rle]s A. Bechrer, Beickie P. O., Mont. To Cha[rle]s  
Feb. 8 N. Kessler, Helena [Mont.].  
Had in his possession the two books Kessler wrote about  
in his letter of January 19, but "the most awful Cloud Burst"  
of July 9, 1914 razed his house from foundation, causing loss  
of his wife and over 300 valuable books, among them the two  
in question; hopes to be able to obtain copies of the books  
from other old timers, though "it may take a little time";  
asks as to number of licensed saloons within city limits  
of Helena.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25 x 20 cm. [24]
- 1916 Cha[rle]s A. Bechrer, Beickie P. O., Mont. To Cha[rle]s  
Apr. 18 N. Kessler, Helena [Mont.].  
On last visit to Dillon inquired unsuccessfully about

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- 1916  
Apr. 18 books Kessler is interested in procuring; hopes to find them in Virginia City; asks again about number of saloons in Helena and vicinity; declares that he and his friends will work "against this fanaticel [sic] Prohibitionists".  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20 cm. [25]
- 1916  
Apr. 26 C. H. Hastings, Washington, D. C. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives number of Library of Congress cards available on Montaniana, with prices, etc.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [26]
- 1916  
Apr. 27 Leo Martin, S[ociety of] J[esus], Mount St. Michael's, Hillyard, Wash. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Their library and the Gonzaga Library in Spokane have between them only one copy of Education for the Indians by L[awrence] B. Palladino, S. J.; will see if other Jesuit houses have an extra copy.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [27]
- 1916  
June 18 Leo Martin, S[ociety of] J[esus], Mount St. Michael's, Hillyard, Wash. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Regrets that extra copies of Education for the Indians and Anthony Ravalli have not been found in any of the houses to which he wrote; gives more data concerning them.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [28]
- 1916  
June 24 N[orman] B. H[olter], Helena, Mont. To Charley [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Invitation to eighty-fifth birthday celebration of Holter's father.  
L.S. 1 p. 26 x 21 cm. [29]
- 1916  
Aug. 15 D. E. Folsom, Palo Alto, Calif. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Recalls "quarter of a dried apple pie" given him, when he "was not indulging in any luxuries," in the early sixties in Virginia City [Mont.], by Nick Kessler, Charles' father, who kept a "pie shop" there at the time; sends "a copy of the Folsom-Cook exploration of the upper Yellowstone Valley" in "grateful remembrance."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20.5 cm.  
Laid in entry 516. (Clark Call No. \*F722 .F67) [30]
- 1916  
Aug. 16 H. W. Dorsey, Washington, D. C. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Sends copies of recent lists of Smithsonian publications and those of the Bureau of Ethnology.  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm. [31]
- 1916  
Aug. 24 C. W. Cook, White Sulphur Springs [Mont.]. To C[harle]s N. Kessler, Helena [Mont.].  
Is sorry he cannot accommodate Kessler, having given away all except one copy.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 22.5 x 14 cm.  
Laid in entry 516. (Clark Call No. \*F722 .F67) [32]

- 1916 D. E. Folsom. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Sept. 19 Helena, Mont.  
Relates vicissitudes of his Yellowstone manuscript: its early rejection and final publication; gives details on publication of C. W. Cook's account, published under the title of "The Head Waters of the Yellowstone by C. W. Cook."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25.5 x 20.5 cm.  
Laid in entry 516. (Clark Call No. \*F722 .F67) [33]
- 1916 Henry N. Blake, Milton, Mass. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Oct. 28 [Helena, Mont.].  
Indicates location of books Kessler desires and conditions of purchase.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13 cm. [34]
- 1917 Alicia D. Coossed [?], Kalispell, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 3 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Regrets not having old pictures, except a reproduction of Fort Benton, showing its bastions.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 18 x 14 cm. [35]
- 1917 H[enry] R. Woodruff, Windsor, N. Y. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Jan. 3 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Replies for the late Mrs. James H. Morley, stating his relationship; is sending copy of Mrs. Sabin's book Memorial to James H. Morley.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [36]
- 1917 Frank Conley, Deer Lodge, Mont. To Cha[rle]s [N.]  
Jan. 13 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Refers to certain invitations for two hangings held in Deer Lodge which he found, and which Kessler may desire.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosures not with letter. [37]
- [19]17 W. A. Shoup, Mondak, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Jan. 15 Helena, Mont.  
Discusses marking of Montana--North Dakota State line in relation to site of Fort Union; names persons who can give information.  
L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [38]
- 1917 Walter L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 23 Helena, Mont.].  
Gives data on Warren Angus Ferris, western explorer, with names and addresses of Ferris' relatives.  
L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [39]
- 1917 Walter L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 25 Helena, Montana].  
Gives names of three Buffalo libraries in which copies of Western Literary Messenger, containing all of [Warren Angus] Ferris' articles ["Life in the Rocky Mountains"] except chapters 3-6, may be found.  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20.5 cm.  
For enclosure, see entry 41. [40]

- [1917  
Jan. 25] [Walter L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y.]. To [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Reviews Warren Angus Ferris' articles, "Life in the Rocky Mountains," published in the Western Literary Messenger; suggests writing to Library of Congress and Wisconsin Historical Society for missing numbers of periodical; mentions article on Yellowstone Park in Niles' [Weekly] Register, October 6, 1827, antedating Ferris by 17 years.  
L.S. 3 pp. 25.5 x 20 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 40. [41]
- 1917  
Mar. 20 Arthur R. Hinks, London, England. To Charles N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Advises that Volumes XXIX and XXX of the old Journal of the Royal Geographical Society are still in print; the first carries an account of the President's speech on presenting a gold medal to Captain [John] Palliser, the second a long report from him; gives data on official publication of reports of 1857-60 expedition.  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20 cm. [42]
- 1917  
May 15 Arthur R. Hinks, London, England. To Charles N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Describes map in Journal, Vol. XXX, covering travels of Captain [John] Palliser; refers Kessler to Eyre and Spottiswoode or P. & S. King and Sons for copies of official reports.  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20 cm. [43]
- 1917  
July 16 M. C. Gilmore, Olive, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers him to Emmet Malloy of the State Land Office in Helena for information on [Lt. John] Mullen [sic] road expedition.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 24.5 x 20.5 cm. [44]
- 1917  
Oct. 22 Annie A. Norris [?], Madison [Wis.]. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that [The New Found Journal of Charles Floyd] was not published by the Wisconsin State Historical Society, but by the American Antiquarian [Society]; the Society, however, has a few copies of the Journal for sale and she is sending one, together with a check list of the publications of the institution.  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 14 cm. [45]
- 1917  
Dec. 29 F[rancis] N. Thompson, Greenfield, Mass. To C[harles] N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Regrets not having copy of pamphlet to which Kessler refers; states that some of his father's writings have been published and that he has some photographs and data on his life in early days.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [46]
- [19]17  
Dec. 31 W. A. Shoup, Mondak, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Discusses exact location of old Fort Union, mentioning Capt. Grant Marsh and the I. G. Baker Transportation Co. of

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[19]17 Bismarck, N. Dak. as sources of information regarding the fort;  
Dec. 31 states that "all of the rocks in the old foundations [of the fort] were hauled away and used for foundations when Mondak was built."

L.S. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.

includes 3 pgs typescript Fort Union

[47]

1918 Tho[ma]s A. Cummings, Fort Benton, Mont. To [Charles  
Jan. 1 N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Will send Kessler a sketch taken in 1868 of the historic old American Fur Company trading post, Fort Benton; regrets inability to furnish other sketches requested.

L.S. 2 pp. 21.5 x 14 cm.

[48]

1918 Percy Napton, Butte, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 15 Helena, Mont.

States that the book [Over the Santa Fe Trail], was written by his uncle, W. B. Napton; has sent Kessler's letter to his father, Judge Welling Napton of Missoula, Montana, who has a copy of the book.

L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[49]

1918 T[homas] A. C[ummings], St. Paul, Minn. To [Charles  
Jan. 18 N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Encloses photo of a sketch of Fort Benton, made in 1868; gives his recollections of the fort.

L.S. 2 pp. 21.5 x 14 cm.

Enclosure not with letter. (Probably now housed in  
Mont. Coll. Photos, Box 1, Item 52-59)

[50]

1918 Henry G. Murphy. To Joseph Culbertson,  
Jan. 22 Poplar, Mont.

Suggests that Culbertson meet Charles N. Kessler in Helena, as Kessler wants information regarding his father, Alexander Culbertson; Kessler will pay Culbertson's expenses, and suggests that he bring along old letters, records, pictures, etc. of his father.

Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm.

[51]

1918 F[rederick] W. Hodge, Smithsonian Institution,  
Feb. 2 Washington, D. C. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Regrets not having photographs of early posts desired by Kessler; lists persons and institutions who may be able to aid in the search; remarks that "the dates of the establishment and abandonment of Western Military posts" are in F. B. Heitman's Historical Register and Dictionary of the U. S. Army, 2 vols., Washington, 1903.

L.S. 1 p. 27 x 20.5 cm.

[52]

1918 Joseph Culbertson. To [Robert L.] McCulloh or  
Feb. 4 To Whom It May Concern.

Asks that C[harles] N. Kessler be permitted to have a copy made of a portrait of his father, Major Alexander Culbertson, which was in McCulloh's possession at Peoria, Ill. about 1879.

L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

[53]

1 L.S., 1 carbon signed, 1 carbon unsigned

- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, [probably Helena, Mont.].  
Feb. 12 To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Informs Kessler of his mother's Indian name and its  
derivation. 2  
2 - A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [54]
- 1918 R[obert] L. McCulloh, Great Falls, Mont. To C[harles]  
Feb. 12 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Does not know where paintings are to be found, but  
suggests that Alexander Culbertson's daughter Julia [Mrs. G. H.  
Roberts] may have them; relates some Culbertson family history,  
mentioning Cyrus, William, and Alexander and his children  
"Jack, Julia, Fanny and Joe"; recommends a pamphlet of early  
day reminiscences by Mrs. Peter M. Myers, published by the  
Milwaukee Land Co.; refers to his own early experiences.  
L.S. 4 pp. (1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.; 3 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm.) [55]
- 1918 R[obert] L. McCulloh, Great Falls, Mont. To C[harles]  
Feb. 13 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Calls attention to two errors in letter of [Feb. 12],  
and requests Kessler to make the corrections.  
L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [56]
- [19]18 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To Charles N.  
Feb. 20 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Explains how he came to be jailed for drunkenness in  
Great Falls [Mont.], and asks Kessler to straighten the matter  
out for him through the Montana Record; mentions forwarding  
some family pictures, picture of Indians attending court at  
Williston, North Dakota, and Indian relics.  
L. 6 pp. 25 x 20.5 cm. [57]
- 1918 Jessie Thompson Teal, Portland, Ore. To Charles N.  
Feb. 21 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data covering the family, life and travels of  
Robert Meldrum in the Northwest, 1821-1822.  
A.L.S. 7 pp. 17 x 13.5 cm. [58]
- 1918 T[homas] A. C[ummings], St. Paul, Minn. To [Charles  
Feb. 26 N.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Inquires as to whether Kessler received photograph of  
sketch of Fort Benton; gives his recollections of Jo[s]e[ph]  
Culbertson.  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 14 cm. [59]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To Cha[rle]s [N.]  
Mar. 1 Kessler [sic], Helena, Mont.  
"I know of a man who knows about the two men who were  
killed on Hell Creek about 30 miles South of Glasgow . . .  
and will try to have him come over here when you and I make  
the trip up Hell Creek;" is writing an account of his travels  
which he will forward soon; is sending a picture of Judge  
Crow, "who has been on the bench for the last twenty years,  
and who was a great warrior in his days and am also sending a  
picture of Colonel Peck who built Fort Peck in the sixties."  
L.S. 1 p. 32.5 x 21.5 cm. [60]

1918                Mrs. G. H. Roberts, Boise, Idaho. To C[harles]  
Mar. 4            N. Kessler.  
                  Acknowledges request for data bearing on the life of her  
                  father, Alexander Culbertson; encloses a "rather disconnected"  
                  memorandum, "but possibly you may be able to fill in from  
                  books and magazines;" "I neglected to mention the entertain-  
                  ment of [John J.] Audobon [sic] by father whom he was so much  
                  attached to and visited him at his home. He presented a  
                  sett [sic] of his Birds of North America and the Quadrupeds  
                  of N[orth] A[merica]--which I now have in my possession."  
                  A.L.S. 2 pp. 16.5 x 12 cm.  
                  For enclosure, see entry 62. [61]

[1918                [Mrs. G. H. Roberts, Boise, Idaho. To Charles N.  
Mar. 4]            Kessler].  
                  Memorandum giving genealogical data on Alexander  
                  Culbertson, his father, uncle, and brothers, with some other  
                  biographical information; mentions disappearance of "a daily  
                  journal kept at the various forts that my father superintended."  
                  A.D.S. 5 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. includes envelope  
                  Enclosed with entry 61. [62]

1918                Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Mar. 5            Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
                  Gives address of Mrs. Mable Buck Block, sister of a man  
                  he met with Kessler in Helena; refers to things Kessler asked  
                  him to get, including "an Indian Calendar on a white sheet of  
                  cloth" which "tells all the incidents that have happened back  
                  95 years to date. . . . The man who paints these is Good Voice  
                  Hawk. He is now 85 years old."  
                  L.S. 1 p. 25 x 21.5 cm. [63]

1918                F. W. Cragin, Colorado Springs, Colo. To Cha[rle]s  
Mar. 12           N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
                  Regrets that since his research work has been devoted  
                  chiefly to territory "South of the Oregon Trail," he is unable  
                  to assist; advises Kessler to try the Missouri Historical  
                  Society, St. Louis; "I have [George] Catlin's '8 yrs.' [North  
                  American Indians; being letters and notes . . . written  
                  during eight years' travel . . . 1832-39?]--the original  
                  German ed. of Maximilian [Prince of Wied, Travels in the  
                  Interior of North America], with the Indian vocabularies,"  
                  and some cheap colored reproductions of part of the plates of  
                  [George] Catlin's [North American Indian] Portfolio.  
                  A.L.S. 1 p. 22.5 x 14 cm. [64]

[19]18              W. A. Shoup, Mondak, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Mar. 19           Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
                  Criticises photographs in an edition of [Charles]  
                  Larpenteur's book [Forty Years a Fur Trader]; gives details  
                  regarding Fort Union and relics of pioneer days.  
                  L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [65]

- 1918 W[illia]m J. Campbell, Philadelphia. To Charles R. [sic]  
Mar. 26 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data regarding a copy of book [Travels in the Interior of North America] by Maximilian [Prince of Wied].  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [66]
- 1918 E. A. Southwick, Portland, Ore. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 26 Helena, Mont.  
Kessler's letter to Leo Faust "has been turned over to me. . . for answer;" relates discovery by writer, in company with Jacob A. Myers, of remains of "possibly the first post in N[orth] W[estern] Montana," established about 1812 by Montour and Pillet, "between Libby and Jennings"; refers to other old posts; mentions series of articles he has published in his paper, the Kootenai Times; suggests, for Montana archaeology, a work "published by the Champlain Society--the David Thompson notes heretofore unpublished--which was put out by Mr. Tyrrell (of Toronto)."  
L.S. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [67]
- [19]18 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 27 Helena, Mont.  
Refers to Indian relics Kessler desires; mentions his father's diary, which has been partly destroyed; has written 113 pages of his memoirs; is planning a trip to Washington and asks for return of some of his papers; "the misfortune I had in G[rea]t Falls had no bearing in putting my friends against me, as it is customary for a government employee to fall off the Water Wagon once in a while."  
L. 4 pp. 20 x 25 cm. [68]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To Cha[rle]s M. [sic]  
Mar. 28 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to pictures of his family and of Indians which he is sending; will forward what is left of his father's book.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [69]
- [1918] Jos[eph] Culbertson. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Apr. 6 "I don't no [sic] a thing regarding this man [Clement Corneillier, Montana's "earliest pioneer, according to all accounts," in an obituary notice in the Fort Benton Record-Herald]. I don't think I ever seen him around Fort Benton in my time he may have after I left."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 18 x 20 cm. *includes newspaper clipping* [70]
- [19]18 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Apr. 14 Kessler.  
The pictures Kessler sent proved very interesting, as the sons of Afraid of the Bear and Bloody Mouth cried and kissed their fathers' pictures, and the son of William Cantrell (Flopping Bill), chief of the "Vigilants [sic]," came 40 miles to see his father's picture; is trying to secure and send a box of curiosities; has finished about 140 pages of his life as a scout from 1876 to 1895, and his travels with his father in the 70's, and asks Kessler's advice about having

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[19]18 it published; is sending pictures of William Bent and Vic  
Apr. 14 Smith (Long Hair Smith); "it is not worth while sending what  
is left of my father's [Alexander Culbertson] book as there is  
nothing in it that would interest you."  
L. 6 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [71]

1918 John [V.] Campbell, Lilloet, B. C. To Charles N.  
Apr. 20 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data regarding Montane's trading belt, mentioning  
Salish Post, a trading post by the mouth of Fisher River near  
Jinnings [sic], Tobacco House on Kootinay [sic] River, etc.,  
with names of traders.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25.5 x 20 cm. [72]

[1918 John V. Campbell, Lilloet, B. C. To [Charles N.]  
Apr. 20] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Requests that Kessler procure for him a pair of reading  
glasses.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20 x 12 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 72. [73]

1918 Walter L. Brown, Buffalo, N. Y. To [Charles N.]  
Apr. 25 Kessler [Helena, Mont.].  
Reports result of inquiry concerning Warren Angus Ferris'  
papers; suggests Kessler advertise for volume wanted in the  
Publisher's Weekly.  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20.5 cm. [74]

1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Apr. 29 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Inquires what steps Kessler has taken in regard to  
publishing his [Culbertson's] book of memoirs, which he "will  
soon be through with," and for which he has had 13 pictures  
drawn by an Indian artist; mentions interesting letters in  
Major [E. D.] Mossman's files from General [Philip H.]  
Sheridan and [Alfred H.] Terry, Mr. Alderson, also one re-  
garding "T. C. Powers and Company in the early days."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [75]

1918 Mrs. Dunham, Buffalo, N. Y. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Apr. 29 Helena, Mont.].  
Makes offer to type Warren Angus Ferris' articles in  
the Western Literary Messenger.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [76]

1918 John V. Campbell, Lilloet, B. C. To Charles N. Kessler,  
May 12 Helena, Mont.  
Describes ferry operated by Ed[ward] Warren in 1864 on  
the Koot[e]nai River near mouth of Fisher River; relates his  
own experiences as trader at Linklater's Tobacco Plains Post  
and trading, ranching and trapping elsewhere; mentions names  
of various traders, Indian agents, etc.  
A.L.S. 8 pp. 25.5 x 20.5 cm. includes envelope [77]

- 1918  
May 15 R[obert] L. McCulloh, Great Falls, Mont. To  
C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has mailed Kessler a marked copy of the "Three Forks  
News containing an article on the memoirs of General Thomas  
James, who made such a scathing attack on other members of  
the party that he was with, that copies of the publication  
were promptly gathered up and burned"; refers to enclosure.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
For enclosure see entry 546. [78]
- 1918  
June 14 O. D. Wheeler, St. Paul, Minn. To [Charles N.]  
Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Makes suggestions regarding typing of transcripts of  
magazine articles on life in the Rocky Mountains, by Warren  
Angus Ferris.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [79]
- 1918  
June 21 Geo[rge] W. Freeman, St. Paul, Minn. To Charles  
N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Advises that report Kessler wants may be on file in the  
U. S. Engineer's office, Kansas City, Mo.; encloses copy of  
"the earliest report on the Yellowstone River on file in this  
office . . . published in 1879."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm.
- [19]18  
June 29 Mrs. O. S. Goff, Boise, Idaho. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Helena, Mont.  
Most of the pictures and negatives of early Montana  
collected by Mr. Goff were destroyed by fire; the few that  
remain she thinks of no interest to Kessler.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [81]
- 1918  
July 5 M[aria] R. Audubon, Salem, N. Y. To Charles N.  
Kessler.  
Mentions portrait and sketch of Major Alexander  
Culbertson, a visit to the Sprague family at Wellesley Hills  
[Mass.] and a sketch by Isaac Sprague she is forwarding;  
gives data on John James Audubon and Maximilian, Prince of  
Wied, relating to their Missouri River experiences.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 17.5 x 13.5 cm. [82]
- 1918  
July 6 Anson Mills. To "Katie" [his sister].  
Encloses photo of a fight with the Indians at Fort  
McKenzie and a letter from Kessler to him seeking information  
regarding the Cassel and Culbertson families; suggests she  
write Kessler and loan him her copy of the Culbertson  
genealogy; "I want to keep in touch with him and help him  
in his noble efforts to write for the future young people of  
our country historic examples that may aid them to do what  
was done by those who went before them."  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. Signed? includes newspaper clipping [83]
- 1918  
July 8 Doane Robinson, Pierre, S. D. To Charles N.  
Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Lists the "Fort Pierre journals and letter books" which  
"we have now in press. . . . These journals seem to be a sort

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- 1918 of diary kept by Jacob Halsey as the whim moved him"; refers  
July 8 to transcription of those parts of the journals relevant to  
Northwestern history by "our Deland" [Charles E. DeLand?] in St. Louis, including frequent references to the Upper Missouri country.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [84]
- 1918 Mrs. O. S. Goff, Boise, Idaho. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
July 9 [Helena, Mont.].  
Lists early Montana pictures in her possession, of trading posts, Indian chieftains, army officers, etc.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [85]
- 1918 L. R. Culbertson, Zanesville, Ohio. To [Charles N.]  
July 10 Kessler.  
"Mr. George H. Stewart, bro-in-law of Gen. Anson Mills handed me your letter to Gen. Mills for perusal. I am the author of the Culbertson Genealogy published 1893. It was a subscription book and is out of print. . . . Mr. Stewart will loan you his book"; refers to Major Alexander Culbertson and other members of the family; "in the photo sent I gather that part of the Indians outside of the stockade are firing on each other. I explain this that Major Alex[ander] Culbertson was an Indian Chief and his friendly Indians are firing on the others and assisting the whites in the stockade."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
For enclosure, see entry 87. [86]
- [1918 [L. R. Culbertson, Zanesville, Ohio. To Charles N.  
July 10] Kessler].  
Memorandum giving page references to eight members of the Culbertson family listed in his [Culbertson's] published genealogy.  
D. 1 p. 14 x 13.5 cm.  
Enclosed in the entry 86. [87]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] W. [sic]  
July 11 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
The State Museum, University of the State of New York, has written him regarding his book, as "they would like to read it and take it in hand for me"; would rather leave it in Kessler's hands, and wishes to know what he thinks he can do.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 21.5 cm. [88]
- 1918 O. G. Libby, Grand Forks, N. D. To Charles N. Kessler,  
July 16 Helena, Mont.  
Has never heard of post called "Fort Gilbert" on Fort Buford Military Reservation, but will make inquiries; suggests possible sources of information.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [89]
- 1918 W. M. Black, Washington, [D. C.] To Charles N. Kessler,  
July 19 Helena, Mont.  
Reports unsuccessful search in files [of Chief Engineers' office, U. S. Army] for photographs of old frontier posts in Montana and Dakota; lists the maps and plans of old forts and reservations found there; suggests that for the

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- 1918  
July 19 "report of Major J. N. A. Whistler of the Northern Pacific Survey 1871-73," Kessler apply to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [90]
- 1918  
July 21 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has located photographer who will make copy of painting of Major [Alexander] Culbertson if Kessler wants it.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16 x 12.5 cm. [91]
- 1918  
July 22 W[illia]m J. Campbell, Philadelphia. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Quotes prices of various books; mentions offer made to "owner of the set of Maximilian."  
L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [92]
- 1918  
July 26 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Complains that Kessler has not replied to his letters; suggests that if he is not interested in the book, he may have a friend who would be interested in publishing it.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [93]
- 1918  
Aug. 4 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Acknowledges receipt of his check for \$100 and picture of her grandfather [Alexander Culbertson]; mentions having photograph made of a portrait of her grandfather in her possession, painted by [J. M.] Stanley in 1854 or 1855; quotes titles and imprints of [John James] Audubon's Birds of America and Quadrupeds of North America presented to her grandfather by Audubon; asks if he knows of possible purchaser for Audubon's Birds.  
A.L.S. 6 pp. 16.5 x 12.5 cm. [94]
- 1918  
Aug. 6 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] W. [sic] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"I am sending you my book and the pictures drawn by a full blood Indian . . . a true story about the Indians and the country in the early days . . . . There may be many things to correct . . . . I wrote it all in pencil and the government stenographer has rewritten it on the typewriter for me."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [95]
- 1918  
Aug. 6 Isaac Sprague, Wellesley Hills, Mass. To [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Discusses his father's [Isaac Sprague] western pictures and sketches.  
A.L.S. 5 pp. 17.5 x 13.5 cm. [96]
- [19]18  
Aug. 11 W. A. Shoup, Mondak, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Discusses rumored tunnel at Fort Union and his unsuccessful searches for it, also probable location of outposts of

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[19]18 the fort; Professor Garvin is bringing to Kessler part of an  
Aug. 11 old buffalo gun found on the old fort site; mentions various  
landmarks on Montana-North Dakota border, including a certain  
bluff and some buttes.

L.S. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [97]

1918 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Aug. 21 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

Regrets that she has not been able to have a photograph  
made of her grandfather's portrait; offers to send one volume  
of the set of "Audubon's Bird Books," for which her mother  
has been offered \$250, for inspection.

A.L.S. 2 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [98]

1918 D. F. Barry, Superior, Wis. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Aug. 22 [Helena, Mont.].

Sending photographs of Gen. F[rederick] W. Benteen,  
Sitting Bull, and Charlie Reynolds by mail; gives brief data  
on Gen. C[harles] F. Roe, Cha[rle]s Reynolds, [Maj. Marcus  
A.] Reno, Captain [Charles C.] De Rudio, and [Chief] Rain-in-  
the-Face.

A.L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [99]

1918 H. W. Dorsey, Smithsonian Institution, Washington,  
Aug. 29 [D. C.]. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Regrets that he cannot furnish requested list of work  
of artists, but volunteers information regarding James M.  
Stanley, Isaac Sprague, Albert Bierstadt, Thomas Moran, and  
G. R. Bechler; refers Kessler to Documents Office for reports  
on expeditions to the Upper Missouri.

L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [100]

[19]18 E. Jane Carrington, Brookline, Mass. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Aug. 30 Kessler.

"My Father the late Gen. H. B. Carrington passed away  
five years ago. I am very sorry that I can not assist you  
in obtaining the information you desire."

A.L.S. 2 pp. 16.5 x 13.5 cm. [101]

1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 2 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

"Mr. Alderson was down here in July getting some informa-  
tion regarding his father. All the reliable information . . .  
was in that book I sent you. I mean that agency book"; has  
found another such book and will send it; is "running for my  
same office" and is "ahead so far."

L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [102]

1918 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 5 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

Her father is forwarding one volume of "Audubon's Birds"  
for inspection; mentions result of "Primaries," in which she  
apparently ran for some office and was defeated.

A.L.S. 2 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [103]

- 1918 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 18 Kessler.  
Requests word concerning [John J.] Audubon [bird]  
books; other parties "are looking at them."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13 cm. [104]
- 1918 H[enry] R. Wagner, Berkeley, Calif. To Charles N.  
Sept. 27 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Will get in touch with [J. R.] Coryell for him; asks to  
have the [Montana] State Historical Society send copies of  
its Transactions.  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 27.5 cm. [105]
- 1918 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 29 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Acknowledges receipt of \$100 check, "part payment on set  
of Audubon Bird Books"; will forward other six volumes; her  
mother [Mrs. G. H. Roberts] will write him "about the presen-  
tation of the set by [John J.] Audubon to Grandfather  
[Alexander] Culbertson"; the photographer has again promised  
to make a copy of her grandfather's portrait but foresees  
difficulties "as it is so dark"; "we have some Journals of  
Grandfathers--which are most interesting and contain very  
valuable information."  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [106]
- [19]18 C. W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Oct. 1 Helena, Mont.  
Gives data regarding various paintings by Carl [Ferdinand]  
Wimar, with names and addresses of persons who might have  
other Wimar material; encloses copy of portrait of Wimar by  
Cogswell.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 25.5 x 20 cm.  
Enclosure not with letter. [107]
- 1918 H. O. [S.] Heistand, Chicago. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Oct 3 Helena, Mont.].  
Gives data on his sketches of fight with Indians at Camp  
Poplar River on January 2, 1881; offers to give his reminis-  
cences of experiences in Montana and Dakotas during 1878-1887.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [108]
- 1918 Henry W. Elliott, Washington, D. C. To Charles N.  
Oct. 4 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Writes of water color of Yellowstone Lake he made for  
Jim Stevenson in July 1871, and experiences at the time at  
Lake Yellowstone in company with Com. [Henry B.] Carrington  
and Stevenson; refers to [W. H.] Jackson, photographer of the  
party, and publication of his work.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 22 cm. [109]  
*plus 3 copies*
- 1918 John V. Campbell, Lilloet, B. C. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 6 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Traces history of John Linklater, "a Lowland Scotchman";  
attributes building of "post on the west side of the Kootenay  
[sic] river on the Montana side" not to Linklater, but to

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- 1918 Edward Berland, who built the Tobacco Plains post in 1852;  
Oct. 6 describes another post on the Kootenai built by Montour and  
abandoned when Berland established the Tobacco Plains post.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25 x 20 cm. [110]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 8 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"It has now been about three months since I sent you my  
typewritten story about myself and my travels," also "two or  
three agency books," receipt of which has not been acknow-  
ledged.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [111]
- 1918 Henry W. Elliott, Washington, D. C. To [Charles N.  
Oct. 15 Kessler], Helena, Mont.  
In answer to inquiries, states that he and [Henry B.]  
Carrington were the "first to sail the uncharted sea of  
Yellowstone Lake," a "voyage of seven days . . . during July  
1871"; mentions [Ferdinand V.] Hayden and [James] Stevenson  
surveying the "landed circuit" meanwhile; mentions pictures  
he made at the time of the region; gives other details of the  
[Hayden] survey and of the published report; reminisces about  
[James] Stevenson.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 20.5 x 16.5 cm. [112]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 25 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Complains that Kessler has not answered his letters "in  
regard to my story about myself."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [113]
- [19]18 Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To Duncan McDonald,  
Nov. 6 Ravalli, Mont.  
List of 13 questions regarding early history of Flathead  
Post or Fort Connah [Mont.], and such pioneers as John  
Linklater, John V. Campbell, and Louis R. Maillet; gives  
data as well.  
Copy. 3 pp. (2 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm.; 1 p. 21 x 7.5 cm.) [114]
- 1918 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To H[enry] G. Murphy,  
Nov. 7 Helena, Mont.  
Complains that he has given C[harles] N. Kessler data  
and material relating to his father [Alexander Culbertson],  
as well as his own memoirs, with Indian pictures, which  
Kessler has promised to have published, and that he is unable  
to get word from him regarding these things; asks that Murphy  
telephone Kessler and find out why his letters have not been  
answered.  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [115]
- 1918 Henry H. Elliott, Washington, D. C. To Charles N.  
Nov. 12 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives full details of building of the boat "Anna Dawes,"  
and its use in exploration of Yellowstone Lake; recalls  
burnings of Stanley Art Gallery in Washington, D. C., and the  
Wimar's Missouri River paintings in Cleveland fire in 1913;

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1918 recalls work of other "great artists of the west"; suggests  
Nov. 12 that W. H. Jackson is the man to contact about photography;  
believes Julius Bien of New York published edition of 150  
copies of "Profiles," etc., covering Yellowstone Park and the  
geysers; grants Kessler permission to use anything he has  
written.

A.L.S. 7 pp. 20 x 16.5 cm. [116]

1918 E. D. Mossman, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Nov. 16 Helena, Mont.

Asks for return of some old books and records [of Fort  
Peck Indian Agency] sent to Kessler "some time last summer"  
by "Mr. Joe Culbertson one of my employees"; writes that  
Culbertson "is anxious to know what you have done concerning  
his book."

L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [117]

[19]18 E. C. Abbott, Gilt Edge, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Nov. 21 Helena, Mont.

Mentions possibilities of obtaining a picture of "old  
Fort Ma Ginnis" [sic]; complains about Percy Raban tampering  
with his [Abbott's] article on Granville Stuart; reminisces  
about Stuart, mentions his own relationship to him.

A.L.S. 4 pp. 25.5 x 20 cm. [118]

1918 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Nov. 24 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

Acknowledges receipt of check; will not sell the  
"Audubons" for less than \$250, but because of his interest  
in her grandfather, Major [Alexander] Culbertson, will let  
him have "the mixed set"; the journals are being forwarded  
to him, including that of her mother's [Mrs. G. H. Roberts]  
uncle, Thaddeus Culbertson; another attempt will be made to  
photograph "the portrait"; mentions a [Robert L.?] McCulloh  
who was her grandfather's business manager.

A.L.S. 5 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [119]

1918 C. J. Brosman, Nampa [Idaho]. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Nov. 26 [Helena, Mont.].

Is sending Kessler under separate cover an autographed  
copy of his History of the State of Idaho.

A.L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [120]

1918 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To [James Lyle  
Nov. 27 Campbell, Salina, Kans.].

Inquires whether he is the Campbell who is the author of  
certain books he desires to purchase.

Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm. [121]

1918 Cha[rle]s M. Lee, [Governors Island, N. Y.]. To Charles  
Nov. 29 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Requested information cannot be furnished "as the  
Military Service Institution has been closed, all exhibits  
stored away and publication of the Journal suspended with  
the Nov.-Dec. 1917 number."

L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [122]

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includes publication  
announcement

- 1913  
Nov. 30 H[enry] W. Sohn, Washington, D. C. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that family has no diary or memoranda by his father [Gustav Sohn] concerning his travels with Captain [John] Mullan or Governor [Isaac Ingalls] Stevens; mentions locations of several paintings by his father; also that a number of his father's paintings and sketches are hung in the War Department offices; recollects that he destroyed father's original sketches some 50 years ago; is in possession of photographic negative of Father [Pierre J.] De Smet taken by his father during 1862-63; will send father's photograph and copy of autobiographical memorandum in possession of a sister.  
L.S. 2 pp. 26 x 20.5 cm. *includes cover* [123]
- 1918  
Dec. 1 Wimar Laboratories, St. Louis. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Bill for two Wimar photographs.  
A.D. 1 p. 21 x 13.5 cm. [124]
- [19]18  
Dec. 2 C.W. Schleiffarth [St. Louis]. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Is sending Kessler the photographs they have discussed; gives additional data on some [Carl F] Wimar material; due to financial difficulties, may be obliged to place on sale the painting, "Bear and Deer," which in 1895 was priced at \$800, etc.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 25 x 20 cm. [125]
- 1918  
Dec. 5 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Acknowledges receipt of letter from Kessler; is going to "write a little more to add to my book," and will send "map of the country I scouted in"; "I was reelected to my office two white men and one Indian ran against me but I won out."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [126]
- 1919  
Jan. 5 D[an] C[arpenter], Gashland, Mo. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that he kept a store at Barry[Mo.]; knew Capt. James Kipp well, as his farm was three miles west of Barry and his wife and her sister traded at the store; has one photograph of Kipp; gives information on Kipp's birth and death.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. (2 pp. 30 x 20 cm.; 1 p. 22.5 x 14.5 cm.) [127]
- [19]19  
Jan. 12 H[enry] R. Wagner, Berkeley, Calif. To [Charles N.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
[J. R.] Coryell has definitely decided not to sell his copy of Maximilian; [Prince of Wied's Travels in the Interior of North America]; discusses a facsimile of a map used in [Granville] Stuart's Montana [As It Is]; gives data on condition and prices of copies of Maximilian's work; mentions acquisition of rare report of Captain [James L.] Fisk's expedition of 1862.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. *included photocopy* [128]

- 1919 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To John Lyle  
Jan. 13 Campbell, Salina, Kans.  
Inquires whether he received letter of November 27,  
1918, "relative to several pamphlets or books on the early  
days of Idaho and Montana, in the years 1864-1865-1866-1867,"  
and requests reply. *includes envelope but no stamps*  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
For letter in question, see entry 121. [129]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Dan Carpenter, Gashland, Mo.  
Jan. 16 Requests information regarding Capt. James Kipp and  
the location of old fort on the Upper Missouri River; offers  
to send a picture of Kipp.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [130]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Joseph Culbertson, Fort Peck,  
Jan. 18 Mont.  
Sends photographs of four Indians "who I understand were  
in the party that went with you and your father via Helena  
to Washington in 1872"; lists names of these Indians.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [131]
- 1919 Welling Napton, Missoula, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 18 Helena, Mont.  
Gives requested information on books--Over the Santa Fe  
Trail, [1857] and The Upper M[iss]o[uri] River--written by  
his brother, W. B. Napton.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [132]
- [19]19 [E.] Jane Carrington, [Coolidge Corner, Mass.].  
Jan. 21 To C[harles] N. Kessler.  
As she has not the pamphlet he desires, has written to  
her brother to see if he has one. *includes cover*  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13.5 cm. [133]
- [19]18 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Ch[arles] N.  
Jan. 21 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Requests payment of bill.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20 x 12.5 cm. [134]
- 1919 Pauline Carpenter, Gashland, Mo. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 22 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Expresses appreciation for picture of Fort Kipp, etc.;  
suggests Kessler put a price on old picture of Captain [James]  
Kipp; has tobacco pouch made by Captain Kipp's Indian wife;  
mentions Lewis Dougherty, son of Maj[or] Dougherty, of  
Liberty, Clay Co., Mo., who kept store at Fort[illegible]  
on the Big Platte River. *includes cover*  
A.L.S. 5 pp. 20.5 x 12.5 cm.  
For enclosure see entry 529. [135]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Jan. 24 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Tells of reactions of sons and daughters of Indians  
whose pictures Kessler has sent; "out of the 19 Indians that

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1919 was on that [1872] trip, I am the only one left to tell the  
Jan. 24 tale"; refers to his "book."  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [136]

[19]19 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N.  
Jan. 29 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Promises to perform several errands for Kessler; has  
some 1859 clippings on the Upper Missouri, with references to  
various [Carl F.] Wimar paintings; discusses other matters  
relating to Wimar's work.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [137]

1919 Dan Carpenter, Gashland, Mo. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Jan. 30 Helena, Mont.  
Encloses photograph of Capt. James Kipp for enlarge-  
ment and return; intends to bequeath photograph and Kipp's  
tobacco pouch to Smithsonian Institute [sic].  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20.5 x 13.5 cm. [138]

1919 D. F. Barry, Superior, Wis. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Feb. 1 [Helena, Mont.].  
Criticizes article sent him by Kessler and gives account  
of battle of Little Big Horn as told by Sitting Bull in the  
presence of Chiefs Gall and Rain-in-the-Face; offers to sell  
one of three autographs of Sitting Bull; promises to send  
letters of [Gen. Frederick W.] Benteen and Capt. Tom [M]  
McDougall; mentions Joe Dietrich of Bismar[c]k, North  
Dakota, as source of information about Charlie Reynolds;  
mentions various army officers he has known, etc.  
A.L.S. 6 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [139]

1919 Wyatt Malcolm, Ottawa [Ontario]. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Feb. 1 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Regrets that the Department of Mines, for which he is  
compiler of geological information, has no complete catalog  
of its publications; mentions geological investigations made  
by various men in Alberta and Saskatchewan; refers to publish-  
ing policies of departments of Canadian government.  
L.S. 2 pp. 26 x 21 cm. [140]

1919 H[enry] R. Wagner, Berkeley, Calif. To C[harles] N.  
Feb. 3 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Discusses colored plates in book [Travels in the Interior  
of North America, by Maximilian, Prince of Wied]; takes excep-  
tion to Kessler's view on map in [Granville] Stuart's book,  
etc.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [141]

1919 D. F. Barry, Superior, Wis. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Feb. 4 [probably Helena, Mont.].  
Encloses "letter of Gen. F[rederick] W. Benteen's For  
you to keep--and 3 of Capt. Tom [M.] McDougall to read. . . .  
Keep the one you prefer and return the other two."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosures not with letter. [142]

- 1919 W. T. Wood, Washington, D. C. To Charles N.  
Feb. 5 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Brigadier General Wood, Inspector General of the Army,  
offers to loan him the War Department's only copy of  
Description of Military Posts and Stations in the United  
States.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. *includes carbon* [143]
- [19]19 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N.  
Feb. 6 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data on [Charles A.] Fox; mentions [Stella] Drumm,  
Wimar Becker, and [Emil] Boehl.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [144]
- 1919 H. O. S. Heistand, Chicago. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 7 Helena, Mont.  
As the Headquarters, Central Department of the War  
Department, has only one copy of Outline Description of Posts  
and Stations of Troops in the Military Division of the  
Missouri, commanded by Lieutenant General P. H. Sheridan,  
"it is not practicable to comply with your request."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [145]
- [19]19 Charles N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.]. To [W. F. Grosser],  
Feb. 7 Salina, Kans.  
Inquires about the whereabouts of James or John Lyle  
Campbell, formerly (in the sixties) a resident of Idaho and  
Montana Territories.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [146]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Louis [sic]  
Feb. 8 Dougherty, Liberty, Mo.  
Asks for information regarding the location of old time  
trading post of American Fur Company known as Fort Kipp; also  
if he has any recollections of Capt. James Kipp, or material  
relating to him.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [147]
- 1919 Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To Joseph Kavanagh,  
Feb. 8 Elbowoods, N. Dak.  
Inquires if he has photograph of Capt. James Kipp; is  
endeavoring to determine site of an old trading post called  
"Fort Kipp."  
L. S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [148]
- 1919 Geo[rge] Bird Grinnell, New York. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 11 Helena, Mont.  
Answers Kessler's questions regarding the book, "Outlined  
Description of Posts and Stations of Troops in the Military  
Division of the Missouri, &c., Chicago, 1870," which, he  
states, was compiled by "Col. Geo. L. Hartsuff, Asst. Adjutant  
General."  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [149]

- 1919 H. P. Raban, Great Falls, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 13 Helena, Mont.  
Regrets inability to supply desired information, concern-  
ing Ja[me]s L[yle] Campbell; suggests that he contact editor  
of the Salina Journal.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [150]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Feb. 17 Kessler.  
Refers to additional accounts of scouting trips that he  
is writing when he has time, and to pictures which are being  
enlarged, also of local interest "about my book."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [151]
- 1919 J. B. Carrington, New York. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Feb. 18 Helena, Mont.  
Regrets that he is unable to find sketch of Fort C. F.  
Smith among his father's papers; wonders if Kessler ever saw  
a "book published by A. C. McClurg and Company, Chicago,  
entitled, 'With Carrington on the Bozeman Trail'."  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20 cm. [152]
- 1919 Lewis B. Dougherty, Liberty, Mo. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Feb. 21 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives transcript of biographical note on Capt. James  
Kipp from annals of Platte Co., Mo., July 5, 1880; refers  
Kessler to D. C. Allen [of Liberty, Mo.], for additional  
information on Kipp.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20.5 cm. [153]
- 1919 H[enry] S. Sohon, Washington, D. C. To Charles N.  
Feb. 24 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Encloses negative, prints and some photographs of  
Father [Pierre J.] De Smet and a photograph of "Tracey or  
Delacy" of the Mullan expedition taken by Gustav Sohon in  
1863-64; requests that Kessler present negative and some of  
the prints and photographs of De Smet to Montana Historical  
Society; wonders if there is a settlement near Sohon Pass.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm.  
Enclosures not with letter. [154]
- [19]19 W. F. Grosser, Salina, Kans. To [Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 28 Helena, Mont.].  
States that he is "unable to locate anyone in this  
vicinity by name of J. L. Campbell."  
N.S. (Written across bottom of Kessler's letter,  
Feb. 7, 1919.) [155]
- 1919 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To [Charles N.]  
Mar. 2 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Requests return of her mother's [Mrs. G. H. Roberts]  
manuscripts.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [156]

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1919 made by his father [Gustav Sohon] of the Rev. P[ierre]  
Mar. 19 J. De Smet and several other photographs, including one of  
[Gustav Sohon]; indicates he will determine if there is a  
settlement near "Sohon Pass," named after Gustav Sohon.  
Copy. 3 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm. [163]

1919 L. A. York, Boise, Idaho. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 19 Helena, Mont.  
States that small edition of [Osborne] Russell's Journal  
of a Trapper is exhausted, but the original manuscript has  
been sent to the University of California; is mailing copy of  
[John] Hailey's History of Idaho.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [164]

[1919?] H[enry] R. Wagner, Berkeley, Calif. To [Charles N.]  
Mar. 23 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Offers to sell a duplicate copy of [Rose's] Four Years  
in the Rocky M[oun]t[ain]s; mentions sending imperfect copy  
of the Independent printed at Fort Randall; discusses map  
in Granville Stuart's [Montana As It Is]; states that he  
has 1851 and 1871 editions of "Smith's books," [Relation of  
Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca, translated by Buckingham Smith].  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [165]

1919 Dan Carpenter, Gashland, Mo. To [Charles N. Kessler],  
Mar. 27 Helena, Mont.  
Is sending "Bead Tobacco pouch made by Captain [James]  
Kipp['s] Blackfoot Indian wife which he gave to me sometime  
during 1850 [?] or 1856. . . . You can keep the original  
photo & the pouch & do what you wish with it."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 22.5 x 15 cm. [166]

[1919 Pauline Carpenter, Gashland, Mo. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 27] [Helena, Mont.].  
Acknowledges receipt of copies of [Capt. James Kipp]  
picture; will send Kipp's tobacco pouch in exchange for  
breast pin.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 20.5 x 12 cm. [167]

[1919?] Dan Carpenter, Gashland, Mo. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 28 Helena, Mont.  
Transmits Capt. [James] Kipp's tobacco pouch; acknowledges  
receipt of two enlarged photos of Kipp.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 23 x 15 cm. [168]

1919 A. H. Holmes, Washington, D. C. To [Charles N. Kessler],  
Mar. 29 Helena, Mont.].  
Gives brief note on G. R. Bechler, Government survey  
topographer in Northwest in 1872 and 1875-76; is sending two  
separates of his [Holmes'] papers on Yellowstone Park.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [169]

1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Apr. 3 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to recent travel activities; a Blackfoot Indian  
has promised to get a knife Kessler wants, and will make a  
beaded scabbard for it; will send Kessler a map of the country

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- 1919  
Apr. 3 he scouted over; "Mr. Kurtz, the Lease Clerk at this agency [Fort Peck Indian Reservation]" will look over "the old books" for things that would be of interest.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [170]
- 1919  
Apr. 5 [Charles N. Kessler]. To H[enry] R. Wagner, Berkeley, Calif.  
Discusses at length a map in Granville Stuart's Montana As It Is.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [171]
- 1919  
Apr. 8 Julia Wades in Water, Browning, Mont. To [Joseph Culbertson], [Poplar, Mont.].  
"Jno Croff was fined 200.00 and turned loose. . . . I have your knife and scabbard--which cost us about \$20.00. We are sending the knife now. . . its about 150 years old . . . send me some patch quilts well made if you can . . . The gun you want I will try and get. . . . The woman that made the scabbard wants pay and if you will send me the quilts I will give them to her."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. includes cover [172]
- 1919  
Apr. 9 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to a knife he is sending, which was purchased from the Hudson Bay Company; "this man Wades in the Water lives on the Black Foot Reservation. He is a member of that tribe-- He is also going to get me that flint lock gun. . . . I am still with the Government, also I still hold my county job. . . . The Indian artist is working on my map."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [173]
- 1919  
Apr. 10 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Dan Carpenter, Gashland, Mo.  
Thanks him for [Capt. James] Kipp's tobacco pouch, which Kessler will frame together with a signed statement by Carpenter.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [174]
- [19]19  
Apr. 12 [Charles N. Kessler]. To H[enry] R. Wagner, [Berkeley, Calif.].  
Comments on Rose's Four Years in the Rocky Mountains; thanks Wagner for copy of "The Fort Randall [Independent] paper"; Tom Hauser will check old letters of his father's [Samuel T. Hauser] for reference to the "Stuart Map"; has looked into Cabeza de Vaca's travels and finds nothing to warrant the assumption that the early Spanish explorers ever ventured as far north as Wyoming or Montana.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [175]
- [19]19  
Apr. 15 Jos[eph] Dietrich, Bismar[c]k, N. D[ak]. To C[harles N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that he has a picture of Cha[rles] Reynolds, but not his signature; is mailing copy of a Kansas paper [Potter Kansan?] containing article on Reynolds by his brother.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [176]

- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To James Willard Schultz,  
Apr. 15 Greer, Ariz.  
He is writing Schultz "thro' the courtesy of Dr. George [Bird] Grinnell of New York" regarding Fort Conrad and other fur trading posts of the Upper Missouri country; asks assistance in compiling a history of the old fur trading posts; inquires if Schultz has a sketch of Fort Conrad; refers to "Hammill or Hammell's House" mentioned in Gen. I. I. Stevens report, Pacific Railway Surveys, and asks for information on "this man Hammell"; has secured original tintype of James Kipp; refers to Sport Among the Rockies, by Charles H. Francis, in which Schultz is mentioned.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. *includes 2 maps* [177]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To [James H.  
Apr. 18 Dibb], Great Falls, [Mont.].  
Mentions article appearing in a recent publication of the Montana Newspaper Association of Great Falls on Fisk Expedition from Minnesota to Montana in 1866; inquires as to the whereabouts of the original picture of the Fisk expedition.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [178]
- 1919 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise, [Idaho.] To [Charles N.]  
Apr. 20 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Encloses letter sent to her by mistake and urges manuscript be sent her by return mail.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13 cm. [179]
- 1919 Geo[rge] Bird Grinnell, New York. To Charles N.  
Apr. 21 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Identifies map in his copy of Granville Stuart's Montana As It Is as the Rae Smith map Kessler refers to; has another copy of what is supposed to be the De Lacey map; will try to get data on picture of old Fort C. F. Smith.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [180]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Margaret S. Roberts,  
Apr. 23 Boise, Idaho.  
Returns original manuscript and an accurate transcript, asking forgiveness for having copied it, pleading that it was so valuable no chance should be taken of its being lost; regrets that missing parts cannot be found; suggests that manuscript is not in her grandfather's or Thaddeus Culbertson's handwriting.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [181]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Apr. 24 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Asks if knife and scabbard have been received; has had a request from a Chicago firm for "a history of the Indian battles which took place in this part of the country in 1876 and 81 while General [Nelson A.] Miles was commanding the troops. I wrote and told them that I had already written it up."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [182]

- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Apr. 26 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has just returned from a visit to the remains of old Fort Charles and Fort Kipp, "four miles up the river from the mouth of the big Muddy [Missouri River]"; is sending relics of their old trading posts; "Fort Kipp is about two hundred yards from Fort Charles. Fort Kipp was built before Fort Charles."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [183]
- 1919 James Willard Schultz, Greer, Ariz. To Charles N.  
Apr. 26 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data on founding and early days of Fort Conrad, also trading on the Missouri River at Carroll[l, Mont.]; has never heard of "Hammell, or of Hammell's Houses"; criticizes the accuracy of Sport Among the Rockies and the character of its author, Charles S. Francis; thanks Kessler for photograph of James Kipp, whose son, Joseph, "was the closest friend I ever had"; gives details of his petitioning of the Secretary of the Interior on behalf of the Blackfeet Indians to restore the Indian names "to the topographical features of the [Glacier] Park region"; encloses sketch of Fort Conrad.  
L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosure not with letter. [184]
- 1919 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To Ch[arles] N.  
May 6 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Thanks him for box of manuscripts; her mother [Mrs. G. H. Roberts] will write him and "will send you another roll of manuscripts and an autograph of dear Grandfather [Alexander Culbertson]."  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm. [185]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To James W. Schultz, Greer, Ariz.  
May 8 Discusses history and location of Fort Conrad, and of Matt Carroll and the post at Carroll; refers to article in Forest and Stream, July 6, 1907, and, in 1905, a series of articles by Charles Aubrey; in February and March 1902, Schultz's article, "Floating Down the Missouri"; details activities of the Hammells, sometimes spelled Hamel or Hammel; asks if Schultz recalls Edward T. Denig; discusses Indian names and meanings, the renaming of localities in Glacier Park country, and the naming of Helena in the Blackfeet tongue in his story, My Life [as an Indian]; offers to communicate something of interest about the [Hugh] Monroe family, referred to in a report of Capt. John Palliser's expedition in 1856-60.  
Copy. 9 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [186]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
May 10 Has been at site of Fort Union, and is sending "a piece of one of the old chimneys"; some men from Helena have been inspecting the site of the fort, and have said they intend "to buy the land for the state and have it all fixed up"; refers to map he has made; "Fort Union is just 253 steps from the Montana line into Dakota."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [187]

- 1919 Charles N. Kessler. To [Margaret S.] Roberts.  
May 11 Assures her that transcript of manuscript is correct;  
advises discovery of absolute authorship and date, etc.,  
when and where written before having it published.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 22 cm. [188]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
May 16 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"The last Trader who was there [old Fort Union] in 1868  
was Mr. Gable, a German Curley was his interpreter. The  
Indians called him Rocky Mountain Man. The Old Fort was  
afterwards torn down by Col. Rankin of the 22nd Infantry in  
1869. . . . You can still see where the old tunnel was."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [189]
- 1919 L. B. Dougherty, Liberty, Mo. To Charles M. [sic]  
May 19 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to photograph of a painting, probably of Captain  
[James] Kipp, in Kessler's possession; knows nothing more of  
Kipp than he has told; refers to William Carpenter as a Clay  
Co. [Mo.] historian.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [190]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Secretary, Smithsonian  
May 19 Institution, Washington, D. C.  
Requests information concerning early western explora-  
tions under the auspices of the Institution, War and other  
departments, listing information desired.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 22 cm. [191]
- 1919 H. W. Dorsey, Chief Clerk, Smithsonian Institution,  
May 27 Washington [D. C.] To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to list in Kessler's letter of May 19 and advises  
that list refers to expeditions, not to reports; suggests  
reference to Smithsonian Reports in Public Library or State  
Library in Helena, and to U. S. Geological Survey Bulletin  
222 (series G, Miscellaneous 26.).  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [192]
- 1919 Isaac Blount, Frazer, Mont. To Jo[s]e[ph] Culbertson,  
May 31 Poplar, Mont.  
"Fort Hawl[e]y was built in 1865, and two years later in  
1867, your Father made the Treaty with the Crows Indians.  
That is the time you loaded one of the Chiefs Pipe with Gun  
Powder, and it blowed all to pieces. And the people of the  
Fort had to talk like good fellows to keep from getting killed  
off that time."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [193]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Stella M. Drumm,  
June 14 St. Louis.  
He is sending a picture of Father [Pierre J.] De Smet for  
Father Burke; has failed to secure any data concerning E[dwin]  
T. Denig; quotes Joe Culbertson as remembering Ramsay the  
hunter, several members of the Kennerly family, and Philip  
Alvarez, a trader at Fort Union and later a tailor, who may be

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- 1919 the man miscalled "Alvarippe" (Alvarisso) by Dr. Robinson;  
June 14 suggests the possibility that Jacob Halsey lived beyond 1842,  
as stated in [Hiram L.] Chittenden's [The American Fur Trade  
of the Far West].  
L. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [194]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
June 18 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Refers to the "old gate" he is going to send T. C. Power  
in care of Kessler, and tells how it was acquired.  
L.S. 1 p. 27 x 20.5 cm. [195]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
June 20 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives data on an old gate from the trading post built at  
Poplar, Mont. in 1882 which he is "shipping today" to Kessler.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [196]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To [James M.] Dibb,  
June 23 [Great Falls, Mont.].  
Inquires if Dibb has succeeded in obtaining for him a  
copy of a picture of members of the [James L.] Fisk expedi-  
tion and the address of owner of the original.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [197]
- 1919 [Charles N.] K[essler, Helena, Mont.]. To C[harles] W.  
June 22 Schleiffarth, St. Louis.  
Comments on death of Schleiffarth's friend, [Charles A.]  
Fox; asks if Schleiffarth will make typed copies of, or send,  
some "clippings of 1859 etc--'Letters from Upper Missouri'--  
'Trip of the St[eame]r Omaha, from Sioux City to upper  
Missouri,'--references to Fort Benton, Maj[or] Vaughn, Black-  
feet Indians, references to various [Carl F.] Wimar paintings,  
etc., also to his last work"; inquires about tearing down of  
old courthouse with Wimar frescoes; desires to see Wimar  
Indian relics; thinks Wimar must have known Capt. James Kipp;  
values references to notes of Wimar's in Schleiffarth's  
letter of March 2; wishes to know if Wimar made two trips up  
the Missouri River.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
For enclosures see entries 199, 200. [198]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To C[harles] W.  
June 22 S[chleiffarth, St. Louis].  
Refers to notes on Carl [F.] Wimar's trip up the Missouri  
River taken from W. B. Napton's book, Over the Santa Fe Trail,  
1857  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 198. [199]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To C[harles] W.  
June 22 S[chleiffarth, St. Louis].  
Refers to notes on Carl [F.] Wimar's trip up the Missouri  
River taken from Col. Alfred [J.] Vaughn's Report of Commis-  
sioner of Indian Affairs, 1859.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 198. [200]

- [19]19 James H. Dibb, Great Falls, [Mont.]. To [Charles N.  
June 27 Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Gives addresses of two daughters of Dr. Dibb as persons  
most likely to have picture of [Capt. James L.] Fisk expedi-  
tion.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [201]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Mrs. J. E. Fitzgerald,  
June 30 St. Paul, Minn.  
Requests date of Minneapolis paper containing picture  
and article about Fisk expedition, and offers to purchase  
copy of the original picture.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [202]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To Mrs. R. D. [W.]  
June 30 Strong, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Asks for date of Minneapolis paper carrying transcripts  
of Dr. Dibb's diary; wants to know where he can get print  
from original plate of picture accompanying transcripts, etc.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [203]
- 1919 J. Walter Fewkes, Washington, D. C. To [Charles N.  
July 2 Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Encloses six prints; "the negative of 'Little Wolf' was  
unfortunately broken; we do not possess a negative or picture  
of old Fort C. F. Smith."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [204]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To John W. Condon, Toronto  
July 2 [Ontario].  
Acknowledges receipt of book list and requests further  
lists of special offerings.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [205]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler], [Helena, Mont.], To Joseph  
July 6 Culbertson, Poplar, Mont.  
Transmits some pictures of Indians; will send photograph  
of drawing of old Fort Peck for criticism; gives details in  
a journal written by Culbertson's father [Alexander Culbertson]  
of a trip made in 1870 with a Father La Hurie from the Marias  
River "to a spur called the Buffaloes Head" -- this journal  
sent to Kessler by Culbertson's cousin at Boise [Idaho];  
refers to Charles Aubrey and James W. Schultz.  
Copy. 4 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [206]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
July 12 Kessler.  
States he is the lone survivor of those in the Indian  
chiefs' picture made in Washington in 1872; tells of his  
locating, "yesterday", the old tunnel at Fort Union, and his  
talk with old Jacob Wertz, the oldest white men on the Fort  
Peck Reservation and a former member of the 13th Infantry  
under Colonel Rankin; relates details of trip with his father,  
a Catholic priest [Father La Hurie?], and "old Pat" in 1870;  
tells of marriage of his son Sam and Margaret Mossman, daughter  
of Major Mossman, Indian agent at Fort Peck Reservation.  
A.L.S. 7 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm. [207]

- 1919 Mrs. W. T. Williams, Gashland, Mo. To C[harles] N.  
July 12 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
At D[an] Carpenter's request, gives data concerning  
Captain [James] Kipp and family; states that her father, J. W.  
Parrish, was a neighbor and close friend of Kipp; has a  
picture of Kipp. *includes cover and transcript*  
A.L.S. 6 pp. 21.5 x 15 cm. [208]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
July 14 Kessler.  
Encloses sketch of old Fort Union; suggests Kessler  
write Ike Blunt [Isaac Blount] of Frazer, Mont., who has some  
old treaty papers made with the Assi[ni]boine Indians in 1855,  
his father [Alexander Culbertson] acting as interpreter and  
signing his name to the treaty.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm. [209]
- [19]19 C[harles] N. K[essler]. To Cad[mus?] Book Shop, N[ew]  
July 17 Y[ork].  
"Please send Yellowstone photograph by [W. H.] Jackson  
and Jacksons Hole Hunting Trip **by Fish.**"  
Copy. 1 p. 9 x 21.5 cm. *written on the back of torn business letter* [210]
- 1919 R. W. Strong, Chicago. To Charles N. Kessler,  
July 19 Helena, Mont.  
"The story to which you refer was written by myself,  
from data found in a diary left by my wife's father [Dr. Dibb],  
who was the surgeon with the [James L.] Fisk party, and was  
published in the Minneapolis Journal of Sunday, March 2, I  
believe. . . . I **have** the original pictures of the leaders  
of the party, and **the** plates that were made from enlarged  
photographs of the same. . . ."  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. *includes photostat* [211]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Joseph Culbertson,  
July 21 Poplar, Mont.  
Thanks Culbertson for information relative to Bow River  
trip in 1870 and inquires as to what became of Father La Hurie;  
encloses a copy of list of questions sent to Ike [Isaac]  
Blount; requests Culbertson to secure answers and to send him  
the treaty papers in Blount's possession.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [212]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
July 24 Kessler.  
Requests that "cut" of his be traced and returned to him;  
asks if he got his book and pictures and if he has heard any-  
thing about "the gate."  
L. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [213]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler], [Helena, Mont.]. To Descendants  
July 28 of the late W[illiam] S. Culbertson, New Albany, Ind.  
Requests information regarding early days in Montana  
Territory; states he has a copy of Culbertson genealogy; that  
he has learned from Mrs. [George H.] Roberts that there was a  
painting of Alexander Culbertson in a trapper's costume;  
wishes to know if this picture is still in existence; if so,

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1919 where, and could he obtain a photographic copy; also asks  
July 28 regarding painting of old Fort Union.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 22.5 cm. [214]

[19]19 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N.  
July 30 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Suggests arrangement for making typed transcription of  
[Carl F.] Wimar's notes, etc.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [215]

[1919 Joseph Culbertson. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
July] "I am sending you a nother [sic] book, that I got from  
the agency. I no [sic] you like to look over these old books."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [216]

1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Cha[rle]s W. Schleiffarth,  
Aug. 5 St. Louis.  
Sends check for \$15 to cover cost of copying papers;  
requests copies of maps and sketches to assist in "tracing  
out where [Carl F.] Wimar was at times"; explains that in a  
"drawing of the Forts of the American Fur Company, a cut of  
which appears in the life of Father De Smet, written by  
Chittenden and Richardson, published in 1905, Volume 2, there  
is a sketch . . . of Fort Kipp"; states his belief that this  
old post stood "in what is now Montana."  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [217]

1919 James Willard Schultz, Greer, Ariz. To Charles N.  
Aug. 6 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Mentions site of old Fort Conrad, Charles Aubrey, and  
Wolf Point trading post; discusses possibility of Hammell, or  
Ammel, mentioned by Kessler, being one Armell, "old time  
engagee [sic] of the American Fur Co."; discusses possibility  
of Willow Rounds and Flat Willow being the same place, giving  
Indian name for it; mentions his story of Joseph Kipp, which  
appeared in the Great Falls Tribune for July 5, 1914; mentions  
Thomas and James Dawson, [Frank B.] Linderman, John Monroe,  
and his forthcoming biography of Hugh Monroe, Rising Wolf--  
The White Blackfoot.  
L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [218]

1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Aug. 8 Kessler.  
States that an editor has agreed to publish his book;  
requests return of book and map, picture of his father and  
mother and other pictures; mentions having presented cannon  
to Louis W. Hill; has located the other one of the two used  
at old Fort Union during his father's time and is trying to  
secure it; has letter from General Baldwin stating "he is  
coming out here with him ([C. N.] Camp) to go over the old  
battlefields."  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm. [219]

1919 Jos[eph] Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Aug. 8 Kessler.  
Promises to ship the "little brass cannon" if he gets it.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [220]

- [19]19 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Charles N.  
Aug. 14 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Discusses clerical details of the typing [of Carl F. Wimar material] he is doing for Kessler; will send "print from that old Wimar ambrotype, and will also copy the 'Buffalo Hunt' which I have. Some years ago, I took picture of our parlor, and same shows 'Bear and Deer', also 'Lost Trail' which altho a bit small, will add to your collection."  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [221]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Aug. 20 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Urges Kessler to push the matter of publishing his book; has located brass cannon, but must write Commissioner of Indian Affairs to get it; it is one that belonged to his father [Alexander Culbertson] and was used at old Fort Union.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [222]
- 1919 Jerry Carleton, [Sioux Falls, S. Dak.]. To Secretary,  
Aug. 22 Masonic Lodge, Helena, Mont.  
Is sending two reproductions of picture of Confederate Gulch, Mont[ana], in 1867, showing Masonic Building, requested of him by "some man in Helena" [Charles N. Kessler], whose name and address he has lost.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [223]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 2 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Urges Kessler to return Government books he loaned him and for which he is responsible; states the little cannon was made at his "father's old town," Pittsburg, Pa.; will get it through Indian office, but it will take a little time; mentions seeing [Isaac] Blount who showed him some of Kessler's letters; asks whether "that gate ever got there"; will write to [T. C.] Powers and ask if he received it.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [224]
- 1919 H[enry] M. Lydenburg, New York. To Charles N.  
Sept. 16 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Believes articles Kessler has in mind are the parts of May W. H. Schieffelin's Crossing the Plains in '61; published in Recreation for June, July, August and September, 1895.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [225]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 17 Kessler.  
Acknowledges receipt of book, but states he did not get the one he gave him in Helena; has just returned from taking General Scott, chief of staff, to Fort Union and other places; requests date [Owen] McKenzie was killed at Fort Union; thinks that he has found his grave.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [226]
- 1919 Charles Reymershoffer, St. Louis. To Charles N.  
Sept. 29 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Discusses Carl F. Wimar's paintings and sketches, giving

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- 1919 data on subjects and present locations; gives biographical  
Sept. 29 data on Timar.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 25 x 21 cm. [227]
- 1919 S[amuel] A. Culbertson, Louisville, Ky. To Charles N.  
Sept. 30 Kessler.  
Acknowledges receipt of letter addressed to "The Descendants of the late William S. Culbertson"; regrets he cannot be of material assistance in tracing genealogical records of the Culbertson family; states there is quite a complete history by Dr. Lewis R. Culbertson of Zanesville, O[hio], published in 1893; encloses part of family record received from cousin, Dr. Emma B. Culbertson, Boston, Mass.; also has in his possession oil painting of buffalo hunt at Three Buttes, Mont., and believes that Cyrus Culbertson is the white man in hunting costume.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. *includes family record and its copy* [228]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler], [Helena, Mont.]. To Joseph  
Sept. 30 Culbertson, Poplar, Mont.  
Sends lengthy information regarding the Clark-McKenzie feud in which Malcolm Clark killed a man named [Owen] McKenzie, on the steamer "Nellie Rogers," near Milk River in the year 1863; regrets he cannot get picture of Owen McKenzie, son of Kenneth McKenzie as family records were burned; requests address of Mr. Weiker, who now owns the grounds of old Fort Union; also requests information about old Jim Meldrum, Charles Larpenteur, old Joe Ramisie, Alvarez, and Frank Gruard; advises him to hunt up William Shoup, who is also interested in Fort Union.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [229]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler], [Helena, Mont.]. To Joseph  
Oct. 1 Culbertson, Poplar, Mont.  
Writer agrees to return long typewritten article if Culbertson insists, but advises against letting article get out of his hands, as it is worth money to publish a thing of this kind; mentions "the little cannon"; has heard there was one at or near old Fort Belknap.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [230]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Joseph Culbertson, Poplar,  
Oct. 1 Mont.  
Refers Culbertson to and quotes from, Father De Smet's "History" [Life, Letters and Travels of Father Pierre Jean De Smet] for further information about the [Malcolm] Clark - [Owen] McKenzie affair; says it looks as though it must have happened above old Fort Galpin, near the Big Dry Fork, or near location of old Fort Peck; in all probability [Owen] McKenzie's body was buried at Fort Union where he was raised as a boy.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [231]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Samuel A. Culbertson,  
Oct. 2 Louisville [Ky.]  
Has made copy of enclosure of Sept. 30 and returns original; regrets that Culbertson has no knowledge of painting of Major Alexander Culbertson made by [J. M.] Stanley in

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1919 1855; mentions earlier picture painted by [Isaac] Sprague,  
Oct. 2 which also seems to have disappeared; encloses tracing of  
lithograph in [I. I.] Stevens' Pacific Railroad Reports, and  
requests copy of one in possession of Culbertson if it differs  
from tracing; suggests that the white man in the picture in  
possession of addressee is Alexander Culbertson.

Copy. 3 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[232]

1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Oct. 5 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

Has located [Owen] McKenzie's grave at Fort Union, and  
suggests that they see to it that the monument is restored;  
Louis W. Hill wants him to go to Glacier Park, where a motion  
picture of Indian warfare is to be made; mentions requests of  
"high officials" for "the little book"; promises to write  
"about Joe Ramzie and the other parties" when he has more  
time; will have to get "the cannon" through the Indian Office;  
asks for pictures of Forts Union, Peck and Benton; is sending  
a copy of the Poplar Standard containing his story "of the  
Gall fight"; refers to exact location of Fort Charles.

L. 6 pp. 16.5 x 13 cm.

[233]

1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To James Willard Schultz,  
Oct. 10 Greer, Ariz.

Deplores the fact that so little is known or has been  
written of the character and work of James Kipp and suggests  
that Schultz could "do it better than any living person";  
asks if he knew Brazeau, a trader with American Fur Company;  
tells of Joe Culbertson having located grave of Owen McKenzie  
at Fort Union; thanks Schultz for information regarding the  
Armell (Hammell of Stevens) matter; he and Schultz agree that  
the Blackfeet used flint and obsidian up to the time the  
Hudson's Bay Company supplied iron points and knives; states  
that E[dgar] S. Paxson has made him a sketch of old Fort Owen  
from the sketch by Granville Stuart and other measurements,  
etc.; is in correspondence with William de la M. Cary,  
passenger on the "Chippewa" in 1859, which "blew up," and of  
which disaster he is painting a picture; asks Schultz's help  
in securing Blackfeet name and other Indian lore for this  
[Helena] region.

Copy. 5 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.

[234]

1919 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To James Willard  
Oct. 11 Schultz, Greer, Ariz.

Has read Schultz's article in the Great Falls Tribune  
of July 5, 1914, considers it incomplete but interesting;  
suggests Schultz read Audubon and His Journals; tells of his  
correspondence with Miss M[aria] R. Audubon; asks Schultz's  
opinion on correctness of enclosed picture of Fort Carroll,  
made by Haynes of St. Paul in 1881 or 1882.

L. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[235]

1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Oct. 12 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].

Knew Joe Ramisie, hunter for his father and Philip  
Alvarez "who did tailor work for my father at Fort Union";  
has heard of Carpenter, whom Indians called "Big Neck"; also

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1919  
Oct. 13 knew Custer's scout, Charley Randalls [Reynolds?], and Frank Gruard; he presented Gruard with the brown horse shot from under him in the Reno fight; requests Kessler to have "picture of my parents with me in center" and picture of Medicine Bear included in the book; promises to attend to the [Owen] McKenzie grave; the old Fort Union location is owned by J. Weinridge of Mondak, Mont.

L.S. 3 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm.

[236]

1919  
Oct. 17 Geo[rge] Bird Grinnell, [New York]. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Requests print of picture of James Kipp; mentions that he knew Kipp's Mandan wife and son Joe; inquires about "Mrs. Stewart [sic] and her efforts to get into Granville's [Stuart] reminiscences."

L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

*with envelope but no stamp*

[237]

1919  
Oct. 20 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To J. Walter Fewkes, Washington, D. C.

Acknowledges receipt of 32nd Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology.

Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[238]

1919  
Oct. 21 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis.

Thinks that he has discovered locale of [Carl F.] Wimar's "Buffalo Hunt by Indians" owned by Charles Reimershoffer [sic] of Texas; will be glad to have print from old Wimar ambrotype, copy of the "Buffalo Hunt" and the parlor print with the "Bear on Deer" and "Lost Trail"; is interested in copy of drawing of "the Forts of the American Fur Company which appears in the Hodges book," and in a picture of Fort Kipp.

Copy. 1 p. 27 x 21.5 cm.

[239]

1919  
Oct. 22 [Charles N. Kessler]. To A. S. Claek [sic], Peekskill, N. Y.

Encloses list of magazines, etc. wanted and states he is interested in collecting Pacific Northwest books, etc.

Copy. 1 p. 27 x 21.5 cm.

[240]

1919  
Oct. 22 [Charles N. Kessler]. To George Bird Grinnell, New York.

Sends pictures of Captain [James] Kipp and Joseph Kipp, giving considerable information regarding Kipp and his Mandan wife; urges Grinnell to try to secure copy of a book about the Western Military posts for him; hopes that Mrs. Stuart will be successful in securing publication of Granville Stuart's reminiscences; asks about securing a copy of picture of old Fort C. W. Smith in the museum of the Military Service Institution, at Governors Island.

Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

*includes photo of Kipp's grave*

[241]

1919  
Oct. 25 Jos[eph] Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.

Encloses history of "the Custer fight" as told by Feather Ear Ring, one of Sitting Bull's men, the only Indian on [the Fort Peck] reservation that was in the fight; he has "written

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- 1919 the life of the squaw man and my experience under fifteen  
Oct. 25 different Indian agents on the Fort Peck Reservation and how  
the Indian [sic] have been handled. I never intend to have  
this published until I have gone over the Great Divide."  
L.S. 2 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [242]
- 1919 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To [Jerry Carleton,  
Oct. 27 Sioux Falls, S. Dak.].  
Renews request of last March that Carleton order, from a  
photographer at Sioux Falls, two copies of picture of old  
Diamond City in Confederate Gulch, Montana.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. includes copy and [243]  
address (P) written on  
deposit slip
- 1919 Frances M. A. Roe, Port Orange, Fla. To  
Oct. 27 Helen Avery.  
Refers to "the publishing of the Montana paper" which  
[Charles N.] Kessler has suggested, and the possible inclusion  
of an excerpt from it "in his book"; gives detailed recol-  
lections of a trip made by the Marquis of Lorne, Governor  
General of Canada, his suite, and Col. [Charles Francis]  
Roe [her husband] from [Fort?] Shaw to Dillon [Mont.]; asks  
that Kessler "return the two photographs [of Lord Lorne and  
Colonel Roe] after he has finished with them."  
L.S. 7 pp. 17 x 13.5 cm. [244]
- 1919 Geo[rge] Bird Grinnell, New York. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Oct. 28 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Thanks him for photographs of [Capt.] James Kipp and his  
son Joe; has some material on "Old Man Kipp" among his papers;  
mentions the character, Berry, in [James Willard] Schultz's  
book, My Life as an Indian, as having been drawn from Joe  
Kipp, etc.  
L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21 cm. [245]
- [19]19 C[harles] W. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To J. R. Coryell,  
Oct. 28 San Francisco.  
"If your Maximillians [sic] Travels for sale please  
wire quotation my expense."  
A.D.S. 1 p. 16 x 15 cm. [246]
- 1919 J. B. Gary, San Francisco, Calif. To C[harles]  
Oct. 28 H. [sic] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"Have refused several offers will take two hundred and  
fifty."  
D.S. 1 p. 20.5 x 13 cm. [247]
- 1919 Spencer Ellsworth, East St. Louis, Ill. To Charles  
Oct. 28 M. [sic] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Gives data on his father's articles and intended book on  
trip through Geyserland, Mont., in August 1882, as member of  
the United States Geological Survey party.  
L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 22 cm. [248]

- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Family of the late  
Oct. 30 Dr. W[illiam] Culbertson, Logansport, Ind.  
Seeks information concerning painting of Major Alexander  
Culbertson and a drawing or painting of Fort Union.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [249]
- 1919 [Charles N. Kessler]. To [Spencer Ellsworth,  
Oct. 30 East St. Louis, Ill.].  
Asks the privilege of reading any manuscripts or news  
files Ellsworth may have of his father's articles published  
in Lacon [Ill.] Home Journal [of a trip through Geyserland,  
Montana, as member of 1882 United States Geological Survey  
party].  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [250]
- 1919 Spencer Ellsworth, East St. Louis, Ill. To [Charles  
Nov. 3 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
States that his father did issue a prospectus and nego-  
tiated with Chicago publisher regarding manuscript he had  
started; thinks there is little chance of Kessler reading his  
father's letters, since they are bound in newspaper files  
"too large to move"; the Lacon [Ill.] Home Journal, of which  
he has files from 1868 to 1885, is still published.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [251]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Nov. 13 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
"I am sending you a true story told by Fe[a]ther Ear Ring  
of Custers last fight. I want this story to go with my story";  
will send "a cut of Yellow E[a]gle and myself"; "did you get  
the gate[?]"  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [252]
- [1919?] H[enry] R. Wagner, [New York]. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Nov. 23 Helena, Mont.  
States that "the Hoffman" [book] he has, in German, does  
not touch on Montana, except for a possible reference to the  
Silver [?] City district in Idaho; is not acquainted with the  
Holman book; saw George Bird Grinnell's copy of Granville  
Stuart's Montana As It Is with the Rae-Smith map; "Grinnell  
says the later [Walter W. De] Lacy maps have more color in  
them."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [253]
- 1919 [Probably Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To James  
Nov. 24 Willard Schultz, Greer, Ariz.  
Discusses correspondence with A[rthur] L. Stone, author  
of Following Old Trails, regarding Montana Geographical  
Society, its work being "seriously interrupted by the War,"  
etc.; mentions Schultz's article in Great Falls Tribune in  
regard to picture of Joe Kipp; also autograph letter of  
Maximilian, Prince of Wied, dated 1837, recently acquired.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [254]

- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Nov. 30 Kessler.  
Gives data on "old Fort Charles" as distinguished from "the original old Fort Charles which was one of my father's [Alexander Culbertson] old trading posts in the early sixties"; "in 1873 & 4 Arvelle Grant the brother of General [U. S.] Grant came to old Fort Peck and built a trading post right across the Missouri river from old Fort Peck. This post was named after Charles & Co of Sioux City [Iowa], this company was backing Arvelle Grant. . . . General Grant who was then President . . . reserved a strip of land extending from the mouth of Hell Creek to the mouth of the Yellow Stone, & ten miles back from the Missouri river on the South side. He did this to keep all other traders out of that part of the country so that his brother Arvelle Grant might controle [sic] the whole Indian trade"; refers to location of Fort Kipp, and to first delegation of Sioux Indians to go to Washington; is having cuts made of pictures of himself and Indians for inclusion in the book; "be patient about the cannon."  
L. 3 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [255]
- [1919 Lloyd Coryell, Menlo Park, Calif. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Nov.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has sold the two volumes of Maximilian's [Prince of Wied] Travels in [the Interior of] N[orth] America to Templeton Crocker for \$250; offers for Kessler's consideration other collector's items not Americana.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 15 x 12.5 cm. [256]
- 1919 Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To James Mooney,  
Nov. Washington, D. C.  
"Memorandum of References to Edwin Thomson Denig in various Publications and Manuscript References not published. Submitted for use of Mr. James Mooney of the Smithsonian Institute [sic] at Washington, in November 1919 by Charles N. Kessler, . . ."  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. *includes copy* [257]
- 1919 Charles N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.]. To Joseph  
Dec. 11 Dietrich, Bismar[c]k, N. Dak.  
Writes concerning an article in the Potter Kansan entitled "Charley Reynolds" [Charley Reynolds, General Custer's Chief of Scouts, by J. E. R[eynolds?], Potter Kansan, 1910-1915]; found Dietrich's name in a book, Frontier Sketches and Indian Life [on the Upper Missouri and Great Plains] by Joseph H. Taylor; inquires about a man named Morrow who took pictures in the West in the 1870's; asks if he has old time pictures of the Upper Missouri, such as of Fort Peck and Fort Union.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm. [258]
- 1919 James Willard Schultz, Los Angeles. To Charles N.  
Dec. 12 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has been unable to answer Kessler's "very interesting letters" as "my publishers have been crowding me to complete a story."  
L.S. 1 p. 17 x 14.5 cm. [259]

- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Dec. 13 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Complains that he has not received a letter from Kessler in five months; has written an article for a local paper, which he is sending on; has written to "Mr. [C. N.] Camp of Chicago" for cuts of some pictures to be put in his book.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [260]
- 1919 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Dec. 24 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Inquires again on progress of his book; "it will now soon be two years since I sent you the typewritten story"; begs for an answer as he is "getting letters from all over the country" regarding it.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [261]
- 1919 Laura Lohman Scott [?], Armstead, Mont. To C[harles]  
Dec. 30 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Letter regarding community activities of Beaverhead [Mont.] and Armstead [Mont.] Chapters of the D. A. R. in celebrating Sacajawea Day; photographs of pageant of 1915, etc., sent in 1918; mentions new link in Lewis and Clark trail she has located; is doubtful that Sacajawea ever saw or talked to Hugh Monroe.  
A.L.S. 8 pp. 17 x 13 cm. [262]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To the descendants of the late  
Jan. 9 John G. Bell, Sparkhill, N. Y.  
Seeks information regarding Lewis Squires, and Edwin Thomson Denig, employee of American Fur Co. at Fort Union at time of visit there of [John J.] Audubon party, of which John G. Bell was a member.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [263]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To [James F. Drake,  
Jan. 9 New York].  
Confirms in detail telegram requesting Drake to bid for him at book sales.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [264]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Jo[s]e[ph] Culbertson].  
Jan. 12 Promises to let Culbertson know about cost of printing his book, but advises against use of colored pictures, because of expense; mentions purchase of a letter by [Maximilian] Prince of Wied in which reference is made to Culbertson's father [Alexander Culbertson].  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [265]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 16 Kessler.  
Refers to delay in the printing of his book, and to postal card pictures of Yellow Eagle and Medicine Bear which he has had made; mentions Indians' plan to build a monument at Fort Peck agency in honor of Medicine Bear; is happy that he is now receiving a pension from the Government.  
L. 6 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm. [266]

- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Ja[me]s F. Drake,  
Jan. 16 New York.  
Requests Drake to bid on certain items for him at  
book sale.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [267]
- [19]20 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Ch[arles]  
Jan. 17 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. Box 235.  
Promises letter of explanation; "photos are also in  
work; . . . with this is a few sheets Ms."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 14 x 8 cm. *postcard with stamp* [268]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To James F. Drake,  
Jan. 22 New York.  
Lists several works he would like to trade with Drake  
for Pacific Northwest items.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [269]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To James F. Drake,  
Jan. 23 New York.  
Confirms wire and gives additional instructions regarding  
purchase of a Schoolcraft set [History and Statistical Inform-  
ation Respecting the History, Condition and Prospects of the  
Indian Tribes of the United States, by Henry R. Schoolcraft?]  
for which he is willing to pay "about 130.00 or so."  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [270]
- 1920 J[ames] F. Drake, New York. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Jan. 26 Helena, Mont.  
Reports on book purchases at auction sales made for  
Kessler, including the "Schoolcraft" mentioned in Kessler's  
letter of Jan. 23. *includes small handwritten  
from Kessler*  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [271]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Feb. 4 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Asks again that Kessler return pictures of his family;  
has told a "high official from Helena" who inquired, that  
Kessler is still working on his book; mentions sending cuts  
of Medicine Bear, Yellow Eagle, and himself.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [272]
- [19]20 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Ch[arles]  
Feb. 4 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Is sending by registered mail enlargement from an old  
daguerreotype, which must have been taken during the latter  
period of [Carl F.] W[imar]'s life. *actually a stamped  
postcard*  
A.L.S. 1 p. 14 x 8 cm. [273]
- 1920 J[ames] F. Drake, New York. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Feb. 7 Helena, Mont.  
Note regarding an auction bid on a [George] Catlin item.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. *includes 5 pp. of invoices  
from Drake* [274]

- 1920 E. B. Smith, Governors Island, N. Y. To C[harles]  
Feb. 7 N. Kessler.  
Tells Kessler to expect to hear from John Adams Perry of Asheville, N. C., a retired army captain, who has a number of pictures formerly in the M[ilitary] S[ervice] Inst[itutio]n, and who might know of a picture of Fort [C. F.] Smith.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 12.5 x 10 cm. [275]
- 1920 Frances M. A. Roe, Port Orange, Fla. To [Charles N.]  
Feb. 17 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
NOS  
03/1988 Thanks Kessler for his praise of her book, Army Letters [from an Officer's Wife]; mentions General Charles King's assistance in having book published.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 17 x 13.5 cm. [276]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To Librarian,  
Mar. 1 Public Library, Burlington, Vt.  
Inquires concerning book, The Life of Thomas Hawley Canfield, published in Burlington in 1869; also requests address of members of the Canfield family.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [277]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To E. A. Southwick,  
Mar. 1 Portland, Oreg.  
Mentions interest in "the Early Day Trading Posts of the Kootenai region"; refers to letter from a McGuire, near Gateway or Eureka, in which is mentioned "the site of Father [Pierre J.] De Smets first Mission or prayer house on the west side of the river a few miles from Eureka"; believes "that the De Smet house was really the first mission in . . . Montana . . . instead of the mission at Stevensville which . . . later became Fort Owen"; has obtained Ross Cox's Adventures on the Columbia River, which "contain the original yarn about Montour and Pillet's duel"; mentions "Montour's Creek in the Northern part of Lewis and Clark County."  
L. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [278]
- 1920 [Charles N.] K[essler, Helena, Mont.]. To H[enry]  
Mar. 1 R. Wagner, New York.  
Inquires about Northwest material he bid on at Anderson Galleries sale on February 19, and failed to get; lists titles and bids, and comments on them.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [279]
- 1920 P. Lee Phillips [Washington, D. C.]. To Charles N.  
Mar. 12 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
In reply to Kessler's inquiry, gives data on two slightly differing maps both entitled, Johnson's [Map of] Nebraska, Dakota, Idaho and Montana, 1865; also data on map of Montana Territory made by W[alter] W. De Lacy.  
L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 281. [280]
- 1920 J. L. Farnum, Washington, D. C. To Charles N.  
Mar. 15 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Encloses data by Chief of the Map Division concerning

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- 1920 A. J. Johnson's map of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, and Dakota,  
Mar. 15 and some cards of Washington photographers.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. *includes printed rules for L.C.S. ILL* [281]  
For enclosure, see entry 280.
- 1920 Howard Tilton, Sheridan, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Mar. 16 Helena, Mont.  
States that he found only 1882 edition of [Thomas J. Dimsdale's] Vigilantes of Montana among [D. W.] Tilton's old books and papers; inquires whether Kessler has copies of Montana Post.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 20.5 cm. [282]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler] Helena, Mont. To [James Willard]  
Mar. 17 Schultz.  
Tells of finding a manuscript "written by old Angus McDonald back in the late 60ties," giving early account of Fort Conna[h], and including letters from Alex Monroe to McDonald; mentions Howes Fort on Flathead Lake; has located "through an old Irish farmer by name of McGuire," site of a former trading post near Eureka which he believes was Father [Pierre J.] De Smet's first mission "in what is now Montana," rather than St. Mary's Mission.  
Copy. 4 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [283]
- 1920 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Mar. 18 A note by Kessler on a letter by Maximilian, Prince of Wied, dated March 6, 1837.  
*NDS 08/1988* Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [284]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To Emily  
Mar. 19 Canfield, Chicago.  
Is delighted at prospect of getting copy of her father's biography, The Life of Thomas H[awley] Canfield; has pamphlet dealing with surveys of Northern Pacific Railway Company, bearing Canfield's name as agent for company at Burlington, and also copy of the Lullan Survey Expedition; is interested in loan or purchase of copy of "Report to the Board of Directors, of a Reconnaissance made in 1869 between the Lake Superior and the Pacific Ocean." by Thomas H. Canfield.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [285]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Howard Tilton,  
Mar. 19 Sheridan, Mont.  
States his file of Montana Post is complete, except for some extra numbers; hopes Tilton will find 1866 edition of [Thomas J.] Dimsdale's Vigilantes of Montana; inquires "as to which was the first book to have been printed in Montana"; lists books he is looking for.  
Copy. 2 pp. 29 x 21.5 cm. [286]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Mar. 21 Kessler.  
"Do your best and do what is right and put along with my book any thing you think ought to be in it concerning my father and the early days of the upper missouri [sic] in fact

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- 1920  
Mar. 21 a bouté [sic] all my family"; suggests that Kessler write to [C. N.] Camp; the editor of the Montana Herald wants him to write a story and he asks if it will hurt the book; is sending a stone from Sitting Bull's grave; "the canon [sic] I will look after when I go to Washington it is at Belknap."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [287]
- 1920  
Mar. 21 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Refers in detail to a speech he made to Sitting Bull and Lame Deer band of Sioux Indians on the Standing Rock Reservation, February 23, 1920, and to replies made by Rushing Thunder, one of Sitting Bull's scouts, by the son of Lame Deer, and by Major Kitch, the Indian agent.  
A.L.S. 5 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [288]
- 1920  
Mar. 25 Emily Canfield, Chicago. To Charles N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Acknowledges request for copy of her father's [Thomas H. Canfield] book; promises to try to obtain one from storage in Vermont, etc.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 13 x 8 cm. [289]
- 1920  
Mar. 28 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Encloses [C. N.] Camp's letter; "What did you think of the write up I sent you. Please let me no [sic] if you got the stone and the cuts."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [290]
- 1920  
Mar. 31 James Willard Schultz, Greer, Ariz. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Inquires about Fort Lewis, which was located near Fort Benton and probably operated in opposition to it; asks for data on Fort Benton, including arrival dates of river boats there in the 1850's.  
L.S. 1 p. 20.5 x 21.5 cm. [291]
- 1920  
Apr. 7 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Asks acknowledgment of "the cuts and stone I sent you with my type written story"; requests return of family pictures.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [292]
- 1920  
Apr. 8 Geo[rge] H. Stanton, Great Falls, Mont. To Charlie [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Discusses possible delegates to San Francisco and Chicago conventions.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [293]
- 1920  
Apr. 11 Jo[s]c[ph] Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Explains in detail how Standing Rock, Cannon Ball Creek (called by the Indians "Writers Rock Creek"), Porcupine Hills,

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Mar. 21 a bouté [sic] all my family"; suggests that Kessler write to [C. N.] Camp; the editor of the Montana Herald wants him to write a story and he asks if it will hurt the book; is sending a stone from Sitting Bull's grave; "the canon [sic] I will look after when I go to Washington it is at Belknap."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [287]
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A.L.S. 5 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [288]
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Discusses possible delegates to San Francisco and Chicago conventions.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [293]
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Apr. 11 Jo[s]e[ph] Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Explains in detail how Standing Rock, Cannon Ball Creek (called by the Indians "Writers Rock Creek"), Porcupine Hills,

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- 1920 and Elk Butte got their names; also how the game traveled west  
Apr. 11 with the advance of the white men.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [294]
- 1920 Emily Canfield, Chicago. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Apr. 14 Helena, Mont.  
Hopes to be able to send "[Thomas Hawley] Canfield's  
life" before long.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 14 x 8 cm. *postcard* [295]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To George [H. Stanton].  
Apr. 17 Discusses in detail the prohibition question in Montana.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [296]
- [19]20 John C. Haberstroh, Livingston, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Apr. 19 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States he received "Indian Trade Dollar. . . . from my  
brother-in-law Mr. J. F. Harvet in 1890" and has presented it  
to the State Historical Society.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25.5 x 20 cm. [297]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
May 22 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Thanks him for loan of money to his son-in-law, Joseph  
Alvarez, who will repay him from proceeds of sale of land to  
which he has just received the patent; the Sioux Indians "have  
elected me to go to Washington" on "a claim they are making  
against the government."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [298]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
June 2 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has written an article outlining his experience on the  
Fort Peck Reservation with Squaw men, Indian traders and  
Indian agents, which he wishes Kessler to edit; it is not to  
be published until after his death; Kessler can keep the  
original.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [299]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To George J. Ransburg [J. M.  
June 2 Remsburg?], Porterville, Cal[if.].  
Acknowledges receipt of pamphlets, including a [Charley]  
Reynolds item of which Ransburg appears to be author or pub-  
lisher; mentions his collection of Custer material; asks for  
address of "Yellowstone" [Luther S.] Kelly.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [300]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
June 25 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"I am to meet Mr. C. N. Camp sometime next month to take  
him over the old Indian battle fields on the Red Water. Could  
you arrange to be with us?"  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [301]

- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
July 20 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Is meeting [C. N.] Camp at Miles City [Mont.] to take him  
on a trip over the old battle fields, and intends to talk with  
him about the book; as the matter has been in Kessler's hands  
so long, he would rather have Kessler pay him something for  
his trouble and keep the book.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [302]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To [James Willard] Schultz,  
Aug. 1 For information regarding old Fort Lewis, refers Schultz  
to Oregon Missions and Travels by Father [Pierre J.] De Smet,  
1847 edition, the Chittenden and Richardson edition of De Smet  
[Life, Letters and Travels of Pierre Jean De Smet], Affairs  
at Fort Benton by Bradley (Vol. 3 of Montana Historical  
Contributions); doubts if picture of old Fort Lewis can be had;  
is sending some of Fort Benton, one from [I. I.] Stevens'  
Pacific R.R. Surveys and "one made by Dan Dutro, the old time  
photographer at Benton"; states the "Chippewa," not the  
"Assiniboine," was the first steamer to [Fort] Benton in 1859,  
quoting the report of Alfred J. Vaughan, Indian agent at Fort  
Benton, dated July 24th, 1859; gives names of steamers arriv-  
ing up to July 14, 1864; mentions the dispatch of goods from  
Fort Union in keel boats to the Blackfoot Council at the  
Judith Council Grounds in 1855.  
Copy. 6 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [303]
- 1920 Mrs. T. C. Sparks, Kansas City, Mo. To Charles N.  
Aug. 28 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"Uncle Dan [Carpenter] passed away on June 14th of this  
year at the age of 95 years"; encloses newspaper clipping  
[1918] from Kansas City Times containing obituary of Capt.  
James Kip[p].  
L.S. 1 p. 27 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosure with letter. [304]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To James Willard  
Sept. 6 Schultz, Browning, Mont.  
Offers to send him copy of letter mailed to him at Greer,  
Ariz. on August 1st.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [305]
- 1920 Jos[eph] Culbertson, Washington, D. C. To [Charles  
Sept. 17 N.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Is in Washington on "behalf of the Sitting Bull board of  
sioux indians who are putting in a claim against the govern-...  
ment"; visited the old Indian battlefields with [C. N.] Camp  
and Gen[eral] Baldwin in August, but said nothing to Camp  
about "the book."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 24 x 15 cm. [306]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Sept. 30 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Has been "asked by Lewis [sic] W. Hill [son of James J.  
Hill] to take part in a moving picture play representing the  
Custer's last fight"; has been "offered a price on the book  
which you have of mine by one of the men representing the

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1920 Great Northern Railroad"; asks for return of book and all  
Sept. 30 other material by registered mail.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [307]

1920 Charlotte E. Ogilvie, Brooklyn, N. Y. To C[harles]  
Oct. 3 N. Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
States she has no copy of Leslie's magazine earlier than  
January 1892, and asks that Col. H. O. S. Heistand be so in-  
formed. Added in pencil is note by Kessler: "Sent to Col. H.  
O. S. Heistand, c/o War Dept., Chicago, Illinois. C. N.  
Kessler. Refs. 2 Leslie's magazine for 1881."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 17 x 6.5 cm. [308]

1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] W. [sic]  
Oct. 15 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has written Kessler a number of times from different  
places; "I have a chance to sell the book and get enough for  
my trouble and time I spent on it so it will be out of my  
hands. . . . Send everything by express at my expense."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [309]

1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To Joseph W. Culbertson,  
Oct. 16 Poplar, Mont.  
"I have your last letter or two, and see that it is  
important to you that I return to you at once the pictures and  
articles which you have sent to me to look over as well as  
read in the past two years. I am sorry that in my opinion it  
has been practically impossible on account of the extremely  
high cost of printing as well as illustrating to think of  
getting out a small edition of the material you sent to me,  
and I now see that you seem to have gotten the matter in the  
hands of some Great Northern [R. R.] Official and that it may  
be possible to have it finally published. . . . I honestly  
believe that your letters and articles would form one of the  
most readable as well as honest accounts of scouting with the  
United States Army that has ever been published"; mentions his  
library and knowledge of related material, especially  
Culbertson family and pictorial, and offers to write an intro-  
duction to the book if published; lists material he is return-  
ing; asks for loan of "the book" in the handwriting of  
[Alexander Culbertson]; "I also would like to know if you  
ever located that little brass cannon which you were going to  
get for me?"  
Copy. 2 pp. 28.5 x 21.5 cm. [310]

1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 19 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Acknowledges return of manuscript; regrets he hasn't the  
money to have it published, but thinks it possible the Great  
Northern Railroad might buy it; requests Kessler send him  
pictures and information regarding his father's early days  
along the Missouri River; refers to General Scott and the  
cannon at Belknap.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [311]

- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 22 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Acknowledges receipt of "the book and all the pictures";  
"the only things that are missing now are the cuts and map,  
and that Indian song book"; asks for a copy of Conquest of  
the Missouri by Grant Marsh; intends to send on a 20-page  
article which he wishes Kessler to edit, but which "I am  
keeping out of my book."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [312]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Oct. 29 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
"I am anxiously waiting to hear from you about my cuts  
and map and anything else you may wish to send me."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [313]
- 1920 H. O. S. Heistand, Governors Island, N. Y. To  
Oct. 30 [Charles H.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
States that copy of his article, with drawings [of Camp  
Poplar River], published in Leslie's in 1881, is in Library  
of Congress.  
L.S. 1 p. 27 x 20.5 cm. [314]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Nov. 16 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Asks for return of "the cuts of General Miles, General  
Baldwin, Sitting Bull and Long Dog, and the map . . . I  
don't see why you should put me to all of this trouble. Some  
of my friends seem to think that you have taken a copy of  
this book and intend to use the cuts but . . . I don't think  
you would do this without consulting me."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [315]
- 1920 Geo[orge] H. Stewart, Zanesville, Ohio. To Charles N.  
Nov. 26 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Requests return of Mrs. Stewart's copy of Culbertson  
family genealogy.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [316]
- 1920 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Dec. 8 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Acknowledges receipt of map, but is disappointed that  
cuts were not sent with it; "now Mr. Kessler as you and I have  
been good freinds [sic] for a long time you aught [sic] to  
open your hart [sic] and send cuts by return mail. If you do  
I will get that little canon [sic] for you."  
L.S. 1 p. 17.5 x 20 cm. [317]
- 1920 C[harles] N. K[essler]. To Joseph Culbertson,  
Dec. 17 Poplar, Mont.  
"Found your cuts tonight. Expressing same to you  
tomorrow."  
Copy. 1 p. 19.5 x 19 cm. includes cover [318]

- 1920 Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To H. O. S.  
Dec. 26 Heistand, Governors Island, N. Y.  
Mrs. Ogilvie advises that she has no copies of Leslie's containing article on Poplar River fight; asks assistance in locating picture of Fort C. F. Smith and other old posts, such as Fort Benton.  
L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21 cm, *includes copy* [319]
- 1920 [Charles N. Kessler]. To George H. Stewart,  
Dec. 31 Zanesville, Ohio.  
Apologizes for not having returned genealogy of Culbertson family; returns it with an insert on page 183 covering apparent errors.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [320]
- 1920 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
List containing "a few corrections to Culbertson Genealogy, by C. N. Kessler, Helena, Montana. 1920."  
Copy. 1 p. 21.5 x 14.5 cm. [321]
- 1921 John F. Davies, Spokane, Wash. To [Charles N.]  
Jan. 8 Kessler.  
Encloses "Arizona Bill's mss"; hopes he "can decipher it so that we both can have a legible copy. It will be time enuf [sic] then to consider anything re. the publication of it."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Note: The MS. is signed "Col. Ray E. Gardner, U. S. A. Ret. Former Capt. Troop G. 1st. M. D. Reno Squadron. (Arizona Bill)."  
For enclosure see entry 544. [322]
- 1921 James Willard Schultz, Los Angeles. To Charles N.  
Jan. 8 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Has had "to lay aside" his Friends of My Life as an Indian because of lack of material; asks Kessler's opinion of frontier stories by J. J. Healy published in the Fort Benton Record for possible inclusion in his book; inquires regarding possibility of obtaining memoirs of Indian life from Duncan McDonald.  
L.S. 2 pp. 17 x 14.5 cm. [323]
- 1921 C[harles] N. Kessler. To [John F.] Davies.  
Jan. 11 Returns "Arizona Bill's mss." stating "It is about the most difficult bit of writing to decipher [sic] that has crossed my path in some time. . . ."; traces some of the passages to their original source, [Frederick] Whittaker's [A Complete] Life of [Gen. George A.] Custer; feels that the MS. is of no historical or literary value and doubts its originality; failed to find name of its author, Col. Ray E. Gardner [or Gardiner], in the army register of graduates.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [324]
- 1921 H. Gold, Brooklyn, N. Y. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 25 Helena, Mont.  
Suggests exchange of duplicates of later books (1870-1900)

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- 1921 of Montana and Great Northwest; explains best values are in  
Jan. 25 files or even single numbers of early newspapers.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [325]
- 1921 John A[dams] Perry, Asheville, N. C. To Charles V. [sic]  
Feb. 17 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that he has "a pen and ink drawing made from a  
sketch by Capt. I. D'Isay 1867. The Picture is inscribed as  
follows: 'Fort C. F. Smith, Wy[oming] T[erritory]. Bird's  
Eye View from the S[outh] W[est] 1867. From a Sketch by  
Capt. I. D'Isay Anton Schoborn, del.'" ; photographic copy can  
be made.  
L.S. 1 p. 29 x 21.5 cm. [326]
- 1921 [Charles N. Kessler]. To John Adams Perry,  
Feb. 22 Asheville, N. C.  
Through Chaplain M. B. Smith, Governors Island, N. Y.,  
he has learned that there is a picture of Fort C. F. Smith,  
as well as pictures of other old western forts, in the museum  
of the Military Service Institution; requests information  
"with a view toward securing a copy of such pictures."  
Copy. 2 pp. 28.5 x 21.5 cm. [327]
- 1921 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To John A[dams]  
Feb. 28 Perry, Asheville, N. C.  
Asks for photographic copies of picture of "old Fort  
C. F. Smith" in Captain Perry's possession; desires to  
purchase original picture.  
Copy. 1 p. 28.5 x 21.5 cm. [328]
- 1921 Emily Canfield, Chicago. To [Charles N.] Kessler,  
Apr. 14 [Helena, Mont.].  
Has sent Kessler a copy of Life of Thomas Hawley Canfield;  
copy of the Partial Report might be had from either Miss Bates,  
The Billings Library, Burlington, Vt., or the R[ight] Rev.  
A. C. A. Hill, Burlington.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 14 x 10 cm. [329]
- [19]21 W. H. Randall, Bozeman, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
July 13 Helena, Mont.  
Relates briefly his experiences as scout in the Bannock  
[Indian] War of 1878; asks aid in establishing his service  
for pension.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 25.5 x 18 cm. [330]
- 1921 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To [Addison K.]  
July 17 Lusk, [St. Ignatius, Mont.].  
Requests loan of a book in possession of [Donald] M  
McDonald of St. Ignatius which "contains more or less  
history and accounts of the Hudson['s] Bay Company, also of  
the McDonald family," and a picture of Angus McDonald.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [331]
- 1921 [Charles N. Kessler]. To W. H. Randall, Bozeman, Mont.  
Aug. 15 Has examined various historical records and writings in  
an effort to establish that Randall has performed scout duty

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- 1921  
Aug. 15 in the Bannock War, the only direct reference being in The Chronicles of the Yellowstone by E. S. Topping; also tells of inability to find any direct reference to either [James S.] Brisben or to Sturgis; suggests a search through the files of the Avant Courier.  
Copy. 2 pp. 11 x 8.5 cm. [332]
- 1921  
Aug. 23 Addison K. Lusk, St. Ignatius, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Encloses note from [Donald] McDonald, who is leaving for Idaho; on McDonald's return Lusk will see him and endeavor to locate pamphlet.  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 18 cm.  
For enclosure see entry 532. [333]
- 1921  
Aug. 26 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To [Addison K.] Lusk, [St. Ignatius, Mont.].  
Acknowledges letter of 23rd concerning book or pamphlet by [Donald] McDonald's father [Angus McDonald].  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [334]
- 1921  
Dec. 18 James Willard Schultz, Los Angeles. To Charles N. Kessler.  
Mentions difficulties in completing his book, My Life as an Indian, "really the story of the fur trade from 1845 down to the extermination of the buffalo"; encloses copies of his "report on present condition of the Blackfeet [Indians]" for distribution to those interested.  
L.S. 1 p. 17 x 14.5 cm. [335]
- 1921  
Dec. 26 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To [James Willard] Schultz.  
Lists books he has in library, written by Schultz, relating to Montana; asks if it is a complete list.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [336]
- 1921  
Dec. 26 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Francis Nims Thompson, Greenfield, Mass.  
Asks Thompson's aid in locating a pamphlet: "Complete Guide to the [New] Gold Regions of [the] Upper Missouri, . . . 16 pages. R. P. Studley & Co., St. Louis, Mo. 1863," probably prepared for the American Exploring and Mineral Co. of St. Louis by his father, Judge Francis M. Thompson; gives references to Judge Thompson's Reminiscences of Four Score Years, published in the Massachusetts Magazine, Salem, 1912-14, and asks aid in locating copies.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [337]
- 1921  
Dec. 27 Cha[rl]e[s] M. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To [James Willard] Schultz.  
Returning from trip East, regrets having missed Schultz's visit to Helena; offers any information and help at his disposal in contemplated writing of Friends of My Life as an Indian; refers to failure to "get very far" with Ben Steel of Great Falls regarding his uncle, George Steel.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [338]

- 1921 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Stan V.  
Dec. 28 Henkels, Philadelphia.  
Requests information concerning sale at auction of James L. R. Wilson's "Original Manuscript of a Journal of a Trip to the Yellowstone Park, July, August and September, 1875, 4to, Boards"; believes there may be some connection between it and a privately printed journal, Gen. William J. [sic] Strong's "A Trip to the Yellowstone National Park in July, August and September, 1875, Washington, 1876.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [339]
- 1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Howard Tilton,  
Jan. 3 Sheridan, Mont.  
Inquires if Kessler has found a copy of [Thomas J.] Dimsdale's "Vigilantes of Montana", printed by his father in 1866; suggests making up a correct list of numbers of the Montana Post; states he has secured a copy of lectures of Thomas Francis [Meagher] in Montana, 1867, and [Alfred E.] Mathews' "Pencil Sketches in [of] Montana, 1858, but is still looking for [Francis H.] Thompson's "Complete Guide to the New Gold Regions of the Upper Missouri", etc.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [340]
- 1922 Stan V. Henkels, Philadelphia. To C[harles] N.  
Jan. 4 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"The lot [of books] in which you are interested, was purchased by Mr. John D. Sherman, Jr., 132 Primrose Avenue, Mount Vernon, N. J. [N. Y.?], for eleven dollars."  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [341]
- 1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To John D.  
Jan. 9 Sherman, Jr., Mount Vernon, N. J. [N. Y.?].  
Requests outline of contents or privilege of reading the [James L. R.] Wilson manuscript of "A Trip to Yellowstone National Park . . . 1875"; gives data on similar work by General William R. [sic] Strong, etc.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [342]
- 1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To James Willard  
Jan. 12 Schultz, Los Angeles.  
Urges Schultz to continue work on "Friends of My Life as an Indian", suggesting books and material and names of old timers whose life and activities should be helpful.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [343]
- 1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Professor  
Mar. 20 Ralph [sic] Pumpelly, Providence, R. I.  
Inquires whether any publication has been made covering his travels in 1882 and 1883 in the Glacier Park area, particularly over Cut Bank Pass; refers to work published in 1870 entitled "Across America and Asia" and asks whether Montana was passed through.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [344]

1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To [Herbert  
Mar. 20 Putnam], Washington, D. C.  
Requests information concerning writings and records of  
the activities of Professor [Raphael] Pumpelly, "who in 1882  
tried to cross the Rocky Mountain Range by the Cut Bank Pass."  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [345]

1922 F. W. Ashley, [Washington, D. C.]. To C[harles]  
Mar. 25 N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Lists Raphael Pumpelly's published writings, including  
My Reminiscences, 1918, published by Henry Holt & Co[mpany],  
New York, in which he [Pumpelly] writes about his Montana trip  
of 1883; mentions maps drawn and analysis made by Pumpelly's  
corps, published in U. S. Tenth Census Reports.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 347. [346]

1922 [Herbert Putnam] by J. L. Farnum [secretary],  
Apr. 1 Washington, D. C. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Encloses report on Prof. Raphael Pumpelly's travels and  
writings by [F. W.] Ashley, Superintendent of the Reading  
Room, Library of Congress.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm.  
For enclosure see entry 346. [347]

1922 Raphael Pumpelly, Newport, R. I. To Charles N.  
Apr. 7 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Mentions publication of My Reminiscences, in which  
appears the account of his two expeditions "through what is  
now called Glacier National Park," the first visit being in  
the nature of a broad reconnaissance expedition in 1881;  
the trip in Across America and Asia was made by stage through  
Missouri, Texas and Arizona.  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 19.5 cm. [348]

1922 C[harles] N. K[essler], Helena, Mont. To [Herbert  
Apr. 16 Putnam], Washington, D. C.  
Requests "the title of the work, either if U. S. publica-  
tion, or, private printing of 'Bulletins and Maps of the  
Northern Transcontinental Survey, 1882-3'."  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [349]

1922 [Charles N. Kessler], Helena, Mont. To Raphael  
Apr. 17 Pumpelly, Newport, R. I.  
Requests information as to where and under what title  
"Bulletins and maps of the Northern Transcontinental Survey,  
1882-3" may be had.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [350]

1922 Herbert Putnam, by J. L. Farnum [secretary], Washington  
May 3 [D. C.]. To Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
States that superintendent of reading room took list of  
Raphael Pumpelly's published writings from Who's Who in  
America; "he does not trace the place and form of publication  
of his 'Bulletins and Maps of the Northern Transcontinental

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1922 Survey, 1882-3"; suggests writing to Mr. Pumpelly for this  
May 3 information.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [351]

1922 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To John D.  
May 15 Sherman, Jr., Mount Vernon, N. J. [N. Y.?]  
Calls attention to letter of January 9, 1922, concerning  
James L. R. Wilson's "Original Manuscript of a Journal of a  
Trip to the Yellowstone Park, July, August and September,  
1875."  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [352]

1922 C. F. Hedges, Miles City, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
May 19 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Inquires if Kessler is interested in a 95-pound silver  
pig, bearing stamp "W and Co., Cooke City M[ontana]  
T[erritory]," owned by Walter H. Martin of [Miles City]; the  
pig was taken by Nez Perce Indians during raid on Cooke City,  
but recovered when Indians were stamped by W[illiam] H.  
Bullard, a scout with [Gen. Nelson A.] Miles.  
L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 20 cm. [353]

1922 J[ohn] D. S[herman, Jr.], Mount Vernon, N. J. [N. Y.?]  
May 23 To [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
States he referred Kessler's letter [of January 9] to  
Cha[rles] L[ewis] Camp; believes latter sold [James L. R.]  
Wilson manuscript [Journal of a Trip to the Yellowstone Park]  
to J. [George Bird?] Grinnell.  
A.N.S. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm.  
Written across top of entry 352. [354]

1922 [Charles N. Kessler], [Helena, Mont.]. To [C. F.  
May 26 Hedges, Miles City, Mont.].  
Mentions receipt of "a small box containing the piece of  
'bullion' from the old Cooke City Smelters, . . . sawed from  
the pigs taken by the Nez Pe[r]ce Indians in 1877, when they  
were on their way to the Bear Paws . . . . I think that the  
bullion or pig of silver lead should be preserved, and hope  
that the board will so rule."  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [355]

1922 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To H[enry] R.  
May 26 Wagner, Berkeley, Calif.  
Acknowledges letter of January 5, 1920, it having been  
filed away unopened; requests information concerning avail-  
ability of his [Wagner's] bibliography [probably The Plains  
and the Rockies, a bibliography of original narratives of  
travel and adventure, 1800-1865, published 1921]; regrets  
inability to accept appointment by Governor [Joseph M.] Dixon  
to membership on [Montana] Historical Board.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. includes business letter [356]  
on back

1922 Cha[rles] L. Camp, Univ[ersity] of Calif[ornia];  
June 10 Berkeley, Calif. To [Charles N.] Kessler, [Helena,  
Mont.].  
Gives data concerning sale and history of the [James L. R.]  
Wilson manuscript [Journal of a Trip to the Yellowstone Park];

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- 1922  
June 10 writes that G[eorge] B[ird] Grinnell says Wilson was a Sergeant of Engineers in the same expedition he [Grinnell] accompanied; mentions his interest in frontier history of the Rockies and the Far West; is "editing an original account of [Kit] Carson's life."  
A.L.S. 8 pp. 16 x 13 cm. [357]
- 1922  
Oct. 17 Joseph Culbertson, Frazer, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Asks Kessler to distribute some "ads" for an old friend who was a soldier and "was adopted by the Sioux Indians on the count of his bravery in the late war."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [358]
- 1922  
Nov. 2 [Carrie] Adell Strahorn, Spokane [Wash.]. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Writes that she has purchased and is forwarding a copy of [Robert E. Strahorn's] The Enchanted Land, with Strahorn's autograph.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16 x 13 cm. [359]
- 1922  
Nov. 7 Joseph Culbertson, Alhambra, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
After a few personal reflections says he met Sanders [Wilbur F.?] and Mrs. Conrad. "I know W. G. Conrad well and was standing long side of him when the indians shoot and killed the agency doctor Mr. Skin[n?]er in 1878 at Poplar."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 24 x 15 cm. [360]
- 1922  
Dec. 7 Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To Stella Drumm, St. Louis.  
Requests information concerning Missouri River trips made by [Carl F.] Wimar.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. *has insurance bill on back* [361]
- 1922  
Dec. 8 C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont. To Missouri State Historical Society, Columbia, Mo.  
Asks to be informed whether [Floyd C.] Shoemaker's [Missouri's] Hall of Fame mentions [Carl F.] Wimar; desires any data on Wimar and his work that is available.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.  
An article on Wimar does appear in Shoemaker's book.  
*partial letter on back* [362]
- [19]22  
Dec. 14 [Mrs. James] Ione Lee Mooney, [Washington, D. C.] To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Acknowledges letter addressed to Mr. Mooney; says latter died December 22, 1921; advises that N. B. Hewitt in the Bureau of Ethnology [Smithsonian Institution] is sorting Mr. Mooney's papers and is acquainted with the [Edwin T.] Denig matter.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16.5 x 12.5 cm. [363]
- 1923  
Mar. 22 Flora D. Knadler, Belgrade, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Writes concerning lease and bond on the [Old Dominion] claim; suggests that the Arrowhead and Pearl claims be included;

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- 1923 intimates that "this Mr. Ciro" and Raleigh Wilkerson thought  
Mar. 22 they had jumped the Arrowhead and Pearl.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 16.5 x 12.5 cm. [364]
- 1923 William S. Lewis, Spokane, Wash. To Charles N.  
Mar. 29 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
"Our [Ronald] MacDonald book is in press and will be delivered about May first"; asks assistance in disposing of copies.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [365]
- 1923 Mrs. A. P. Knadler, Belgrade, Mont. To Charles N.  
May 11 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Asks for word concerning lease and bond on the Old Dominion, Pearl and Arrowhead claims.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [366]
- [19]23 C. [W.] Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N.  
Oct. 25 Kessler, Hollywood [Los Angeles].  
Apologizes for delay in refunding remittance, etc.; will write in full in a few weeks.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 14 x 8 cm. *on postcard* [367]
- 1923 James B. Hedges, Cambridge, Mass. To [Charles N.]  
Nov. 4 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Inquires if Kessler's collection of Montaniana is for sale.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [368]
- [19]23 C. W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N.  
Nov. 8 Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Gives illness and reverses as reason for delay; sends some notes and photos; promises photographic copies of [Carl F.] Wimar's pictures and paintings; states that notes and letters by Wimar to his wife were "cleaned out"; that most of Wimar's paintings were made, perhaps combined, from sketches and that Aug[ust H.] Becker later bought them from Schleiffarth's mother; mentions probable locations of some of Wimar's paintings.  
A.L.S. 10 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm. [369]
- 1923 S. J. Coons, Missoula [Mont.]. To Charles N.  
Nov. 12 Kessler, Hollywood [Los Angeles].  
Plans writing an economic history of Montana agriculture and requests loan of some material on this subject.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [370]
- [19]23 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Mrs. M. L.  
Dec. 14 Hewett, Helena, Mont.  
Requests return of registered letter sent to Kessler on November 9, if he has left city.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 20.5 x 12.5 cm. [371]
- 1923 Charles N. Kessler, Hollywood [Los Angeles]. To  
Dec. 21 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis.  
Tells of his interest in [Carl F.] Wimar's life and work

(contd.)

1923 in the Northwest; intends to write booklet on subject, perpetuating memory of Wimar as artist; mentions Carl Bodmer, Swiss artist who accompanied Maximilian, Prince of Wied; asks for additional sources of information on Wimar.

Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [372]

*material on back of two sheets (ad for investment firm, #1)*

1923 Oscar O. Mueller, Lewistown, Mont. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Encloses copy of letter to David Hilger; states Kessler failed to advise him where Western Monthly magazine for June, 1870, containing Cook-Folsom article, may be located.

L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 14 cm.

For enclosure see entry 533. [373]

1924 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To C[harles] N. Kessler, Hollywood [Los Angeles].

Explains delay and promises to send photographs of [Carl F.] Wimar's pictures; states that when he visited the "Lahlkasten" and Academy in Düsseldorf, 1892, he could find only some of [Emanuel] Leutze's sketches; his friend's correspondence with the Düsseldorf Art Board concerning Wimar works gave no information; encloses negative film of [Wimar painting], "Bear and Elk."

L.S. 3 pp. 26 x 19.5 cm.

For enclosure see entry 549. [374]

1924 L[awrence] B. Palladino, S[ociety of] J[esus], Apr. 21 Missoula, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles.

States he is mailing copy of second edition of his book, Indian and White in the Northwest; recalls Kessler's father [Nicholas Kessler].

L.S. 1 p. 21.5 x 18 cm.

[375]

1924 Paul C. Phillips, Missoula, Mont. To [Charles] Nicholas Apr. 22 Kessler, Helena, Mont.

Solicits Kessler's membership in the American Historical Association.

L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[376]

1924 William S. Lewis, Spokane, Wash. To Charles N. May 7 Kessler, Los Angeles.

States that autographed copy of The Journal of John Work is being forwarded; also an item of pioneer reminiscences; suggests exchange of duplicate western material.

L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm.

[377]

1924 David Hilger, Helena, Mont. To Charles [N. Kessler], May 14 Hollywood [Los Angeles].

Inquires concerning books borrowed from State [of Montana Historical] library; requests prints of early views of Helena.

L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm.

[378]

1924 C[harles] N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To David Hilger, May 31 Helena, Mont.

Writes regarding possible library copies of books in his possession; gives data on tokens or trade checks used by

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- 1924  
May 31 Hudson['s] Bay Company and other fur companies; states library collection of early Helena [Montana] scenes is practically a duplicate of his collection.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm. *on back - letter from Brewer's Asso. admitt for Boston news* [379]
- 1924  
June 19 James H. Dibb, G[reat] Falls, Mont. To [Fred Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Recalls visit from "a Kessler" seeking information on the Capt. [James L.] Fisk expeditions in 1862-63-64; states that he has copy of diary kept by a relative [Dr. Dibb], who was a member of the expeditions.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. *includes photo stats* [380]
- 1924  
June 20 [Charles N. Kessler], Los Angeles, Calif. To S. J. Coons, Missoula, Mont.  
Inquires whether he has commenced work on economic history of Montana; gives data on reference in books and pamphlets to the introduction of agriculture and stock raising in Montana.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21 cm. [381]
- 1924  
June 20 [Charles N. Kessler], Los Angeles. To W[illiam] S. Lewis, Spokane, Wash.  
Encloses check for copy of Journal of John Work and congratulates Lewis on "a fine piece of work"; mentions death of Joe Culbertson, adding biographical details; relates anecdote concerning Na-ta-wista-cha, Joe's mother, where she "was the means of preventing a general massacre" at "Tobacco Gradens [sic]" in 1862.  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. *on the back 2 boiler inspection reports* [382]
- 1924  
June 23 E. Lester Jones, Washington, D. C. To [Charles N.] Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Asks for references to material relating to history of international boundary west of the Lake of the Woods.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [383]
- 1924  
July 5 William S. Lewis, Spokane, Wash. To Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles, Cal[if.].  
Refers to sales of his books, Journal of John Work and Ronald MacDonald; states that his straitened circumstances preclude further historical work for the present; asks for data on Fort Connah.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [384]
- 1924  
Aug. 31 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis.  
Acknowledges receipt of photographs and sketches of [Carl F.] Wimar; suggests that Wimar's diaries and journals should be made available; discusses probable locale of sketches.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [385]
- 1924  
Sept. 30 C[harles] W. Schleiffarth, St. Louis. To Cha[rle]s N. Kessler, Los Angeles.  
Gives data on [Carl F.] Wimar's paintings, sketches, letters, notebook, etc.; mentions family difficulties in disposing of remaining material; gives some data on sale of

(contd.)

- 1924 copies of Carl Wimar, [a Biography] by [William Romaine]  
Sept. 30 Hodges. L.S. 2 pp. 21.5 x 16.5 cm. [386]
- 1924 [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.]. To S. C.  
Oct. 10 Gilpatrick, Helena, Mont.  
Regrets inability to find picture "View of Bridge Street"; encloses a duplicate; is returning a picture he has borrowed from Gilpatrick.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosure not with letter. [387]
- 1924 Ja[me]s H. Dibb, Great Falls, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Dec. 4 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Mentions sending of [indecipherable]; will be pleased to receive Fisk pictures.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 22 x 14 cm. includes photostat [388]
- 1925 Charles N. Kessler, [Los Angeles]. To W[illia]m  
Mar. 10 F. Hooker, [New York].  
Requests copies of Hooker's books, The Prairie Schooner and The Bullwhacker; asks if he recalls John Cort, a "mule-skinner" of the 1870's.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. handwritten response on back [389]
- 1925 W[illia]m F. Hooker, [New York]. To [Charles N.]  
Mar. Kessler, [Los Angeles].  
States that The Prairie Schooner is out of print; encloses publisher's circular covering The Bullwhacker; did not know mule skinner Riley, but knew Jerome Parrott, most famous one in Wyoming Territory.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosure not with letter.  
Written on verso of entry 389. [390]
- 1925 J. Forsyth, [Victoria, B. C.]. To [Charles N.]  
Apr. 16 Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Offers copies of British Columbia, Sixty Years of Progress, compiled by E. O. S. Scholefield and R. E. Gosnell, 1913; encloses booklet advertising the work.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 21 cm. 5 cards, ill [391]
- 1925 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Rev. Lawrence  
July 22 [B.] Palladino, Spokane, Wash.  
Encloses check for copy of [Rev. Lawrence B.] Palladino's Indian and White in the Northwest, second edition.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. includes copy and cancelled cheque [392]
- 1925 D. W. Fitzpatrick, Missoula, Mont. To Cha[rle]s N.  
Aug. 14 Kessler, Los Angeles, Calif.  
States that copy of [Rev. Lawrence B.] Palladino's Indian and White in the Northwest, second edition, is being mailed; due to author's illness unable to have book autographed.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [393]

- 1925  
Sept. 28 L.A. York, Boise, Idaho. To C[harles] N. Kessler,  
Los Angeles.  
Refers Kessler to Frank E. Lockley, Portland, Oregon,  
and to Sherfey's Book Store, Moscow, Idaho, for possible in-  
formation concerning McConnell's History and Colder's  
Reminiscences.  
L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [394]
- 1925  
Oct. 31 Paul C. Phillips, Missoula, Mont. To C[harles] N.  
Kessler, Helena, Mont.  
Requests permission to use photograph of painting of  
Fort Owen made in 1865 by [Peter] Tofft, in preparation of  
Fort Owen Journals [The Journals and Letters of Major John  
Owen] for publication.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [395]
- 1925  
Nov. 16 D. W. Fitzpatrick, Missoula, Mont. To [Charles N.]  
Kessler, Los Angeles.  
States Father [Lawrence B.] Palladino's autograph on  
copy of Indian and White in the Northwest may now be had.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [396]
- [19]25  
Nov. 28 Charles N. Kessler, [Los Angeles]. To Paul C.  
Phillips, Missoula, Mont.  
Telegram: "Regret delay please use the Fort Owen  
picture."  
Copy. 1 p. 21.5 x 17.5 cm. [397]
- 1925  
Nov. 28 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Paul C. Phillips,  
Missoula, Mont.  
Confirms telegram and offers to help with information in  
preparation of Fort Owen Journals [The Journals and Letters of  
Major John Owen]; states he has enlarged copy of [Edgar S.]  
Paxson's picture of Fort Owen; also one of Major Owen's  
account books while sutler at Fort Bridger.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. *partial letter on back* [398]
- 1925  
Dec. 5 Paul C. Phillips, Missoula, Mont. To Charles N.  
Kessler, Los Angeles.  
Thanks Kessler for permission to use Fort Owen picture;  
if the [Edgar S.] Paxson copy is a different picture of the  
fort, he will be glad to see it; would appreciate use of  
the Major [John] Owen account book.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [399]
- 1925  
Dec. 12 C[harles] N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Secretary,  
Academy of Sciences and Letters, Morningside College, Sioux  
City, Iowa.  
Requests information regarding prices and availability  
of items on Northwest history published in Proceedings of the  
Academy.  
Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [400]
- 1925  
Dec. 12 C[harles] N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Paul C.  
Phillips, Missoula, Mont.  
States that his [Edgar S.] Paxson drawing of Fort Owen  
is a slightly enlarged copy of Paxson's original as it appears

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1925 in [Arthur L.] Stone's [Following Old Trails]; assumes that  
Dec. 12 the [Peter] Tofft drawing of the fort is the more accurate of  
the two.

Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [401]

1925 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Paul C.  
Dec. 12 Phillips, Missoula, Mont.

Is pleased that the [Peter] Tofft picture of Fort Owen is to be used; the [Maj. John] Owen and Loui Matt of Stevensville [Mont.] account books, together with a picture of Gustav Sohon, have been forwarded; states they will eventually be given to the University; gives data on account books and Sohon; also on picture of [Father Pierre J.] De Smet; encloses transcript of letter relating to De Smet.

Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21 cm.

For enclosures see entries 520, 399. [402]

1925 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Henry R.  
Dec. 12 Woodruff, Windsor, N. Y.

Requests another copy of Mrs. Sabin's Memorial to James H. Morley, to replace the one he lost.

Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [403]

1925 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Paul C.  
Dec. 13 Phillips, Missoula, Mont.

Requests copy of Professor [J. S.] Snoddy's Temporary List of Montana Writers, ca. 1908, which "became the basis for my original interest on a larger scale in Montaniana"; asks for information on two items listed in this work.

Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [404]

1925 Charles N. Kessler, [Los Angeles]. To Mrs. [George  
Dec. 26 E.] Boos, [Seattle, Wash.].

Offers to purchase old city directories and annuals of the Journal Publishing Company of Helena [Mont.], as well as old maps of Montana and Idaho.

Copy. 1 p. 28 x 21 cm. [405]

1925 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Editor,  
Dec. 26 Journal of the Military Service, Governors Island, N. Y.

Requests copy of the Journal containing Capt. John G. Bourke's article, "MacKenzie's Last Fight with the Cheyennes; A Winter Campaign in Wyoming and Montana," published in 1890.

L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. on back handwritten note [406]

*includes odd postscript, probably not belonging here*

1926 Paul C. Phillips, Missoula, Mont. To Charles [N.]  
Jan. 4 Kessler, Los Angeles.

Returns journals of Maj. John Owen and Loui Matt; is forwarding notes to [Seymour] Dunbar of New York, who is editing the Fort Owen Journals publication; gives details of editing; inquires about the De Smet portrait; promises to send copy of Professor [J. S.] Snoddy's Temporary Bibliography of Books Relating to Montana, with notes.

L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [407]

- 1926 Mrs. Dora L. [George E.] Boos, Seattle, Wash.  
Jan. 6 To [Charles N. Kessler, probably Los Angeles].  
Has forwarded Kessler's letter to her son, to whom she apparently has sent books and other matter, retaining only her husband's scrapbook.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13 cm. [408]
- [19]26 W. J. MacHaffie, Helena, Mont. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 15 Los Angeles.  
Lists by name and year old Montana newspapers in his possession and available to Kessler; suggests Kessler secure a set of pamphlets on Lewis & Clark, Verendrye, etc., issued by the G[reat] N[orthern Railroad] for the Fort Union celebration.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [409]
- 1926 Georgia M. Woodruff for Henry R. Woodruff, Windsor,  
Jan. 18 N. Y. To Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles.  
States that copy of the Memorial to James H. Morley is being sent.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [410]
- 1926 Fred H. McNeil, Portland, Ore. To Charles N. Kessler,  
Jan. 22 Los Angeles.  
Writes "at the behest" of Mrs. McNeil [Beatrice De Lacy], in reply to Kessler's request to Miss Breidenbach; states they have been unable to find the 1865 territorial map of Montana prepared by Col. Walter [W.] De Lacy; mentions interesting De Lacy material held by the McNeils and Miss Breidenbach.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [411]
- 1926 P. E. Byrne, Bismar[c]k, N. Dak. To C[harles] N.  
Feb. 15 Kessler, [Helena, Mont.].  
Offers to send for examination Joseph Dietrich's file of old papers (the Potter Kansan, 1915) containing, serially, an account of Charley Reynolds.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 16 cm. [412]
- 1926 Mrs. Geo[orge] E. Boos, Seattle [Wash.]. To  
Feb. 23 [Charles N. Kessler, probably Los Angeles].  
Her children do not "have any of the matter you speak of. I remember we burnt a lot of penciled matter . . ."; suggests that he write to Helena Historical Library, which "issued some books a few years ago."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 16.5 x 13 cm. [413]
- 1926 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Margaret [S.]  
Mar. 19 Roberts, Boise, Idaho.  
Regrets death of Joe Culbertson; requests photo copy of painting of Alexander Culbertson by J. M. Stanley be made; asks if anything more has been learned of the authorship of the manuscript material he "made the typed copy of."  
Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [414]
- 1926 C[harles] N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To C. D. Walcott,  
Mar. 19 Washington, D. C.  
Requests two copies of D. I. Bushnell's account of

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1926 J. M. Stanley, artist-explorer; states that Mrs. Roberts,  
Mar. 19 daughter of Maj. Alexander Culbertson whose portrait Stanley  
painted in the early fifties, is in possession of painting of  
Culbertson which she believes to be by Isaac Sprague, but  
which is probably by Stanley.

Copy. 1 p. 29 x 21 cm.

[415]

1926 Margaret S. Roberts, Boise [Idaho]. To C[harles]  
Apr. 1 N. Kessler, Los Angeles.

Returns \$3.00 as being insufficient to make photographic  
copy of "Grandfather [Alexander] Culbertson's picture"; claims  
her brother in Spokane has read somewhere extracts from  
Thaddeus Culbertson's journal; protests against Kessler's  
having given this information to someone or written it  
himself, in violation of promise to her mother; also cannot  
understand why he thinks he should be recompensed; "whatever  
you have done you have done voluntarily. If you recall you  
got the Audubon Set for a mere song."

L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

[416]

1926 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Margaret S.  
Apr. 6 Roberts, Boise, Idaho.

Denies he ever asked for recompense or "sold a single  
line of work to anyone whatever of this kind"; refers to the  
fact that some of Thaddeus Culbertson's "writings were pub-  
lished as far back as 1855."

Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.

[417]

[19]27 Sidney Feust, New York. To [Charles N.] Kessler.

June 5 Thanks Kessler for expression of sympathy on death of  
brother, Arthur [Feust].

A.L.S. 4 pp. 16.5 x 12.5 cm.

[418]

1927 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To [Secretary,  
July 21 Nevada Branch] American Association of University Women,  
Reno, Nev.

Requests information concerning availability of "A re-  
print of the United States Geological Survey Monograph entitled  
'Comstock Mining and Miners', which your association has pub-  
lished under title of 'The Drama of Virginia City'."

Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

[419]

1927 Gertrude M. Compton, Reno, Nev. To Charles N.  
July 30 Kessler, Los Angeles.

States that the booklet The Drama of Virginia City may  
be purchased.

A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.

[420]

1927 Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles. To Gertrude M.  
Aug. 27 Compton, Reno, Nev.

States that he has failed to receive copy of The Drama  
of Virginia City.

Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm.

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*unfinished letter on back*

- 1928  
Feb. 23 Phillip S. Smith, Washington [D. C.] To Hon. T. J. Walsh, United States Senate.  
States he is sending to Kessler, at Senator Walsh's request, a copy each of "Professional Papers 151 and 152."  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20 cm. [422]
- 1928  
Mar. 28 Mary B. Sanders, Los Angeles. To [Charles N.] Kessler, Los Angeles.  
Requests return of "little book about the [James L.] Fisk expedition," etc.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 19.5 x 16.5 cm. *includes cover - photostats* [423]
- Jan. 31 Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
Gives information about James, Joseph and Samuel Kipp, and possible sources of further information regarding them; "Samuel Kipp married a half sister of mine and lived at old man Kipp's place [farm] in Clay County, Missouri"; refers to Fort Kipp, "Durfee & Peck's old trading post," and Yellow Eagle, an Indian scout.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [424]
- n.d. Jerry Carleton, [Sioux Falls, S. Dak.]. To [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
States that, due to loss of Kessler's name and address, he has forwarded the pictures in question to the Sec[retary] of the Masonic Lodge of Helena, Montana.  
A.L.S. (Written across bottom of Kessler's letter, Oct. 27, 1919.) - *which is #243* [425]
- n.d. C. W. Cook, [White Sulphur Springs, Mont.]. To [Charles N. Kessler].  
Recalls attempts he made to discover source of Yellowstone River, the first in 1868 with "a Mr. Clark, a traveller [sic] and writer from Ill[inois]," which fell through because of Clark's having to return to Chicago; the second in 1869 with H. N. McGuyre, in an attempt to join "a large party," which failed because "we could find no trace of the large party - It is needless to say the indians were bad that year"; "the article [Folsom-Cook exploration of the upper Yellowstone Valley] . . . was written jointly by Mr. Folsome [sic] and myself as a descriptive letter to Mr. Clark . . . He offered it to the N[ew] Y[ork] Tribune and then to Harper Bro[ther]s each of which refused it"; the Western Monthly published it; "they abridged [sic] the article. Which . . . did not improve it."  
A.Memo S. 2 pp. 25 x 20 cm. [426]  
*Laid in entry 516.*
- n.d. Jos[eph] Culbertson. To Dear Isbell [Culbertson].  
"if any thing should hapen [sic] to me have me shiped [sic] back home I have been well treated."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 17.5 x 21.5 cm. [427]
- n.d. Duncan McDonald, [St. Ignatius, Mont.]. To [Charles N. Kessler, Helena, Mont.].  
Answers set of questions apparently submitted by Kessler; data includes details regarding Flathead Post [also known as

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- n.d. Fort Connah], where he was born, Indian place names, John Linklater and Linklater's Post, Joe Kipp, monument found on the Saskatchewan [River] in Canada in 1872.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 23.5 x 20 cm. *includes typescript answers to quotations* [428]
- n.d. G. H. Raun, [Governors Island, N. Y.]. To [Charles N. Kessler, Los Angeles].  
"The Journal of the Military Service Institute has been out of existence for several years."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Written on the verso of entry 406. [429]
- n.d. Margaret S. Roberts. To [Charles N.] Kessler.  
"I feel assured you will not make a copy of any of the enclosed Journals. Pardon me for my great caution, but we have never allowed these Journals out of our sight before."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [430]
- n.d. Anne Pike Smith, Buenos Aires, Argentina. To [Charles N. Kessler, War Department, Washington, D. C.].  
Is returning Kessler's letter, "as I am evidently not the person in whom you are interested. I am the granddaughter of General Albert Pike not Peck."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 7 x 5 cm. *includes cover* [431]
- n.d. Gustav Sohon.  
Biographical note on Gustav Sohon, probably copied by Charles N. Kessler from at least two unacknowledged sources of information.  
Copy. 1 p. 32.5 x 20 cm. [432]

III. Thomas Francis Meagher Papers

- [18]52 . T[homas] F. Meagher, [New York]. To G. P. Post, New  
Oct. 11 York.  
Apparently a note to his tailor about the fitting of a  
coat. M482L 1852 Oct. 11 (FD-DR14F)  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 19.5 cm. [433]
- [18]53 Thomas Francis Meagher, New York. To Bradford.  
Jan. 14 "Mr. Meagher feels much pleasure in complying with the  
request that has been made him by Mr. Bradford [sic]."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 19.5 x 12.5 cm. [434]  
M482L 1853 Jan. 14
- [18]61 T[homas] F. Meagher, New York. To William McLarahan,  
Dec. 6 Washington, [D. C.].  
Requests that McLarahan "give our friend, Treanor,  
every facility towards accomplishing the business he has in  
hand." M482L 1861 Dec. 6  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [435]
- 1864 Thomas Francis Meagher, Philadelphia. To [Robert]  
[Mar. 17] Patterson, Philadelphia.  
Regrets that a previous engagement will prevent his  
attending the Hibernian Society dinner; tells of the great  
love the Irish-Americans bear for their native land and  
assures him of his sincere devotion to the Irish cause.  
A.L.S. 3/4 pp. 20 x 12 cm. [436]  
M482L 1861 Dec. 6
- 1866 T[homas] F. Meagher, Virginia City, Territory of  
Jan. 20 Montana. To Rev. George W. Pepper, Ohio.  
Hopes that Pepper received his letter of a few weeks  
ago inviting him "to come out here along with Mrs. Meagher,  
and become a mountaineer as I have done"; renews invitation  
and, if acceptable, urges him to communicate at once with  
Mrs. Meagher who is in New York, "so that your movements,  
and her's should be combined"; states that there is "a  
preponderance of Yankee blood . . . out here. I want to  
see a strong infusion of . . . Celtic blood to counteract  
the acidity and poverty of the former."  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 19.5 x 12 cm. [437]  
M482L 1866 Jan 20
- 1866 Thomas Francis Meagher, Virginia City, Montana  
Apr. 12 Territory. To [Alexander E. Mayhew].  
"I have the honor to inform your Honorable House that  
I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 36  
entitled 'An Act, to annul An Act entitled "Quartz Mining  
Law"'. "  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20 cm. [438]  
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- 1866 Thomas Francis Meagher, Virginia City, Montana  
July 10 Territory. To James B. Bell, Boston, Mass.  
Certificate of appointment as "Commissioner of Deeds for  
Montana Territory within the State of Massachusetts [sic]."  
D.S. 1 p. 28 x 21.5 cm. [439]

in misc Montana  
map drawer

IV. Wilbur Fisk Sanders Papers

- 1866  
Dec. 15 Dance Stuart & Co., Deer Lodge [Montana Territory].  
To Col. Wilbur F[isk] Saunders [sic].  
Requests instructions concerning transmission of \$200,  
which Worden & Co. asks be forwarded to him.  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20.5 x 12.5 cm. [440]
- 1867  
July 14 Certificate "No. 123 One Shares [sic] Virginia City,  
Montana Masonic Temple Stock. Twenty Five Dollars per each  
share," issued to W[ilbur] F. Sanders.  
D.S. 1 p. 21 x 9.5 cm. [441]
- 1868  
Aug. 10 Certificate No. 229 "One Shares [sic] Virginia City,  
Montana Masonic Temple Stock. Twenty Five Dollars Per Each  
Share," issued to W[ilbur] F. Sanders.  
D.S. 1 p. 21 x 9.5 cm. [442]
- 1874  
Mar. 6 J. E. Page Gaffney, Virginia [City, Montana Territory].  
To W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Helena, M[ontana] T[erritory].  
At the "request of Mr. Rob[ert] Krohpatrick I herewith  
enclose affidavits in his land controversy matter. . . ."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 19.5 cm. [443]
- 1875  
July 4 J[unius] G. Sanders, Jefferson City [Montana Territory].  
To Col. [Wilbur F. Sanders], [Helena, Montana Territory].  
States he "will try and put a man on the Gregory";  
advises him to "hold the interest"; "[Nathaniel?] Merriman  
is plotting--told me . . . that Lawrence & Paynter was out  
to buy the interest owned by yourself and him--that you had  
told him to sell your interest with his and C. He may be  
honest . . . and it may be a game of his to get your  
interest--and then hold his own. . . . I was told that  
Keating was coming out to look after Tho[ma]s Connors  
interest."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20.5 cm. [444]
- 1876  
June 30 J[unius] G. Sanders, Jefferson City, M[ontana]  
T[erritory]. To [Wilbur Fisk Sanders].  
States that the man he sent to stake the Invincible was  
prevented from doing so by Geo[rge] Russell who insists "that  
it was on his patented ground"; suggests a letter of explana-  
tion be written; "Russell says that the Courtright location  
upon which he basis [sic] his claim to the Rumley is located  
nearer the Rumley Discovery."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 24.5 x 19.5 cm. [445]
- 1877  
Apr. 19 Canceled check on First National Bank, Helena, Montana  
[Territory], drawn in favor of A. S. Barnes & Co., New York,  
by W[ilbur] F. Sanders, President, [Montana] Historical  
Society, for subscription to "Historical Magazine."  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 8 cm. [446]

- 1877  
July 16 Central Pacific Railroad Co., E. P. Adams, Agent,  
Ogden [Utah Territory]. To M[ontana] Historical Society,  
Helena [Montana Territory].  
Receipted expense bill of lading for three boxes of  
books.  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 12.5 cm. [447]
- 1877  
July 18 Fred J. Kiesel & Co., Corinne, U[tah] T[erritory].  
To [Montana] Historical Society, Helena, M[ontana]  
T[erritory].  
Sight draft for \$28.50.  
D.S. 2 pp. 19.5 x 8.5 cm. [448]
- 1877  
July 18 Fred J. Kiesel & Co., Corinne, Utah [Territory]. To  
M[ontana] Historical Society, Helena, M[ontana] T[erritory].  
Receipted invoice for \$28.50 covering charges, etc.,  
on three boxes of books.  
D.S. 21 p. 21 x 10.5 cm. [449]
- 1877  
July 25 Canceled check on First National Bank of Helena,  
Montana [Territory], drawn by W[ilbur] F. Sanders of  
[Montana] Historical Society for freight on books.  
D.S. 1 p. 20 x 7 cm. [450]
- 1880  
Feb. 15 N[athaniel] P. Langford, New York. To [Wilbur F.]  
Sanders.  
Gives itinerary and requests "subpoena for me, . . .  
be sent to the U. S. Marshall [sic] at St. Paul so that I  
can draw my mileage."  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 21.5 x 13.5 cm. [451]
- 1880  
Feb. 27 [Probably Wilbur F. Sanders]. To [Henry Bilknap].  
"Mr. [Samuel T.?] Hauser and Mr. Sanders of Montana  
present their compliments to Mr. Henry Bilknap and would be  
pleased to see him if convenient in the reception room  
eleven oclock."  
A.L. 1 p. 20 x 12.5 cm. [452]
- 1881  
Mar. 1 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, New York. To D. C. Corbin, N[ew]  
Y[ork].  
"I go this A. M. to Washington will return probably  
last of next week."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20 x 13 cm. [453]
- 1881  
Aug. 3 E. H. Johnson, V[irgin]ia City, M[ontana] T[erritory].  
To W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Helena [Montana Territory].  
Gives details for signing and delivery of deed for  
mine and mill; states that they have been shut down "to  
await results 15th of the month," and that Walton has been  
instructed to examine title and have deed ready at once.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 23 x 14 cm. [454]
- 1884  
Aug. 14 Neuhausen, [Germany]. To [Wilbur F. Sanders, M[ün]ch[e]n,  
[Germany]].  
Telegram stating: "Valise sent to München station."  
D. 1 p. 21 x 19.5 cm. In German. [455]

Telegram cover on back

- 1886 Cha[rle]s Bird, Helena [Montana Territory]. To J[ames]  
July 7 U. Sanders.  
Notice of regular meeting of Board of Trustees to  
arrange for [Young Men's Christian] Association anniversary,  
September 7, 1886.  
Printed form S. 1 p. 20 12.5 cm. [456]
- 1886-87 Pioneer Club.  
Three blank complimentary passes to the Pioneer Club,  
signed by A[ndrew] J. Fisk, President, and J[ames] U[pson]  
Sanders, Secretary.  
D.S. 1 p. each. 10 x 6 cm. [457]
- Ante 1887 Northern Pacific Railroad.  
3pp  
Railroad employee pass for J[ames] U[pson] Sanders,  
issued by Northern Pacific Railroad.  
D.S. 2 pp. 9.5 x 6 cm. [458]
- 1887 Francis Rawle, Philadelphia. To Wilbur F. Sanders.  
July 1 Notice to pay dues to the American Bar Association for  
year ending August 1887.  
Printed form S. 1 p. 20.5 x 12.5 cm. [459]
- Ante Montana Union Railway Company.  
Dec. 31, Pass No. 109, issued by Montana Union Railway Company  
1887 to Col. W[ilbur] F. Sanders, attorney, Northern Pacific  
Railroad.  
D.S. 2 pp. 9.5 x 6 cm. [460]
- 1888 Northern Pacific Railroad Company, Mullan [Idaho  
May 12 Territory].  
Bill of lading covering shipment of fence poles from  
T. McDonald, Mullan [Idaho Territory] to J[ames] U. Sanders;  
freight charges \$21.39.  
D. 1 p. 22 x 19.5 cm. [461]
- 1890 Northern Pacific & Montana R[ail] R[oad].  
Railroad employee pass for J[ames] U. Sanders, issued  
by Northern Pacific & Montana R[ail] R[oad].  
D.S. 2 pp. 11.5 x 6.5 cm. [462]
- 1892 T[homas] C. Power, [Washington, D. C.]. To Harry R.  
Feb. 27 Horr, Red Lodge, Mont.  
Promises to "assist Senator [Wilbur F.] Sanders or any  
one here in any way in your claim"; advises Major Horr to  
"keep writing to Senator Sanders" as it is best that one  
person handle the affair; states that "Secretary [of the  
Interior, John W.] Noble is a fair and just man . . . and  
will do what is right"; denies "reports about Senator  
Sanders and myself not getting along."  
L.S. 1 p. 25 x 20.5 cm. [463]
- 1892 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Washington, D. C. To James  
July 29 [U. Sanders].  
States that upon request of President [Benjamin  
Harrison] he has named five men in Montana who would make

(contd.)

- 1892 : commissioners; that he has "set before him luminously the  
July 29 need of getting into sympathy with Montana republicans."  
L.S. 1 p. 25.5 x 20 cm. [464]
- 1893 Charles Pakeman, London. To J[ames] U. Sanders.  
Mar. 23 Dividend notice, Elkhorn Mining Company, enclosing  
"warrant . . . of Two Shillings per Share, . . . being at  
the rate of Forty per cent, per annum for the three months  
ending 28th February, 1893."  
Printed form S. 1 p. 20.5 x 12 cm. [465]
- 1896 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Helena, Mont. To [?].  
July 8 States that his correspondence from all over Montana  
"shows that in the midst of much noise, demoralization and  
a great deal of cowardice, there are a good many sober  
minded men"; inveighs against the "office seekers and the  
newspapers, who want county and state patronage"; is con-  
vinced that "we shall certainly have a political organiza-  
tion in Montana in entire harmony with Mr. McKinley and the  
St. Louis platform."  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [466]
- 1898 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, New York. To James [Upson Sanders].  
June 21 Discusses the advisability of appealing "from the  
Beach Spokane Judgement"; his "recollection of the Code is  
that a party may appeal from a Judgment in one year and from  
an order overruling or sustaining a motion for a new trial  
in Sixty days"; thinks there is good ground for appeal, and  
urges him to do so "between now and July 2nd."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 20.5 x 13 cm. [467]
- 1900 James Bones, [illegible] Creek, Mont. To J[ames] U.  
Aug. 22 Sanders, Helena, Mont.  
"Received copy of Pioneer Register."  
Postcard S. 14 x 8 cm. [468]
- 1902 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Chicago. To James [U. Sanders].  
Feb. 23 Requests that he "look up Beach et al vs Spokane Water  
Co. in some Montana Ref & Pacific Reporter" regarding the  
powers of the lower court; states that Mr. Nelson and he  
have decided to obtain a writ of supersedeas, but if it is  
necessary to file an assignment of stock, they will think it  
over; discusses other law points.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 24 x 15 cm. [469]
- 1902 W[ilbur] F. Sanders, Chicago. To James [Upson Sanders,  
Easter Helena, Mont.].  
Inquires about "the Browning deed to hir [sic] from the  
Sheriff of Granite Co[unty]"; writes that he "went up to  
Evanston [Ill.] to call on an old fifty year school mate."  
A.L.S. 1 p. 23.5 x 15 cm. [470]  
*includes stamped cover*
- 1906 Paul McCormick, [Billings, Mont.]. To James U.  
Sept. 25 Sanders, Anaconda, Mont.

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1906 Telegram: "Please accept my application for a membership  
Sept. 25 ship Montana Pioneer association express congratulations to survivors."  
D. 1 p. 20 x 13.5 cm. *advert on back for Western Union* [471]

1914 George Bird Grinnell, New York. To J[ames] U. Sanders,  
June 10 Helena, Mont.

Encloses picture of and some biographical data on "Joe Kipp, one of Montana's most famous characters," who "died at his home at Browning, Montana, last December"; has felt "that some memorial should be made of Kipp, and I tried to write something, giving facts and nothing but facts"; has prevailed upon [James Willard] Schultz, "who went to live with the Blackfeet in 1879 or 1880," to write what he could, but his "knowledge, like my own, is rather vague"; had written a long time ago to Horace Clark, a childhood friend, to ask "what he knew about Joe's early life," but Clark never replied; asks that the material be filed with the Montana Historical Society's records.

L.S. 2 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [472]

1918 S[amuel] V. Stewart, Helena, Mont. To J[ames] U.  
Aug. 31 Sanders, Helena, Mont.

Acknowledges invitation to annual convention of Montana Pioneers at Anaconda; regrets previous official engagements will prevent his attendance.

L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [473]

V. Legal Papers

- 1863                    Location notice of Judge Sidney Edgerton to a mining  
Dec. 24                claim in the Independent District, Idaho Territory.  
                         D.S. 1 p. 16 x 9 cm. [474]
- 1864                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim in  
Feb. 1                the Bannack District, recorded at Bannack City, Beaverhead  
                         County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 19 x 8.5 cm. [475]
- 1864                    Location notice of Almorette E. Geer and L. A. Darling  
Apr. 9                to a mining claim "on the Crysopolis Lode," recorded at  
                         Bannack City [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 19 x 9 cm. [476]
- 1864                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim in  
July 7                the Montana District, recorded at Bannack City, Beaverhead  
                         County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 18.5 x 9.5 cm. [477]
- 1864                    Location notice of L[eonard] A. Gridley to a mining  
July 18                claim "on the Victoria lead," recorded in Beaverhead County  
                         [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 21 x 12.5 cm. [478]
- 1864                    Location notice of [Sidney] Edgerton, Gridly [Leonard  
Dec. 20                A. Gridley?] and Miller to three mining claims in Spring  
                         Mountain, Beaverhead County, recorded at Bannack City,  
                         Beaverhead County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 19.5 x 8.5 cm. [479]
- 1864                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim  
Dec. 21                "on the New Port Lode," recorded at Montana City, Jefferson  
                         County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 18.5 x 7.5 cm. [480]
- 1865                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim  
Jan. 20                "on the Mary Lode," recorded at Montana City, Jefferson  
                         County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 20 x 6.5 cm. [481]
- 1865                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim  
Jan. 20                "on the Great Eastern Lode," recorded at Montana City,  
                         Jefferson County, [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 20 x 6.5 cm. [482]
- 1865                    Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim  
Jan. 20                "on the Bob Tail Lode," recorded at Montana City, Jefferson  
                         County [Montana Territory].  
                         D.S. 1 p. 20 x 6 cm. [483]

- 1865 Location notice of S[idney] Edgerton to a mining claim  
May 6 "on Eagle Creek," recorded at Jefferson City, Jefferson  
County, Montana Territory.  
D.S. 1 p. 19.5 x 8 cm. [484]
- 1865 Location notice of Sidney Edgerton to a mining claim in  
June 23 the "Short Hill District, Yellow Stone River," recorded at  
Gallatin City, Gallatin County, Montana Territory.  
D.S. 1 p. 19 x 8 cm. [485]
- 1868 James Butler, Holmes County, Ohio. To Benton Garinger,  
Jan. 8 Jefferson County, Montana Territory.  
Quitclaim deed to all Butler's interests in "the Beaver  
Ditch Company on McClellan Creek between Vantelburg's Saw  
Mill and Union Bar, also mining ground on said bar" together  
with all tools and materials, in consideration of \$700.  
Signed by Butler. Recorded in Book 16 G., p. 324, Jefferson  
County.  
D.S. 2 pp. 32 x 19.5 cm. [486]
- 1882 Samuel T. Hauser. To Benjamin F. Potts and Wilbur F.  
Nov. 28 Sanders.  
Quitclaim deed to Potts of an undivided one-third  
interest and to Sanders of an undivided one-sixth interest,  
in consideration of one dollar, in certain water rights of  
Beaver Creek; also a certain ditch known as "the Taylor &  
Thompson ditch or Montana Central Ditch," acquired by Hauser  
by deed from John Murray. No record of recording, this docu-  
ment probably is a copy.  
D.S. 2 pp. 31.5 x 20.5 cm. [487]
- 1882 E[dgar] N. Harwood. To Col. [Wilbur F.] Sanders.  
Dec. 12 Sets forth claim of client, Edward Fulker of Billings,  
Custer County, Montana [Territory], for \$125 for death of  
mare in an unprotected ditch dug by the Northern Pacific  
Railroad Company.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 32 x 20 cm. [488]
- 1888 John C. Bullitt, Jr., trustee, St. Paul, Minn. To  
Nov. 19 Robert Lynch, Missoula, Montana Territory.  
Deed of conveyance of a lot in the Northern Pacific  
Addition to Helena [Montana Territory] for the consideration  
of \$200. Recorded in Lewis and Cl[ar]k County [Montana  
Territory], Dec. 21, 1888, in Book 15 of deeds, p. 413.  
D.S. 2 pp. 35.5 x 21 cm. [489]
- 1888 To Curtiss and Burdett, [Washington, D. C.].  
Dec. 4 Unidentified writer states: "I have settled on and am  
now in the occupancy of 160 acre [sic] of land on an odd  
section within forty miles of the N[orthern] P[acific]  
R R [Railroad] and I hardly know whether to negotiate with  
the Railroad Company or not the map of preliminary route of  
that road was filed Feby 21, 1872 at which time this was  
public land free from all claims; . . . I would like to know  
what you would charge me for an opinion as to the validity of  
the R[ail] R[oad] title."  
A.L. 2 pp. 31.5 x 20.5 cm. [490]

1896 Abstract of title by the Security Abstract Co., Butte,  
July 27 Mont., to the Cobban Placer Mine, survey No. 4200, Silver  
Bow County, Mont., from its location claim on March 5, 1892  
by George H. Casey, W[illiam] H. Lewis, Walter Lewis,  
A. F. Munroe, I. A. Cobban, W[illiam] F. Cobban, Kate L.  
Cobban and W. S. Cobban, through nine deeds to July 15,  
1896.

D.S. 2 pp. 53 x 40.5 cm.

[491]

n.d. Reinhold [H.] Kleinschmidt and another, partners, vs.  
David W. Bateman. Third Judicial District, Montana  
Territory.

Certified copy of stipulation settling action out of  
court, signed by E[dwin] W[arren], J[oseph] K. Toole,  
[Wilbur F.] Sanders, [William E.] Cullen, and [James U.]  
Sanders, and certified by B. H. Tatem, clerk.

D.S. 1 p. 32 x 20 cm.

*document title on back* [492]

VI. Miscellaneous.

- 1833 E[dwin] T. Denig, F[or]t Pierre [Missouri Territory].  
Ju. [sic] 10 Three signatures, probably tracings taken from docu-  
to ments dated at Fort Pierre: "Wm Laidlow [Laidlaw?] per  
Oct. 8 E. T. Denig."  
Black ink and pencil on linen. 1 p. 11 x 8 cm. [493]
- 1837 Max[imilian], Prince of Wied, Neuwied [Germany]. To  
Mar. 6 Titian [R.] Peale, Philadelphia.  
Informs Peale that a box for him, containing zoological  
specimens, is ready to be sent; asks that some enclosed  
packages be forwarded to various acquaintances in the  
United States.  
A.L.S., with Prince's red wax seal on back. 1 p.  
21.5 x 13.5 cm. *W642L 1837 Mar 6 DR-15F* [494]
- 1839 Washington Hood, Independence [Mo.].  
Aug. 12 "Notes relating to the portion of country adjacent to  
the head waters of the Missouri, the Yellowstone, the  
Salmon, Lewis and Colorado Rivers; with various observations  
on the subject of the practicable passes or routes through  
the Rocky Mountains. . . . From information obtained in  
frequent conversations with two highly intelligent trappers  
Wm. Ag. Walter of Va. & W. Coates of Md. who originally  
joined Capt. Bonneville's party but subsequently continued  
among the mountains as 'free trappers' during six consecu-  
tive years, as also that derived from others who were con-  
nected with surveys & expeditions as far to the westward as  
Santa Fe & Taos." Describes in great detail the terrain  
and courses of the various rivers.  
A.D.S. 32 pp. 19 x 15 cm. *boxed with xerox copy* [495]
- 1843 I[saac] Sprague.  
July 29 Pencil drawing of five buffaloes, "Drawn from nature  
at Fort Union M[iss]o[uri] Territory] July 29, 1843." On  
verso: "Presented to Mr. Cha[rles] N. Kessler by M[aria]  
R. Audubon July 8, 1918."  
Drawing S. 1 p. 35.5 x 26 cm. *presentation note on back* [496]
- 1843 Edwin T. Denig, Fort Union [Missouri Territory].  
July 30 Describes Fort Union as "the principal and handsomest  
Trading post on the Missouri River"; gives notes on its  
history, plan, fortifications, etc.; mentions "Mr. [Alexander]  
Culbertson, one of the partners of the Company"; "Mr. [John J.]  
Audubon, our Celebrated Naturalist was here upon Scientific  
researches, together with his secretary Mr. Squire [Lewis  
Squires];" also the painter [Isaac] Sprague; mentions that  
a Mr. Varpentour [Charles Larpentour?] is in charge of "the  
retail store where white persons buy and sell."  
A.D.S. [?] 4 pp. 41.5 x 26 cm. *folio size* [497]
- 1843 A[lexander] Culbertson, [Fort McKenzie, Missouri  
Aug. 7 Territory].  
Describes Fort McKenzie and the hardships and dangers  
during its construction by the American Fur Company, begun

(contd.)

1843 in 1832 under David D. Mitchell and completed under the  
Aug. 7 author; relations with Indians; building of later fort  
retaining same name.  
A.D.S. [?] Written in one hand. 4 pp. 41.5 x 26 cm.  
fold size [498]

1850 Thaddeus A. Culbertson.  
Mar. 21 Private journal of a trip by steamer and overland from  
to St. Louis to a point "very near the Missouri [River]";  
Apr. 27 describes stops made, purchase of additional equipment,  
scenery, buffalo hunts, visits with trappers and traders,  
and visit to the grave of [Charles] Floyd, a "member of the  
Lewis and Clark company"; tells of ride through prairie  
fire, and travels with Indians to spot where they expected  
to meet Chief Old Eagle.

Note: The manuscript forms the first and unpublished  
portion of the "Journal of an Expedition to the Mauvais  
Terres and the Upper Missouri in 1850," an expedition made  
under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institution, the  
latter part of the journal having been published in the  
Fifth Annual Report of the Board of Regents of the  
Smithsonian Institution for the year 1850.

Copy. 57 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [499]

[1858] J. Jewett Wilcox, steamer "Omaha" [Missouri River].  
Sept. 2 Log describing difficulty of passage upstream from St.  
to Louis; the picking up of "a boat load of voyagers from the  
Oct. 23 headwaters of the Missouri" on return trip, among them  
Charles [sic] Wimar with collection of sketches and Indian  
curiosities; stormy weather; sermon at Nebraska City  
delivered by the Rev. J. H. Morton; meeting the "St. Mary"  
at Sonora, "the first boat we had seen for nearly three  
weeks."

Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [500]

1859 Carl Ferdinand Wimar.  
May 28 Journal of Wimar's trip from St. Louis to Fort Benton;  
to translated by Charles W. Schleiffarth from the German.

July 25 Copy. 2 pp. 26 x 19.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 157. [501]

1859 [Author unknown], steamer "Carrier" [Missouri River].  
July 23 Account of trip on steamer "Sprad Eagle" with govern-  
ment supplies for Indians, leaving St. Louis May 28 for  
headwaters of Missouri River; passengers include American  
Fur Company's outfit, Major Schoonover and Col. Alfred J.  
Vaughan, Indian agents, Captain Reynolds and his party of  
Government surveyors, [Carl F.] Wimar and Issacs [sic],  
artists, Lord Richard Grosvenor, and several others;  
parleys with Indians; rumors of gold discovery "along the  
mountains from the Little Missouri to the gates of the  
Rocky Mountains"; purchase of steamer "Chippewa" by American  
Fur Company; details of return trip by Mackinaw to Sioux  
City [Iowa], thence by steamer "Carrier" to St. Louis.

Copy. 2 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [502]

1862 Charles Rumley, [St. Louis to Portland, Oreg.].  
May 14 Diary of trip, partly on steamer "Emelie" [sic];  
to describes stops made, Indians encountered, forts, etc.;  
1863 gives a "Table of Camp Grounds & distance of Military road  
Apr. 22 by John Mullans [sic] 1st Lieutenant 2d Artillery, found at  
Wordens store at Bitter Root"; four pages of sketches of  
places visited, such as Dead Man's Rapids, Rocky Mountains,  
Red Butte, Big Hole Prairie, Dry Gulch, etc.; hand-drawn  
map of portions of Utah, Montana and Dakota.

[Original shelved  
with Temp. Mess.  
Bound]

Copy. 23, 5 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. Map, 75 x 21.5 cm.  
Map and sketches traced on thin paper.

[503]

1862 Samuel T[homas] Hauser, [steamer "Emily"]. To [Hauser's  
May 24 sister].

to Letter in diary form describes voyage from Sioux City  
June 17 [Iowa] to Fort Benton [Dakota Territory]; scenery; parley  
with Indians at Ft. Pier [sic], Captain Gilpin representing  
voyagers; race with steamer "Spread Eagle."

Copy. 4 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm.

Attached to entry 505.

[504]

1862 Samuel T. Hauser, Deer Lodge [Dakota Territory]. To  
Aug. 26 [Hauser's sister].

to Letter in diary form describes trading with "Little Dog,"  
Sept. 9 chief of the Blackfeet; trip to Salmon River with advance  
party; visit to Stuart, "a clever whole souled fellow with  
2 squaws for wives," at Hell Gate River; visit to Major Owen  
at Fort Owen; states decision to stay for winter as his  
partner, Dance, has found a claim.

Copy. 3 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm.

Attached to entry 504.

[505]

1862-1863 James and Granville Stuart, Bannack City, Montana  
"(Then in Dakota)."

Ledger listing 57 accounts with notes by the Stuarts  
showing cancelations, many by violent deaths, as: "J. M.  
Bozeman . . . This acc/ was squared by his being [sic]  
killed by the crow Indians on the Yellowstone in 1865 or  
1866. It was in 1867. G. S."; "Hank Crawford . . .  
Squared by Henry Plummer & the other Road agents trying to  
assassinate him and compelling him to flee the country to  
save his life"; "Gold Tom & Brown . . . Brown blew his  
brains out on the Prickly Pear creek in 1863," etc.

Written in several hands. 37 pp. 29 x 18.5 cm.

[506]

1864 William Tod Helmuth, St. Louis.

Apr. 20 A biographical sketch of Charles [sic] Ferdinand Wimar,  
painter of Indian life, based on data supplied by his parents,  
wife, and his master in the fine arts, Pomerade.

Copy. 7 pp. 31.5 x 28 cm.

[507]

1867 "G", Philipsburg, Deer Lodge Co[unty], M[ontana]  
Sept. 6 T[erritory].

Pencil drawing, showing hillside view of Philipsburg on  
the banks of Flint Creek.

Drawing S. 25 cm. x 17.5 cm.

[508]

Mont.  
Coll.  
Photographs  
Box

- 1868-1869 Wells Fargo Overland Stage Co.  
 Passenger register, including records of mail and express shipments, and of business carried on from Laramie to Salt Lake City, May 12 to July 25, 1868; from Benton to Salt Lake City, July 26 to September 11, 1868; and from Ogden, the railroad connection, April 11 to May 6, 1869.  
 A.D. 23 pp. 43 x 36 cm. [509]
- NOS  
08/1988  
NOS  
1950s
- 1870 J[ames] M. Cavanaugh, Washington, D. C. To Lewis  
 Mar. 15 Ashmead, Phila[delphia].  
 Regrets that he is unable to comply with request for copy of his speech in the House of Representatives; "the effort was impromptu, and the result of indignation on my part at the unprecedented attitude of Mr. Willard, of Vermont, who voluntarily became the apologist for British cruelty and wrong upon the floor of Congress. . . . I have never thought it of sufficient importance to print the speech."  
 A.L.S. 1 p. 25 x 19.5 cm. [510]
- MS. C377L 1870 Mar 15  
DR-13F
- 1880 Boulder and Butte Wagon Road Co., [Boulder P. O.,  
 Jefferson County, Montana Territory].  
 Records, containing: Copy of certificate of incorporation of the company; minutes of a trustees' meeting relating to bylaws and subscriptions to the capital stock; copy of bylaws; minutes of another trustees' meeting (December 1880), dealing with the election of officers; titles and disposition of three legal cases.  
 Written in two hands. 15 pp. 31 x 19.5 cm. [511]
- 1886 Montana Central Railway Company, [Helena, Montana  
 Mar. 31 Territory].  
 to Eighteen monthly ledger balance sheets of the Montana  
 1887 Central Railway Company [one of James J. Hill's railways],  
 July and showing disbursements and grand total. includes 9 inserts (A totals)  
 1887 A.D. 18 pp. 46 x 29 cm. also 10 d. has corr title [512]  
 Sept.
- MS. M764Z L473 1886-1887 DR-14F
- 1889 [Montana] Constitutional Convention.  
 July-Aug. Album of 93 signatures of members of [Montana] Consti-  
 and tutional Convention; all signatures are dated July and  
 1916 August, 1889; many are repeated as of November, 1916.  
 Nov. 10 A.D.S. 53 pp. 19 x 12 cm. [513]
- NOS 08/1988  
NOS 1950s
- 1889 E. H. Moore, Deer Lodge, Mont[ana Territory]. To  
 Aug. 5 Emil Hansen, [Deer Lodge, Montana].  
 Invitation to witness the execution of Peter August Johnson at Deer Lodge.  
 D.S. 1 p. 9 x 5 cm. Mont coll D31i [514]
- 1893 Lewis R. Culbertson, Zanesville, Ohio.  
 Genealogy of the Culbertson and Culbertson families who came to America before the year 1800, and several families that have come over since then; containing biographical sketches of some of the more prominent members of the various

(contd.)

1893 families. By Lewis R. Culbertson, M. D. The Courier Company, Printers, Publishers and Binders, Zanesville, Ohio, 1893.  
Copy. 5 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [515]

1894 David E. Folsom.  
"The Folsom-Cook Exploration of the upper Yellowstone in the year 1869," by David E. Folsom. With a preface by Nathaniel P. Langford. N. L. Collins Co., St. Paul, Minn., 1894.  
Printed. 22 pp. 23 x 15 cm.  
Laid in: 4 ~~Three~~ letters and a memorandum, for which see entries 30, 32, 33. #426 6 pp total [516]

1895 W[illia]m Muth, Helena [Mont.].  
Notes on Muth's experiences as member of Helena [for capital] campaign committee; Gov. Joseph K. Toole wires him to return at once by special train as "your vote may decide Capitol question"; Helena is chosen temporary capital; its rival, Anaconda, draws away much support by promising to build railroads throughout the State; Helena continues fight; "Excursions were planned and hundreds of voters brought to the town"; Helena emerges victorious after a 5-year battle.  
D.S. 9 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm. includes second copy [517]

1896 Montana Equal Suffrage Association, Helena, Mont.  
Sept. 1 Minutes of an executive meeting of the association held at the home of Mrs. [Harriet P.] Sanders, president.  
D. 2 pp. 31 x 20 cm. under "Montana Equal Suffrage Association [misc.]" [518]

1897 [Frederick W.] Benteen, Atlanta [Ga.]. To D. F. Barry.  
May 4 Discusses case of 2d Lieut[enant] Jerome, who was "shaken out" of the army for "general worthlessness"; would like copy of the Sunday Press article; disagrees with [H. R.] Porter's account of [Battle of Little Big Horn]; remarks on Gen. [Nelson A.] Miles; comments on court martial of Capt. Henry Romeyor.  
A.L.S. 4 pp. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. [519]

1899 G. Collier Robbins, San Diego, Calif. To Hon. John R.  
Feb. 25 McBride, [Washington, D. C.]  
Gives information regarding Father [Pierre Jean] De Smet's activities as army chaplain and treaty maker in Indian war of Oregon and Washington, 1855-56; tells of photograph being made of De Smet and Indian chiefs, etc.; notes regarding name "Gen. Phil Henry" added by [Charles N.] Kessler at end of letter.  
Copy. 1 p. 23 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 402. [520]

1901 Edmond Stephen Meany, University of Wisconsin.  
Thesis titled Chief Joseph, The Nez Perce: A critical review of Chief Joseph, the treaty of 1855, the subsequent

(contd.)

- 1901 war climaxing in the battle of Bear Paw Mountain, and a discussion of conversations with Chief Joseph; bibliography by Dan McGrath added May 18, 1934.  
Copy. 62 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [521]
- 1904 T[om] M. McDougall, Wellsville, N. Y. To [D. F.]  
Sept. 6 Barry.  
Criticizes magazine article on battle of the Little Big Horn, which he considers rather harsh on Colonel Reno; gives reminiscences of the battle.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 17.5 x 11 cm. [522]
- 1913 James Cobell Brown, San Rafael, Cal[if]. To F. D.  
Jan. 20 Brown, Philipsburg, Mont.  
Acknowledges letter and points out inaccuracies in enclosed extract from Mining and Engineering World dealing with Philip Diedesheimer; discusses Diedesheimer's career.  
Copy. 2 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm. [523]
- 1916 J. B. Creedan, Washington, D. C. To Mrs. E. W. Bache,  
Apr. 11 [Helena, Mont.]  
Mentions locating only two of the books about which Kessler asked: [Anthony Ravalli, S. J.] 40 Years a Missionary [in the Rocky Mountains], and Indian and White in the Northwest [by Lawrence B. Palladino, S. J.].  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [524]
- 1917 William Jackson, Detroit, Mich.  
Nov. 2 Address before members of the Wittenagmote Club, Detroit, Michigan, recounting his experiences as photographer for the Hayden Survey under the United States Geological Survey, during 1870-1879, and other experiences as an exploring photographer.  
Copy. 41 pp. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. *softband* [525]
- 1917 W[illiam] A. Shoup, Mondak, Mont.  
Collection of notes on Fort Union from Shoup's correspondence, based on personal reminiscences of Captain Marsh, pioneer pilot on the Custer Massacre relief ship, "Far West," and member of General Miles' and General Forsythe's Yellowstone expeditions.  
Copy. 2 pp. 27 x 20.5 cm. [526]
- 1918 W[illia]m F. Hooker, New York. To D. H. Newhall,  
July 17 New York.  
Regrets he has no knowledge of the Illustrated Review; encloses newspaper clipping on General [George A.] Custer, suggesting the erection of a monument.  
L.S. 1 p. 26.5 x 20.5 cm. *includes clipped article* [527]
- ca. 1918 M[oses] K. Armstrong.  
History of Dakota by M[oses] K. Armstrong, revised by G[eorge] A. Bachelder, treats of the boundaries of Dakota; division of territory and creation of capital; the first and second elections; Indian difficulties and early

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- ca. 1918 settlements; historic events of 1846-1868; with note on  
Bachelder by Hon. Doane Robinson, Secretary of "South Dakota  
Department of History."  
Copy. 42 pp. 33 x 21.5 cm. *IRS notice on the back of 2 sheets* [528]
- 1919 Mrs. W. W. Woods [Parkville?, Mo.]. To Mrs. [Dan]  
Jan. 16 Carpenter [Gashland, Mo.].  
Gives brief reminiscences of the [Capt. James] Kipp  
family and their relatives at Parkville, Missouri.  
A.L.S. 3 pp. 16 x 13 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 135. [529]
- 1919 Joe W. Taylor, Poplar, Mont.  
May 2 Photographic copy of map by Taylor showing "Part of  
Montana. The territory that Joe Culbertson scouted in  
1876 to 1881."  
*NOS 08/1988* Copy. 1 p. 25.5 x 20.5 cm. [530]
- 1920 Duncan McDonald, St. Ignatius' Post, St. Ignatius,  
May 24 Mont. To Watson Boyle, Helena, Mont.  
Answers questions concerning native names of the  
Flathead Indians, Flathead Lake, and Flathead River; states  
"extinct tribe which lived in the inter-mountain district  
before the advent of the Selish [Flathead] tribe was  
Joo-nach-ay. . . . The tribe . . . later scattered to the  
Kootenais [sic], Crows, Nez Perces and Blackfoot [sic]."  
Copy. 1 p. 30 x 20 cm. *A.L. copy signed?* [531]
- 1921 D[onald] McDonald, Dixon [Mont.]. To A[ddison K.]  
Aug. 19 Lusk, St. Ignatius [Mont.].  
Explains delay in sending pamphlet written by his father;  
will search for it on return from Idaho.  
A.L.S. 2 pp. 20 x 12.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 333. [532]
- 1923 [Oscar O. Mueller, Lewistown, Mont.]. To David Hilger,  
Dec. 21 Helena, Mont.  
Recalls telling Hilger he wished to locate a map pre-  
pared by W[alter] W. De Lacey in 1870, showing route of Cook-  
Folsom expedition of 1869, a trip Colonel De Lacey encouraged  
them to undertake; says the high school has one donated by  
Judge Von Tobel; that it confirms his theory that the  
Washburn-Langford expedition had with them an accurate map,  
a fact which has never been mentioned; would like to have  
copies of the 1864 and 1870 De Lacey maps.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 373. [533]
- 1928 W[illiam] I. Lippincott.  
May Note on Colonel Baker and attack on friendly Indians  
in Prickly Pear Valley [?] in 1869.  
*NOS 08/1988* A.D. 1 p. 21.5 x 19 cm. [534]
- 1932 W[illiam] I. Lippincott, Butte, Mont. To Robert E.  
Oct. 10 Cowan, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Acknowledges letter of inquiry about Memories of Montana,  
by Tom Mannix; states he has "not before heard of this man or

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- 1932 his writings, but will immediately prosecute minute  
Oct. 10 inquiries, and advise you later."  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [535]
- 1932 W[illiam] I. Lippincott, Butte, Mont. To Robert E.  
Oct. 11 Cowan, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Information concerning Tom Mannix, an Irish lawyer,  
writer and lecturer, who came to Butte in 1899.  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [536]
- 1932 W[illiam] I. Lippincott, Butte, Mont. To Robert E.  
Oct. 13 Cowan, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Writes that his friend, M. V. Conroy, has among his  
collection of Montaniana a copy of Tom Mannix's Memories  
of Montana, and is willing to "part with this copy for a  
price."  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [537]
- 1932 W[illiam] I. Lippincott, San Francisco. To W. A.  
Oct. 17 Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.  
The photograph of the "Last Stand of General Custer"  
was incorrect; it was the "Last Meeting of his Staff  
Officers," taken by a government photographer on July 3,  
1876, two days before they were annihilated by the Sioux  
Indians; "this is the only photograph in existence. . . .  
it has no duplicate."  
L.S. 1 p. 27.5 x 21 cm. [538]
- 1934 Dan McGrath, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Apr. 27 Bibliography of Chief Joseph, prepared expressly for  
the William Andrews Clark, Jr., Library; arranged by author  
and title.  
T.D. 19 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. [539]
- n.d. M[att] W. Alderson, Helena [Mont.].  
Personal recollections of "Early Days of Helena,"  
giving account of Helena "firsts" (saloon, church, theater,  
etc.), and other historical events.  
T.D. 11 pp. 32.5 x 21.5 cm. [540]
- n.d. Emma P. Culbertson, Boston [Mass.]. To Samuel A.  
Culbertson, Louisville [Kentucky].  
Portion of Culbertson family geneological material,  
from an original letter written by Dr. Emma P. Culbertson.  
Copy. 1 p. 27.5 x 21.5 cm. [541]
- n.d. Deer Lodge [Montana Territory].  
Framed brown wash painting depicting street scene in  
Deer Lodge [Montana Territory].  
23 x 15 cm. [542]
- n.d. Joseph Culbertson, Poplar, Mont.  
Account of his career in the upper Missouri River  
country from about 1870 to 1918: Experiences as a boy with  
his father, Maj. Alexander Culbertson, including a trip to  
Washington with Indians to meet President Grant; his  
adventures as a scout with various commands, his Indian

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- n.d. wife's description of the battle of the Little Big Horn, and other similar reminiscences.  
Copy. 124 pp. 28 x 21.5 cm. *2nd complete copy* [543]
- n.d. Ray E. Gardner.  
Copy of MS. by Gardner [Arizona Bill], giving "A Brief History of Brig. Gen. Geo[rge] A. Custer, from facts of one of his Personal [friends?] and Class Mate of his at West Point also one of his command."  
Copy. 5 pp. 28 x 22 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 322. *includes copy* [544]
- n.d. Photograph of Nicholas Kessler [father of Charles N. Kessler] by W. H. Taylor, photographer of Helena, Mont.  
15 x 10 cm. *in small folder* [545]
- n.d. [Robert L. McCulloch, Great Falls, Mont.]. To President, National Bank of Chambersburg, Chambersburg, Pa.  
Requests information concerning John McIlvaine or his wife, a daughter of the late Dr. William Culbertson.  
L. 1 p. 21.5 x 14.5 cm.  
Enclosed with entry 78. [546]
- n.d. Memorandum which gives in detail the coming of the first cattle and sheep into Montana, quoting references:  
The Life, [Letters] and Travels of Father [Pierre Jean] De Smet Among [Wild Tribes of] the North American Indians by [Hiram I.] Chittenden and [Alfred T.] Richardson; Solitary Rambles of a Hunter by John Palliser; Among the Indians by Henry A. Boller; a sketch by F. H. Woody in Montana Historical Contributions, Vol. 2, page 93; Report of Commissioner of Indian Affairs for 1862, the first report of the Government farm at Sun River; Montana history of 1885; Report of Territorial Auditor for 1868; The Yellowstone Valley by P. McElrath.  
Copy. 3 pp. 28 x 21 cm. *partial* [547]
- n.d. Granville Stuart, [Bannack City, Montana Territory].  
Ledger containing a "Vocabulary of the Snake dialects collected by Granville Stuart (Ante 1870)"; explanatory notes on the vocabulary; "Itinerary of the route from Leavenworth City to Great Salt Lake City up the south side of the Platte River"; "Itinerary of the route E. S[alt] L[ake] City to Sacramento and Benicia California via the Humboldt River, & Carson valley" (pages missing at end).  
A.D. Vocabulary, 37 pp.; explanatory notes, 43 pp.; itineraries, 8 pp. 31 x 19.5 cm. *bound* [548]
- n.d. Negative of film of "Bear and Elk" [painting by Carl F. Wimar].  
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Enclosed with entry 374. *Inside of envelope addressed to Kessler* [549]

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