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Dear Ron

I thank you for your  
considerate & warm letter. I don't  
even know the young lady  
you refer to "Whose words I  
echoed". I have been saying  
the same words in defence of  
my Indian Friends for over  
20 years.

I have sent a copy of my  
submission to the Indian  
Association of Alberta, the  
Cherokee & Jews association, &  
the Holena Band.

The specific book I am  
concerned about being in  
our public libraries is one  
written by W. P. Kinsella

published by Penguin called  
"The Moccasin Telegraph"

Mr Kinsella just won the award  
of the Top literary writer for his  
book "Shoddy Joe", Feet was  
about an Indian who sold out  
the baseball pennant race to  
the mafia but when his book  
was allowed to return & justify  
this crooked & at that time  
convicted action.

Mr Kinsella was the object  
of a C.B.E slow & when Barbara  
Fromme asked him about his  
books he said & I quote  
"I'm a liar" & "I do it for  
the money"

Those books must not be  
on our curriculum of schools

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not available in public supported  
funded libraries.

In the Penguin Pocket Book  
of "The ~~More~~ Moccasin Telegraph"  
there are 14 stories. ~~Frederick~~  
supposedly told by an Indian  
editor, a Cree in Hobema.

In each story the Indians  
are liars, drunks, criminals +  
even confused stupid people.

To portray a whole race the  
way to make money by selling  
books is wrong. It can be  
encouraged if you are at  
all serious about eliminating  
prejudice. The author by

claiming it is merely person just  
like the original author whose  
book became the basis for "The  
Protocols" - was arrogant. For  
instance throughout his book  
Peter Langford's government is  
their enemy. Under the Canadian  
Indian Act' the exclusive jurisdiction  
on Indian affairs is given  
to the Federal Government &  
for over 200 years they have  
excluded any interference by  
the Provincial Government.

Yet the author likes to lay  
the blame on "Peter" as he  
calls them, for the Indians

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Troubles. This author knows nothing  
about Indian History or Tradition  
& in every way be misinterpreted  
it & so has painted our Canadian  
history & distorted it.

I have ~~the~~ "passage" to prove  
what I'm saying.

This book must NOT be  
in our publicly funded  
libraries, if we ever hope to  
enjoy racial living together

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Dear Janie

I was shocked when I returned from Montana for the Christmas season that they had not sent the Christmas cake I had ordered sent to you.

I did ~~return~~ receive your lovely pansetta & it is still blooming a glorious red. I have finally traded down the error by now they have no Christmas cake.

So I am just enclosing a cheque & I want that good cook Mrs Sampson to go & pick out a turkey & you have a Christmas dinner on me in February. It may even taste better then!

I have also enclosed the book the mocasin telegraph I think the Hobema Council must protest. It depicts nothing but lies & Criminals & <sup>the author</sup> as Hobema Indians. He is very funny about it all & even has won an award for another book. He admits to knowing no Indians, & on the C.B.C. said he just wrote "lies" for money.

but I feel it has done irreparable  
harm to your tribe & all Indians  
People who do not know your  
people will read the book & believe  
him, & your children will have  
difficulty getting jobs & being  
accepted. I believe your tribe  
Council (if possible) should write  
to the minister of education & say  
you object to it being in school  
libraries, I think you should  
put in a protest to the Ombuds-  
man of Alberta & the <sup>government</sup> Indian  
Association should join you  
in this both Alberta & whatever  
national associations you can  
get. Also write the publisher