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Hal Riegger,

Sorry for the long delay in answering your letter, but Christmas season was upon us.

Will try to answer them to the best of my recollection.

- 1) - Don't know nor cannot recall the full name of the newspaper.
- 2) - Name of newspaper is not shown, but more than likely it is the Lewis country Herald, and it is mentioned in the text of the article
Date is not known
- 3) - -- gets little nod. The writer is identified just as a Tribune Staff writer. Don not know which newspaper it is and date is not known
- 4) - This article is from the Northern Pacific monthly employee magazine of April 1959.
- 5) - --Three larger engines, etc.
It is headlined Nezperce, and more than likely the article was published by the Nezperce newspaper, but the date is not known.
The four photos go with the story.
- 6) This article probably was published by a Lewiston, Ida. newspaper, and it is dated Dec. 11, 1941.

If I recall, I got these news clippings from the Archives of the Nezperce, from John Jasper, and they were not dated then. The copies I sent you are photo copies of photo copies and are a little light.

Ray Thomas, when I met him, about ten years ago, was retired from the Nezperce, and was quite old then, living alone. He let me take the photos back to Seattle with me, and I made copies and returned his originals. More than likely he is gone to his rewards by now, but, if he is still around, he would be in his 80's or more. He was very cooperative, and he told me a lot of things about the Nezperce, which I could not get from John Jasper. Perhaps, John' did not have the past experience of history that Ray Thomas did.

Too bad about Joe Lux throwing in the towel. Wonder if the Cam Prairie will absorb it, for the grain traffic, or maybe another entrepreneur will come along. Who knows?

regards,

Ken C. Brovald