

by the Indian agent for the band. Out of this money we got \$150.<sup>00</sup> worth of lumber each for eight houses we built. We believe there is a balance in the bank and we ask that this balance be paid to us so we may utilize it.

(2). The B.C. Electric R.R. runs through the reserve (No. 7?) The agent got the money for this right of way. We want to have this money paid to us.

(3). The Indian Agent sold all the timber on the reserve (No. 7?) to the shingle mill. We only got a little of this. We ask that the balance be paid us.

(4). There is a brick plant on reserve No. 7 which occupies 9 acres of our land. They pay \$43<sup>00</sup> per year for rent which we consider very low. They have been there about 9 years. During this time we have received none of the rent money. All has gone to the Indian Agent. We want this money also.

(5) Two years ago or over the Indian Agent sold Reserve No. 7. (or tried to sell it) for the settlement of returned soldiers. The chief of the reserve was never advised nor was Chief John Lewis and the Lower Sumas people. The Upper and Lower Sumas people have equal rights in all the Sumas Reserves. There was no proper sale. The Agent never got the consent of a majority of the people. It seems that only some of the young fellows agreed to the sale. Chief John Lewis and other Indians interviewed the Agent about this matter shortly before the latter's death. The Agent stated that about \$1000.<sup>00</sup> had been paid on this account to the Upper Sumas people, but the land was still in his hands. It had not been really sold. No soldiers have settled on this land yet. We ~~are~~ object to the Indian Agents taking power into their own hands and dealing with our property without our full consent.

Owing to the nature of our reserves we are really short of farming land and we do not desire to sell or lose any land except we are very well compensated for same and all the people agree. We also do not see why when any sale is agreed to by us (or forced

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