

Feb 2, 1930.

Mr. J.F. Waggoner,  
Keldron, South Dakota.

Dear Mr. Waggoner:

Last summer I remember you told me about how you prepared the body of Sitting Bull for burial. I find that I failed to record what you said about his dress when you first saw the body. I would like to know what clothing he had on, and whether it appeared that he had it on when shot down. I hear stories of how they stripped him after he was killed, and I want to get it all straight. Just what clothing did he have on when you first saw the body? Was he buried in that? Did the hair appear to have been clipped? Some say that it was taken for watch chains. Did you see any ornaments, charms, or anything of the sort on his person?

When did the soldiers drive in the coffin nails? Where? Was this an official act- under orders- or did they do it on their own initiative? Did any of the Indian police take part in this? How many soldiers turned out, would you say, for this nail-driving?

I enclose an envelope for reply. Please let me hear from you soon.

Cordially yours,

*W.S. Campbell*  
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