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Mrs. Kate H. Charles,
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Denver, 7
Colorado.

Dear Mrs. Charles:-

Here are the only two photographs I have printed at this moment. I hope that they will be satisfactory for what you want. Any others I would have to print and I could not get at it until the first of the week.

I am, of-course, interested in your forthcoming article. My surprise on your speaking of navigation was because I immediately thought of ocean going vessels. And I was always interested in the story of the barges whose anchors are in the Tace cemetery. This is probably what you are working on.

It is very hard today to visualize any rapids in the river in the lower New Mexico region. There is a short distance where the hills fold in close to the river where the early Spanish found it necessary to divert to the Jornada del Muerto. One could hardly call this a canyon, particularly in comparison with other canyons along the river, but from a small boat it may have seemed high to the early timers. But the whole river is so different from what it was in the early days that it is hard to imagine it. To-day the river is now a large irrigation ditch, controlled all the way by water impounded in the various reservoirs.

I have other negatives of the flood I photographed near San Antonio which were not used in my Rio Grande. I could make any of these for you next week. Any prints from negatives used in the book would be \$25.

I shall look forward to seeing your article and I hope you will let me know where and when it appears.

Sincerely yours,