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Dear Mr. Lottinville,

It was nice indeed to receive your letter and to know that Oliver LaFarge had written to you regarding my Rio Grande. Under separate cover I am mailing you ~~by~~ one extra copy. It has been out of print for more than a year. and during this year I have had countless letters and calls for it. If you should wish to reprint it, I can go into all the details of the problems I have been through regarding the book and a third edition. However, I might mention that Duell, Sloan & Pearce had a sale of "reducing stock", selling 1000 copies of this book to a jobber for 75¢ a copy and no word to me. The first thing I knew was that it was on sale here in Santa Fe at \$2. per copy instead of \$6. I would have bought the 1000 copies and held them had I been informed or asked. After about six weeks these were gone and the price was put back to \$6. until the edition was sold out. One store here laid away some 50 copies which they have been selling in the past few months for \$15. ea.

There would be two slight errors to correct, the misspelling of Fort Seldon (page 147) and an error on the map (page 64). This could be corrected on the plate.

Should there be a reprint, I should like to have my first choice of title used. Instead of the sub-title River of Des Iny, I wanted River of the Arid Land. D.S. & P. turned this down. The plates can be made available though I believe the type has been distributed.

It would certainly give me a great sense of satisfaction to have this out again. I believe that there is a steady sale, though not necessarily a large one, in this Southwest area at least.

My Navaho book is still unfinished for many reasons but I am hoping to wind it up this fall.

It has been gratifying to hear from you and I hope you may consider this in a favorable light.

Cordially