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Dear Mr. Lottinville:-

Your very nice letter came two days ago. I am wondering if all your rejection letters are as nice as this one! I do appreciate all you say about RIO book. And I am particularly glad you like the format. I had to fight for that. D.S. & P. first produced a jazzed up, bleed off multi-picture set of pages in a dummy that I wholly rejected. Quite needless to say I am greatly disappointed that you cannot take it on. I hoped that with the plates already made and available for you, that you would be able to do it. Also the fact that Santa Fe is having its 350th birthday this year is going to mean many additional tourists, as far as our local market is concerned.

In the mean time I am trying to finish my Navaho book in the next three months, and perhaps when that is ready, the RIO may come to life again.

I have great admiration for the Oklahoma Press and would have been very proud to be on your list. And again I do thank you for your very complimentary remarks, they mean a lot.

Most sincerely yours,