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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Noyes,

Your Currents from the Chinook came yesterday and I was quite amazed and pleased at the comments on yours truly. I recall meeting you at Fountain Valley and also that I heard a friend of mine tell you that Ward Ritchie was to publish my book. I tried to get in to see you before I came home, but time just did not permit. First I wanted to see your store and have a further talk with you.

I must tell you quickly that no contract is yet signed with any publisher. I had mentioned to the Browns that Ward Ritchie was interested. I should not even have said that. Something else may be in the offing. Ward Ritchie wants me to cut the book which I am very reluctant to do. In the meantime I am working hard to finish it. So please may I ask for no further mention of publisher. No one's fault but my own. I should never have mentioned anything until it is all signed on the dotted line. I will let you know when that red letter day arrives.

I heard so much about your store while I was in Colorado Springs and I hope that I may be up again before too long. In the mean time again my thanks for your interest et.al. I'll keep you posted.

Sincerely