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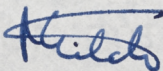
Miss Laura Gilpin
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Santa Fe, New Mexico

Dear Laura:

Dr. Russ Mortensen, the Editor of the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN WEST, was in Fort Worth last week-end after the closing of the Western History Association meeting in Oklahoma City. While he was in the Museum, he had an opportunity to see some of your pictures which were laid out on the tables in preparation for mounting for the Utah show. He was most enthusiastic about the Navaajo pictures and wondered if you would consider giving the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN WEST (circulation approximately 40,000) a story with pictures and sub-captions on your Navaajo experiences.

Particularly, he would like to use the wagon group. This is the picture which I have always loved so much and which you sent to us--the man and woman with the two children sitting in the wagon as a cover picture for an issue sometime next year. In addition, he would like to have about 20 other photographs. Inasmuch as this would come after you have made any commitments with the University of Texas Press, I think it would be appropriate and I appreciate that you would have to have clearance from Frank Wardlaw, et al. If this appeals to you, let me know and I shall follow it through with Dr. Mortensen. All the best to you.

Yours,



Mitchell A. Wilder
Director

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cc Dr. A. R. Mortensen