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Mr. Van Deren Coke,
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Dear Van:-

Thank you very much indeed for your inquiry about prints for the Archives. Of-course I am most pleased that you wish them. Are these for your Museum at University? I imagine they are, rather than for the exhibition you have told me about. I have been wanting to come to see you for a long time. First the book had my nose very much to the grindstone, but that is at last finished and was shipped to the University of Texas Press on April 11. I still await the final word, though I have heard most encouraging comments from elsewhere.

During the past six months I have developed an increasingly bad hip and I am now on crutches which ofcourse slows me down greatly. All the medicines seem to have failed so far with me, though I await a new one to be released soon that sounds most hopeful for my special problem. I guess too many years of packing an 8x10 have something to do with this! And now all I want to use is the 8x10! The perverseness of some of us.

I assume that you want these prints mounted. I usually ask \$25. for 8x10s for best quality prints of my best work. However you mention two which I hate to make as small as 8x10. My general feeling about enlargements is one of subject matter. Storm Over the Rio Grande is one of them which seems to open out in a larger size. The other is the Yaibichai which also seems to improve the detail in the dark areas. I am most interested in how you made this selection and where you got the titles. Did you remember these from that one short visit here? Am I am not sure from what angle you are collecting. In any event I am very ready to prepare these prints for you.

With many thanks and my best wishes,
Sincerely