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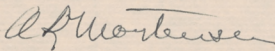
Dear Miss Gilpin:

It has been suggested by several people, including Bob Utley and Mitch Wilder, that we should approach you with the idea of asking you to do a picture essay on the Navajo Indians for the pages of THE AMERICAN WEST.

I saw some of your work at the Amon Carter Museum some months ago and was struck by the beauty of the photography. I was particularly intrigued with the wagon group, the man and woman with the two children sitting in the covered wagon. This picture would make an excellent cover for the magazine. To work out an essay, we would need also perhaps twenty pictures and captions around which a theme could be woven.

If this idea appeals to you, I would greatly appreciate hearing from you, and we could work out further details. We are now in a position to pay our contributors.

Sincerely,



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