

## TAOS BOOK SHOP & MISSION SHOP

Jaos, New Mexico

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Dear Laura Gilpin :

I am enclosing a list of the chapters in my manuscript entitled THE TIME FOR STAYING STILL, which may give you some idea if the approach. It's a group of sketches which should add up to a mosaic of Taos.

It may help if I state here briefly what each chapter covers.

I. Just a short thing stating how Genevieve and I happened to come here to set up the book shop.

II. This is a mood piece, taking its tone from the ritual "Quiet time" at the Taos Pueblo, lasting Dec. 10 to Jan. 20. Theme is the fact that Taos is both turbulent and tranquil.

III. Sketch about our two Indians who made moccasins in the book shop for ten years , and helped sell books, too.

IV. A three-part history of Taos .

V. The Taosx art scene as we have observed it.

VI -Self-explanatory

VII . Impact of Taos and DHL on each other.

VIII . Sketches of some other Taos characters: Spud Johnson, Becky James, Pat Barela, Gisella Loeffler, and Lizzie Anderson.

IX . Taos books and writers - a roundup from Padre Martinez on.

X . Sele-explanatory
XI . Survival of belief in witches in Northern New Mexico.

XII. A general survey of the economics of this area

XIII . Sketch on Taos as a "screwball " town , which never does anything as any other twon would.

XIV . Sketch on our experiences in restoring our old adobe house.
XV . Our trips around the surrounding country : going to Indian

dances, running rapids, etc.

XVI . Another mood piece , Taos special odors, sights, sounds etc. XVII . A kaleidoscopic view on Taos today, showing contrasts and paradomes.

I shall see you Sunday at 2:00 and we can make some specific arrangements . Thank you so much for allowing an hour or so for discussing it .

Sincerely, Claire Morrill

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Genevieve Janssen

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