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Dear Laura:

Thanks for your note. I was as surprised as yourself when Doug called to say that the monograph would have to be delayed. I am not just sure what the causes are, but in any event he called me off the job with the caution, however, that I would be called back to duty at a later date so I think that they intend to go forward later.

We are off on August 20 for Prague and later to Krakow and Bratislava. The show continues to have a most successful reception among the Yugoslavs and when it closes in Sarajevo August 28, it will have been seen in four different cities in Yugoslavia. Certainly "The American West" is getting strong exposure in the Communist countries.

I just had a note from Ansel telling me that they were having a memorial service for Nancy this coming weekend in Carmel. We have heard nothing from Beau, although he has a lecture date with us for the occasion of the W. H. Jackson show in mid-September. I hope he manages to pull himself together. So far no word either by phone or mail.

If you need to contact me you can catch me instantly through the office as I will be in touch with them on a regular basis, and Ginny, my secretary, knows how to locate me at any time. Sal joins in fond greetings and love to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mitchell A. Wilder Director

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