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Dear Frank:

I have waited to answer your last letter until I saw last night's broadcast from KNME from Albuquerque. I thought I might want to cancel any further idea of same. But the reactions have been varied and interesting. Personally I was horrified by my corpulence! I knew it was bad, but I didn't think it was that bad. I'm ready to go on a starvation diet for a year. Luciele Webb called to tell me it was good and she was ordering more books. After all this is the point of it. The parents of the young man who interviewed me called glowing over their son's first appearance as a host. So it is all a matter of point of view!

I shall leave here (Albuquerque) at 2.PM on Monday the 9th, change at Dallas and arrive Austin at 6.25 P.M. I trust this is all O.K. with you.

I am immediately dropping a letter to Mrs. Hodge in answer to hers.

Frank Crabtree of the Albuquerque Museum, who had a show of my Rio Grande material last spring, has just called me while I was writing the first part of this. He wants to have an autograph party for me a week from Sunday if he can get the books. I gave him Mr Hudspeth's name and your telephone number, and you will already have heard from him. It looks as though everything happens at once. But if I can help sell books, it's up to me and I'll try.

Hastily