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Oklahoma City 73103,
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Dear Laura:

I delayed reading the ENDURING NAVAHO until we were home and more or less shaken down. Now I have not read it all, but I have read the letter to Miss Betsy with which you began it, and much of the text. I haven't seen all the pictures yet, because they and the text are so much of a piece that they can't be separated.

Laura, I wonder if you know what you have done for all of us; what you have given us? As an old experienced librarian and English teacher, I have read so many books that sometimes I have agreed with the Prophet in Ecclesiastes, who said of the making of them there is no end. Thank God the making didn't stop before you finished this one!

It's been a long time since a book made me cry. Yours did. It is moving in a way not even the one on the Pueblos - and that is superb and much nearer my personal experience - did. This is not only a book, and the story of a people, but the biography of a friendship, and that is something very rare. Thank you for it, and for the inscription to Carol.

Thank you, too, for pleasant visits and an open door. If the time ever comes when you get to Oklahoma, we hope you will remember that our house is still your house.

Gratefully and affectionately yours,

Alice

Alice Marriott