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Dear Laura Gilpin:

Walter Goodwin has just shown me your fine letter of February 14th, and we are looking forward eagerly to the material which you are sending us. I am delighted with the high range at which you have set your sights and we all feel that the combination of fine photography and character portrayal of the country, resulting in a unified whole, is absolutely ideal.

I can easily see that it will be impossible for you to keep your original deadline. This should not worry you as it has been clearly unavoidable and we have complete confidence in both your conscientiousness and your skill. I am, therefore, planning definitely on 1947 publication, and you should take what time you truly need to make FOLLOW THE RIO GRANDE as fine a book as can be.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Charles Duell

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