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Miss Laura Gilpin  
Box 1173  
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Dear Miss Gilpin:

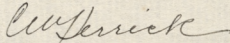
I have your letters of September 30th and October 2nd, one addressed to Mr. Hurdon and the other to Mr. Goodwin. We have made notes to send you 60 copies of RIO GRANDE and will have them wrapped individually and then put in one big carton so that you will get them altogether. We think that it might be well to send them out special delivery so that they will not lay in the post-office a day or two before they are sent to you.

Our warehouse manager will wrap each one separately and put gum tape around the center of each package and leave the ends open so that you can take the book out for autographing, put it back in the book wrap, and we are very much afraid that you will have to tie it with cord for mailing. The gum tape comes out of our machine wet so that there is no way that we could put it on the carton lengthwise and still leave one end open for you to seal later, as the glue on the gum tape dries immediately. I know this might sound a bit complicated, but I am sure you will understand the reason for my explanation and I do not think you will have any trouble in tying each individual package up for mailing. I only wish that we can help you further but I am afraid that is the best we can do. There is an additional charge of \$.10 for each of the separate cartons.

In your letter of October 2nd you say you are planning to have autograph parties and radio interviews in different sections of the country and we will do everything possible to have the books at the various stores that you mentioned in your letter before the dates that you have given us that you will be there.

I personally wish you and the book every success and believe that we have covered all the points in your letters. However, I am returning your letter of October 2nd to Mr. Goodwin in case he wants to write you further.

Very truly yours,



Office Manager

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