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Dear Laura Gilpin:

Charles Duell is away from the office and probably will not be back here for several weeks. In his absence I have reviewed with our colleagues the problems and possibilities in connection with doing a new edition of THE RIO GRANDE. I regret to have to report that we find we cannot go ahead with a new edition of the book. This means that you would be quite free now, having notified us so long ago of your wish to see the book back in print, to make arrangements for a new edition with some other publisher.

There were no plates for the book, I'm told. It was printed from type and the type was distributed after the second printing. The first printing in 1949 was 4500 copies; the second, in 1950, was 3000 copies.

THE RIO GRANDE, as you well know, has always been one of my favorites as it has been Charles's. We're sorry indeed to think that at least we must relinquish our connection with it. Anyway, I know he would join me in wishing you the best of luck with it in the future.

> sincerely, Cap Pearce

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