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Dear Mr. Bossemeyer:-

My publishers are pleased with the maps and we have decided to do the end papers with a map of the whole river. There are also still a few alterations to the other maps which I shall list herewith. This time I have had access to the American Geographical Society maps and have prepared an adequate sketch map for you, that is for the end paper map. I am sending this sketch, together with a large map of the U.S. with a bit of Mexico, a duplicate from which I made the tracing. You may find it useful particularly in the corrections of the 1st section map.

End Paper Map.

I think there is little to add as I believe that it is all quite clear. On the margin you will find the measure of the end papers, 18x10 $\frac{1}{2}$. I have drawn this to the scale of 1 and one fifth. We want a border to be in from this margin a sufficient distance so that there can be no question that the trim would cut it. Make the Rio Grande itself the heaviest line, state, and shore lines lighter. The emphasis wants to be the river first, then the explorer routes.

Sectional Map # 1

Move Fremont camp nearer the divide.
Take out word "top" & river distance, not necessary

SECTIONAL Map # 2

River distance again. It would look much better to move Colorado over and spell out "New Mexico".

Sectional Map # 3

Add names of mountains west of river as indicated.

Sectional Map # 4

"Rio Grande del Norte" must go on the river somewhere.
also add apostrophe to Devil's River.

Sectional Map # 5.

Still trouble and it is my fault. This big map I am sending has both Don Martin and Azuc r clearly indicated and the

tributaries clearly indicated. The first map I have been able to get hold of. If you cannot make these changes you had best re make it and I will foot the bill. You will note that the Rio Sabinas flows into Don Martin reservoir and comes out the Salado. Also that I did not give you the right location for the San Juan which flows into Azucar reservoir. The Salinas (on this map) seems to turn into the Rio Pesqueria which joins the San Juan. The town of Canargo is not on this map but I am sure that it is ~~where~~ the San Juan (from Azucar) joins the Rio Grande. I think this map will also give you the scale of these reservoirs. It might be nice to add the Sierra Madre Oriental in Mexico on this map.

The plates for the book are coming along well and there seems to be a lot of enthusiasm over it. I shall breathe a sigh of relief when the last checking is done. It will be about June fifteenth before I am through here and I hope that you are free enough right now to get right at this and return them to me by air mail. Please hold the big U.S. map for me in Santa Fe. I am sending it on for your reference, and do not need it now. There will be another check forth coming as soon as I get home about the last of June. Do a top job on all this- it is important for you as well as for me.

If there should be anything I have not made clear, send me an air mail and I shall answer immediately.

Good luck and best wishes,

Sincerely

P.S. Matagorda Bay is where De Vaca was ship wrecked. For your information as to my reason for its inclusion. The San Juan Mountains in Colorado will be the only mountains indicated for the end paper. The source. I don't want to crown this map. It was to be very clear and you can make it very good looking.