

Dear Wally:-

The press² did not arrive until Tuesday, due doubtless to the holiday. I got in Monday morning, very much the worse for wear. The trip was terrible. The temp. 103 as I crossed the Big River. By taking highway 60 I avoided the week end traffic and was not bothered with that. I am recovering but as yet have done nothing but lie around and read proof. I have cut up my proof and pasted it in my dummy. This brought several several things to light with force. The first and most important is the shortness and inadequateness of the very first page. Even leaded out it would still be far too short. So, retaining the first and last paragraphs, I have re-written the middle. Please both you and Mr. Pearce go over it carefully. I found, too, that in deleting some pages from the first version, several things got left out, such as the comparison of size of the San Luis Valley. I have worked very hard over this to-day and feel much better satisfied with it and I hope you will too. It means scrapping eight lines already set, and you will have to charge it up to me.

The next thing I call to attention is the placing of the first map. It should back up the half title (page 1) In my dummy it was opposite the half title which must be wrong. Then having it opposite the type, I find THE SAN LUIS VALLEY missing from the map. Also an error in placing Pike's stockade on the south side of the Conejos. It should be on the south side of Rio Grande but the north side of the Conejos. Bossemeyer is coming out this afternoon and will make this correction. I do not know whether it can be changed on the engraving or not. If not it is another mistake of mine.

As to the bulk of the text it is extremely clean proof. We have found only a few errors on the part of the typesetter, more of mine chiefly inconsistencies which we all failed to catch and my repeated misspelling of "ciudad"

There are two more small additions I should like to make and two or three edits. I forget how much I am allowed!

On a separate sheet I list all these items by final page numbers as indicated in the summary. Page 1 being the half-title with the spruce cone picture. Now that I can see it all coming together I'm getting popped up about the whole thing and want to make every possible final effort to bring it to a successful conclusion.

I hope my changes are within the bounds of reason.

I must call special attention to a switch in pictures. It is a matter of sequence and I didn't see it until I saw the text with it. In the MIDDLE VALLEY the present 146 & 149 pages should follow Elephant Butte, switching with the desert and the river in drought now on pages 146 & 147.

The text of page 149 must precede page 147. Besides the sequence is wrong as we now have it. Cant imagine how we ever did this. It only means transposing these sets of pages and no harm done. If this is not perfectly clear to you I can give further description, but I now do not have your picture numbers.

To make it absolutely clear it should be as follows

page 146	mt. Robledo
page 147	Rio Grande slows i s pace
page 148	desert picture big sky, caption
	" Beyond the valleys made green"
page 149	dry river bed
	" As the river enters the Mesilla Valley"

Every thing else is on the galloys and on enclosed list.

My greetings to one and all and if needed my phone is Santa Fe 2840R. When does the book go to bed?

P.S. I have not listed all corrections as some are type errors, others very obvious and some signs of faulty type which may only be in the proofing of the galley.

CORRECTIONS ON GALLEYS FOR RIO GRANDE. RIVER OF DESTINY.

- page 2 Correction on map to fellow to-morrow.
- page 3 Most of middle paragraph has been rewritten. copy herewith.
- page 11 edit. change one word of same length.
- page 12 no proof for this page. shouldn't this be set to wide measure?
- page 15 change one word if possible. to avoid repetition
- page 26 if possible wish to edit 2nd & 3rd sentences. new copy enclosed.
- page 42 small measure copy to follow I presume.
- page 48 shouldn't foot notes be in small type?
- page 53 small measure type no yet here
- page 55 would like to add one paragraph of material deleted some weeks ago with deleted pictures. copy enclosed.
- page 61 will come with rest of type I presume.
- page 64 Misspelled word on map can it be corrected?
- page 66 "Costilla" first town in New Mexico
- page 66 I slipped badly on accents all of which appear later in the text correctly.
- page 67 Nuevo Mexico is the correct spelling and adds the difference between province and the state. However use the "x" if you prefer but the accent should be on. "Camino Real" we have in italic farther on in the book.
- page 82 "Nuevo Mexico" again.
- page 90 all the e accents are on my carbon copy. I evidently failed to check on original.
- page 95 Copy for short added sentence to make certain bread is not confused with pottery! enclosed.
- page 102 "Valle Grande" appears in italic elsewhere.
- page 103 Ditto
- page 108 inconsistency of "La Conquistadora" quotes, no quotes or italic?
- page 125 By omitting "in the mountains" all will go on one line. I had it this way once, somehow it got mixed.
- page 144 "Nuevo Mexico" once more.
- page 128 Will have to be reset to narrow measure with new large plate.
- page 132 Cap. P. Pueblos here refers to the people.
- page 133 Coronado story will have to begin this page.
- page 146 switch of sequence on four pages, as noted in letter.
- to P.149
- page 208 narrow measure text yet to come.
- page 217 ditto
- page 223 ditto
- page 224 ditto
- page 237 Is final quotation set to wide measure in italic? No proof as yet.
- pages 240 to 244 yet to come