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Dear Laura:

Rumor has it that you are working on a book on the Navajos. We certainly would like a crack at it, if you haven't already promised it to someone else. THE PUEBLOS has been out of print for a little while now, and a new book might give impetus to a reprint of this first one, which, incidentally, is, to me personally, one of the most interesting ones we've done.

The format or process would not have to be the same, necessarily.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of Ylla's ANIMALS. With this one we were able to publish jointly with a French publisher to permit the volume necessary for such beautiful results. We thought you also would be interested in seeing Stuart Lynn's book on NEW ORLEANS in letterpress.

I had hoped to be able to come out to the Southwest this spring, but a bout with pneumonia put me behind on my schedule by about a month, so I don't think I can quite make it. We got as near as Colorado Springs on the way back from Yellowstone last June, but the youngsters had to get back home, so we missed it again. I'll make it soon, but hope that in the meantime this finds you in the best of health and spirits.

Cordially yours,

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*Walter*  
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