


University of Oklahoma,
Norman, Oklahoma.
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Rev. T. L. Riggs,
Oahe, S.Dakota.

Dear Mr. Riggs:

My friend, Mr. Zack T. Sutley, has suggested that you might be willing to aid me, and so I am writing to ask if you will.

For some years I have been hard at work preparing a biography of Sitting Bull for the press. Now, I suppose that you have as much first-hand knowledge of Indians as any man alive, and I wish to have you help me. Did you ever meet Sitting Bull? Do you recall what he said or did? What was your first-hand impression of the man? How was he regarded by other Indians- both progressive and backward? Can you tell me anything as to his position as to Christian teachings? Do you know whether Father De Smet baptised him, as some say? I would be grateful to you for anything you can tell me about Sitting Bull.

I shall be glad to give you full credit for any information you may supply. I am not a sensational newspaper man, but a serious historian who wishes to have the truth and tell it. Please help me.

Yours cordially,

W.S.CAMPBELL
"STANLEY VESTAL".