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September 25, 1957

Mr Walter Stanley Campbell  
(Stanley Vestal)  
University of Oklahoma  
Norman, Oklahoma

Dear Mr Campbell:

I am presently engaged in collecting material and opinion on the subject of the manner in which the American Indian has been depicted in Hollywood motion pictures.

This will be used in an article for FILMS IN REVIEW, a publication of the National Board of Review, for which I am a staff writer.

Mr Oliver LaFarge and others in Indian circles have been kind enough to give me their opinions on this subject and to provide me with clippings and editorial material.

It is suggested that you would be willing to contribute any views you may have on this subject.

Specifically, I am interested in knowing if you think the American Indian has been generally depicted on the screen in a faithful manner, if there are any specific films worthy of pro and con comment, and if you have any information as to what Indians themselves think about the matter. I would also appreciate any suggestions you may have as to prominent Indian leaders who would comment on this subject.

The National Board of Review is an organization supported by the motion picture industry. Its publication, FILMS IN REVIEW, is devoted to motion picture history, social aspects, etc. I would be happy to send you a copy if you are interested in having one.

I will appreciate any assistance you can give me.