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Dear Ferdie:

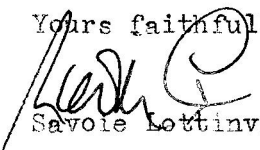
About half of the edition of USDA has now been disposed of -- we printed 2,500 copies and held type for subsequent printings.

Meantime, I want to thank you for your order for an additional twenty-five copies, on which we have allowed you 33-1/3 per cent discount. The Farmer-Stockman ad was absolutely top flight. You're the kind of author we can go to town with!

I am glad you liked T. Swann Harding's review. I think we are going to do his rather objective account of the long-time scientific achievements of the Department. When we do, I'll see that you get one of the first copies for your permanent files. He seems to be a pretty fine sort, and he has certainly done a thoroughgoing job of recounting the history of scientific developments under Department auspices.

With warm good wishes,

Yours faithfully,


Savio Lottinville

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Mr. Ferdie Deering,
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