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13 Marion Avenue, South Glens Fells, New York, September 27, 1947.

Binfords & Mort, Publishers, North Ninth St., Portland, Oregon.

Gentlemen: --

Enclosed is a Foreword for the forthcoming "All Kinds of Weather.".
With all the doubt about the probable sale of of the volume, you can see that
one of the leading poets in America approves of it. He wrote this appreciation
years ago, whem I should have had the verses published. I suppose. In his letter
again offering them for use, he writes, "I like the foreword -- even if it consists
of my own words, coming back to me long after. I think I said pretty well what I
should wish to say if I were writing it now; and I am happy that I said so well
what you can use. I'll be proud to have it used. It is quite satisfactory to me."

I'd like to have you omit for the present, till we see how many pages the other verses make, the long one which I think is entitled "The Trail of the Serpent", the one about the man who was captured by the Germans. I'm not sure that I shall ever want to use it.

And I wonder if you know any more than you did when I left Oregon late last month about the time when the volume will be printed. Of course if it could be out before Christmas that would be fine, though I have not forgotten that you assured me that you could not guarantee that it would appear by that time. I'd like to have a chance to give a number of the books to relatives and friends as Christmas presents. I suppose that I can buy my share of that first 500 at any time and at the same discount as if I waited till the end of the period.

I do not know just when I shall be back from this trip, but it will probably not be earlier than the last of October, unless something unforeseen should call us home before that. Right now I am at the home of my daughter and her husband, and I shall be busy the next few days helping him get ready for publication his doctor's dissertation -- he took his Ph.D. degree from Boston University last June, and they want his dissertation prepared for publication to be used as a text book and as a study book for ministers. Before a letter could get back from you to me. I shall be back at the home of a sister of mine, 135 West Bond St., Hastings, Mich.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely your friend,

Levi T. Pennington.