

J. W. YOUNG

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Chicago's Oldest Gallery

Mr. Wilford C. Simons,
Lawrence, Kans.

My dear Mr. Simons:

Remembering your fondness for pictures of Western Life, made me wish that you could see the wonderful group of water colors that Mr. Leonard Reedy has just brought to us.

Mr. Reedy's work seems to me to be the truest delineation of Western life that anyone has given us since the days of Frederic Remington. A few days ago a well known architect and art collector who bought three of them, remarked: "Fred Remington, when he was at his best, never had anything on this 'bird' when it comes to painting Western life."

Reedy's pictures, measuring 14x17", when properly matted and framed, show the cowboys and the ranchmen on the plains, in the mountains, at work or in their saloons. Indians, too, are the inspiration for many fine subjects. Titles of some of them are:

Bad and Mad	Lighting the Signal Fire
Unwelcome Visitor	Parting Shot
Splitting the Herd	Cheyenne in Flight
The Get-away	Bucking Bronco
War with the Sioux	Mean as Hell

I believe that if you were here in the gallery to look them over you would want to select some for yourself. However, if you do not expect to come to see us soon, will be glad to send on approval to you a package of some eight or ten of them unframed, so you will know what I am writing about, and when I tell you these pictures which, in all fairness, should bring around \$100, we are privileged to offer for his account a small group at \$25 each, do not imagine that they are cheap potboilers. They are not and some day will be worth ten times what they are bringing today.

Hoping you will favor me with advice that I may send a group of pictures, as suggested, of course, without obligation, I am

Sincerely yours,

ATY/N

Mrs. J. W. Young

P.S. Have several original paintings by both Remington and Russell. Will gladly furnish full information regarding them. They sell fast, so prompt response is advisable.