October 10, 1964

Village Voice,
Sheridan Square,
New York City 14.

Dear Sirs:

I am about to finish a book to be called Who Speaks For The Negro, based on interviews with Negro leaders in various parts of the country, to be published by Random House this winter.

In this book I wish to quote a short passage from an article "The View from the Back of the Bus," by Marlene Nadle, which appeared in your pages (pp. 5, 14) September 5, 1963. The passage begins "Frank Arman was asked why since he was white, he wanted to go to Nigeria ..." and runs on some 20 or 30 lines to: "I'll tell you this, proving he is sincere when he is working in the civil rights groups is the last chance ...."

May I have permission, and if there is a fee for reprinting, will you please let me know the amount?

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Penn Warren.

PS We might simply use this sheet for the permission -- assuming that you can grant it.

Permission granted: 

Signed

Date:

Fee: 

Unless you have some other arrangement.