

June 22, 1939

Dear Mrs. Kellogg:

I have just returned from the country and find your telegram awaiting me. I have telegraphed Mrs. Kerr as follows:

"Have just learned that my friend Grace Kellogg has been dismissed from Federal Writers Project without reason given. I deplore this as Mrs. Kellogg's natural qualifications and previous experience make her of value in any serious writers project. Is not her reinstatement possible, or if not, why not? At least her dismissal calls for explanation. We do not tolerate unexplained dismissals in private industry. No less should be demanded of Federal Projects."

I hope this is satisfactory. I will let you know if I receive an answer. At all events your experience raises a question about the Administration of the Federal Projects which has bothered me from the first, the failure to establish in the Administration ~~accepted~~ industrial codes as ~~is~~ accepted by all self-respecting and well managed industries.

I shall be glad to know the outcome as far as you are concerned. I hope very much if you are ~~not~~ discharged from the W P A Project that you will find it possible to place yourself in ^{an} independent connection. I doubt very much if these Federal Projects will ever be able to dissociate themselves from politics.

With all good wishes

Faithfully yours

Mrs. Grace Kellogg
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