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Mrs. Florence Kerr: Assistant Administrators
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Have just learned that my friend Grace Kellogg has been dismissed from Federal Writers Project without reason given. I deplore this as ~~it has seemed to me~~ from my knowledge of Mrs. Kellogg ~~because of her~~ and natural qualifications and previous experience ~~was a person certain to be~~ we take her writers of value in any serious ~~undertakings of the~~ project. Is not her reinstatement possible, or if not, why not? At least her dismissal ~~seems to me to~~ calls for ~~an~~ explanation. We do not tolerate unexplained dismissals in private industry. No less should be demanded in Federal projects

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