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cc: Gabriela Mistral

10 December 1948

Dear Miss Ramelli:

I do thank you for your letter 6 December, explaining the efforts you have been making to obtain a publisher for Miss Mistral's poems.

Before he left for the West, I talked to James Laughlin about the possibilities of his doing a volume of her selected works, and apparently it was this conversation which was responsible for his writing you that the scripts should come through us. I told Mr. Laughlin that we had made efforts in a number of directions and that we were attempting to confine publishing interest to a narrow channel which will be deep enough to bring about the sponsorship of a reputable house.

In view of your explanation and your equally sincere wish with ours that Miss Mistral's poems be made available to English readers, it seems to me that we should withdraw from further effort and yield to you the privilege of sharing in her American debut. You are more directly familiar with her work than are we, and you are also closer to her. Subject to your approval, we shall hereafter refer to you such inquiries as we may receive.

Sincerely yours,

Armitage Watkins

Miss Mattie M. Ramelli
144 North Ormeau St.
Ventura, Calif.

P.S. Your translations were sent, at Miss Saleva's request, to Dr. Francisco Aguilera last August. We have not heard from him.

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