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Laura Gilpin,

Watching the TV
salute to New Mexico was
a definite pleasure.

As Jim Harty was
interviewing you I saw your
name, and wrote to New York
for your address. I do not
know whether I mistook
the spelling of the name, or
the typist at N.B.C., was
careless. As it was on the
screen I read "Gilpin". In
the letter from N.B.C. it is
Gelpin. If 'Gilpin' is correct
I am interested to know if
you are of the Gilpins who
came to America about 1682?

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They settled in Pennsylvania near Chadds Ford (today) and spent the first years in a cave.

My maternal grand-mother "Ann Gilpin" Brinton was born in 1826 - her father John Dickinson Gilpin was born 1799. I have the line but not handy, and this will tell you enough to determine any kenship, if I read the name correctly.

My maiden name was Skelton, born December 7, 1898. I was delighted seeing your Art. May you enjoy good health and share more of your Creations. I am sincerely
Ruth C Berkenstock

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