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Mr. Walter Gray
Producer
CREATIVE CRAFTS
Oklahoma County Library
131 N.W. 3rd Street
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Dear Mr. Gray;

Recently, while discussing the up-coming exhibition at the Cowboy Hall of Fame with one of the members of that museum, mention was made of your request that Miss Gilpin appear on your program during her visit. At this time, although she would very much like to do so, if her health were better, it would be impossible to consider. We are not sure if she will be able to go to the opening of the show, but if she does, it is under the condition that no undue strain be made upon her in the way of interviews or excessive activity of any type. She is nearing her 87th birthday and right now is almost totally confined to a wheelchair as her hip gives her considerable discomfort and it is very wearing on her strength.

I regret this circumstance not only for her, but for your program as we certainly understand that there are many people who would like to be able to her. She recently (last fall) went to another museum for several days and without warning was subjected to interviews and video-taping. When she returned here she decided she would go to no other museums since she was so tired for several weeks after that strenuous occasion. She has been assured that her presence at the Cowboy Hall of Fame is all that will be asked of her and anything else will be strictly voluntary on her part. Under these conditions, she has agreed to go.

I am sure you understand Miss Gilpin's situation. Her health and comfort are foremost to us all, and your co-operation is greatly appreciated. Perhaps at a later time, when her health is better, something can be arranged. Thankyou again for your help and your interest in Miss Gilpin and her work.

Very truly yours,

Sina Brush-Morales