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Dear Professor Gallagher:

Thank you for your letter of November 22, and for the reprint of "Hyletic Experience and the Lived Body" --so clear, so solid, so scholarly. Thanks also for mentioning my name in the note at the beginning of your paper. It is most rewarding to see former students of philosophy doing excellent work; one has the impression that teaching time was not wasted.

Congratulations for your marriage and for your tenure (in this order, I assume).

I have never written anything on education, as far as I can remember, and very little (and only in passing) on hermeneutics. There are a number of items in my *Diccionario de filosofía* concerning Hermeneutics and related fields, but I am sure you know all about it. An implicit critique of (excessive) hermeneutical claims is in chapter VI ("La estructura de lo que hay"), section 1 ("El criterio ontológico"), pp 88-99 of *Fundamentos de filosofía* (a complete rewriting of *El ser y el sentido*), particularly in so far as the so-called (by Rorty) "hard textual reading" is concerned. This piece, by the way, may appear in English eventually, but probably not before 1988.

Best wishes for 1987.

Cordially

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