

Detroit Board of Commerce

August 27, 1917

My dear Miss Tarbell,

May I ask you to look at the enclosed copy of a letter I have written Mrs. Mary Roberts Rinehart apropos of her articles on the officers training camps?

The point of view in this letter is not for her, especially. I am anxious to express it to several people before the actual arrival of my commission as a labor advisor in the War Department imposes a burden and constrains a reticence which will make it more difficult to air my views on fundamental policy.

I have no objection as to the

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outcome of such a letter as this other than to help ~~to~~ confirm the impressions of others who may feel themselves for the moment detached from the common man. I have no doubt that radical opinion is beginning to find lodgement at Washington, but there is always the fear that it may only be the symptom of a feverish condition, and a plain echo, say from Detroit, can be reassuring.

Yours very truly  
Boyd Fisher.