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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
120 East 19th St.,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

In your good letter dated December 21 which I have taken a long time to answer, you asked me to let you know "how the Pittsburgh visit comes out." Today I am in receipt of the enclosed letter from Mr. Drury which I think you will agree with me is as about as interesting a letter as could have grown out of the aforesaid Pittsburgh visit. Of course Mr. Drury has written me quite freely and confidentially so I will ask you to consider the contents of this letter as between us but I am very anxious that you should have the information which this letter carries. If you have any suggestions as to procedure I will be very glad to have them. My main suggestion to Mr. Drury after reading it is to urge him to make a careful computation as to what is involved based on the data he secures from Mr. Schiller but using his own ideas as to what can and should be done. It looks to me very much as if the U.S.S.C. knew that the moment had arrived or would shortly arrive when it would be proper for them to make a move but as nothing special threatens them if they don't make the move I am afraid that the most propitious moment will be allowed to go by. I suppose the best thing that can be done under the circumstances is to keep creating public opinion in the hopes that there will be enough of this to create a motive.

I am sending you herewith a set of clippings from the Iron Age which shows the way in which they handled this meeting, also a copy of a letter which was sent to the Iron Age by the Trustees of the Labot Fund and which I understand they have published in a recent number.

Drury will continue his interviews in Pittsburgh and Cleveland with the higher officials of the corporation and I hope that as a result of it we will be able to have a pretty definite idea as to what ought to be done under all the circumstances.

Yours very sincerely,

C-M

Morris L. Cooke

P.S. Will you kindly return the Iron Age clippings?