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THIS LETTER WRITTEN FROM COIT-ALBER BLDG 2443 PROSPECT AVE. CLEVELAND

December 23, 1918.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
132 East 19th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I very much appreciate your letter of the 18th and am sorry your trip with the Mutual was not profitable. I don't think any of our activities are profitable just now to anybody, but the influenza won't continue forever.

I note you will sail for Europe on January 7th. I am expecting to be in New York January 2, 3 and 4, and would like to have an hour with you on one of those days, provided you are not too busy.

I note it is agreeable to you to fill engagements during the months of January and February, 1920. That is entirely satisfactory to us, and I feel very sure we can fill those two months so the returns to you will be entirely satisfactory.

Will you tell me, please, for what syndicate of newspapers you are to report the Peace Conference? This is good advertising for us to use. Any other information relative to your work in Europe will be very much appreciated, particularly if you make the trips you suggested to me into other countries, such as Switzerland, Czecho-Slovakia, etc. I note you will be in London and Belgium as well as in Paris, and that you will keep your eyes and ears open for good foreign speakers. I very much appreciate that. Clemenceau would be great, provided he could be secured. Will you sound him out? I take it from your letter he speaks English.

Yours very truly,

Louis J. Alber

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