144 Congress Street, Boston, Mass.

May 24, 1910.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,

New York City.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

I have your letter of the 24th inst. and shall be pleased to read your article in advance of your coming, and will give you such notes as may occur to me in regard to it.

The woolgrowers are organized under the name of the National Woolgrowers Association with the following officers: Fred W. Gooding, Shoshone, Idaho, President; J.A.Delfelder, Wolton, Wyoming, Vice-president; Geo. S. Walker, Cheyenne, Wyoming, Secretary, Lewis Penwell, Helena, Montana, Treasurer. I am not certain as to its character, but imagine it is far from being representative although it certainly does possess a good deal of political power. There is no one among them so far as I can discover who understands the wool tariff question, so that not only the rank and file, but the leaders themselves are sadly in need of education.

We have never published anything on the relation of tuberculosis to wool clothing. Mr. McSweeney, a member of the Massachusetts cost of living commission, has been connected for a number of years with some kind of a commission dealing with the tuberculosis question and when you come here I would advise you by all means to see him.

Hoping to see you soon, I remain,

Yours very truly,

Samuel S. Dale,

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