

1012 Poree Street,
Fort Wayne, Ind.,
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Miss Ida Tarbell,
120 E. 19th Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

Mr. John Elfreth Watkins, general manager of the Public Ledger syndicate, Philadelphia, one of the Curtis organizations, has asked me to interview you for a symposium. The subject is "The Next Generation". As many of the greatest minds of the country are contributing I hope that you can find time to let me hear at your earliest convenience replies to the questions I enclose.

I just returned from New York and I telephoned to your apartment several times but you were away. I have Darrow, Mencken, Floyd Dell, Fanny Hurst, William Allen White, John Langdon-Davies and a number of others. The articles are to be 1000 words in length and there are twenty-four in the series.

I shall appreciate your response very much. I met you last winter at the Pen and Brush club where I was the guest of Miss Edith Monahan.

Yours very truly,

Bessie K. Roberts