

January 13, 1938

My dear Miss Tinnins:

Pardon the delay in replying to your letter of January third. I have not been able to attend to my correspondence for some days.

You ask about the records of which I wrote to Mrs. Beard in November 1936. I told her then that the only papers I had of any importance were those on the Life of Lincoln, and that these already had been given to my Alma Mater - Allegheny College - where they are to make as I hope the nucleus of a strong working collection on Lincoln and the problems which led up and followed the Civil War.

I have an incomplete collection of papers on the History of the Standard Oil Company but these, too, have been pledged.

I wrote Mrs. Beard that I have a "scattered and unsatisfactory" collection of notes on the history of the activities of women from the birth of the nation up to and including the Civil War and that if I ever found the time to get them together I should be glad to turn them over to the Archives, but they are not important, although out of them I did succeed in producing a series of articles on the leading women of the period - a very creditable showing, I thought - but not as thorough a piece of work as I should like to have done.

As to Mrs. Norris she has a collection of books and pamphlets on women which I think must be valuable from a little talk I had with her some time ago. Your wisest way no doubt would be to write directly to Mrs. Norris (her address is Saratoga, California) sending her full plan of your

work and asking her if she did not feel that this was a good place for her collection, of which you may say if you wish that I had told you.

Regretting that I have not something really valuable to turn over to you, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Miss Glenna S. Tinnin
Biltmore Hotel
New York City