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Dear Ider M.:

How good it was to see your name at the end of a letter. Sally and I haven't been in New York since we saw you there last January. Sally hasn't been well. One of the muscles of her heart is tired. It's not a functional disorder. She improves but does not get well and I am worried.

Now about your Wilson material. I remember that it came and I used it, or part of it, in various places in my Life of Woodrow Wilson that was published in 1924. I sent all the unused material about Wilson to the Hoover War Library at Stanford University. Naturally, in writing the Wilson biography, much of the material would not fit in the plan I had laid out but it was good material and I felt should be saved.

I think I sent you a copy of my book at the time. If you do not have it and would like to have it, I'd be glad to send it to you. You may be sure that anything you care to use in a book today would not in any way transgress what you sent to me.

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Sally and I hope to get back to New York this fall. Bill is there and has just finished a novel which he and his agent think is pretty good. I have not seen it. I don't know what it's about. Doubtless, he is giving our generation merry hell as most of the young writers do. Nevertheless, with all our gerry-building and with all our old fashioned architecture and with all our ancient methods of construction, we did build the old tower of Babel about as far up and about as well in plumb as any other generation has built it since the work started.

Sincerely yours,

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