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Tucson, Arizona
6 March 1931

Miss Georgia L. Osborne
Illinois State Historical Library
Springfield, Illinois

My dear Miss Osborne,

What a shame that you should be the victim of a hit and runn-er. I don't know that there's any way out of their slaughter except to organize white-cap parties to take care of them in a way the courts seem unwilling or unable to do. You must have suffered atrociously. No doubt as your friends say you're getting a good rest, but you are right in saying that it's not the way to take it. These enforced rests don't please me, but then if you must take them, it's nice to do so in a country where the sun shines as it does here. I wish you were here.

I want to thank you for your kindness in cancelling my engagement for your meeting in May. I felt badly about it, and I appreciate the honor. I had a subject and wanted to present it, but I know it would be quite out of the question. My regular professional work which I cannot give up will take every ounce of strength I have during the spring and summer.

Don't work too hard over the program, and give yourself up to rest. I do hope your recovery will be soon and complete.

Very sincerely yours,

Ida M. Tarbell.

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