

Box 751  
Evansville, Ind.  
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Miss Ida M. Tarbell, Author,  
Bethel, Conn.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

As a writer of short, uplifting articles for Sunday School children's papers, I am preparing a series of short biographies on famous people of America.

Since you are included in the series, I trust you will spare me a few moments of your valuable time to write replies to the questions which I am enclosing in another sheet.

Will you also furnish me a photograph of yourself, autographed if possible, which I will use for illustration, and at the same time keep as a souvenir of one of the famous authors of America whom I will always remember when I return to China?

Yours with thanks,

*Arthur A. Young*  
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(Chinese Student Working his way thru college by writing)

QUESTIONS FOR CHILDREN'S ARTICLE

1. How did you spend your leisure time when you were 13?
2. Did it have any influence on your subsequent career?
3. What mistakes of your youth would you endeavor to avoid if you were to commence life over again?
4. Would you still take up authorship and why?
5. What was the most helpful thing you learned from contact with the ministers who frequented your childhood home?
6. Had you any idea of going in for missionary work? What shaped this desire? How didn't you follow it?

7. How can the boys and girls of today make the world better?

8. Is religion being driven away from our youth?

9. Are the boys and girls of today worse than those of the last generation?

10. What was the most inspiring event or book or person in your girlhood?

11. What is your advice to boys and girls who are aspiring to authorship?

12. What are the essentials of success in this work?

How can the young writer acquire them?

13. What model American would you recommend to boys and what model American woman would you recommend to girls?

14. Why do you recommend these?

15. Have you a message for the young boys and girls of America?

16. What advice have you to give me personally a young Chinese student who is preparing to take up journalistic work in China?

Thank You!