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November 16th, 1918.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
132 East Nineteenth St.,
New York City.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of November ninth, relative to the case of Fred J. Wills, has been received. I have investigated the case and am advised by the Prison authorities at Deer Lodge that your statement relative to his physical condition is correct.

I have, therefore, this day made an order commuting the sentence of said Wills, to take effect immediately upon the approval of the order by the State Board of Pardons, and conditioned upon Wills remaining out of the State of Montana permanently. It will take in the neighborhood of three weeks or such a matter to conclude the final action by the Board of Pardons.

I would suggest that you direct a communication to Honorable S. C. Ford, Attorney General and ex-officio President of the State Board of Pardons.

I am glad to have the opportunity to give this young man a chance.

Very truly yours,

S. V. Stewart

Governor.

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