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Dear Mary Newell:

For a long time a very beautiful letter of yours has lain on my desk. I have picked it up more than once intending to answer but always something has stopped me. I have had a rather tormented time for the last few months - illness in my family and work that has taken me away from town a good deal. In fact I was away on account of family illness when your letter came and that was the reason you did not get promptly the information you wanted about the Woman's Committee. Emily Blair I believe has written a book on the Woman's Committee and probably from that you could have found all you wanted. If I had not been away you would have had at least this little message. I hope the meeting went off well and that even if you felt I had neglected you you have forgiven me.

It interested me so much to have those early days recalled. I do not often have time to think about the past, but I have always had a feeling that I would like to go back and review my experiences in the Woman's Committee and certainly if I ever do I shall want to say my say about the extraordinary kindness and helpfulness of those, who like yourself, gave their time and strength so freely to the enterprise.

You speak of Owen D. Young attending one of our big meetings. You know I have no recollection of that. Have you anything definite about it? I remember Lord Nordcliff and Mr. Hoover and certain other dignitaries, but I did not remember that O.D Y ever honored us. Of course at that time he was little known.

What a busy place it was - how many problems we rustled with. One of these days I am

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expecting to be in Washington for some little time. I am needing to catch up on various matters and when I do go down I want surely to see you and have a talk.

And now forgive me for this long delay in replying to a letter which I really appreciate and which I shall keep.

Affectionately yours

Miss Mary Glenn Bewell
Falls Church, Virginia

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