February 15, 1918.

Dear Gertrude:

I rather think the conference with Mrs Taylor and Mrs. Clarkson better hang until I go down. It may not be wise to have it after all. There is sure to be more or less friction, I fancy, and the best way is to take it as cheerfully and philosophically as we can. Of course our stories must go out, that is certain, and there is no reason why we should not send them through any channel that is open.

I don't see how there can be any possible objection to such special little articles in the News Letter as Miss Piexotti would furnish material for. It is exactly what I wanted Mrs. Martin to do for her department. They should be articles of suggestion, facts and achievments, stimulating in their tone, with just as little theorizing as possible.

I like Mrs. Blankenhorn's suggestion for a letter to the women of the Central Powers. I am not at all convinced of the wisdom of sending it. I do think, however, it is so important that the Committee should take it up. As we meet on the 25th, I would not bother Dr. Shaw about it now. The draft as it stands is quite sufficient to submit to the Committee..

Do not worry about the dummy for the service bulletin. I am bringing one down with me.

Tell Miss Sims there is going to be no trouble about getting her bibliography published. The main thing now is to get the manuscript in shape. If she can have it ready so that I can look over it carefully with her when I get down next week, we can quickly push the publication. Has she seen Major Taylor of the War College? If not, she had better call him up at once, that is if she has a manuscript ready to show, and talk it over with him. He may be able to give her additional items. I can't remember whether I gave her a letter of introduction or not, but that wont matter, if she tells him over the 'phone where she comes from.

If you really prefer not to go up until Saturday and stay over Sunday, all right. Could you not go on Friday night? I will let you know the first of the week when I shall arrive.

Affectionately,

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