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WOMEN'S HALL of FAME, Inc.
405 West 23rd Street
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My dear Miss Tarbell:

The enclosed folder describes briefly a project in which I believe you will be interested.

Our plan is to prepare and present the Jane Addams group first. In this scene emphasis will be on World Peace, since we feel that this is a subject of utmost importance and since, as you know, Miss Addams was one of the first--and certainly one of our greatest--advocates of international understanding and universal peace.

The plan is being launched by a few representative people. Premature publicity and exploitation is being carefully avoided.

This brief statement of the purposes and plans of THE COURT OF GREAT WOMEN is being sent to a limited number of men and women who are prominent in their respective fields.

There are important details yet to be worked out and your advice and cooperation will be appreciated. At this time no funds are being solicited; therefore, your reply will not commit you in any way.

Miss Elizabeth Perkins, whose fine work in establishing The Little Picture House is well known, has offered her home, at 863 Park Avenue, for an informal meeting at which plans for THE COURT OF GREAT WOMEN will be discussed. If you are interested, we shall be glad to advise you of the date of the meeting and to have you with us.

Very sincerely yours,

Ida Clyde Clarke

Miss Ida Tarbell
Bethel
Conn.

P.S. At the suggestion of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, I went to see Mr. Grover Whalen, president of the World's Fair. Through the courtesy of his office, I talked at some length concerning our plans with the heads of the concessions and exhibitions departments and I found them most cordial to the whole idea. I am to see them again after their plans regarding space and other details are further along.

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