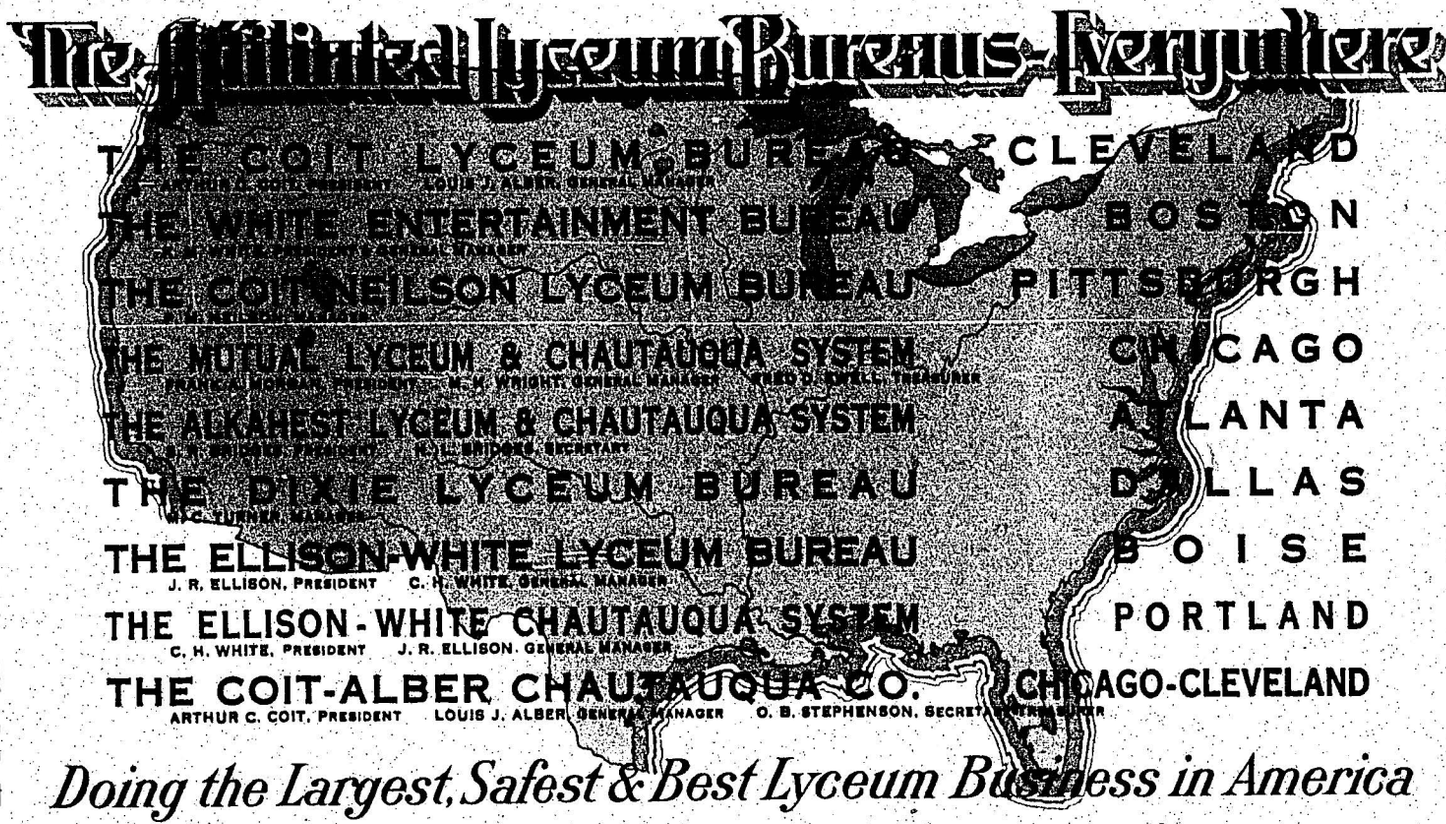


Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 18,1916.

Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
132 East 19th St.,
New York City, N.Y.

My Dear Miss Tarbell:-

Yours of December 16th, giving final report on your trip for us and enclosing the New Orleans check, is received for which we thank you. I enclose herewith our check for $84.80 to cover your expense account as rendered which squares our account I believe. I was glad to know that you had such a hospitable time in New Orleans.

I don't believe that we have been able so far to get a block of your time for next season over which I am of course very much disappointed. I am appealing to you direct therefore to know if you can't put in an extra week or two from the time you have given Mr. Alber in case we can't get any of that time? Now, that we have introduced your work into our territory and received some splendid reports and know that you will make good, we would be able to secure engagements for you to much better advantage to all concerned. If you could give us a couple of weeks next December I feel sure we could secure at least ten dates or more for you at that time or most any other month that might suit your convenience better. We will be very glad indeed to hear from you direct regarding the possibility of your doing this.

Thanking you again for your recent tour and wishing you the Compliments of the Season, I am,

Sincerely yours,

S. R. Bridges

SRB-M. President.

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