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Bethel, Conn.
August 22, 1940

Dear Mr. Nevins:

Of course, use the Tables of Yearly Average Prices of Crude and Refined from my History of the Standard Oil Company.

It will be necessary I think to ask Macmillian permission telling them, of course, that I have no objection.

I have no doubt at all that you will give me and my book all the credit we deserve in your study of Rockefeller. I am looking forward to the reading of the book with great interest. I could never follow Lloyd. His book was of course an argument for socialism.

Yes, thank you, I suppose I can say I've had a profitable summer. It's been spent in carrying on extensive physical repairs! I have been a little better than useless for two years--pulling out of the results of past neglects, but I have a quiet green place in which to get back my strength. I am hoping to go to work in the fall. Your incessant productivity is a constant wonder to me. How do you do it?

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely,

Ida M. Tarbell

Dr. Allan Nevins
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