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Dearest Miss Tarbell,

In tonight's Chicago Daily News I see your autobiography is to be out soon. Please don't think me too "cheeky" if I ask you to send me a copy autographed by your very dear self. If the inclosed check for five dollars does not cover it will you please let me know? If there are any pennies left over, on the other hand, just combine them with some other pennies for one of your pet charities.

I can hardly wait to read your autobiography. I know it will be most

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interesting.

So often since I saw you in your sweet country home I have thought of you & wished I might often see you. These are such busy, hectic times one never seems to find time for letters.

I have just been granted a Guggenheim fellowship for a year's follow up of my unemployment insurance study in England. But war clouds are gathering very fast and I have a feeling I shall not go. I have to retire from teaching in three more years.... How time does fly!

A heartful of love to you, dear, from your always admiring Mary Gilson

Aren't you ever coming to visit me? I have a guest room, you know. M. G.

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