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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
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Dear Miss Tarbell:

Permit me to express my opinion on the future out-look of we younger people and to kindly seek your advice on what our Congressmen, Senators and society as a whole effect of us or do they really care whether we become law abiding citizens or criminals: We have been deprived of the one and only right we are asking for, opportunity — opportunity to earn an honest living.

We do not want to live off charity and the dole system and, this monotonous idleness has become unbearable. What are we to do?

I have had ample time to study every plan offered and

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despite the rude and awful things the daily press says about the Townsend Plan it seems to me as the only plan that will relieve this deplorable situation without placing a burden on anyone. I have studied it with an open mind and tried to see it from everyone's view point.

I can not see why we can not have it enacted into law and give it a fair trial. If it doesn't relieve this situation repeal it. Have you studied the Townsend Plan? If not, please get your information from Dr. Townsend and give it a thorough study and see if it sounds as crackpot as the press calls it.

I will appreciate it if you will use your splendid influence to get your Congressmen and senators from your state to

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vote for it at this coming session of Congress.

I would appreciate hearing from you and deeply appreciate your advice on what we younger people are to do.

Very gratefully yours,
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