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My dear Miss Tarbell:

Apparently, the March 19, 1922, newspaper article is the earliest date that I can fix in connection with Mr. Bush and his idea of a Committee of Business Men. I suspect that anything prior to that time was most informal. As you know from the correspondence in the months following, especially in the Fall of 1922, he became very active and very serious about the matter.

I am attaching a letter which Mr. Gwynne, Executive Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, wrote Mr. Bush at the time that I received the file of letters. I may have told you that during the time that Mr. Bush wrote his letter in 1922, he was President of the Chamber of Commerce.

Although it may be beside the point, the following covers the high points of Mr. Bush's conversation with me today. He wrote President Harding, who referred the matter to Secretary Hughes. Secretary Hughes suggested that the Morgans be consulted, and Mr. Lamont and Mr. Bush went to Washington to see him, Secretary Hughes. Upon their return to New York Mr. Lamont got in touch with Mr. Morgan who was in Europe.

Most sincerely yours,

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