

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
128 S. Olympia St.,
Sept., 20, 1930.

Miss. Ida M. Tarbell,
c/o The Butterick Company,
Butterick Bldg.,
New York City.

Dear Miss. Tarbell:-

I purchased a Delneator, to-day, largely because I saw, chronicled among others, an article from your facile pen. I had heard through the "wet" newspapers, that you had announced a change of sentiment to the anti-prohibition cause, but could hardly believe it until I read this article. How I regret, with no doubt, many of your other friends to see you, who have always, in the past stand for national and private righteousness, now take a stand with the enemies of our beloved America and its people.

I have purchased your "Teacher's Guide to the International Sunday School Lessons" for several years and have found some most helpful material for teaching my Adult Bible Class of Women. In the lessons for 1925, page 352, I find this statement from your comments on the lesson--a Temperance lesson.----"if there were enough men" and women, "with the spirit of Luther, willing to work and depending upon God for strength in the fight, our land would soon become 'bone dry'" I cannot help but believe with your influence and erudition that God would still hold you to those sentiments, and moreover will hold you terribly responsible for the stand you now take.

In closing must say that you do not write with that degree of conviction, and originality that has heretofore characterized your writings. Just the old set arguments, without foundation, of the wet propagandist.

In teaching my Sunday School class I shall still urge them to work, vote and pray for the success of the Prohibition Cause.

In Sincerety,

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