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Dear Mr. Talmadge:

Thank you for the trouble you have taken in copying this manuscript of one of Mr. Craft's sermons. It is interesting not only for its matter but for his manner of preparing. I want to keep it for awhile putting it with the other material you have sent me if this is agreeable to you, the understanding being of course that it will go back to you eventually.

What I have to say about Mr. Craft at the present moment is only a short reference to the effect that his sermons in the Titusville Church and on the reconciliation of Genesis and Geology had upon me as a girl of sixteen or thereabouts. I'll send you a copy when it finally gets into print if it does.

And now as to The Other Economic League. The only effective thing I could do, and of course I do not know how effective that would be, would be to write an article explaining as clearly as I could what Mr. Craft proposed. That might be useful but believe me, dear Mr. Talmadge, it is quite hopeless at the present moment to write letters to Mr. Hopkins or Mr. Roosevelt on this scheme. They are involved in the Administration of the present plan and they should be giving all their time and strength to directing them. It is the failure in the Administration more than anything else that is threatening at the moment, that is so I fear. A letter now would be only one of tens of thousands that are going to the Administration and would in the nature of the case get nothing more than a reply saying that "the letter was received, found interesting and filed for further reference."

Believe me, however, if I can ever find the time I shall do this sketch. The idea interests me very much.

With many thanks for all your kindness, believe me,

Very sincerely yours

Mr. W. H. Talmadge
Columbus, Nebraska

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