

November 17, 1934

Dear Mrs. Phillips:

How kind of you to offer to send me the lease to drill made out to Tarbell and Hess. Yes, indeed, it would be of interest to me and to my sister. Instead of destroying it if you will send it on we will appreciate it very much.

You say that the signature is J. S. Tarbell. Is it not F. S. Tarbell? That was my father's name and he and M. E. Hess were partners in oil production for many years.

The court proceedings in the sale of John Steele's farm are certainly interesting documents. After you are through with them and have written your article, what would you think of depositing them at the Drake Museum? The collection of papers already there is important. I think it promises to be the most important collection that ever will be made on oil history. I am just suggesting this, dear Mrs. Phillips, because I am much interested in the Drake Library and of the saving of all oil records. Of course you may have some place where you would prefer to put it, but again perhaps not.

Thanking you again for your letter, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Mrs. H. F. Phillips
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