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150 BROADWAY
NEW YORK, N.Y.
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Miss Ida M. Tarbell
120 East 19th Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Miss Tarbell:

May we have the pleasure of your company at ceremonies attending the deposit of the Time Capsule, at the site of the Westinghouse exhibit on the New York World's Fair grounds, on September 23, 1938?

The purpose of the Time Capsule is to preserve for posterity a record of our present civilization, in metal and glass, for historians five thousand years from now. The Capsule, which will be lowered fifty feet into the ground during the ceremonies, will remain until discovered by archaeologists of the future, who will be guided by a book of record, copies of which are to be distributed to principal libraries, museums and repositories of the world.

We hope you will join us in this unusual archaeological adventure. Buses for our guests will leave New York at 11:30 A.M. (D S T) from the parking space on the west side of Lexington Avenue at 43rd Street. The ceremonies are to start at 12:30 promptly; the Capsule is to begin its journey into the future at exactly one o'clock (12:00 noon Standard Time), the moment of the Autumnal Equinox. After the ceremony there will be luncheon at the Terrace Club on the grounds.

Mr. Grover Whalen and his staff will be with us and will give our guests an opportunity to observe the progress of the World's Fair development. Buses will then bring us back.

May we expect you?

Yours very truly,

A. W. Robertson

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Chairman

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