Box 87,
Wattsburg, Pa.,
Aug. 14, 1941.

Dear Miss Tarbell,

Congratulations on your grand sense of humor! Yes, I too, thought the controversy about your birthplace was amusing. However, the matter is settled now — the Hatch Hollow farm is Ida Tarbell's original home and no one can question it again.

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We are so happy that you approved our suggestion for placing the marker on our new school grounds and so that is our final decision. I feel now that our plans are taking a definite shape and I'm having no end of pleasure in guiding the project.

Your offer to present our school library with a set of your published books is very kind and we shall indeed be proud to accept. Our

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new combination English-
room & library is my favor-
ite room and this will
mean a fine addition to
it.

Now, about when we
can erect our marker de-
pends upon the architects'
plans for landscaping and
upon the weather! Since
the dedicatory program
will be outdoors, we
must do this when we
can reasonably expect a
nice day. At any rate,
if at all possible we may
have our dedication in
November; if not, then it
will be in the spring.

Letters from your friends

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are coming to me from everywhere — the latest from Cottonwood, Idaho written by Myrtle Comstock who was a member of your Sunday School class in Hatch Hollow. She has always been interested in your writings and feels it a great privilege to have known you.

One more question, can you by any chance send us a profile picture? We may need it in order to design the plaque.

I hope you are enjoying the summer and thank you for your kindness in answering our queries.

Yours very truly,

Olive M. Pulling
(Mrs. E. C. Pulling)

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