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Dear Morris Cooke:

I have not thanked you for the trouble you took in answering my questions about the status of labor standards at the end of the war. What you have sent me, Dr. Pearson's notes, and certain after war documents I found among my own papers, give me authority enough to make the very simple statement that I want. It proves Miss Addams wrong in her feeling that everything would be lost by labor in the war.

What I was after specifically was the authority for saying that the standards governing women came out greatly reinforced and extended. That is apropos of the work done by the Women's Committee of the Council of National Defense of which I was a member. We had a capital labor member, Agnes Nestor, one of the sanest little parties that I know among organized working women. I think I have backing for the short references I am making.

But the little investigation has whetted my appetite. I am meditating a serious article in which I could include the most important of them I think, what actually was done in the war about the scientific management. I think I could embody it in an article I want to do on what was called the President's First Industrial Conference. Possibly you will remember that I was a member and that I appealed to you before the Conference opened to give me your notions, particularly how we were to relate scientific management to a program for peaceful labor relations. I have some notes of yours which are excellent and I would like to incorporate them. If I ever get around to this article for which I have rather full notes taken during the Conference - you remember its ending was dramatic and discouraging - I shall want to bring you in. But I will write you about what I want to say of course. Will that be all right?

Thank you so much, dear Mr. Cooke, *me*
for the trouble you have taken in my behalf.
When you see Dr. Pearson thank him for these notes.
If I ever do this article I have in mind I shall
want to have a conflag with him.

With all good wishes to you and
Mrs. Cooke, believe me

Faithfully yours

Mr. Morris Cooke
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