

McCall

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My dear Miss Miller:

You asked me to confirm our telephone conversation in regard to the articles for McCall's Magazine which Mr. Burton suggested ten days ago that I take up.

At the time of our talk I think I said there was no hurry, as far as I was concerned, about a decision; but I was obliged last week to take or decline promptly another piece of work of some importance that forced me to decide on Mr. Burton's suggestion at once. I decided that if he wished me to go ahead I would do so.

As I understand it he wants me to write one article on the general theme of "Every Man a Trade and a Farm", to include an interview with Mr. Henry Ford, if possible; also three articles along the line of the clippings which he passed on to me. The contract and the layout of the articles are to be settled later.

I should prefer to do the single article first, letting the others grow and ripen.

Dr. Finley of the New York Times, who seems to have been interested in the Mussolini articles, and to whom I had said that you found it necessary to leave out what I had written on the "corporate State" asked me if it would be possible to use that in the Times. I told him that of course I had no control of the material in serial form, only in book form after you were through. But, if you are not going to use that material, it might not be a bad thing for me to re-draft it a little and let the Times use it, on condition that they mention McCall's. What do you say?

I suppose there is no objection to my doing a little private - not professional - talking on Mussolini, is there? I have been asked several times to do so. Sorry to trouble you so much.

Sincerely yours