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## Letter From William C. Bagley to Francis Mairs Huntington-Wilson, March 5, 1918

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THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION  
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHING  
576 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK

March 5, 1918

Mr. Huntington Wilson,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Wilson,-

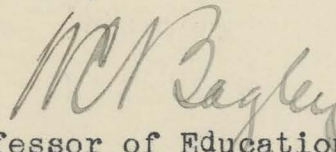
I am greatly interested in the project that you outline in your letter of February 22d. I can see that there would be many advantages in launching at the present time the type of propaganda that you have in mind. A plea for education should certainly be included in such a propaganda. I wish that I could cooperate with you in the way that you suggest, but the difficulty is to find time. To prepare even a brief statement limited to one thousand words would consume two or three days, and should demand a much longer period of careful study, discussion, and reflection. At the present time, I have, in addition to my regular duties, the work involved in the chairmanship of one of the committees of the National Research Council and in membership upon the commission recently appointed from the National Education Association to consider educational readjustments due to the war. I am leaving for Washington today for a protracted period of committee work.

I am burdening you with these details to indicate the position in which I find myself. I am greatly interested in your proposals and I wish that I could help the

cause that you wish to promote. Just now, however, it would be impossible for me to do the work in the way that it should be done if it is to serve as a basis for an extensive propaganda.

Thanking you for your courtesy in writing to me and wishing you abundant success in your undertaking, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. T. Bagley".

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