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Talbot Books, 6432 Cass Avenue, Detroit 2, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

During the last few years our industry, along with many others, has become intensely interested in economic education for industrial management and workers. Many good courses have been developed. I have used several of them and inspected many others.

At present I am engaged in a course with the management of our plant, using "Mainspring" by Henry Grady Weaver as the text. I am deeply impressed with the way Mr. Weaver has developed the foundation for understanding the economic system which we have in America. I have found no other course or book which so clearly explains the grass roots of human progress and the basic philosophical difference between Communism and Free Enterprise. Mr. Weaver's book is unique in its emphasis of religious faith as the basic factor which controls human attitude and behavior in everyday choices.

I find that the historical data regarding the Saracen civilization almost entirely new to the group of foremen which I have been instructing. They are showing much interest in the whole historical approach and it makes sense to them.

The only teaching method which I have found practical to apply has been to read the material before the group and follow with discussion. This method is generally considered as quite obsolete with adult groups, but due to the freshness and reasonableness of the material, one can hold class interest.

I have been hoping that someone would come out with some visual aid material which would just as clearly carry out the theme and purpose of Mr. Weaver's book, "Mainspring." If anything of this nature is being prepared I will be glad to learn of it.

Sincerely yours,

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