

420 West Britain Ave,
Hareford, Penn.
May 22nd 1918

My dear Miss Prutz-Rees,

In response

to the request for a report -

I am very sorry this is late in

reaching you - I was not in

town in time to get this to you.

Perhaps you will consider this
a rather unusual report.

But if you know as I know -

whisperings & laboratories that
are daily being met. you I

know - in the spirit of fairness

to all - would be glad to

have the truth told, where
it should be told.

What I say of propa-
ganda is true - appeals are
being made to the intelligent
Negroes in certain parts, of our
country - this year more than
last - last year numbers of
workers who came among us
here had been approached

We number twelve million
and a traitor to this discrin-
inating Government of us has
never been known - but with
prejudice growing more rank

each month from high officials in Army, Navy & now the Red Cross — with our hearts sore & bleeding — who knows what might result from all this useless peace publicity is given to the unfairness of it all.

I am enclosing some news that might interest you if you find time to read it.

A woman, one of the four lynched in Gas on Sunday^{last} is sister to one of our boys of the 15th N.Y. — 369th in France

fighting in the front lines to
make the world safe for
democracy — and his sister
here?

If we are to win this war
this thing of color prejudice has
got to be reckoned with by those
friends of your race who
have the courage of their con-
victions to talk about it.

Very truly yours

Mary Townsend Seymour.