

November 9th 1931.

Mr. W. R. Chenoweth,  
Royal Victoria Hospital,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Chenoweth,

I have been over the proposed plan with Dr. Cone. In general, the scheme as outlined seems to me to be excellent. However, it becomes obvious that there are certain radical changes that would have to be made in the scheme.

First of all, the offices which were to be put on the fifth floor should be on the ground floor and a short stairway pass up to the second floor from the animal house, so as to connect the rooms of the second floor laboratory with the animal house. This will avoid making the ground floor half entrance and half laboratory and unsatisfactory for both. This would give two floors of laboratory above the ground floor and two floors of wards above that.

The quarters for the fellows, it seems to me, might well be put in a half storey or tower on top of the centre of the building, perhaps done with dormer windows. I am not altogether clear about the exact alterations, and the space which that would entail or about the detailed arrangement. If you want an opinion from me regarding it you will have to allow more time, I have put my best effort into this over the weekend but am unable to go any farther. This is not a thing that can be crystalized in a moment. I should therefore ask for a few more days in which to consider the scheme, if you want a definite answer as to whether or not the proposed space is adequate.

Very sincerely yours,

WGP/MD