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Dr. Wilder Penfield,
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Dear Dr. Penfield:-

I have gone over the attached letter. Apparently, if the D.P.N.H. agree to your suggestion, they will have to make plans with McGill University for heating and building maintenance and with the Royal Victoria Hospital for food and laundry, etc. The expenses involved in building and maintaining the addition, as well as in the care of the patients located there, would all be undertaken, I understand, by the D.P.N.H. There would be extra charges payable to us for the use of our facilities such as X-ray Department, Electroencephalographic laboratory, Operating Room, etc.

It is the usual custom of the D.P.N.H. to hire full-time specialists for their cases but I believe that from our standpoint it would be much better to leave the medical and surgical supervision of the cases in our hands. As far as the Neurological Service is concerned, I suppose it might work out in such a way that one of the neurologists would look after the patients in the Institute while another neurologist could be assigned to the care of those in the Annex. Inasmuch as the supervision of our ward service in Neurology has rotated from time to time, it would be desirable to retain the right to rotate also the man supervising the Annex.

I do not believe that an addition of thirty beds, such as you suggest, would be beyond the capacity of our Neurological Service, but I do believe that it would tax the Neurosurgical staff quite heavily and also the interne staff. Your suggestion that army officers be seconded for work here would probably take care of the interne problem but it would not lessen appreciably the added burden on the neurosurgeons.

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the Royal Victoria Hospital. Furthermore, I believe that a schedule of charges should be worked out to cover examinations carried out in the Institute's sub-departments and services rendered in the Operating Rooms. Finally, it is my opinion that rather than pick one neurologist and one neurosurgeon to be appointed as full time salaried members of the Medical Department of the D.P.N.H., that the Institute has a unit should be allowed to arrange for professional services and to charge for them according to the present schedule of the D.P.N.H.

Yours truly,

Norman Russell

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