

17th October 1933.

Sir Arthur Currie,  
McGill University,  
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur,

As you know I am sailing for Europe for two months to-morrow. Before going I should like to bring up the following points.

(1) It is my understanding that beginning with the year 1933-1934 the University will add to the budget of the Department of Neurology and Neurosurgery five thousand dollars yearly as planned in the Rockefeller application. This will make a yearly budget of about five thousand dollars. Inasmuch as we have already expended in a single year thirty-five thousand dollars for the scientific work of the sub-department of neurosurgery, the expansion made possible in larger quarters with these added funds will not be very great, but there are certain necessary additions which must be made to our staff if we are to realize the expectation which you have of our work. I have discussed the details of expansion of our department with Dean Martin and Professors Archibald, Meakins and Russel.

(2) The need of a service in a chronic hospital where indigent cases can be sent for a long convalescence or to wait until death offers an opportunity for post-mortem examination should be borne in mind. Dean Martin has certain possible plans in mind for this need.



Letter to Sir Arthur Currie continued.

(3) I would like to put on record the need of reserving space at the north end of the Neurological Institute as planned for a small addition. In my opinion the time will come when the need of a larger number of beds in the Institute will be acutely felt. We have laid the plans of the Institute in order to make such an addition for patients possible.

(4) I am enclosing with this letter an appendix made up of notes on the organization of the Montreal Neurological Institute. I am, of course, quite ready to go ahead with the arrangements as they are at present outlined, but I had hoped that the money from the City and Province would be paid directly to the Hospital or that it could be arranged for the Hospital to take over the upkeep of the Institute as completely as possible.

I appreciate very much the courtesy and willingness to co-operate that has been evident in these sessions.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

WGP/HL.