

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE



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EDMONTON, February 16th, 1932.  
ALBERTA, CANADA

Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal, McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:

On November 1st, 1931 a reduction in salaries and wages in the University took effect on the following scale:

On that portion of the salary from	<u>Married</u>	<u>Single</u>
\$ 1- \$1000	2%	3%
1001- 1500	5%	6%
1501- 4000	7%	8%
4001 and over	10%	10%

The same scale became effective in the Government services of Alberta at the same time. In the University it represents a reduction for the year of approximately \$32,000.

It is, I feel, very unfortunate when decreases have to come in university salaries which are very slow in being effected by prosperous times. Under present conditions in the western provinces it was not possible to withstand the need for reduction. I felt that it was particularly important, however, that concurrent with the reductions and during the period of reduction the normal increase according to salary schedule should go forward. If that does not occur those who are at salaries below the maximum are much more seriously penalized