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Mr. George Wright,  
Editor,  
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Dear Mr. Wright,

With reference to your letter of January 30th, I cannot see where you got the story of the grant of \$15,000 from the Carnegie Corporation, unless you got it from some member of our staff. You did not get it from New York, because the matter was not settled until a week ago yesterday and because the confirming letter from the Corporation arrived here late on Tuesday, containing the information that the publicity might be released at the discretion of the University.

Mr. Moore saw Dr. Lomer, who particularly asked him not to release the story. This was at my request. I should think that the Herald might respect our wishes in such a matter. My reason for not publishing it was that we are holding a meeting of the Board of Governors this week and these things should not be made public until the members of the Board are informed, particularly when a meeting is pending.

But you have a habit of saying, "It is rumored, so-and-so," or, "We understand, so-and-so". So that, frankly, Mr. Wright, I would hesitate to tell a Herald reporter anything in confidence, - although, as you know, I have the greatest appreciation of the way in which newspaper men generally respect one's confidence.

Reverting again to this story, all the papers knew of it - the McGill Daily, the Gazette and the Star, but all respected my wish not to release the news. You, of course, forced the issue by announcing the rumor, which you really knew to be a fact, and which the others also knew.

I recall how embarrassing you made my position last spring by one of these rumours of yours. You announced