

July 29th, 1924.

Dr. L. A. Herdt, E.E.,
Ritz-Carlton Hotel,
Atlantic City, N. J.

Dear Dr. Herdt:-

Recently there have been certain developments in the matter of the building for the Electrical Engineering Department. Holt has promised \$5,000. a year for five years from the Montreal Light, Heat & Power, and \$3,000. a year for five years from Shawinigan. While one appreciates this help very much still it is a little less than we hoped for.

I began to despair of getting on with the building this year, but finally called in Ross of Ross & McDonald, Architects, and told him our trouble and asked him to make suggestions. He considers that a suitable building could be erected at a cost of \$55,000 or thereabouts. To this must be added architect's and engineering fees and Lawrence wants \$1,000 for connecting up his heating system, while I have added \$15,000 to cover the cost of moving. At a meeting of the Board of Governors yesterday I was given permission to go ahead, the amount at my disposal being limited to \$75,000 or \$80,000. Ross is busy on the detail plans and the Atlas Construction Company will have charge of the work.

I hope you will have returned before any work begins in order that we may have the benefit of your advice and, of course, your approval.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,