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Dear Sir:

We are seeking an answer to the question as to whether or not the ministry is attracting young men of an intellectual calibre equal to that of those who are attracted to other professions.

Would you be willing to cooperate with us in this enterprise by asking each of your Freshmen to fill in a copy of the enclosed occupational preference blank which would be circulated among them at the time when they take the American Council Intelligence Test, which we understand is given each year to the entering class? The intelligence scores could be copied on the occupational preference blanks at the time when the tests are scored. We are willing to pay for the clerical labor involved in the copying, and will furnish free the occupational blanks.

We recognize that occupational preferences of Freshmen may be unstable, yet we know from a study of theological students that a great majority of the decisions to enter the ministry are made before the student enters college. Furthermore our problem is not to compare the intelligence of ministers with that of men in other professions, but rather to compare the intelligence of Freshmen to whom the ministry looks attractive with that of other students who are attracted by other professions.

If you are willing to cooperate with us, will you tell us soon about how many of your entering class will be taking the American Council Test, so we will know how many occupational preference blanks to send?

Very sincerely yours,

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