

Forest Products Laboratories of Canada, Isabella & Metcalfe Sts.,

Ottawa, November 4th, 1932.

Dear Sir:

In the Dominion Government Service at Ottawa there are several departments or branches of departments carrying on scientific researches. These branches provide positions each year for a considerable number of University graduates. Many of such graduates have entered the Federal Service with a bachelor degree but have had no opportunity for obtaining advanced courses leading to higher degrees. Frequently they have undertaken responsibilities which have made it impossible, for financial reasons, for them to take extended leave for the purpose of carrying on advanced studies. In many cases the work which they are performing is of a very specialized nature and is carried out under the direction of highly qualified officers.

If it were possible for such men, by special arrangement with Canadian Universities, to proceed to higher degrees such as D.Sc., or Ph.D., extra murally, it would be a great incentive to them and would tend to enhance the value of their services and at the same time improve the status of the scientific branches of the Federal Service.

A special committee of the Professional Institute of the Civil Service was appointed some time ago to explore possible ways and means of improving the position of scientific workers in the permanent service, who are desirous of improving their position by special study. This committee would greatly appreciate information from you regarding facilities of your University for obtaining, (1) a Master's Degree, (2) a Doctor of Science degree, and (3) a Doctor of Philosophy degree, extra murally. The Committee would also welcome any suggestions you may care to make in this connection.

To Dean Eve with please For comment please 7/11/32