

Rockefeller Foundation. As a result of these conferences we concluded to advise the Rockefeller Foundation that we were prepared to undertake the study of unemployment. We thought it wise to select some specific subject. Unemployment is a subject about which much has been written, but I do not know of any intensive and profound study being made of unemployment in a particular locality. To make a study of that subject in Greater Montreal is our aim and to direct that study we decided to seek the services of a man not only qualified to undertake such work but one who has had experience in that sort of thing. I wrote to Sir William Beveridge and to Sir Josiah Stamp and I asked Dean Martin to see these men before he left England.

As a result of my correspondence and of his conferences with them there was recommended to me this Mr. Marsh, who at the time was about to accept an appointment at the Department of Economics in Toronto University. I may say that Marsh was most warmly and cordially recommended from London, and being faced with the necessity of acting quickly I offered Marsh a position with a salary of \$3500 a year. He asked if he might while directing the investigation give some lectures in the Department of Economics. This was entirely in harmony with my own views, believing that he would gain a larger measure of support from his colleagues if he were on the staff of some Department than if he were altogether on the outside - men operating from the outside very often never get inside. I told Marsh there would be no difficulty in arranging for him to give some lectures in your Department, and the thought came to me also that if on account of your health you wished to lighten your own work in some respects you might be better able to do so if you had Marsh available.

I understand Marsh has written to Hemmeon and that Hemmeon wrote to Martin about him and from your letter to Mr. Glasco I know that Hemmeon has written to you. That is the story of Marsh, very briefly told.

I know that you will place no objection in the way of his giving these lectures in your Department. I have not yet completed my arrangements with the Rockefeller Foundation but I am going next week to Hanover, where the Social Sciences Research Council of the United States is holding a meeting. There I shall see Dr. Day and Dr. Ruml of the Foundation, and I hope to be able to complete the necessary financial arrangements.