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POST OFFICE:
MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA

Department of English,
October 12th, 1932.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I wish to apply for the tenancy of the house at Macdonald College which, I believe, is soon to be vacated by Dean Barton.

My request is mainly based upon my more than thirteen years of service, my rank as professor, the fact that I am head of the Department of English for all three schools, and my need of more and better accommodation.

My house has only two bedrooms, the third room upstairs being the size of the bathroom and like it has but a half window.

The family now consists of three, without counting desired domestic help--during the summer circumstances made it necessary for me to house a total of five persons!

We have no extra sitting room or study:

1. The nature of my work necessitates my having many books at hand--at present I have over eleven hundred scattered over living room, hall and bedrooms and there are several hundred more in my office at College.
2. I have no private place at home for study or for consultation with students.
3. I have a very long and heavy teaching schedule, with 8.30 classes usually on five, sometimes on six, days a week.

It would add greatly to the comfort and happiness of my family and myself if I could have the house I have applied for, a house in a quieter location, sufficiently large, where the question of daily attention to furnace heating is eliminated, and