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My dear Dr. McCarthy,

Professor C. F. Martin, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, told me the other day of a conversation he had with you in Ottawa last week, in which you asked him why it was that applications from the Ottawa Valley Graduates' Society for speakers from the professorial staff of McGill had to be submitted through Colonel Bovey of the Department of Extra-Mural Relations of McGill.

I feel sure that some misunderstanding has arisen. Dr. Martin says that Colonel Bovey told the Committee of the Ottawa Valley McGill Graduates' Society that these applications had to be sent to him. Colonel Bovey regrets that any such impression was left. Besides being the Director of the Department of Extra-Mural Relations he is a sort of staff officer to me, and when I receive such applications I very often ask him to get in touch with the professor asked for and find out if the visit can be made, and, if not, to suggest another professor whom we consider would be acceptable and who could make the trip.

The Department of Extra-Mural Relations has prepared an extensive list of lectures and lecturers and it may be Colonel Bovey spoke of this. Naturally, if these lectures were asked for, the applications would come to him as Chairman of that Department. But there is no reason why your Committee should not write to any professor, or to the Dean of the Faculty in which such professor lectures, or to me. I am sure that any of us will at all times