

May 24, 1973

Mr. W. D. Reschbacher
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Main Library - Room 610
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Cincinnati, Ohio 45221

Re: Letter of May 16, 1973

Dear Mr. Reschbacher:

I am not at all certain that I have at hand any documentary evidence relating to the Lettering Laboratory, or to my activities in connection with the Laboratory, which deserve "gathering, preserving and organizing." On the other hand, I am not sure that I do not have any such things, and I would be pleased to visit with you and to tell you something of what I do have. I can tell you that I have never kept a diary and that I must depend, to some extent, on my memory for details - details which do not seem to me to be of importance - of developments over the years. As you know, no doubt, I retired from the Directorship of the Laboratory in 1964, having founded it and having directed its activities until retirement.

It occurs to me, in view of the recent abrupt withdrawal of the U.S. Federal Government from the financial support of certain of the activities of the Laboratory, that I might make available to the University authorities, the ideas along that line, which we developed at the beginning of our work and employed in the initial period of the existence of the Laboratory (from 1929-30 to 1964). I happen to believe that there is a principle here which is well worth considering for the future.

With this and other ideas in mind, I should be glad to talk with you. At present, I have no car and do not drive, having suffered some physical disability in recent years, but I continue to work daily in my office in the Laboratory (Room 104), and if it is not too inconvenient for you, I would be glad to have you visit me.

Cordially,

Robert A. Kehoe, M.D.
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Occupational Medicine

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