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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

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Dear Tony:

Bill told me about your conversation with Dr. McEwen concerning the New York University Industrial Hygiene project. I knew that this was going to arise, through Mr. Madden, who is on the University Board of Trustees. When I asked you Thursday whether you had had additional contacts over there, I had the matter in mind, but did not bring it up as ~~I~~ you had not been approached up to that time.

On Friday I had an opportunity to discuss the suggestion with Mr. Ecker, advising him that he probably would be called on by Chancellor Chase. You will be interested to know that Mr. Ecker tended to be sympathetic with a point of view that I expressed to him, namely, that we should endeavor to cooperate in the matter in any way that may be practicable, depending of course somewhat on a specific proposal as to time, etc. from N.Y.U.

If you plan, as I understand you do, to exercise your normal retirement date as of approximately January 1, 1949, it might be feasible, for instance, to have an understanding with N.Y.U. whereby we would loan approximately half of your time for the year beginning January 1, 1948, with the understanding that we would continue to pay your full salary (so as not to handicap your retirement), and with the understanding that they would not pay you any salary during that period (Mr. Ecker's specification). It is conceivable that prior to January 1, 1948 you might give them some informal advice, if they are successful in raising funds, and can actually initiate a program prior to that time. This you would naturally do as an advisor in any case. You would then be free after 1948 to take over the whole project full-time on their salary. Perhaps if we loaned part of your time in 1948 we might expect in return in 1949 and thereafter a little more advisory attention to some of our problems here than would normally be the case, at least until new staff arrangements were made, etc. All this is one set of possibilities only. I am writing particularly to indicate Mr. Ecker's general sympathy, as well as my own.

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