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Mr. Chas. F. Lewis, Director
The Buhl Foundation,
Farmers Bank Building,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mr. Lewis:

I sent you under date of February 12 an outline of the proposed research work in the Institute, an experimental study of nutrition in the prevention of tooth decay.

Confirming our conferences and discussion of this report, I wish to advise you that the Institute feels that this investigation offers very promising results in the prevention of tooth decay, as during the past year we have obtained evidence of sufficient significance to warrant a continuation of the work. This investigation was in its origin a part of the Sugar Institute's Industrial Fellowship work but this phase of that problem is no longer related to sugar. Dr. Cox and his associates have been carrying on this research since the 1st of October but will have to give it up unless they can get further support.

We would be very glad to accept a grant from the Buhl Foundation in the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars to cover one year's work in investigating this problem; and Mellon Institute is willing to eliminate the 20% overhead charge of \$3,000, which was submitted in the original project. As I explained to you, this overhead charge of 20% does not cover the cost of research in the Institute but is only used to pay for actual expenditures connected with these projects. We are therefore backing this particular project not only by eliminating this \$3,000 expense fund but also by housing and carrying out the work properly, which will cost us considerable money.

We would appreciate very much your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,



E. R. Weidlein, Director

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