

December 31, 1963

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Attention: Mr. Ross Mortimer

Dear Dr. Ulett:

In reply to your inquiry of December 28, regarding the personal service expenditures of the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry (account no. 100-6380-029) during the period July 1, 1963 - December 31, 1963, I am pleased to submit the following data.

The original allotment for this six-month period was \$60,392. At my request, following communications in July and August, the comptroller on September 27, approved an additional amount of \$15,209 for a total allotment of \$75,601. In my original request I indicated that in order to keep all the psychiatrists then on the payroll of the Institute, I would need that additional sum during this half year.

Subsequent to this communication, Dr. A. Heusler and Dr. A. Ferro resigned. These two men had been on the payroll of the St. Louis State Hospital as Director of Research and Director of Training, respectively. In these positions, these men had been assigned to the Institute in October, 1962. They were performing valuable services in research and in training, and as the Institute had been given the responsibility of these activities, they had continued within the Institute framework although their salaries had been paid by the St. Louis State Hospital budget.

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When these two men resigned effective September, 1963, their activities and duties were assumed by the personnel of the Institute; specifically, Dr. Ivan Sletten took over the duties of Dr. Heusler, and Dr. Harry Neubauer assumed those of Dr. Ferro.

Because the Institute budget was overexpended, according to the original allotment schedule, and to minimize any embarrassment that the Institute may face by inadequate funds by 1964, I requested, and Dr. Kohler approved, the replacement on the St. Louis State Hospital budget of Drs. Sletten and Neubauer instead of Drs. Ferro and Heusler. In this way, for the four-month period from September to December, approximately \$11,000 originally to have been charged to the Institute, has been paid from the funds of the St. Louis State Hospital.

In summary, during this six-month period, the personal service expenditure from the Institute account no. 100-6380-029 was for \$65,820. This represents an overage of \$5,428.

With regard to the allotments for the third and fourth quarters of the 1963-64 fiscal year, I would appreciate your requesting the comptroller to revise the personal service allotment to take into account the present state of our funds and our needs. I would request that of the \$120,784 originally allocated, less the \$65,820 already expended, the remainder of \$54,964 be allotted in approximately equal sums during the third and fourth quarters. The amounts so derived, \$27,482, are approximately \$3,000 per quarter less than the original allotments planned. With these sums, however, we should be able to continue our programs at the rate now in progress.

I trust that these observations answer the questions.

My very best wishes for a happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

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Director

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