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Dear Dr. Bunch:

As you may already know, the laboratories at 5400 Arsenal Street, heretofore known as the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry, are now an integral part of the University of Missouri School of Medicine. While we have had considerable discussion with the administrative leaders of the Medical School regarding the integration of the ongoing programs with the activities of the school, we have not had an opportunity to discuss the psychology training program. It is still not possible, therefore, to provide a reasonable answer regarding your recommendation of Dr. Joseph Lyons for this department.

While we are awaiting developments at these higher echelons, my own program of research in the effects of psychotropic drugs on brain function and behavior is continuing. For the last few months, I have been working closely with Dr. Don Sundland to develop some experimental psychology instruments which may measure and quantify some of the induced behavioral changes in our patients. I anticipate that the department will have funds available after the first of October for more extensive explorations in this area. Some funds may also be made available about the first of July. For these reasons, I am taking this opportunity to write to you and ask that you consider the recommendation of either a doctoral candidate to participate in this program, or, in the event you have applications of young man who are interested in coming to St. Louis, whose experience might contribute to our research program, I would be grateful for your recommendations.

My best wishes for this New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.
Director

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cc: Dr. George A. Ulett