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Dear Don,

I have read the outline of the suggested program for the APPA meeting, and wish to congratulate you and Bob for an excellent formulation. By developing such a formidable array of speakers, you have challenged the Hoch lecturer and me to come up with something of equally fine quality.

As to specifics. Since Klerman is presenting on the second day, the discussant for Luborsky and Frank should be Levitt. I would concur that Roy Grinker be encouraged to express his experience as he deems appropriate, although he could be an excellent alternate chairman for the first section.

You may want to consider Charles Shagass as a discussant of the behavior therapy section if Jerome Frank is not seconded. Charlie has an active interest in this therapy and has reviewed the data extensively.

The tradition of the Hoch award and the Presidential address should be maintained, and having one each day is satisfactory. With the Hoch award will also go the Prince award, and this may require a few more minutes.

For reasons of history, it would be useful if we could include Fritz Freyhan, perhaps as a co-chairman of one of the sessions.

I would encourage you to formulate this program as accepted, assuming the other members of the Council agree, and you write to the invited participants for an abstract. Should these be available by the end of September or early October, we may yet be able to beat the usual rush for the deadline of the Journal.

My thanks for an excellent job.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.

cc. JO Cole
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