

June 11, 1925.

My dear Professor Goodspeed:

I have your letter with reference to the needs of the New Testament Department for 1926-27 and shall place it on file for consideration in connection with the budget proposals which you will be asked to prepare next October. When preparing those, it might be well for you to refer to this letter.

When we were making out the budget in April, and were in desperate straits making things meet, the President agreed to omit for the present a sum to be reserved for another appointment in the New Testament Department. This was on the understanding that this omission would not prejudice the case at a later time. There was \$1500 kept in the New Testament Department as a part of the President's own salary. Whether we can draw upon this for a half-time secretary that you suggest is perhaps somewhat uncertain until the Board determines what it will do in the matter of salary and appointment for the next president. But I do not suppose that just the same arrangements would be made. So it may be possible to squeeze out something somewhere. I agree with you entirely that we waste a great deal of the time of our faculty by not giving them secretarial help.

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The New Testament Department

Mr. Tufts, If the increases here are only proportion  
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\$2400 "present salary" available for new  
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March 10. 1922