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October 22, 1918.

Dear Mr. Jones,

Our doctor and nurses in the Infirmary have been under such very great stress during our influenza epidemic and have managed it so splendidly that it seems to me that some little financial recognition is due them. I have consulted with Dr. Branson who says that he thinks it is very important to make some such recognition and approves of what I am about to suggest to thee. I have also talked it over with Mrs. Ladd who helped the nurses in the Infirmary for eleven days and she tells me that she approves of the amount I have suggested. Unless I hear from thee to the contrary therefore I will instruct the Comptroller to pay Dr. Rea \$35 a week over and above her salary during the time of the epidemic. We are paying her \$200 less than we paid our assistant physician last year and she has been absolutely untiring in every way and has neglected her hospital in Philadelphia. She told me the other day that she expected to be fired because she simply has had to stay out here and work day and night. We have had as many as twenty-seven cases in the Infirmary at one time, rather seriously ill, all the light cases being taken care of in the halls.

I should also like to tell the Comptroller that Miss Miller, the head nurse, should receive \$15 a week extra during the time of the epidemic and the assistant nurse \$10 a week extra. I think that the income from the Infirmary will be very large because of the number of students there.

This letter needs no reply. I enclose a copy of my report to the Executive Committee and the Board. The only other important thing that was done in addition to the arranging of the conference in regard to Dr. de Haan was to vote that any unexpended balance of the \$4000 income handed over by the

Alumnae Association should be divided pro rata among the full professors for the current year, with the understanding that this is not a permanent arrangement and is made only for the current year.

Very sincerely thine,

Professor Rufus M. Jones
Haverford College
Haverford, Pennsylvania.

October 22, 1919.

Dear Dr. Rea,

On the list that you sent me the following are to be paid for by the college, which as I understand it owes you \$3 for each one, less the cost for vaccine: Esther Cloud, Anna Branson, Anna Lingelbach, Margaret Duncan, and Bessie H. Jennings. The other persons on the list you will have to send bills to. You can find them all in the Finding List. I am assuming that each one on your list had three vaccinations. If this is not so will you kindly inform the Comptroller. I hardly think that Miss Duncan could have had three as she has been ill with influenza and had not yet returned. You remember that we stated in the notice that I would be charged for each vaccination.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. Marion Hague Rea.