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Dr. William C. Rose Professor of Physiological Chemistry University of Illinois Urbana, Illinois

My dear Dr. Rose:

As you may probably know, our mutual friend Dr. Robert C. Lewis has been made Dean of the School of Medicine of the University of Colorado. A committee is seeking to find his successor as head of the Department of Biochemistry. There are three men in the Department who are candidates for the job, but none of them seems to be of the caliber that the place requires. I have been asked to make a nomination.

As I have been somewhat out of touch with young men in Biochemistry recently, I would appreciate it very much if you could make a suggestion or two. The school, as you know, is an excellent one, and the facilities are first class. The opportunities for research are good, and I believe the place is a very desirable one for the right kind of a man. They are looking for someone who can help work out the problem of integrating Biochemistry, Physiology, and Biophysics and to indicate their place in the significance and importance of clinical medicine.

The faculty at the College of Medicine have almost completely revamped the Medical curriculum, and they are most anxious to find somebody who will be sympathetic with their desire to change the curriculum into something better. I do not mean that they are looking for someone who will approve what they have done, but they are definitely interested in getting someone who will not be sold to the status quo as far as the routine teaching is concerned. I will appreciate any word you can give me.

Sincerely yours,

R. G. Gustavson

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