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Memorandum re Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, Massachusetts -
October 1, 1928

Monday morning, October 1, I met Doctor Frank Lillie by appointment in his office at the University of Chicago to discuss the needs of the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

Doctor Lillie stated that the Trustees were considering construction problems in addition to the apartment building mentioned in my memorandum of August 11, 1928. The new plans contemplate replacing the present frame laboratory structures with modern fire resistant buildings and it is roughly estimated that this larger plan will require \$1,000,000 of permanent additions to assets including some addition to endowment.

Doctor Lillie stated that he had made some inquiries as to possible sources of funds and felt that philanthropic boards must be appealed to for assistance. He also feels that if an oceanographic center is created at Woods Hole there will be a greater prospect of enlisting the support of individuals. In view of the fact that the entire plan will require more time for maturing he suggested postponing any presentation of the need for an additional apartment building.

In regard to the library needs, he stated that original bound volumes of scientific papers must be kept in the library and that duplicate sets of individual papers would have to be developed. This will be a constant need and will require \$10,000 annually. This statement differs from my original understanding of the situation, but I appreciate the fact that an annual subvention is needed for the use of the library. I will discuss this situation with my associates and suggest an outright appropriation of \$200,000 for endowment.

Doctor Lillie also gave us a copy of his notes regarding the Academy Committee on Oceanography which is attached. It will be noted that Professor H. B. Bigelow of Harvard has accepted the assignment of a full-time study of this field for the consideration of the Committee.

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