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11th Aug. 1948

Dear Prof. Fisher,

Thank you for your letter of the 9th of August. My idea is to accept your offer ; the prospect of working in your department is too ~~much~~ attractive for me ,for thinking of it in terms of pounds per year . As ,however, I have basic necessities, I must some time think of it ; and as I have but very little experience of the cost of life in England,in my conditions, I can simply hope that £ 600 pounds a year will be enough. In any case I am fully confident in your help for getting a University appointment as soon as possible, with its financial consequences. I perfectly realize,of course, how much depends on myself.

I quite agree as to my course,that could be either on the genetics of bacteria and viruses,or on the genetics of microorganisms, at the choice of the Faculty Boards. The course could well be done in the Lent Term,and I suppose that two or perhaps three hours a week could be spent for it.

As to the non-recurrent capital expenditure, I am afraid I cannot up to now give you a detailed list with total estimate,but I hope to be able to send it to you before the end of this week. The catalogues in my hands are all edited in pre-war years,and therefore I must ask separately the various firms for actual prices. I will certainly pay more visits to the Department, and I simply wait to know more about the kinds of apparatuses which are available. I will try to come to Cambridge in periods ⁱⁿ which you will be there.

Hoping we may see very soon the first bacteria growing,

Yours sincerely

Erig. Cavell

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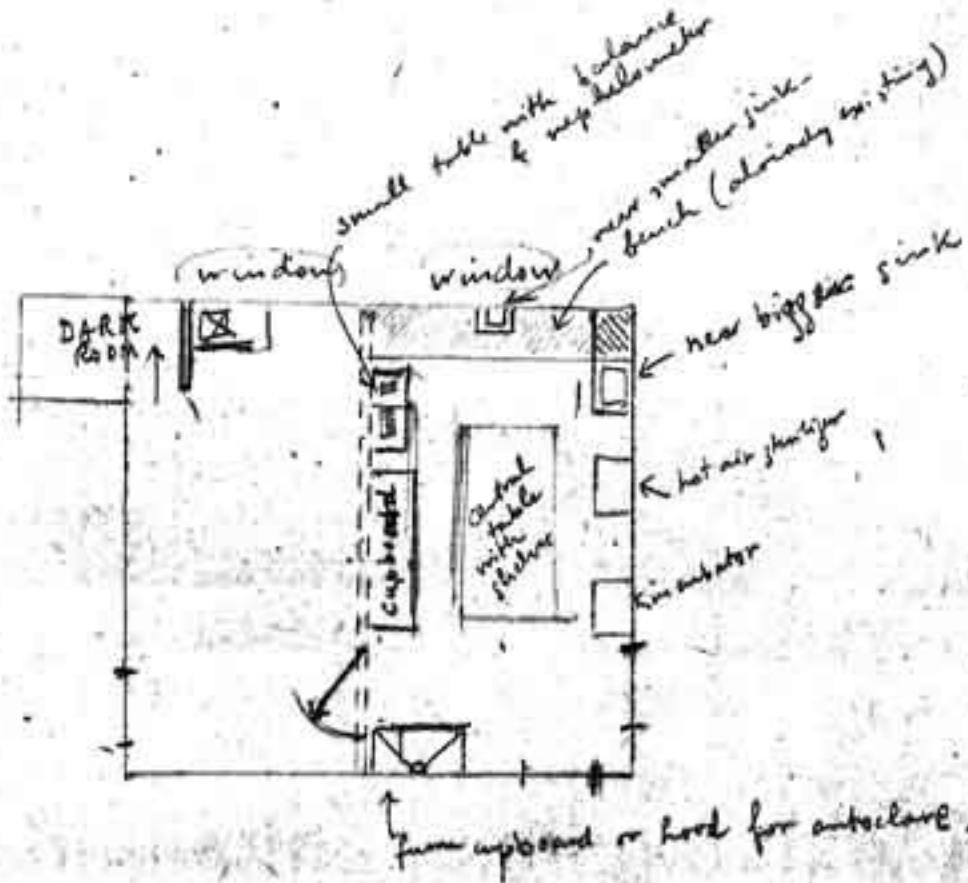
The Undersecretary of State is directed to refer to the letter from Dr. Cavalli dated August 6th and to request that his passport may be forwarded, in the enclosed envelope, to this department, so that any necessary variation may be made in the endorsement now appearing therein.

At the same time the Under Secretary of State wishes to be informed as to the probable period of the proposed appointment of Dr. Cavalli with the Department of Genetics.

MINIMUM WORKING LIST

(for private use only)

Incubator, 18 x 16 x 16 "	65. 0. 0
Electric Hot air sterilizer, 18 x 16 x 16 "	65.10. 0
Autoclave	81. 0. 0
Centrifuge	76.0 . 0
Water distiller	12.14. 0
Balance, 1 mgr.sensitivity	15. 0. 0
Water pump and vacuum regulator	12. 0. 0
3 copper water baths	7. 5. 0
Nephelometer photoelectric	29.15. 0
Glassware, reducing to 2/3 Petri dishes and pipettes, + + remainder, holders, sterilizing boxes and minor items	109. 0. 0
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About 3 cubic meters of storage room are needed, + a new small sink, + fresh painting. Rough estimate	40. 0. 0
A hood with piping and fan, or a fume cupboard are needed if the autoclave is to be kept in the main room	38. 0. 0
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Grand total	551. 4. 0



Approximate scale .1 : 100