

March 23, 1936

Mrs. Nettie S. Horch  
310 Riverside Drive  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Horch:

Your policy of requiring information of the most detailed nature from me is an obstruction to the orderly and untrammelled direction of the school department of which I am the director. Prior to the recent litigation, no such demands were ever made upon us; educational work was permitted to go on unhampered, all apparently with the approval of all trustees of Master Institute.

I am answerable to the trustees of the Master Institute for the management of the school department. I am still in charge of that department and have not been informed that you have been appointed to supervise my activities. In the absence of any rules passed by the governing board of Master Institute vesting such powers in you, I fail to see how you can deign to assume such arbitrary power. So long as I am director of the school department I deem it necessary to request the use of our institution's facilities for the school's activities, and I should be permitted to do so without unwarranted interference. The questions which you desire answered are all beside the point. If you find fault with my management of the school department, there is an authority which can decide that particular question as between us. Likewise, your questions with relation to the "profit" are not in your jurisdiction and are, therefore, not pertinent. Yours is merely a ministerial office in so far as I am concerned, and if the dates for the use of the hall are convenient in view of all of the activities of our institution, that must be the sole consideration so far as you are concerned.

Will you, therefore, advise me whether the dates requested conflict with any other dates and, if so, will you tell me what earliest dates are available for the recitals that are contemplated?

Very truly yours,