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1592 E. 117th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio
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Mr. George M. Reynolds
Director for Fellowships
Julius Rosenwald Fund
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Reynolds:

I have delayed in sending you a report of the progress which I have made in my work, because the committee on my candidacy for the doctorate has just been formed during the past two weeks and several important factors influencing my plan of work for the rest of the year were still under consideration.

All matters have now been clarified and in accordance with the decisions which were made, I have outlined my status in the report which is enclosed.

I am very sorry to have had to delay the report for so long a time, but I could not have given an accurate or adequate account at an earlier date.

Very truly yours,

Ruth M. Smith

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Status of work toward degree:

The 73 hours of graduate credit required by Western Reserve University for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy will have been completed by June, 1940.

All examinations will have been taken by June, 1940, under the supervision of my committee on candidacy of which Dr. Theodore T. Zuck, Director of Brush Inquiry and Associate Professor of Anthropology, is chairman.

The dissertation will not be submitted, however, until May, 1941, due to the fact that the collection of sufficient data will require at least another six months. A statement of my problem is outlined as follows;

A comparative study of the vaginal smear, basal body temperature, and breast changes during the sexual cycle of white and Negro women of normal and low economic status.

Publications:

A copy of the manuscript on Adolescence in *Macacus rhesus*, which was completed during the summer, is enclosed with this report. This paper is a report on the study, still in progress, of the sexual cycle in adolescent monkeys as determined by a correlation of the vaginal smear and bimanual rectal palpation methods.

Special honors:

I was awarded a grant of three hundred dollars by the Brush Foundation for the purpose of continuing during the summer months my study of the monkeys and also to help cover necessary expenditures for research on my thesis problem.