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My dear Dr. Bousfield :

At the request of Dr. John Sinclair Perry of Lumberton, N.C., I am writing concerning some of his desires and some of the needs of the State as revealed by my survey.

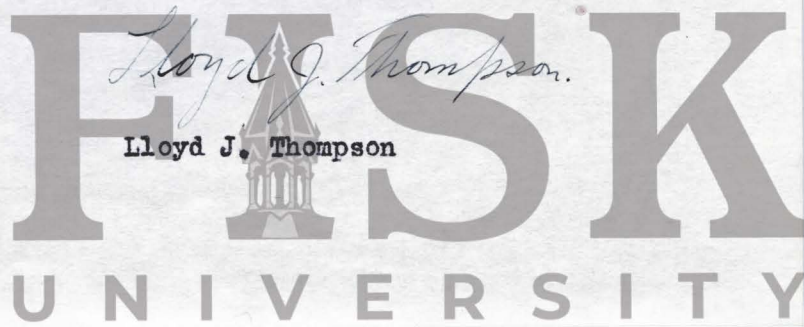
As you know, North Carolina has for some time shown considerable interest in the welfare of the negro race. In my survey, I have found that the State Hospital for Negroes at Goldsboro is about the only provision from a mental hygiene point of view that is made for the colored people. In a way almost the same could be said for the white race. In all probability, I shall recommend the establishment of Out Patient Mental Hygiene Clinics in strategic places over the State, and, if such clinics are developed, they may at first be connected with the state hospitals. Considering the fact that the negroes make up 29 percent of the total population, I believe that in time there will be need for more negro physicians who have had training in psychiatry and mental hygiene that will qualify them for mental hygiene work.

I have met Dr. Perry on two occasions and I am impressed with his interest in mental hygiene and psychiatry. He has had some experience in this specialty, and I believe that in his practice he has a very definite mental hygiene approach. Dr. Perry makes a very good impression and is undoubtedly held in high esteem by the people of his own race and by others. I understand that he is anxious to do some post graduate work in psychiatry and that he is able to obtain a position in New York, but cannot at the present time meet the expense of such a period of training. I do not know what your policy is in regard to training fellowships but I am sure that Dr. Perry deserves anything along this line that can be done for him.

Sincerely yours,

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