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Dear Oscar,

Thank you for your letter of April 23. I have been in Toronto attending the funeral of Karl Polanyi, one of the most beloved of my mentors, and so I am just now getting around to reply.

I appreciate very much your suggestion that word concerning the Trustees' decisions should come from the Administration. I have, of course, been careful to communicate the Trustee decisions to George Holt and his committee though I had not yet talked with Paul. In any case, I shall write to Paul regarding the future role of the Committee and its relation to the Trustee Committee. I shall also write to George as you suggest. *art P.*  
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The fact that Paul felt it necessary to discuss his concern with you before bringing it to my attention probably does indicate some problem beneath the surface. Basically, I suppose, it is that especially the old Bennington hands feel that this college belongs to each of them and things must consequently be done in the way each views as necessity. It is the Bennington way, annoying sometimes, but unchanging.

All the best to you Oscar.

Sincerely yours,

Harry W. Pearson  
Dean of the Faculty