October 2, 1941

Dear Lapage,

Thanks for sending me copies of the timetable, record sheets and notes for the Phenothiazine trial. These seem to follow closely what was agreed, and I have especially to thank you for making up the time table, which I had quite given up hope about, as, owing to delays, several centres seemed to be in difficulty in respect of the time of starting.

I notice that for the Inside flock the two weighings are now at five weeks interval, whereas the Outside experiment is uniform at three weeks. I do not think, especially as you have no doubt discussed the matter with Peters, that this deviation can affect the experiment injuriously, the only possible loss being that there have been some indications of a temporary loss of weight following dosage, which might be still evident after three weeks, though not after five. However, the Outside experiment will be available to supply this indication, for what it is worth.

I have been asked by Taylor for further randomisations, with a view to trials on farms analogous to those which you have discussed with Peters. Possibly the results of our co-operative trial may give some indication of what dosages would be best to

use in these additional outside experiments.

In respect to the worm-counts, I hope to examine to what extent, if at all, the egg counts prior to dosage will assist in equalising the large differences usually found between individual sheep. It appears not unreasonable to hope that these egg counts may increase the precision of worm count comparisons nearly as much as they undoubtedly do in the case of later egg counts. However, I assume that in these additional experiments worm-counts will be taken, as in the cooperative trial.

Yours sincerely,