

18 St Nicholas Place  
Apt A.  
New York 31, N.Y.  
May 15, 1949

Mr. M. S. Johnson  
Alumni Secretary  
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr Johnson:

I am sorry for this  
necessary delay in sending  
to you information as to  
the approximate cost and  
type of Statue as planned  
of Dr James E. Shepard.

I have contacted several  
contractors for bids ~~to~~  
~~to the cost for the proposed~~  
~~project~~ I am submitting  
figures from two reputable  
companies, The Roman  
Bronze Foundry and The  
Vermont Marble works.

Single figure  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to 8 feet  
 Bronze cast \$2500.00  
 Granite base 4x4x5 feet  
 12 to \$1500.00  
 Contractors installation  
 \$1000.00  
 Plaster casting \$400.00  
 Materials, armature  
 model and research  
 \$600.00  
 Commission \$4000.00  
 Total approximate cost  
 \$10,000.00

If I am chosen, as  
 sculptor, for the project  
 it would be necessary  
 for me to make a trip  
 immediately to Durham,  
 to discuss in detail as  
 to the type of statue, whether

Symbolical or natural of  
Dr Shepard, and the  
problems that are involved  
in such a project. This  
would be necessary before  
a small working model  
is made for the Foundation  
committee.

Thanking you.

Very cordially yours  
John Rhoden.