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Chancellor Deane W. Malott,  
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Dear Chancellor Malott:

Thank you for your letter of the 16th instant replying to my query regarding the large appropriation for the grading of the intramural field. Would it be unfair, Mr. Chancellor, to ask if we got anything at all?

For your information, I might say that student money graded the east end of the field. There was a twenty-five foot drop in the terrain from end to end of the field, and scores of boys have been seriously injured there. Mr. Bayles came to me and said, "If you will get \$500.00 from the student activity fund, we will use WPA labor, put in sod and grade that field."

Of course you know the thing is not to make a lovely place for the boys to play, but to cut down on the number of serious injuries which are still very much in evidence when the students use the west end of that field in intramural games. There are big ruts, it is downhill, and there is still a very bad condition where the sewer runs. If we could have that graded then we would reduce students' injuries, which are a matter of great concern. It is not just to get something done or to beautify the landscape, but to make a place safe for the boys.

This field is not large enough to take care of half of the boys who desire to play every afternoon on this fine intramural program. We had planned last year not to remove the sod until after the intramural season, - then we wanted to move it over on the unsodded east side, and it was at this junction that Mr. Bayles talked to me.

I wish now to refer to a matter that would be especially helpful to our summer recreative program. The area bounded by the east end of the Quadrangle, just across from the Anatomy Building, between the Chemistry Building and Fowler Shops would make a lovely setting for lawn bowls. If we could have that area slightly leveled off and move