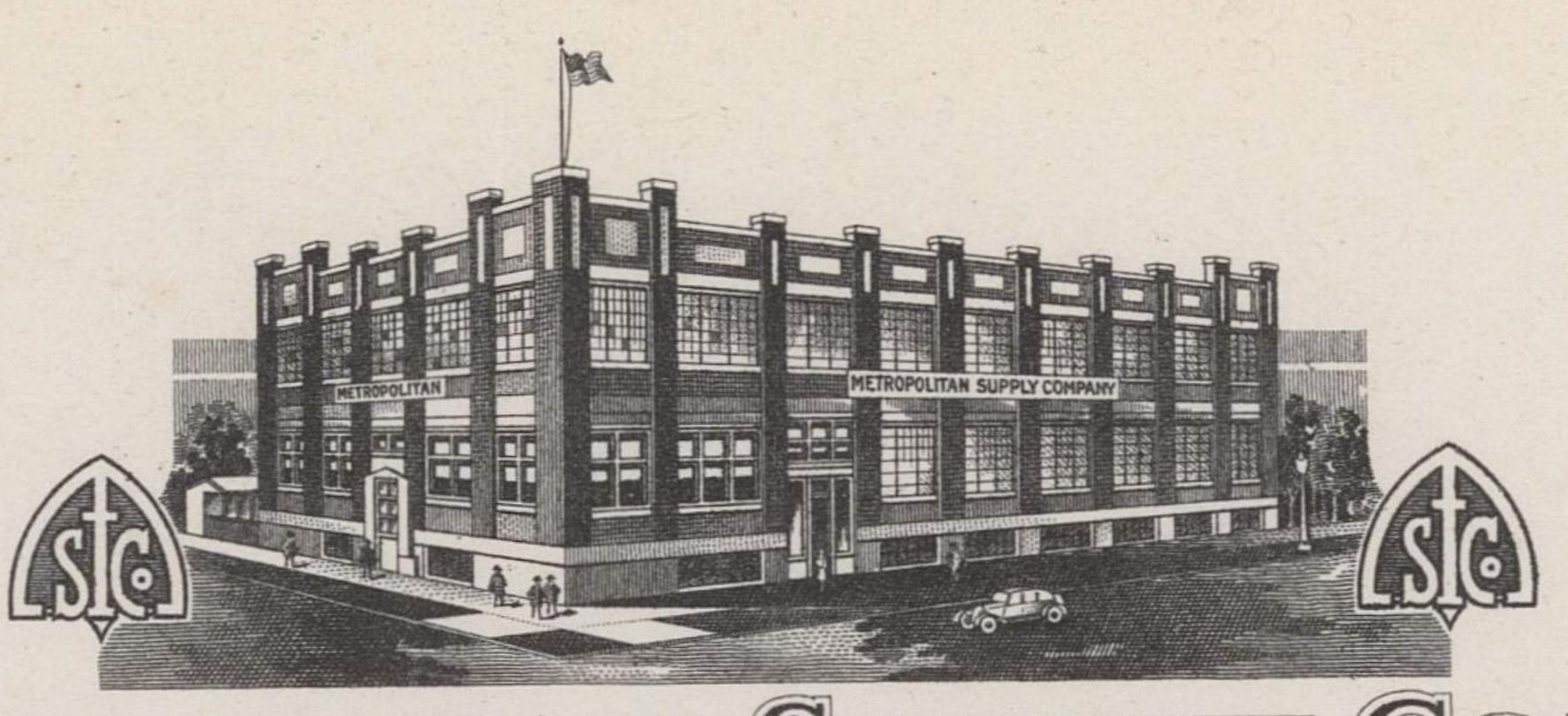
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Dr. Forrest C. Allen Director of Physical Education University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of the 11th, and am happy to learn that April 6th will be satisfactory with you. We had a meeting of our committee yesterday and they are very pleased that you can be present on April 6th and I am sure we will have an attendance of from three to three hundred fifty on this occasion.

The fact that you were speaking in Hutchinson, Kansas on April 11th would make it very difficult for you to reach here by the 13th with travel conditions as they are. The 6th is entirely satisfactory to us, and we will consider this a definite date with you.

Regarding train connections, there are three different routes you could take up here. The first one, and the one I recommend, would be to leave Kansas City about 11:30 P.M. on the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific, arriving in Des Moines about 6:45 A.M., taking the Rock Island Rocket out of Des Moines about 7:15 A.M. to Iowa City, arriving there about 9:00 A.M. and taking the Interurban to Cedar Rapids from there. The interurban runs each hour all day long. If you make connections all the way along the line, you would arrive in here at approximately 10:10 the morning of the 6th.

The only trouble with this schedule is that your connection at Des Moines is rather close, but you could always do this. If you should come that way and your train should be late into Des Moines so that you missed that connection, you could go up to Ames on a bus and catch the same train to Cedar Rapids arriving at 2:35 in the afternoon that you would have arrived on had you taken the Chicago Great Western out of Kansas City, as your Mr. Cote suggested.