

July 30, 1942.

Mr. Raymond Nichols,
Executive Secretary,
Chancellor's Office.

Dear Mr. Nichols:

At a conference with Mr. Eberhart, the University plumber, he gave me the following report concerning the swimming pool:

Filter: Steel shell, approximately 4 ft. in diameter and about 6 ft. high; it is impossible to turn the wheel which agitates the gravel in the filter - and as long as the gravel cannot be agitated the filter is not doing the job. The chlorinator is now the only means of purifying the water. The steel shell is rusted and about to fall apart.

Leak in pool: Very possibly this is due to the glazed surface of the tiles being broken, and the pressure forces the water through the tile. There may also be some escape of water through the side walls. The drain pipe from the pool to the sewer is exposed, and has been checked time and time again - but this pipe is intact and there is no leak here. However, water is still escaping from the pool.

Circulating line - on the pressure side of the pump will soon need to be replaced. (Buildings and Grounds)

Pool cleaner will need to be replaced.

The pool cleaner is an expensive item, and this is one of the things asked for in the special pool maintenance fund. This old pool cleaner was made by Mr. Martin from some old, discarded stuff used by the Buildings and Grounds. Mr. Eberhart says this pump will not work at all and it accounts at times for the unsanitary condition of the pool. This is one of the "mists".

You will also notice what Mr. Eberhart has to say regarding the filter. He said he looks for this to go to pieces at any time. This filter is a large steel tub-like vat, and it is expensive indeed. It should be replaced now when our budget allows.

I am writing Mr. Bayles regarding the circulating line on the pressure side of the pump, and asking him to take such measures as he deems necessary.