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Mr. Maurice L. Breidenthal,
Security National Bank,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Maurice:

I have been bothering you with a lot of correspondence, sending you the letter that I had previously written to Dean Stockton regarding our preference to constructing a Women's Building here over all of our other building activities contemplated.

I have been wanting to run up and talk with you about the matter because we have a scheme whereby we can fit the men's gymnasium into a physical education building very cheaply, and if we could have a Women's Building it would free this building for our physical education program, and it would make the men's athletic and physical education program quite complete, unless at some time the Athletic Association would want to build a field house.

You will remember that I told Dean Stockton that the auditorium was built for basketball and for an auditorium, but since we have had so much difficulty in getting to practice there I would much prefer to continue under the present arrangement than to take chances on a field house where indoor track and football would naturally want to spend the same time we would want in practicing basketball. So you can see my logic in wanting to stick to the program we have, especially since a larger field house would be rung in under the guise of a men's gymnasium when actually it would be a field house for competitive athletics, and the men in physical education would not get the play that they should.

With the women out of Robinson Gymnasium we could enlarge our swimming pool by lengthening the pool toward the women's side and toward the shower baths. This would give us a regulation swimming pool for all activities, and would make an ideal building to head up our new program in the four-year physical education course.

Professor F. A. Russell, of the School of Engineering, went with me to the State Architect's office last week. It was the day that Mr. Hall, the State Architect, was waiting upon the Board of Regents, in session at that time. I did not get to meet Mr. Hall, but I met his assistant who is an Aggie graduate and an excellent fellow. There is a plan whereby we can floor the top of the gymnasium above the steel girders that will give us six rooms 6' by 36'. It would be necessary to build dormer windows in the