

not only by music but by other university interests as well. This hall with concert stage should be completely equipped with overhead "grid" for the handling of operas, operettas, certain road shows and chamber music attractions for which the large Hoch Auditorium is too large and the other halls on the campus too small.

On the upper floor ample space should be provided for at least nine large classrooms and studios for the Department of Design and some eight studios and classrooms for the Department of Drawing and Painting.

Cost. The estimated cost of a building to serve adequately present needs and provide for expansions that are sure to come is \$300,000 to \$350,000.

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### GYMNASIUM

Robinson gymnasium was erected in 1906 when the enrollment at Lawrence was about 1400. We now have on the campus at Lawrence about 4400 students, or more than four times as many as in 1906. And the number of women students at Lawrence in 1937-'38 exceeded slightly the total enrollment of 1906!

These figures should indicate in a general way the inadequacy of the present gymnasium plant in providing quarters for physical education and recreation. The building must accommodate the athletic department, the physical education staff for men and women, the intramural recreational quarters, the academic classes in physical education, the varsity and freshman basketball practice, teaching training in physical education and athletics for the Oread Training School and all indoor intramural sports. The building is in use most of the school year from 8:30 in the morning straight through until nearly midnight, too late for the best considerations of student health. But it cannot be otherwise if the present schedule is to continue. Everyone in the building is crowded--and there is no provision for faculty use of the facilities.

The remedy to this acute situation--it is estimated that more different students by far are affected by this building through classes and intramural sports than by any other building--is the construction of a separate gymnasium for women and minor remodeling of the present gymnasium to adapt it better to needs of the men.

The building proposed would provide adequate classrooms, physical and corrective exercise rooms, recreational rooms, game courts, three social meeting quarters, a seventy-five foot swimming pool with standard equipment, a studio and stage for dancing classes, adequate locker space, dressing booths, and shower baths. The present gymnasium could be remodeled at a cost of only a few thousand dollars to provide fairly adequately facilities for the rooms for classes in physical education, offices of men's instructional and intramural staffs, exercise and competition rooms and courts, etc. Intramural recreation and competitive sports could then be held in the afternoons, when they should be held, instead of late at night. And there would be some opportunity for faculty to make use of the facilities.