

Women's Gym Proposed for Campus

Project of Women's Building Already
Given Some Attention as Preliminary
Architectural Drawings Have Been
Prepared

When the special committee of the University athletic board begins its study next fall of needed improvements in the plant devoted to athletics and physical training, it will find the department of physical education ready to urge the erection of a woman's gymnasium, or rather a women's activities building.

Claims for a field house, or more practice fields or tennis courts will be presented, and with them will be the project of a woman's building. Already the project has been given sufficient study to result in an outline of the enterprise, and to have preliminary architectural drawings prepared.

"There are as many women in the University now as there were of both men and women when Robinson gymnasium was erected," said Dr. F. C. Allen, chairman of the department of physical education. "By erection of a woman's building, the present gymnasium would be released for the general exercise and physical education program of the University."

Miss Ruth Hoover, in charge of women's athletic activities, outlines objectives of a woman's building to provide more sports than now possible, notably archery, bowling, and the like. By additional gymnasium space it would be possible for the women to have their intramural indoor games in the afternoon (at 4:30) instead of having to divide time with the men, and often schedule games for late evening hours.

Miss Hoover visualizes a gymnasium with class rooms, corrective rooms, a dance studio with stage; roofs fitted like steamer decks for badminton, darts, deck tennis, shuffleboard and tennis; a lounge with kitchenette to provide study room, and a place for teas, parties, committee and club meetings.

"This building, with our excellent outdoor playing facilities, will afford the women of Kansas one of the most complete instructional, recreational, and social plants in the country," she says.

Tentative sketches have been prepared for the proposed building by James Bounds, a student working