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Mr. Earl C. Woodward,
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Salina, Kansas.

Dear Earl:

I went out to the fair grounds and saw the building that was erected for a horse show. I spent some time driving over the end of town in which is located the old high school, and I visited the possible sites of the new high school. I was amazed to find in what close proximity the fair grounds were to the possible location of the new high school building.

It is not my desire or intention to call attention to the fact that with all of the high school buildings and ward school buildings that are being erected now most of the progressive cities will not put up the building unless there is play space of at least ten to forty acres around each building. South High of Denver has seventy odd acres, and all the newer buildings that are going up have ample provision for a very large play space in the immediate vicinity.

Before going to Salina I spent a day visiting the Wichita public schools and their physical education set up. East High and North High both have wonderful play facilities, and I believe that Salina would make a tremendous mistake if they did not include a very wise provision for play space immediately adjacent to their new high school building.

This brings me to the point under discussion. You remember that we were to get Stuart Dunbar after luncheon, but on account of the late arrival of one of our guests it was not possible to see Stuart before it was necessary for you to leave on your speaking engagement.

The more I studied this building and its possibilities the more wonderful it appears to me. If it is possible for this new high school to be located near this plot of ground I believe you will have something both inside and outside of that building that will be the pride of Salina if you can sell the idea to your progressive thinking citizens. The play fields adjacent to the building can be utilized in fair weather and in inclement weather. This great building, with a very nominal amount spent on it, considering the price of construction, would be the envy of any health and physical education set up in the state of Kansas.