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OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

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Dr. F. C. Allen University of Kansas

Dear Phog:

The story was a grand one, but the situation up at the Legislature right now makes me think it's inadvisable to do anything which would be construed as a slap at our friends up the river. We are working together to get the dormitory bonding bill through, and I have just invited the Legislature to come down here, and explained to them that they might not be able to have good seats on account of our crowded conditions. I question, therefore, whether we ought at the moment inject any other element into the legislative situation.

Furthermore, the story looks like the opening of a campaign for a field house, which I feel we are not at the moment in a position to pursue energetically; and therefore there may be some good steam wasted which might be hard to generate again. That sort of a story coming up in the middle of a campaign would be a good thing, but it is the sort of skyrocket that may be used only once and when it gets burned out the flare is gone and may be hard for us to get started again.

Sincerely yours,

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Deane W. Malott, Chancellor