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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
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My dear Doctor Allen:

In reply to your letter of April 15 in which you suggested making one day a week essentially a period of Health Instruction in both freshmen and sophomore gym, I feel I should say that in my opinion this would not be advisable at the present time.

At its last meeting our Faculty voted to put freshmen gym on the same basis as sophomore gym, intending, I am sure, this would mean that each year's work would consist of three hours a week of exercise.

In addition, I believe it is going to take a little while for all of the departments which are interested in the general matter of personal and community health to get together in order to organize a mutually satisfactory program. The departments especially interested at the present time, in addition to your own, in such a program are the Student Health Service and the Departments of Physiology and Bacteriology, as well as the School of Education. It occurs to me that perhaps the best solution of the problem would be to have a cooperative course, but whatever our final decision, it would be well to spend most of the time between now and next spring in getting together on the whole matter and in making a real effort to get a program which would be satisfactory to all concerned. After thinking the matter over, I believe we can call a conference of interested departments next fall to work the matter out.

Sincerely yours,

Paul B. Lawson
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