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asked in a friendly way to assure these other members of the council that in his opinion things would be carried on satisfactorily. He personally saw to it that the bundles for Britain equipment were moved out of the shower room so that showers would be available to the youngsters.

I did the very best I could to sell the proposition, and I believe that while it was not necessary for me to speak to the committee regarding this matter, it certainly did no harm. Already the groundwork had been laid by you and Dr. Jacobs.

I am enclosing for your inspection as well as Dr. Jacobs, the individual schedules of all of our men and women in this department. I would appreciate it if, after you read this report, you will send it to Dr. Jacobs. I feel that this information will be helpful to you in appreciating the load these teachers are carrying here. I am also sending a copy to Mr. Raymond Nichols.

Very cordially yours,

Forrest C. Allen, Director
Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

The council looked upon this in a very friendly way. They did not press a fear, however, that there might be a danger of the boys coming down and at times being left alone without supervision. In this way they feared possible damage to property of the building, and naturally they being responsible, expressed the hope that no good boy would ever be left alone in the building without supervision. I assured them that Mr. Stewart who had had excellent training in physical education before coming to us was supervisor of physical education activities of the Chicago Public School, and was very cognizant of the necessity of keeping youngsters under supervision at all times. I assured them that they need have no fear of Mr. Stewart's leaving them in the building for one moment without supervision.

The committee reporting on this, including Messrs. Burgess, Bell, Hutchins and Russell, was present, and if I can discuss clearly, I believe they will make a very favorable report. Mr. E. J. Fisher, city clerk who was formerly county superintendent of Douglas County, also had questions to ask and discuss, but I assure you they were friendly ones.