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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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Memorandum to Dr. Allen -

Tuesday morning the Chancellor's Office called me and I went over at the Chancellor's request. He wanted me to check up on the progress being made on the filter for the swimming pool, and see if we could expedite getting the filter in shape. He asked me to do this since you were gone and wouldn't be back until the end of the week, and Mr. Strait was out of town for the day.

As you know, I was unfamiliar with what had been done, but Mrs. Hulteen gave me the correspondence on the subject and I went to work. After talking to Mr. Bayles, it seemed wise that I go to Kansas City and try to get a high priority on the pump and lint and hair catcher. I went to Kansas City on Wednesday and talked to Mr. Bacharach, of the Bacharach Water Purification Company, who informed me that Mr. Livingston was flood-bound in Oklahoma and would not be back until probably the latter part of the week. They gave me a description of the pump and lint and hair catcher needed to do the job which Mr. Livingston had recommended, to take to the WPB office.

I also asked them how long it would take to get the necessary repairs done on the filter. They said that the sand and gravel came from Turner and that they had lots of it on hand, and also had the brass bushings and strainers in stock. However, the man they have working in Oklahoma probably could not come to Lawrence for at least two or three weeks. They suggested the possibility that if we could get a plumber to do the work Mr. Livingston could come over two or three days and supervise the installation, and they thought it would take only two or three days to do the job. They have not of course received the requisition from the State Business Office as yet for the \$107.00 order, and of course have not received the priorities for this material either.

I suggest that you try to get someone here to do the job with Mr. Livingston's supervision if we expect the job to be done within the next week or so.

I might say the reason that the Chancellor is so anxious to get this work done is because 487 V-12 Naval reserve students will be on the campus the first of July, and the Navy stipulates that swimming be a part of their conditioning program.

I talked to some members of the War Production Board in Kansas City and have sent in forms to get a priority rating on the pump