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President F. C. Patton,
Morehead State Normal School,
Morehead, Ky.

Dear Sir:

As we have received no reply to our telegram of July 19th, and as the architects are very anxious for the topography and any other information we can give them, we have sent them a print of one of our studies combined with the topography. We hesitated to do this before the plan was submitted to you and the Board of Regents, but the matter seemed to be urgent.

We enclose copy of our letter to Joseph and Joseph, and also two prints of our study, #5, one plain and one combined with the topography.

After careful study we have decided to suggest a girls' dormitory group incorporating the present school building. We suggest that the school building be remodeled for dormitory purposes and that wings be added to it, largely to improve its appearance.

The other buildings have been arranged more or less in a line following a road along the upper side of what will be the main campus. Then, to give the building distinction and to give the whole group interest, we have placed the main school building below this road in such a position that it can be readily approached either from this road in the campus or from the street along the lower edge of the campus.

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We suggest the combination of the power house and gymnasium in one building. At first blush the location suggested may seem to you unfortunately prominent. In a way it is. On the other hand, the gymnasium will be used very largely for in-door athletics and at times of the year when the out-door athletic fields can not be used. A location convenient to the dormitories and the main building groups is therefore more important than a location near the athletic field. Architecturally, also, we believe a strong building mass in this corner of your grounds will contribute a sense of enclosure to the campus which it very much needs. With proper planting to screen the service quarters of the building we see no objection to the location suggested.

Opposite the main school and administration building, we urge the securing of an open stretch across to the Midland Trail. We have not studied the exact width and shape of this area as it would depend somewhat on the property lines and the available land. The main point is to secure an open vista across which your headquarters building can be easily seen from the Trail.

If it has been definitely decided not to secure addition land, will you be good enough to consider with the Board of Regents the layout we are now sending you and let us know frankly any criticisms or suggestions you have to offer. We have not studied the matter much in detail, but we believe that fundamentally this grouping of buildings is promising.

Very truly yours,

Enclosures---

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