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FROM: Walter M. Tisdale
TO: President Evan R. Collins
SUBJECT: Campus Progress Report No. 148

Today we inspected and accepted the most recent planting contract which consists of all the planters on the academic podium, the State Quadrangle, and the areas allied to Academic Group II buildings. With the exception of a very few incomplete items, we have found this contract to be completed in excellent shape. Accordingly, we accepted the job subject to a small punch list and the guarantee period commences as of today.

This planting contract, unlike our first ones, contains a two-year maintenance and guarantee clause which requires the contractor to maintain and replace, where necessary, all of the planting for a two-year period, at his expense, and to turn the job over to us in an established, living condition with healthy plants and shrubs at the end of the two-year period. This feature is a great boon to the Plant Division for a brief spell, but advanced planning will require them to have personnel at the end of this period, if we are to maintain this shrubbery in satisfactory condition.

A number of our previous planting contracts never had this proviso or have already exceeded the two-year guarantee period. These, of course, are subject to the maintenance of the Plant Division and impose a heavy burden on Mr. Buckhoff for proper maintenance. I know that he has been short handed on this task for at least two years, and I would support his needs for an augmented grounds crew.



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