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TO: President Ewan R. Collins  
SUBJECT: Campus Progress Report No. 110

Today we inspected and accepted the Post Office.

The Fine Arts basement was also scheduled for inspection, but work was not completed and acceptance was not possible. This was the third date that had been set for inspection and acceptance of this basement. Rather than to repeatedly participate in such nonsense, I have insisted this time that the basement be ready, and soon, before further inspections are conducted.

In view of the unsatisfactory finishing performance which we are experiencing, and in view of my continued work-checks, which indicate that the Administration building is still not being properly manned, I appealed directly to Mr. Stevens today, and informed him of this unsatisfactory situation. I reported the previous efforts and attempts which we have repeatedly made to get the contractor to finish his work. Steve lent a sympathetic ear and promised me he would do something about it. I don't think he knew at the time what he was going to do, but I think he will be able to help. This constitutes the second report I have made to Steve on this unsavory situation.

The contractor is still insisting that the Administration building will be ready between the 27th to the 30th of this month, and that the gym will be ready on 8 December. My work-checks indicate that this might be possible for the gym, but it will be unlikely for the Administration building, unless the job is properly manned. A recent, informal bit of information from an official high in Basic's organization indicates that as of this weekend, Basic intends to throw a large force of workmen into the Administration building, effective Monday, the 20th of November. If this occurs, it is barely possible that one week would finish the building

The critical trade is electrical workers, and I have been urging that one-half the electrical forces on campus be assigned to Administration. He is averaging forty-five electricians total on the whole job. I will observe next week to see whether this comes to pass.

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