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Mr.Glassco. please note and return.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G.,K.C.B., Principal and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University, Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I wish to thank you for your letter of September 15th, giving us information which will be of value to the committee undertaking the planning of the new Gymnasium Building.

We are very much elated over the successful result of the negotiations with the City of Montreal, and are delighted to hear that you have received their assurance that the property asked for is being ceded to the University.

In regard to the question of taxes which you raise in your second paragraph, it seems to me that the University will not be involved in any more taxes on account of this new piece of land, than the University would have had to pay against the present property. In fact, the taxes will be a little less. The reason for this is that the road along the eastern part of the property running up to the central fire alarm station, would run contiguously to our property, and the paving improvement taxes will be levied against our property whether the road were built along the present property line, or along the newly proposed one; and as the newly proposed line being a straight one, will be shorter than the property line consisting of two sides at an angle, the frontage will be somewhat less with consequent diminution in the taxes. Also the thirty foot frontage which we are given on Pine Avenue has already been paved and otherwise improved, and the taxes against this frontage have already been allotted.

We are pleased to hear that the Neurological Building will be planned wo as not to interfere with the completion and full use of the stadium bowl.

Again thanking you for the information given

in your letter.

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Faithfully yours, Executive Secretary,