

**FILE 708**

**BUILDING COMMITTEE:**

**GYMNASIUM**

**1921-1922**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

GYMNASIUM BUILDING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Gymnasium Building Committee was held in the Principal's Office on Monday August 28th, 1922 at 10/30 A.M.

There were present:

Sir Arthur Currie in the Chair,  
Messrs. P.S. Glasco, Walter Molson, R.R. Thompson,  
P. J. Nobbs, G.T. Hyde, R.H. MacDonald and Dr. A.S. Lamb

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

END RS.

The following tenders were received:

	<u>GENERAL CONTRACT</u>	<u>WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION WING.</u>
Cape and Co.	\$599,000.00	\$572,000.00 (2)
Quinlan & Co.	\$621,342.00	\$534,585.00 (1)
Byers	\$629,500.00	\$569,500.00 (3)
Anglin	\$641,000.00	\$604,000.00 (4)
Shearer	\$662,435.00	\$650,335.00 (8)
Atlas	\$666,000.00	\$632,000.00 (5)
Starrett Co.	\$668,000.00	\$634,000.00 (6)
Foundation Co.	\$690,500.00	\$649,900.00 (7)

HEATING, VENTILATING & PLUMBING.

Garth	\$69,800.00	Rec. to G.B.C.
Ballantyne	\$90,782.00	
McGuire	\$91,800.00	
Gordon & Egan	\$94,792.00	
Edge	\$95,700.00	
Bethune	\$97,000.00	
T.O'Connell	\$98,919.00	

WIRING

Can. Comstock	\$11,000.00	
Lahee & Co.	\$11,000.00	
Anderson	\$11,300.00	(No bond or cheque)
Collyer & Brock	\$11,590.00	
Harry Alexander	\$11,900.00	
Montreal Electric	-- -- --	

STONE

Morrison	\$148,000.00	
Hutchison	\$122,900.00	
Quinlan	\$116,000.00	(including 7,000.00 for carving and modelling).

Average cost for whole building, 41.7¢ per cu.ft., the cost for the gymnasium proper being much less.

TENDERS (contd.)

STONE CONTRACT.

Considerable discussion took place concerning the tender of E.G.M. Cape & Co. whose tender was accompanied by a letter stating that he desired to use his own stone. Mr. Hyde telephoned to Mr. Cape and asked him for his statement of the comparative value of the stone as included in his contract, his reply being that it was \$116,000.00 but that he would not care to use stone provided by the Quinlan Co.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- It was decided to recommend to the General Building Committee that
- (a) the general contract be given to the E.G.M. Cape Co., and that the stone be provided by the Quinlan Co. as a separate contract.
  - (b) that the Heating & Plumbing contract be given to the Garth Co.
  - (c) the Wiring contract to the Canadian Comstock Co.

Chairman.

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Minutes of a meeting of the General Building Committee, held on January 11th, 1922.

Present:-

Sir Arthur Currie, in the Chair.

E. W. Beatty Esq.

John W. Ross Esq.,

A. J. Brown Esq.,

F. Howard Wilson Esq.,

C. E. Neill Esq.,

A.P.E. Glassco,  
Secretary.

Dr. Adams,

Dr. Ruttan,

Dr. Herdt,

Dr. Lamb, also attended.

1. The Meeting received a deputation from the Students' Council composed of Messrs Hamilton, Copeland and Fraser. These gentlemen presented a resolution passed by the Students' Council requesting that the Board of Governors sanction the erection of the proposed Gymnasium on one site only, namely that of Macdonald Park. This Resolution was endorsed by the Presidents of all the Athletic Associations and all the Undergraduate Societies, The Deputation set forth very fully the reasons for this request, and after a lengthy discussion it was agreed to ask the Principal and Mr. Ross to meet the endorsers of this Resolution and discuss with them the location of the Gymnasium Building site.

2. In regard to the furnishing of additional accommodation for the Faculty of Applied Science, Dr. Adams submitted a proposal from his Faculty to the effect that the workshop instruction at present being given in the University should be done at the Montreal Technical School. The terms of the arrangement which Dr. Adams proposed were as follows;

- 1st. That the machinery and equipment of the University workshops valued at \$60,000. should be handed over to the Technical School.
- 2nd. In return for this, the Technical School to provide instruction for the Science Students for ten years gratis.

Dr. Adams pointed out that by this arrangement the University would be able to dispense with shop instructors, and the University demonstrators could attend the classes in the Technical School and supervise the instruction. The University, in this way, would save \$3,500. per annum in salaries and also the depreciation on machinery which it was estimated would amount to \$30,000. in ten years. The Meeting expressed itself as heartily in accord with this proposal.

Dr. Herdt and Dr. Ruttan then stated the disabilities under which their departments were working on account of lack of accommodation, Dr. Herdt showing that by extending the Electrical laboratories in the space which would be made available by the arrangement with the Technical School that he would get the accommodation he required for some years. Dr. Ruttan stated that if the present Chemistry <sup>and Mining</sup> Building was made available for chemistry alone, he could find room for sufficient class rooms and laboratories to give a proper course in Chemistry to the Students of all Faculties.

The Meeting expressed the opinion that in view of what had been said it would appear that there was a more pressing need for the erection of a new Engineering Building than for the reconstruction of the Arts Building.

The Meeting adjourned on the understanding that it would meet again on Tuesday the 17th instant to discuss this question further.



REPORT OF GENERAL BUILDING COMMITTEE TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS AT  
A SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 19th, 1922.

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1. The Committee received a unanimous recommendation from the Gymnasium Building Committee that the proposed Gymnasium and Dormitory Building should be erected on a site on the Campus rather than at Macdonald Park. After very careful consideration of this question, this Committee now sends this recommendation to the Board of Governors with its entire concurrence. Before doing this, however, the Committee asked the Principal to call a meeting of the Deans of the different Faculties in order that their views might be obtained. At a meeting held in the Principal's office the Deans also were unanimous in their opinion that the Campus was the proper site for this building. The student body however favor the site of Macdonald Park.

The Committee now wishes to say that it has studied carefully the question of the most desirable site on the Campus and is in a position to recommend

2. The Committee has been very strongly impressed with the great need of furnishing additional accommodation at the earliest possible date for the Departments of Chemistry, Mining, Metallurgy, Geology, Electrical Engineering and Hydraulics. The Committee, therefore, recommends that the construction on a new Engineering Building be proceeded with this year, and that the re-construction of the Arts Building be postponed until early in the spring of 1923. They wish to recommend as Architects for this work -

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*Minutes*

MINUTES OF GYMNASIUM BUILDING COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the Gymnasium Building Committee was held at the office of Nobbs & Hyde, Architects on Monday, March 20, 1922 at 5.00 P.M.

There were present:- Mr. John W. Rose, Chairman, Mr. Walter Molson, Mr. A.P.S. Classco, Col. R.R. Thompson, Prof. E. Brown, Messrs. Nobbs Hyde and McDonald and Dr. A.S. Lamb.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

REVISED SKETCHES

Professor Nobbs presented report # 2, copy attached, and submitted to the Committee amended sketch plans of Scheme A, #236 - 26 to 30 inclusive for the administration block.

CUBIC CONTENTS

Mr. Hyde submitted the following figures:-

Total content as amended allowing for 75 rooms:	1,635,000	
(Allowing for 95 rooms)		1,700,000 cu.ft.
Less reduction in administration block i.e., if there is construction of one floor only	<u>115,000 cu.ft.</u>	<u>115,000</u>
	<u>1,520,000 cu.ft.</u>	<u>1,585,000 cu.ft.</u>

ACTION TAKEN

The following action was taken in connection with the questions asked in paragraph 4 of the attached report.

1. Confirmation that the site between the Physics Bldg. and Sherbrooke Street has been decided upon by the Board of Governors.
2. Approval of 1/8" scale sketches showing amendments to Scheme "A" effecting a reduction of approximately 30,000 cu.ft. in the administration block.

3. Mr. A. P. S. Glasco and Mr. Walter Molson were appointed a sub-committee with power to add if they so desire, to deal with questions arising in connection with the residency plans. This Committee to report to the Gymnasium Building Committee on questions of policy.
4. Messrs. Ross & McDonald were appointed as engineers, the Chairman reporting that this appointment has the approval of the General Building Committee of the Board of Governors.
5. Authorization was given for the sinking of two test pits, it being estimated that this would cost approximately \$1500.00. The Chairman undertook to approach the General Building Committee for authority to proceed with caisson work for the foundations.
6. The Chairman undertook to take up with the General Building Committee the question whether the contracts are to be let upon a lump sum or a time and material basis.
7. Approval was given the Architects to proceed with the preparation of working drawings and specifications as outlined above and to call for tenders on
  - (a) The combined building with 95 bed rooms and 3 floors in the administration block.
  - (b) The combined building with 95 bed rooms and one floor only of the administration block with rough wall construction encasing the running track above this floor.

#### INFORMATION TO STUDENTS

A discussion arose as to the advisability of informing students concerning the details of the proposed plans. Dr. Lamb was authorized to present to the student Athletic Association the sketch plans in order to familiarize them with the developments that have occurred to date. Similar authorization was given to the sub-committee on the residency plans.

CHAIRMAN

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Municipal

March 22, 1922

Mr. C.D. Fraser,  
Secretary, Students' Council,  
McGill Union.

Dear Mr. Fraser:

The Gymnasium Building Committee has authorized me to present to the Athletic Association and any other representatives that the Students' Council might see fit to suggest, the sketch plans of the Gymnasium.

The Committee feels that suggestions may thus be received from the students which will be exceedingly helpful to them in their deliberations.

I shall be very glad if you would be kind enough to arrange for a meeting as suggested.

Yours very truly,

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McGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL.

SECRETARY AND BURSAR'S OFFICE.  
APSG:C

February  
Twenty-first  
1922.

Dear Sir Arthur:

The Board of Governors, at its last meeting, instructed me to prepare a statement dealing with the question of the site to be chosen for the erection of the combined Gymnasium and Dormitory Building.

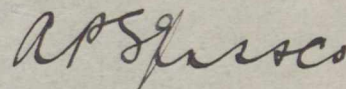
The General Building Committee reported to the last meeting of the Board of Governors that, in its opinion, this building should be erected either on the Old Molson property on University Street, or on the ground between the Physics Building and Sherbrooke Street. The Board also accepted this view.

The Architects have planned this building for both locations, and have studied carefully the possibilities offered by each site for the erection of a building that will meet the requirements of the Department of Physical Education, provide Dormitories for about one hundred students, fit in with the existing buildings and have a proper place in the scheme for future buildings on the Campus.

The enclosed report from the Architects deals very fully with the whole question, and the Gymnasium Building Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. John W. Ross, are completely in accord with the views expressed therein.

In place of the sketch plans mentioned in the report, I am sending you herewith a set of photographs showing the two designs in plan and elevation.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal,  
McGill University.

Encs.

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TO THE BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Instructions: Gentlemen:-

IT will be remembered that on the occasion of the last meeting Dr. Lamb submitted certain recommendations regarding the placing of the Gymnasium on the lower Campus, which were accepted, and passed to the General Building Committee for approval, the exact site to be applied for being left for determination when sufficient progress had been made with the sketch plans to indicate requirements. It was understood we were to get in touch with Dr. Lamb as to the interpretation of his requirements of 19 December, 1921, and proceed with sketch plans and the study of the site problem.

Sequence of  
Events.

A few days later, a meeting of the Deans accepted Dr. Lamb's views with regard to the abandonment of the Pine Avenue site. By the time the question came before the General Building Committee and the Board of Governors on January 19th, 1922, we had made such progress as to enable us to state to Mr. Glassco that "as to your direct question, the 220 foot property on University Street immediately above the Conservatorium lot is found to be inadequate; but if the McEachren 60-foot property be added, the thing can just be done, but not with the same convenience as on the other site", and also that the accommodation that Dr. Lamb asked for, together with the Dormitory Unit, involved construction to the extent of fully 2,000,000 cubic feet, whereas the Gymnasium Building Committee had placed the limit of 1,500,000 cubic feet as the size of this building. Mr. Glassco then informed us that the General Building Committee was also of the opinion that this figure should not be exceeded and requested sketch plans for two possible sites (A) Sherbrooke Street, and (B) University Street, on that basis. After some interviews with Dr. Lamb, a reduction in probable cubic contents to 1,700,000 cubic feet was effected. Taking the view that further reduction would, from the nature of the problem, have to take the form of a temporary omission of part of the scheme, and with the concurrence of Mr. Glassco we proceeded with the

preparation of sketch plans for both possible sites, Messrs Ross & Macdonald consulting with us.

Drawings  
Submitted,

We now have the honour to lay before you for your consideration, sketch plans (together with sections and general elevations) all to 1/16" scale, numbered 236-1 to 236-23 inclusive, illustrating two schemes - (A) for the site between Sherbrooke Street and the Physics Building, and (B) for the site on University Street, consisting of what are known as the Molson and McEachren properties.

Two  
Schemes.

In each Scheme the accommodation is identical in area; the cubic contents are about the same; there is little (if any) difference in the cost of construction; there is a considerable degree of convenience in one scheme over the other in the matter of relation of parts to existing building and possible future buildings; and there is very great architectural advantage in one scheme over the other, such advantages as there are being all in favour of Scheme (A).

Scheme A  
described.

The site between the Physics Building and Sherbrooke Street is admirable for the purpose. It admits of the main entrance for students, the administration, and the school being placed adjacent both to the old Campus, where so much exercise is still done, and to the teaching buildings, while the residency can be placed on Sherbrooke Street, with an ideal aspect, and just across the road from the Union, where dining rooms and common rooms are available. The main intervening block, containing the Pool, the Locker Room and the Gymnasium, can be economically constructed with a relatively low wall-head, owing to the existing hollow and the fact that the rear of the building faces an extension of the lane and yards which must occur between the University Street buildings and those on the East side of the Campus. The Women's entrance is at the East end on Sherbrooke Street.

- (i) The arrangement by floors is as follows, in the Gymnasium:  
(Sub-Basement: Squash Courts, Rifle Range, Plant, etc.

Basement: Storage, Swimming Pool, upper part of Squash Courts;

Ground Floor: Entrance Hall, School, Offices, O.T.O. Office; Boxing, Wrestling and Fencing; upper part of Bath;

First Floor: Administration, Medical Offices, Locker Rooms and Showers;

Second Floor: Special Exercise Room, Gymnasium Instructors' Offices, Athletic Association offices.

Third Floor: Running Track and Storage.

(ii) In the Residency block, the machine rooms, Laundry, Janitor's quarters, Women's Locker Room occupy the basement; The Women's Entrance and Shower Rooms part of the first floor, and 75 bedrooms are provided for, with adequate lavatories, etc., on the four floors above,

Special features of the plan are the sunny exposure of the Swimming Pool; the well lit and particularly convenient Locker floor; the Running Track with its turns beyond the Gymnasium floor; the possibilities of the Gymnasium as a large public hall on occasion; and the massing of the administration offices and school.

(NOTE - By adding 60,000 cubic feet to the Residency, twenty more bedrooms can be obtained).

Scheme B  
Described.

The site on University Street is not an alternative one in the sense that the same building could be placed on it as on the other. Over a large area nothing higher than 35 feet should be permitted on account of existing laboratory windows, a condition which we transgress to some extent. The questions whether this site should be reserved for future Applied Science developments and how far it might be possible to respond to the dignified and formal scheme of the Protestant High School Buildings may be mentioned as matters to be determined elsewhere. Where the lower half of the site overlaps the Physics Building, a block 70 feet high and 115 feet wide would be possible, facing both on the Campus and on University Street - the Campus being the more important front. On the upper portion 35 feet is a maximum depth for a 60 foot high building. Thus, really, two contiguous blocks are involved, in place of one grouped

building, The high square block to the South would contain exercise rooms, locker rooms and administration on the three lower floors, and residency accommodation for eighty (80) on the three upper floors. The long low block to the North would contain the baths and the gymnasium, the school and the squash courts, with the women's quarters, the machine room and the Janitor at the extreme north end.

Relative  
Costs.

The two schemes are approximately the same in cubic contents. It is difficult to see any definite advantage in cost. In either case, about \$60,000.00 must be spent on foundations and piers. In the case of Scheme (B) a larger proportion of the outside walling might be of an inferior material, but Scheme (A) is so much more economical of exterior walling as to more than offset this.

Recommen-  
dations.

In view of the facts of the requirements which have now been reduced to an absolute minimum, involving approximately 1,700,000 cubic feet, and the instruction of the authorities to reduce the scheme to 1,500,000 cubic feet, a rider to Scheme (A) has been prepared showing the omission for the present of the administration offices, etc., thus reducing immediate construction to 1,530,000 cubic feet. No such temporary omission is feasible in the case of Scheme (B), from the nature of the plan.

We therefore have the honour to recommend Scheme (A) on the Sherbrooke Street site as a solution for the general acceptance at this time.

(signed) Percy E. Nobbs,

Nobbs & Hyde, Architects.

6/2/22.

Concurred in,

(signed) Geo. A. Ross,

Ross & Macdonald, Consulting Architects.

6/2/22.



GYMNASIUM AND RESIDENCY SCHEME, 1922.

NOTES ON USE OF UNIVERSITY STREET SITE.

1. Some inevitable difficulties of internal disposition:

- (1) Main entrance 400 feet from nearest building;
- (2) Students' usual entrance in back yard;
- (3) Women's entrance at furthest point up street;
- (4) Swimming bath lacks sunlight, and overlooked by laboratory windows;
- (5) Locker Room and Administration somewhat disjointed.

2. Effect on adjoining property, etc.

1. Necessitates:

- (a) Removal of Forestry Laboratory on Molson site;
- (b) Removal of workshops, etc., on Strathcona site;
- (c) Purchase and removal of McEachren house;
- (d) Reservation of at least 50 feet of Strathcona site for roadway, light and air, thus curtailing future use of a valuable corner property (Sherbrooke Street and University Street);

2. Reduced:

- (a) By 40 percent possible Applied Science development on University Street;
- (b) By 40 per cent the length of a future building between the Physics Building and Sherbrooke Street.

3. Precludes possibility of a proper disposition of buildings opposite High School.

4. Gymnasium Block too near and too high for existing Laboratory lighting.

5. City by-laws call for residences only, hence possible delays.

6. Heavy excavations at this point risky for neighbouring buildings.

It will thus be seen that, apart from inherent internal difficulties, the use of this property for the purpose is wasteful of adjoining valuable real estate belonging to the University.

(signed) Percy E. Nobbs,

6/2/22

The construction of the Gymnasium Block as planned,  
between the Residency on Sherbrooke Street and the Administration  
Block facing the Physics Building is economic. Large floor  
areas involved are obtained with a minimum amount of external  
wall.

Owing to difference in levels the West wall will be fully  
9 feet less than the East wall, and the East wall can be largely  
of industrial construction facing on a yard.

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6/2/22.

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THE MACDONALD PHYSICS BUILDING

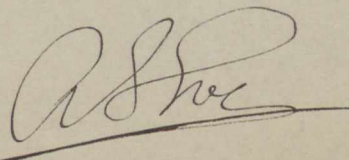
February 7th 1922.

Sir Arthur Currie, K.C.M.G.,  
Principal's Office,  
McGill College.

Dear Sir Arthur,-

I hear that the position of the  
Gymnasium is under discussion. As I have been  
absent through ill-health, I am not familiar  
with all the points bearing on that difficult  
question. I beg most earnestly to direct your  
attention to one point, Professor Traquair has  
pointed out to me that the Physics Building can  
only be extended successfully in one direction,  
namely towards University Street; and I am quite  
sure that before ten years have passed the ques-  
tion of a larger Physics Building will be a  
burning one. It is then most important to re-  
tain room for such an extension on the ground  
between the present Physics Building and Univer-  
sity Street.

Yours very sincerely,



DIRECTOR OF PHYSICS

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McGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL.

SECRETARY AND BURSAR'S OFFICE.

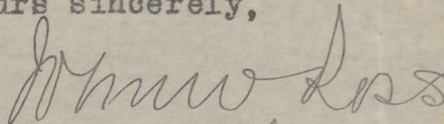
27th. January, 1922.

Sir Arthur Currie, GCMG., KCB.,  
Principal,  
McGill University,  
MONTREAL.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I have your letter of 24th inst. suggesting the addition of Col. Thomson, Professor of Accountancy, to the Gymnasium Committee. I think it is an excellent idea, because not only will the Committee have the benefit of his advice, but it will also bring him into active touch with this phase of University life. I note that you have asked Mr. Glasseo to notify him of future meetings.

Yours sincerely,



Chairman,  
Gymnasium Committee.

**DOCKET STARTS:**

January 16, 1922.

Re GYMNASIUM SITE

A meeting of representatives of the Committee on Physical Education, the Gymnasium Building Committee, the Students Council, the Students Athletic Association and the Presidents of the Undergraduate Societies was held in Room 7, Arts Building, on Monday, January 16th, 1922, at 4.30 p.m.

There were present 27 representatives, among them being, the Principal, Miss Hurlbatt, Mr. J.W. Ross, Mr. Glassco, Dr. Lamb, Dr. Harvey, and Messrs. Jeakins, J.G. Copeland, Hamilton, Foss, and Flannigan.

The Principal took the chair and asked Prof. J.C. Simpson to act as secretary of the meeting.

SIR ARTHUR CURRIE then stated that the meeting was called at his request in order that the representatives of the student body might be made acquainted with the considerations which were influencing the Building Committee of the Board of Governors in their selection of a site for the new gymnasium, and that the Committee might in turn have the benefit of the ideas and suggestions of the students upon this matter, emphasising particularly his own desire, as well as that of the Board of Governors, to have full cognizance of the views of all classes of the University community before reaching a decision, and their readiness to give full weight to any suggestion which might be put forward.

He then outlined the broad basic principles which, in his estimation, should govern any consideration of the subject, and concluded with the hope that whatever the final decision might be, the discussion might lead to unanimity of view amongst those present.

Mr. J.W.ROSS, Chairman of the Gymnasium Building Committee, at the request of the Principal, then reviewed the problems and difficulties confronting the Committee since the inception of the plans for a permanent gymnasium and more particularly those arising at the present time in consequence of the growth of the Department of Physical Education, and placed before the meeting the reasons which had led to the decision of the Gymnasium Building Committee to recommend the choice of a site on the Campus.

Dr. A.S.LAMB, Director of the Department of Physical Education, then read a copy of his letter to the Gymnasium Building Committee, dated December 23rd, 1921, copies of which were distributed to the meeting (copy appended)

He also read a RESOLUTION from the McGill University Athletic Association favouring the location of the Gymnasium on Macdonald Park.

DISCUSSION followed in which Messers Hamilton, Foss, Flanigan and other student representatives took part.

The following points were brought out:

1. In the opinion of the speakers the future centre of student activities would lie in Macdonald Park.
2. Even at the present time the erection of the building near the Stadium would lead to a great increase in the interest taken in outdoor athletics and would leave but a small percentage of the student body who would be inconvenienced by the distance of the Gymnasium from the class rooms.
3. In the opinion of the student representatives the inconvenience and inefficiency which would result from placing the building on Macdonald Park has been greatly exaggerated.
4. The need of dressing room and other accommodation in connec-  
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tion with the Stadium is immediate and imperative.

Questions as to comparative building costs on the two sites were asked and answered by Mr.ROSS and Mr.GLASSCO.

Mr. JOHN COPELAND expressed the opinion that if the belief of the Building Committee that the centre of student activities will remain on the Campus for many years is well founded and ~~that~~ if adequate accommodation is provided at the Stadium then nothing remained to be said on the subject.

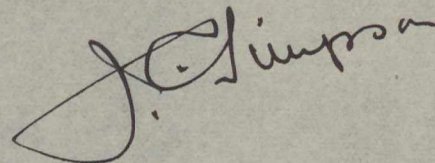
Miss HURLBATT spoke particularly upon the following points:

1. That the question of providing accommodation for women students in the new building should be eliminated.
2. That we ought not to be content with the present plan of one-hour periods for gymnasium work.
3. That the use of the campus for such a building might be an infringement on academic requirements.
4. That anything which would tend to close in the Campus and so lose to the public one of our few park spaces would be a pity.

Dr.LAMB then replied to some of the points raised.

Sir ARTHUR CURRIE promised that the views expressed would be placed before the Committee of the Board of Governors.

The meeting then closed.



Chairman

Acting Secretary

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

328 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST

MONTREAL, January 16th, 1922.

*Recd. 16/1/22 and  
read at combined  
meeting of Comm. on Physical  
Education, Gymnasium Bldg.  
etc.*

Department of Physical Education,  
Molson Hall,  
McGill University,  
City.

Dear Sirs:-

The Athletic Association at a ~~class~~ meeting were unanimously in favor of forwarding to you the following resolution for presentation to the Board of Governors:-

"The McGill University Athletic Association places itself on record as favoring the selection of a site on Macdonald Park, adjacent to the Percival Molson Memorial Stadium, for the situation of the proposed McGill University Gymnasium."

We trust you will submit this resolution to the Board of Governors at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

Secretary McGill University  
Athletic Association.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

328 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST

MONTREAL. January 10th, 1922.

"Resolved that the Students' Council of McGill University do hereby respectfully request the Board of Governors of McGill University to sanction the erection of the proposed gymnasium on one site only, namely, that of Macdonald Park. That the Council in urging this request wish to submit the following points in favor of this site.

The average time required in walking to this site for all faculties would not exceed five minutes.

It would be in close proximity to the proposed dormitories when erected.

The erection of the gymnasium on any site other than that of Macdonald Park would necessitate the building of suitable dressing rooms for all Athletic Clubs now using the Stadium, while the dressing rooms, lockers, showers and plunge baths of the gymnasium would not be convenient for the students engaging in these forms of athletics.

It is probable that in the near future an Arena may be erected at Macdonald Park, and if the gymnasium were there it would mean that all athletics at McGill University would be centralized and thus more easily controlled."

STUDENTS' COUNCIL OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

328 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST

MONTREAL. January 11th, 1922.

The following are the times required walking at a normal rate to procede from the various Buildings to the entrance to the Stadium. These have been accurately obtained with a stop watch.

Physics Building to Stadium	-	6	minutes	14	seconds
Chemical	"	"	-	5	" 36 "
Engineering	"	"	-	5	" 4 "
Arts	"	"	-	5	" 9 "
Medicial	"	"	-	1	" 45 "



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

328 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST

MONTREAL, January 10th, 1922.

We the undersigned do hereby strongly endorse the attached resolution of the Students' Council of McGill University.

President	Athletic Association	<i>W. H. H. H. H.</i>
"	Rugby Club	<i>J. R. McLaughan</i>
"	Hockey Club	<i>W. C. Sturges</i>
"	Track Club	<i>D. B. Fors</i>
"	Harrier Club	<i>W. H. H. H.</i>
"	Basketball Club	<i>L. P. Little</i>
"	Boxing, Wrestling & Fencing Club	<i>D. W. MacArthur</i>
<i>vice</i> "	Ski Club	<i>A. T. Gleason</i>
"	Indoor Baseball Club	<i>D. J. Henry</i>
"	Gymnastic Club	<i>Paul J. Scott</i>
"	English Rugby Club	<i>J. S. Helmer</i>
"	Swimming & Water Polo Club	<i>Roy T. Fox</i>
"	Tennis Club	<i>Clyde Ramsay</i>
"	Snowshoe Club	<i>J. C. A. A. A.</i>
"	Commercial Society	<i>A. A. A. A.</i>
"	(Arts) Undergraduates Society	<i>C. W. W. W.</i>
"	(Law) " "	<i>John W. W.</i>

STUDENTS' COUNCIL OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

328 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST

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President (Science) Undergraduates Society

" (Medicine) " "

" (Dentistry) " "

*Roy H. Foss*

*W. H. Thomson*

*Gordon P. Kelly*



**DOCKET ENDS:**

29

January  
Twenty-fourth  
1922.

John W. Ross, Esq.,  
142 Notre Dame Street, West,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Ross:-

I think it highly desirable that Colonel Thompson, Professor of Accountancy, be added to the Gymnasium Committee.

You know that Thompson commands the McGill C.O.T.C. and I would not like to see the interests of that unit entirely overlooked when the plans for the Gymnasium are decided. I think if we could give the Government the positive assurance that we have provided for the wants of the Officers' Training Corps we ought to have no difficulty in persuading them to give us the property which Lord Strathcona donated to them for the purpose of providing an area for a Drill Hall.

I am giving a copy of this letter to Mr. Glassco, so that Professor Thompson may be notified of any future meetings.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

Copy to Mr. Glassco.

McGILL UNIVERSITY CONTINGENT  
CANADIAN OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS

425 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST  
MONTREAL

24-1-22

Dear Sir Arthur,

May I remind you of the  
proposed re-orientation of the C.O.T.C.  
on the physical training committee.

Yours faithfully,  
W. P. Thompson.

29

January  
Twelfth  
1922.

C. B. Fraser, Esq.,  
Secretary, Students' Council,  
McGill Union.

Dear Mr. Fraser:-

As a result of yesterday's meeting in Mr. Beatty's office the meeting of the Board of Governors of McGill called for to-day has been postponed.

Mr. Glasco is arranging for a joint meeting to be attended by the Gymnasium Building Committee, the Physical Education Committee, and, we hope, by those members of the student-body who joined in support of the resolution of the Students' Council. I think they were the heads of all the athletic clubs. Mr. Glasco will notify you as to time and place, but it will probably be next Monday afternoon.

May I suggest, Mr. Fraser, that when the Students' Council pass resolutions in future, to be forwarded for the consideration of the Board of Governors, they do not give these resolutions to the press before they are received by the Board. I think you will always find that the Board of Governors are at all times anxious to give the most kindly consideration to any representations which the student-body would feel were in the interests of the University, yet it might end in the resolutions passed by the Students' Council not being agreed to, and any agitation which might take place in the public press before the Board had considered the resolution would not help in promoting harmony and esprit de corps.

Yours faithfully,

Principal

29

January  
Eleventh  
1922.

C. B. Fraser, Esq.,  
Secretary, Students' Council,  
McGill Union.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of even date requesting permission for two members of the Students' Council to appear before the Board of Governors at their next meeting, with a view to putting before the said body the views of the student-body regarding the proposed site of the new gymnasium.

I have also the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the enclosures forwarded with your letter.

In accordance with what I have just communicated to you over the telephone the Board of Governors is meeting tomorrow at 12.15 and not in the evening, but the Building Committee, being a sub-committee of the Board of Governors, is meeting this afternoon in the office of Mr. Beatty at the C.P.R. Windsor Street Station at 4.30. This meeting of the Building Committee is to give final consideration of the matter raised in the resolution of the Students' Council and I shall be very glad to ask that Committee to meet the representatives of the Students' Council, as suggested in your letter.

Will you please ask them to be at the Board Room of the C.P.R. in the Windsor Street Station at 4.30 this afternoon.

Believe me,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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MONTREAL, 21st Jan. 1921.

Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal, McGill University,  
M o n t r e a l.

Dear Sir Arthur,

### Re: Gymnasium Building Committee

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter in the above matter and have called a meeting of the Committee next Tuesday the 25th inst. at five o'clock P.M. in Mr. Glassco's office, in order that the Committee may commence their study of the gymnasium.

I know you are exceedingly busy, but give you this notice in case you would like to attend the meeting.

Yours very truly,

Honorary Treasurer.

JWR/R

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21st January, 1921.

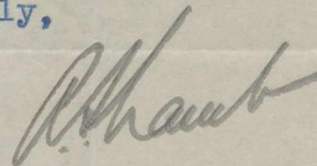
Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal, McGill University.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I shall be very glad to serve on  
the Special Gymnasium Committee as outlined in  
your letter of the 20th Inst.

Yours faithfully,

ASL/EBL.



H. M. MACKAY, M.E.I.C., M. AM. SOC. C.E.  
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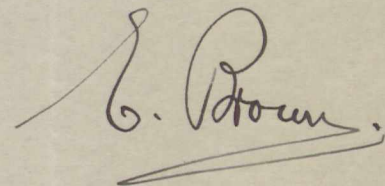
Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., L.L.D.,  
Principal,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

I received your letter of  
the 20th inst., notifying me of my appointment on the  
committee to consider plans for the erection of a  
gymnasium.

I shall be glad to serve on  
this committee under Mr. Ross, and to do everything in  
my power towards the advancement of the project for a  
gymnasium.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Brown", with a horizontal line underneath.



**DOCKET STARTS:**

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

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Montreal,

January 20/21.

Dear Sir:-

Special Gymnasium Committee

Will you consent to serve on a  
Committee composed as follows:

- Mr. J. W. Ross, representing the Governors,
- Dr. A. S. Lamb,
- Professor E. Brown,
- Mr. Walter Molson.

This Committee has been constituted  
for the purpose of giving consideration to plans for  
the erection of a Gymnasium.

As a result of your conclusions the  
Architect chosen will be in a better position to  
prepare his plans for submission to the Governors.  
It is, of course, to be understood that any conclusions  
reached must be submitted to the Board of Governors  
for their approval before any definite action as  
regards construction can be taken. I mention this  
because I do not want the general body of teachers,  
students or public to get any wrong impressions as to  
what may or may not be done in the matter of a building  
programme.

Mr. J. W. Ross will call the Committee  
together.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

January  
Twentieth  
1921.

J. W. Ross, Esq.,  
142 Notre Dame Street West,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Ross:-

The attached is a copy of a letter sent to Dr. A. S. Lamb, Mr. Walter Molson and Professor E. Brown.

As a result of our meeting last Monday night, I have, after consultation with Dean Adams, decided to ask Dr. Lamb, Mr. Molson and Professor Brown to serve on the special Gymnasium Committee. I would like you to take the Chairmanship of that Committee.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

January  
Twentieth  
1921.

Walter Molson, Esq.,  
157 St. James Street,  
Montreal.

Dear Walter:-

George Macdonald told me the other day that he had spoken to you about you taking the command of our Officers' Training Corps.

For many reasons I do hope you will consent to it. In the first place, we must keep faith with Colonel Magee and relieve him of the work to which he has given so much time and which he has done so well. There is no one on the staff of the University that can perform the duties of Commanding Officer as well as yourself.

I may say that I think I can promise to relieve you of these duties, if you should so desire, in the course of a year or two, because I have plans of creating a new position on the staff of the University and one of the duties of the holder of such new position would be O.C. of the Officers' Training Corps.

In the hope that you will consent to serve I have taken the liberty of asking you to serve on the Gymnasium Committee, the idea being that a Drill Hall might with advantage be combined with the Gymnasium. I know that this is asking a sacrifice from you, but it is for the good of your Country in general and of McGill in particular. If you accept it I know I shall not need to worry concerning our Officers' Training Corps. You will also be giving one more evidence of the traditional public-spiritedness of the Molson family.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal