

Special file

December 30, 1926.

Miss Zoe Kellogg, President,
Agora Club,
Morningside College,
Sioux City, Iowa.

My dear Miss Kellogg:

I find on my desk your letter of November 27th, asking if I will be interested in helping the girls of Morningside College purchase a Woman's Athletic Field. I am going to tell you frankly how I feel about an inquiry of this sort being sent to a woman in another state and of another college.

I do not think that you should have made such a request from an outsider. We, all of us, have our own colleges to look after, not only the institution of which we are an alumnus but institutions which are in our neighborhood and for which we have some special responsibility. Such enterprises as yours, fine as it is, should be carried by the graduates and undergraduates, the friends and neighbors of the college. I am a great believer in individuals and colleges standing on their own feet.

Please do not understand this letter as a lack of sympathy. I have the warmest sort of feeling in your undertaking, but I do not feel that you should go far afield as you are in applying to me. Believe me, this is sound advice.

With all good wishes,

Very truly yours,

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