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Dr. William Lowe Bryan, President, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 16th with enclosed copy of letter from Professor Alfred C. Kinsey to you has been received.

We regret that the plan for the parking west of Biology Hall does not seem to be adequate. When the plan was made last October, Mr. Hays and Mr. Marquis estimated that this space would accommodate approximately as many cars as could be parked under the old arrangement. We are anxious to keep parking away from the south front of the Hall and to make the walk from the street to the west end of the building more direct than it could be if the former parking arrangement were retained.

We understand now from Mr. Lewis that the concrete road and parking and curbs are completed, but that the walk still is to be laid. In writing about this matter he gives the following information:

"When we started finished grading on this area we sent a man at 6:45 A.M. to stop cars from coming in to park. But eight cars were there over night and two or three of these were not moved by their owners until the following day. These cars belonged to people living in the neighborhood."

If the condition which Mr. Lewis describes is a usual one, it appears that there might be enough room for the cars of people working in the building if the cars which belong to the people in the neighborhood could be prevented from using the area. It is quite possible, however, that more parking space is

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actually needed. We enclose herewith a print of No. 9081-56 on which we have made two suggestions. On the original plan, which is shown at the bottom of the sheet, we have indicated how the parking space might be extended further to the west. This would be the simplest solution, although this additional space would require some fill and the foot path would be crowded a little further down into the valley. There would be additional space for approximately 4 cars. At the top of the sheet we show a revised plan which would use the work already done and add considerable additional parking. The entrance from Third Street would be moved a little to the west, while the walk would remain as originally drawn. There would be space for approximately 20 cars if parked diagonal to the side lines and for a few more if parked vertical. The space for maneuvering a car in front of the west basement door would be adequate. In order to carry out this plan it would be necessary to sacrifice the pine tree indicated in the center of the space and probably one of the street trees would have to be removed. If the concrete paving shown on our first plan were not already laid we should run the sidewalk straight from the side of Biology Hall to the street. The curve was made in order to let the driveway use the existing entrance on Third Street.

This revised plan should give sufficient space for all needs in connection with this building, and, although it would be a little difficult to screen it satisfactorily from the street as we should like to, it is perhaps the best solution of the problem.

Very truly yours.
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Enclosure:

print of plan

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