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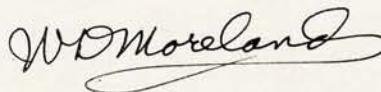
Dear Friend of Fort Hays State:

Ground breaking ceremonies for the Fort Hays State Memorial Student Union Building were held Tuesday, February 12. This ceremony marked the beginning of the end of a long cherished dream of Fort Hays State students.

After years of continuous contact with you about the financing of this building, since such a building could not have been constructed from the tax funds, it is fitting for us to write you now and enclose a copy of the program. The noise of machinery at the site north of Cody Commons is music to our ears!

In 1945 when the first Student Union Committee was organized the cost of the building was estimated at $200,000. The present structure will cost more than $700,000 and will include air conditioning, complete remodeling of Cody Commons, and adequate modern furnishings.

One faculty member completed the payment on his pledge to the building campaign fund by presenting President M. C. Cunningham with a sack of 10,000 pennies at the ground breaking ceremony. The project is underway. Hurrah! The completion date is set for August, 1958. Greetings from 2300 students and 126 faculty members.

Sincerely,

W. D. Moreland

W. D. Moreland, Chairman
Memorial Student Union Committee