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Miss Hilda Counts, 1420 Euclid, Boulder, Colo.

Dear Madam: -

I have your circular letter of January 29th, inquiring about the names of women of the University who are now, or have been, registered in our Engineering College.

Under our State system of higher education, women are not admissable to the University of Florida, nor men to the Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee. While the State College at Tallahassee does not have any engineering departments, it does offer courses in applied science; and if you think it worth while, you might send one of your circulars of inquiry there.

While we cannot legally register women in the College of Engineering here, there is nothing to prevent our admitting them as visitors to the classes, which permits them to get all the benefit of instruction altho without definite status as students. Hitherto, there has been no demand for engineering courses here on the part of women, except in one case, that of Miss Leanora Semmes, who is now taking work in Mechanical Drawing. Her address is Gainesville, Fla

Very truly yours,

J. R. Benton,
Dean of the College of Engineering.