

**INTEROFFICE MEMO**

Bennington College

Date March 23, 1948

To Mr. Burkhardt

From Mr. Winslow

Re: Dymaxion House

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*JHB*  
*J. H. B. [unclear]*

The College obtained the Dymaxion House through the inventor, R. Buckminster Fuller, on the understanding that the College would transport and erect it. This was done at an approximate cost of \$700.00.

It was the understanding, I believe, that when the College ceased to use the house, it was to be returned to Mr. Fuller. There are not any records available, however, to confirm these arrangements.

I understand that Mr. Fuller has a daughter, Allegra, in College now, and that his home is in Forest Hills, Long Island.

*Would it have  
to be dismantled  
or could it be  
moved in lots?*

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Date July 15 1949

To Miss Bowman

From Murray McGuire

Re: Dymaxion House

*File*  
*J. H. B. [unclear]*

The Dymaxion House has proven very unsatisfactory as living quarters. During the summer it is so warm it is impossible to stay there, especially in the daytime, and during the winter it is the other extreme - very cold.

This house, which was constructed under Mr. Fuller's supervision, has leaked ever since it was first built. The floors are so wet at the present time that water will come up through the cracks in the floors. Considering this condition no doubt the entire foundation has deteriorated and would have to be replaced. For health conditions, no one should be asked to live in this house under the existing conditions.

I do not believe it would be practical to spend any money on this building as I am certain from speaking to the people who have tried to live there that it will never prove satisfactory.