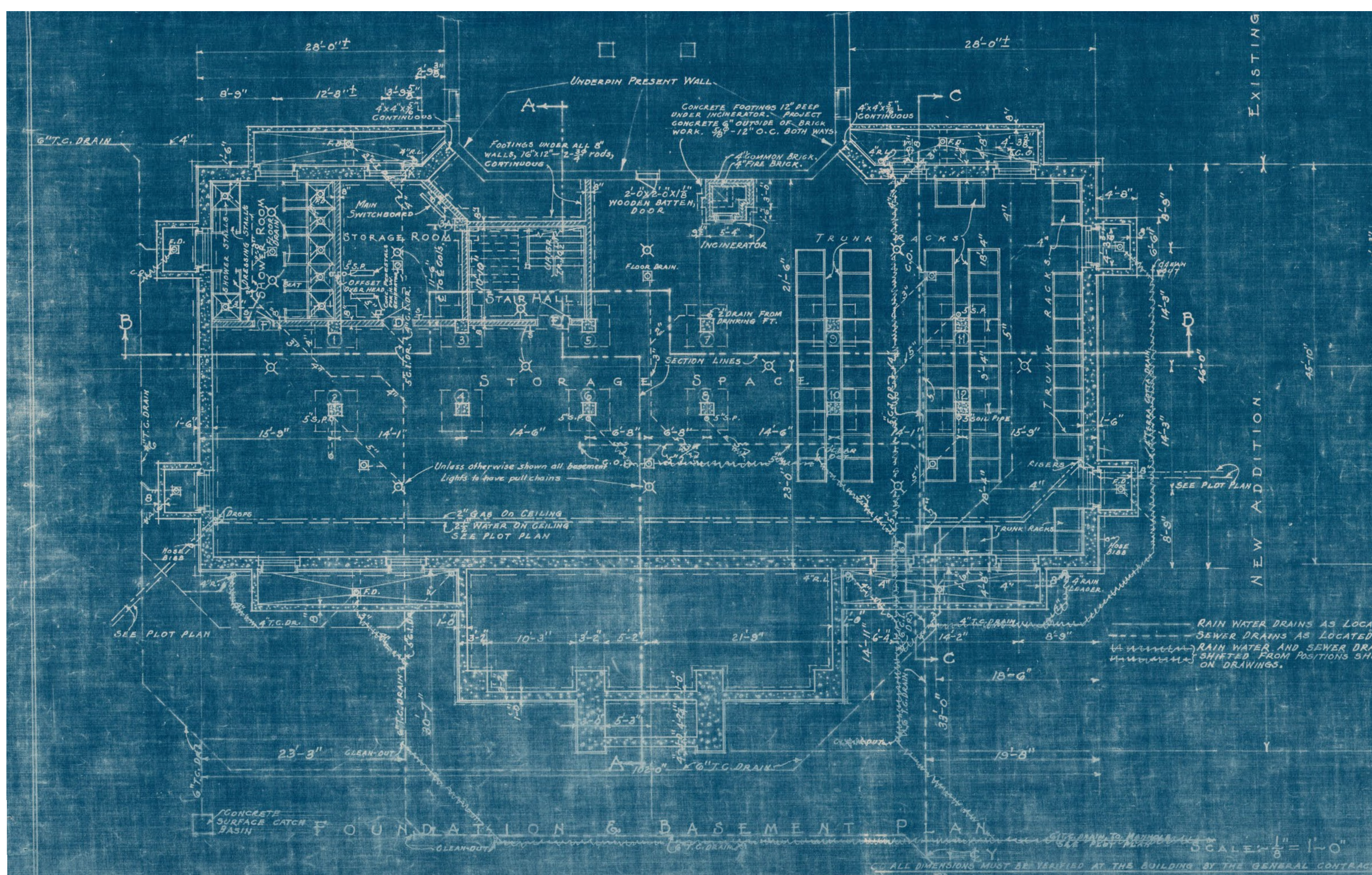


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Trunk Room-Cellar



1934 plan of VA Hall by
J. Binford Walford.

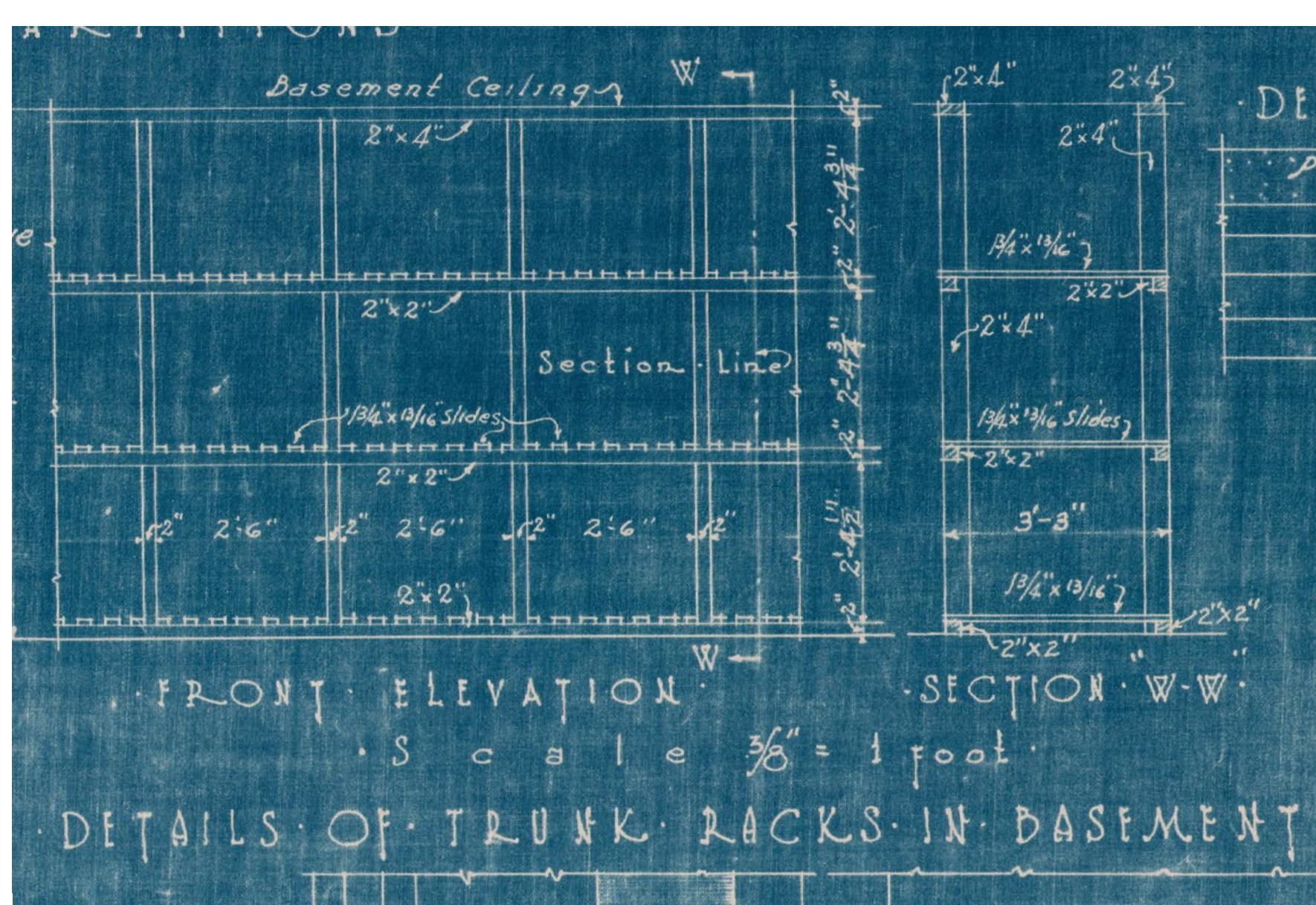
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Though today this basement space is used for social gatherings, in the past it provided essential storage space. Moving to college has always involved big decisions about what to bring: clothes, books, and objects to personalize the room. When this section of Virginia Hall was designed by architect J. Binford Walford in 1934, he included a system of storage racks to help keep student rooms organized. Though each space was only 30" wide, 28" high, and 39" deep, it provided enough space for the single trunk or small suitcases used to transport the young women's belongings for the year.



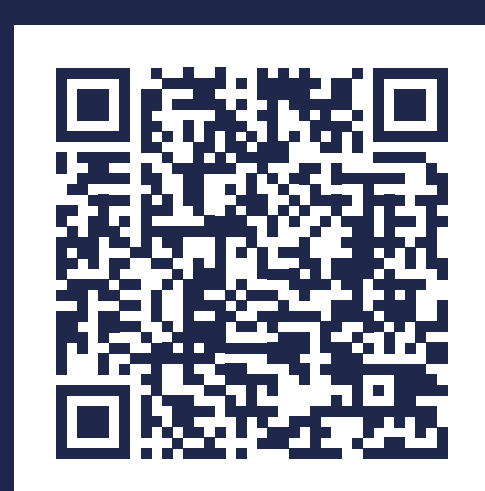
Pre-demolition image of trunk storage racks, 2019.

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Elevation detail of storage racks designed by J. Binford Walford in 1934 addition to Virginia Hall.

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