so far as this committee could learn—in but one (Brown), yet at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, and the University of Pennsylvania, Lehigh, and others of less note, it is recognized as one of the important branches of the curriculum. There are “Directors of Physical Training” who are almost invariably members of the Faculty (or similar board), the hours of study are so arranged that every man may have opportunity for sufficient exercise, and every encouragement is given to the students to develop their bodies in a legitimate way.

Your committee suggests, therefore, that the Faculty should be empowered to have immediate charge of the Gymnasium and its apparatus, and that they should be requested to appoint a committee to receive and act upon all reports of the director of the Gymnasium, and to lay down and enforce laws, rules, and regulations in regard to the general and individual training of students.

They suggest, further, that the income from the rent of lockers be set aside as a fund for the purchase of apparatus as it may be needed.

The committee think also that such changes and improvements should be made in the Gymnasium as to render it more attractive and better adapted to the students’ needs. These changes relate to lockers, bathing facilities, and measuring apparatus.

**Lockers.**—At the present time there are three hundred and eighty lockers in use. This would indicate that at least that number of men are taking exercise. Many of these lockers are in the main room, occupying space that should be devoted to apparatus, vitiated, with the damp clothes which they contain, the air for purposes of healthful exercise that should be kept as pure as possible, and obliging the men to dress and undress in public.

Moreover none of the lockers are wholly satisfactory in pattern, and at least one quarter of them are unfit for use. The committee recommend, therefore, that an addition to the Gymnasium be built, sufficient to include at least one hundred more lockers than are now in use, and that these be of an improved pattern, convenient to use, and properly ventilated. Plans of the suggested addition are submitted herewith.

**Bathing facilities.**—At present there are but three shower baths, one for cold water and two for hot water (at the boiler temperature), and there is no provision for tempering or combining the hot and cold water. We recommend, therefore, the putting in of a larger number of showers, in accordance with the plans herewith submitted. In this connection the committee would call attention to the fact that it has been the custom to rent the Gymnasium during the afternoon hours to certain preparatory schools, and that, by so doing, not only is the proper use of the building by the Institute students impeded, but the hot water for bathing is exhausted before their usual hours of exercise.

**Measuring apparatus.**—The committee recommend that the director of the Gymnasium be provided (at a probable cost of $150) with a complete measuring outfit, upon the supposition that the Faculty, if so authorized, will provide for the systematic physical examination of the students.

Foreseeing that objection may be made to any large outlay upon a building of temporary character (as is the Gymnasium), the committee suggest that the lockers (a large item in the cost of improvement) can be utilized in any more permanent Gymnasium that may be erected in future; and recognizing the probable inability of the Corporation to appropriate, consistently with the other demands of the Institute, so large a sum as the projected improvements require, we venture to assert that if the Corporation should deem it wise to recognize the matter of physical training by measures of such a nature as has been suggested, and by an appropriation for the improvement of the gymnasium as large as to them seems proper, an appeal to the past students of the Institute for the specific end of supplying the balance of the money needed could be confidently made.

In relation to physical training, the committee would suggest that every student of the Institute should be measured by the director of the gymnasium, at least once a year, and oftener in his discretion; and while the committee does not recommend making gymnastics compulsory as a general rule, still it feels the Faculty should have the right to do so in particular cases, and that rules for the use of the Gymnasium and its apparatus be established more definitely than they are at present.

In relation to athletics, the committee learns that the present conduct of them by the students is, in general, decidedly unsatisfactory. We have considered, therefore, the question of an advisory committee on different branches of athletics in the Institute, and other matters connected with same.

We have communicated with every large college and university in the East, and find it is the general custom to have a general treasurer, who is an alumnus,