PRESENT CONDITION
OF BUILDING FUND

President Maclaurin Emphasizes
Need of Further Gifts in
Letter to Alumni.

As a climax in his months of per-
sontal campaigning, for subscriptions
for the New Institute Technology, President
Maclaurin last week sent a copy of a
letter describing present conditions to
every Alumni whose present address
is known.

In this letter the President speaks of the
increase of the State aid to the
present grant of $100,000 per annum
for ten years, of the bequests of Mrs.
Rogers and Mr. Gove, and of the gift
of Mr. P. of $500,000 toward the
purchase of a new site. Mr. Hagar,
76, has promised to supply the neces-
sary concrete, and Mr. Green, 76,
accepts the position of consultant
ing. The President explained that the recev-
tient gift of two and a half millions was 
insufficient to lay out and treat the undertaking as a whole.

But the donor did not intend that his gift should be applied to the
laying out of the grounds, the comple-
tion of the Walker Memorial, the erection of dormitories, the equipment of the build-
ings, the construction of conduits, drainage and water mains, and the pro-
traction of proper facilities for athletics. The President assured the
 donor that the Alumni should gladly accept, as a part of the fund for this pur-
purpose, the Walker Memorial and the student dormitories. The Alumni
have already contributed much toward the fund for the Memorial, but more
needs to be raised to make this building a worthy memorial of the great presi-
dent and the great humanitarian in whose honor it is to be built. A complete
system of equipment for social needs will be provided, and the build-
ing will contain or be near a gymnasium. The number of students
who come from great distances makes it difficult for them to make use of
the facilities at the Institute on important subjects. The Athletic Field will be on
the site, under the control of the Advisory
Committee on Athletics. The river offers
such excellent opportunities for boat-
ing that the needs of this sport will
receive attention in the planning of the New Site.

COMMUNICATION.

We write communications from all men of the Institution on important
matters. We take no responsibility for their mend-
ments and do not agree to print any that may come in, whether they are signed or not.

To the Editor of THE TECH:

Personal cleanliness is a somewhat
 delicate matter to discuss, but it is a
thing which may have so much to do
with a man’s success in life that it is
worth serious attention. I have occa-
sion to talk frequently with sec-
tory men, and find that the number
of men who come from great distances makes it difficult for them to
make use of the facilities at the Institute; hence the need for
more facilities for social needs. The Athletic Field will be on
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