

from time to time determine in the prosecution of researches as to the cause, prevention and cure of cancer, and, should the progress of science at any time make the prosecution of further research in regard to cancer unnecessary, then the income of said fund may be used as said trustees may from time to time determine in the prosecution of other researches in medicine and surgery, and in the science allied thereto, with a view of preventing and curing diseases and of alleviating human suffering.

Provided, however, that no part of the principal or income of this fund shall be at any time used for the erection of a building.

CHANGES AT HARVARD COLLEGE

At a meeting of the Board of Overseers of Harvard College, held in Boston, December 8, 1909, the president of the university communicated the following votes of the faculty of arts and sciences modifying the choice of electives:

1. That a standing committee of nine, of which the president shall be chairman, be appointed from the faculty, with power to associate with itself a large number of advisers for students.
2. That the committee prepare general rules for the choice of electives, to be approved by the faculty, based upon the principle that a student must take a considerable amount of work in some one field, and that the rest of his courses must be well distributed.
3. That at the end of his first year in college each student be required to present to his adviser a plan of study for the remainder of his college course; and that the plan must conform to the general principles laid down by the committee, unless the committee is satisfied that the student is earnest and has sufficient grounds for departing from those principles.
4. That a student's plan be subsequently changed only for a cause satisfactory to the committee.

And after debate thereon, the board unanimously approved said votes, and authorized the carrying out of the same.

The president of the university communicated orally to the board the contemplated establishment by the corporation of a freshman dormitory, and explained the purpose and scope of the same, and after debate thereon, the board unanimously voted to ap-

prove the establishment of the said dormitory as contemplated by the corporation.

EDUCATION AT THE BOSTON MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

MEMBERS of the American Association who are interested in education as well as in science will find much in the program of the Boston meeting to attract them. Because of the establishment of the section of education a number of educational interests are grouping themselves around the American Association, and this manifests itself in the program of the coming meeting by the fact that there are educational meetings scheduled for nearly every morning and afternoon of the session.

Section L itself will hold three sessions. The first of these on Tuesday afternoon will be devoted to the discussion of scientific problems in general education by members of the section. On Wednesday afternoon reports will be made by the General Education Board, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Bureau of Education on their studies of the American college. At 4.30 on that day, Professor Dewey, the retiring vice-president, will deliver his address on "Science as a Method of Thinking and as Information in Education." On Thursday morning the committee on the Distribution of Students in Elective Courses will present its report.

The section will hold also two joint meetings; one on Tuesday morning, with the American Federation of the Teachers of the Mathematical and Natural Sciences, to which preliminary reports from several of the section committees of the International Commission on Teaching Mathematics will be presented and other topics of general interest to science teachers discussed. The other will be held on Wednesday morning with the Social Education Club of Boston and will be devoted to the discussion of the problem of social education.

Besides these meetings, a number of others have been arranged by the local associations of teachers and by other sections of the association. Section A will listen to a prelim-