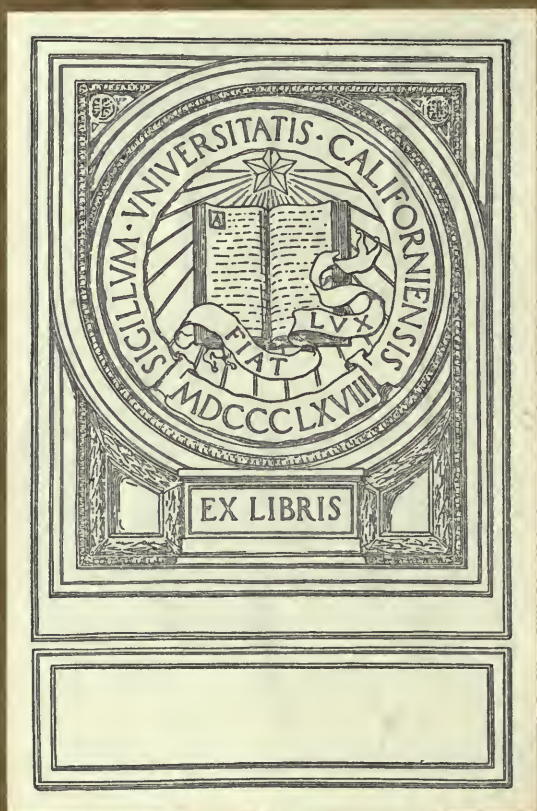


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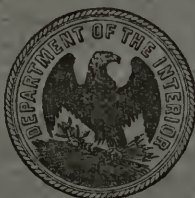


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PREFACE.

The Commission on the Reorganization of Secondary Education recognizes health as fundamental among the objectives of secondary education. The importance and essential scope of health education are summarized as follows in the forthcoming report of the reviewing committee of this commission:

During the period of secondary education health needs can not be neglected without serious danger to the individual and to the race. The secondary school should, therefore, provide health instruction, inculcate health habits, organize an effective program of physical activities, regard health needs in planning work and play, and cooperate with home and community in safeguarding and promoting health interests.

To carry out such a program it is necessary to arouse the public to recognize that the health needs of young people are of vital importance to society, to secure teachers competent to ascertain and meet the needs of individual pupils and able to inculcate in the entire student body a love for clean sport, to furnish adequate equipment for physical activities, and to make the school building, its rooms, and surroundings conform to the best standards of hygiene and sanitation.

The report contained in this bulletin was drafted for the commission by its committee on physical education, and after discussion and revision it has been approved by both the committee on physical education and the reviewing committee. Approval by the reviewing committee does not commit every member individually to every statement and every implied educational doctrine, but does mean essential agreement as a committee with the general recommendations.

Appended to this report, although not a part thereof, are bibliographical suggestions prepared, on request, by the office of the American Physical Education Association.

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

THE PROBLEM.

In the new civilization one of the most important problems of the high school, and the central problem of physical education, is how to secure and conserve health. This is becoming more and more a community problem.

The schools have been slow to adjust their program to the changed needs of the pupils and the community. Pupils no longer go to school three months in the winter to learn to read, write, and cipher, securing their vocational skill and bodily power during the other nine months. They go to school nine months and are idle the other three because the opportunities for developing vocational skill and bodily endurance have been taken away from them with the removal of industry from the home to the factory. The school must accept the new conditions of this industrial age and provide adequate opportunity for bodily exercise related to vocational skill and for the fundamental bodily exercises related to health.

Many people to-day are preserved to maturity who formerly would have died in childhood. Medicine has made splendid strides during recent years in decreasing the mortality due to zymotic diseases. The diseases which are increasing, those of the nervous system, are more inimical to the organic health of those who survive than are the infectious diseases. Insanity is on the increase.¹ Dr. Harris, formerly United States Commissioner of Education, as early as 1891 wrote:

Our civilization is so bent on the conquest of nature and the production of wealth that it perpetually strains its supply of nervous energy and produces disaster. Here is the special problem of our time for hygiene to meet—How to restore and conserve nervous energy. There are three factors here: First, the one of food and its proper assimilation; second, the factor of sleep and rest; third, the factor of exercise, muscular and mental.²

While the increase in nervous diseases is rightly charged to a failure of bodily adjustment to the environment of the new civilization, to the saving of the weaker ones who formerly died in infancy,

¹ Dr. R. W. Corwin, chairman of the health committee of the American Medical Association, says that "insanity is increasing twice as fast as the population (11 and 25)." See Nat. Educ. Assoc. Proc. for 1913, pp. 418-420.

² U. S. Commis. of Educ. Rept., 1891-92, Vol. I, P. XXII.

and to the greater strain of modern conditions, and although the number so classified is due in part to better diagnosis, it is a just indictment to say that the public schools have materially helped to augment conditions which lead to these diseases. It is not enough that the schools should not continue to increase the tendency to these diseases; they should in a constructive way assist in the necessary health adjustments of the pupils in city and country. It is the firm belief of this commission that the modern public high school owes a duty to the health of the adolescent youth of this country as a fundamental element of education. It is the belief of this commission that this duty is possible of fulfillment.

So far the public school has preempted the field of health education without occupying it. Theoretically, educators believe that health is more important than quantity of knowledge; practically, they seldom act upon the belief. The program of studies has not been adjusted to meet the changed needs of the pupils. The present arrangements for physical activity can be looked upon only as palliative measures in that they give some relief from the school desk. They are essentially of negative character, aiming to minimize harmful influences. The work of the schools calls primarily for the functional activity of the higher centers of the central nervous system. It fails to emphasize the principal positive hygienic factor in that it disregards the motor activities related to the lower nervous centers controlling circulation, respiration, nutrition, and elimination. Besides, it neglects an important phase of education in that it minimizes to the vanishing point those motor activities related to good carriage, motor presence, motor personality, and motor consciousness. The attainment of adequate motor control is impossible with the present equipment and time allotment.

Health is definitely related to the vigorous use of the big muscles of the trunk and legs. Instruction should be given in exercises and games which will bring into play these large fundamental muscles and should be pushed far enough to stimulate circulation, respiration, and perspiration. Methods of study should be devised which will allow more freedom and bodily movement even in academic work.

The tendency in some quarters to substitute military drill for more fundamental activity is a serious mistake. The addition of physical education to military drill for the rank and file of the armies of the world is a significant fact which should make clear the folly of such substitution. The thorough physical education courses at West Point and Annapolis, in our own country, and the fact that an army officer was sent to the United States by the Dutch Government to take normal courses in physical education at Springfield, to prepare himself to take charge of physical education in the Dutch military academy, show the need of the basis of an all-round motor training. In order

to insure the preservation of health and the educational point of view in physical exercises, the administration of physical education should be lodged in the hands of the educational authorities exclusively. No narrow policy of mere military drill should be substituted for a broad program of fundamental health activities.

HEALTH PROGRAM RECOMMENDED.

The health needs of the high school pupil call for the following health program:

- I. A careful health examination which should include:
 - A.—Medical inspection.
 - B.—Mental examination.
 - C.—Physical examination.
- II. A healthful environment in home and school.
- III. Instruction in health problems.
- IV. Physical activity.
 - A.—Equipment, minimum requirement.
 - B.—Amount and kind, minimum requirement.
 - C.—Kind of exercise.
- V. School credit.

I. HEALTH EXAMINATION.

The first step in the health program is to discover how nature has endowed the individual. It must ascertain by examination the physical and mental endowment and the capacity for activity.

A—Medical inspection.—The English and American medical inspection methods are well outlined in such books as Cornell's "Health and medical inspection of school children," Kelynack's "Examination of schools and scholars," Newmayer's "Medical and sanitary inspection of schools," Gulick and Ayres' "Medical inspection of schools." The administrative methods are presented in Rapeer's "School health administration." The objects of medical inspection have been the detection of infectious diseases, of physical defects in the pupil, and the improvement of the sanitary condition of the schoolroom. The medical inspector should cooperate with the physical instructor in the correction of physical defects and with the regular teacher or the trained psychologist in the diagnosis and treatment of mental defects.

B—Mental examination.—The mental examination should seek to ascertain the mental health of the pupil and his nervous and mental constitution. The health of an individual depends in large measure upon a normal central nervous system, and upon his attitude of mind toward his work. The time of entering the junior high school (seventh grade) is the most critical time in adolescence. At this

time the constitution is particularly liable to nervous difficulties, as most neuroses either develop at this time, or lay their insidious hold then upon the individual, to develop later. Much stress in modern psychology is laid upon the necessity of correlating the program of the pupil with his dominant interest. In the junior high school he is offered a choice of subjects for the first time. The proper adjustment of his program is often related closely to his nervous health, and data for this adjustment should include the results obtained by mental tests.

It is probably unnecessary that critical mental examinations should be given to every pupil. It is, however, necessary to give such an examination to the subnormal and the supernormal pupil. For the other pupils an examination of their grades in their studies, correlated with their grades in physical education and manual training, will give a very fair index of their nervous and mental health and constitution, and will give data on which to base an all-round program for their high-school courses. In correlating the grades of the pupils special care should be taken to make sure that the marks represent capacity rather than mere attendance and good deportment. Care should be exercised, too, in differentiating between manual training and physical education. Manual training calls for the use of the small muscles of the eye and the hand, and, in a slight degree, the big muscles of the arms, legs, and trunk. Manual skill of the small muscles represents, in general, health of the fine neuromuscular mechanisms. In physical education the large muscles of the arms, legs, and trunk should be used vigorously. Good grades in this work would represent fundamental health with organic, neural and muscular capacity.

In terms of the physical education grades, pupils who are fond of physical activities, excel in them, and are leaders in games and sports as a rule possess good central nervous systems. The extreme type of these pupils, the athletes, need to be curbed in their sport. The athletic scholarship rules are made largely for their benefit, to repress too great attention to sport and to stimulate scholarship.

On the other hand, the pupil who has little physical skill and no interest in games and sports usually lacks organic vigor. In the extreme type of these pupils is the recluse and the bookworm. It is especially in this class that an unstable nervous system may be expected. If their education is confined to a purely intellectual education, it will be at the expense particularly of the organic centers of the nervous system, related to circulation, respiration, and nutrition.

A well-balanced course for each individual is the ideal. A mental examination, with all the modern methods for the subnormal and the supernormal, and a careful examination of the grades of the average

pupil with special reference to his work in physical education and manual training upon entering the high school will aid materially in a wise selection of high-school courses.

C—Physical examination.—The physical examination calls for a study of the growth and physique of the pupil and a close correlation of the conditions found with the physical activity prescribed. The examination should include such vital problems as eyesight, hearing, growth in height and weight, bodily strength, lung capacity, cardiac efficiency. All these factors should be correlated with the adolescent maturity of the pupils and their scholarship. They are in themselves indices of mental capacity and maturity. The programs of the schools should recognize and use these findings.

Periods of rapid growth in height and weight precede growth in strength and endurance. Vigorous big-muscle exercise should be the rule during this period. Overexercise particularly should be avoided.

A clean-cut differentiation should be made between chronological age and physiological maturity. Both the physical examination and the physical efficiency tests should serve as aids in properly grading the health activities. Detailed studies on various phases of these problems have been made by Baldwin, Boaz, Crampton, Hughlings-Jackson, Foster, Godin, Hall, Marro, McCurdy, Stewart, and Whipple. (See the bibliography at the end of this report.)

Medical, mental, and physical examinations should be correlated with each other and with the general program of the pupil. Heretofore the examinations have been conducted partly by the medical inspectors, partly by trained psychologists, and partly by the director of physical education, without correlation between them. Splendid work has been done, but thus far no city is known to the committee to have a good working coordination of the various problems relating to the health of the pupils. Various cities have specialized on different phases. Some cities have an administrative plan which will enable them to work out the medical, hygienic, and physical activity aspects of the problem, but apparently have no regular examinations for determining the health of the central nervous system, nor for finding the type of ability of the pupil. Many cities do not seem to know exactly what they should seek to secure through a medical or physical examination, and do not use the results obtained by either.

II. A HEALTHFUL ENVIRONMENT IN HOME AND SCHOOL.

A healthful environment should include a home with adequate food for healthy growth, together with sleeping and living rooms which follow at least the minimum regulations of size, light, and ventilation. It should include a schoolroom properly ventilated,

with temperature never above 70 degrees and preferably between 63 and 65 degrees F., provided a normal relative humidity of approximately 50 per cent and adequate air movement are maintained. The schoolroom should be supplied with proper natural and artificial lighting systems, and the walls should be so colored as to reduce eye strain. The textbooks should have size of type and width of line suitable for the proper position of the pupil at the desks. The desks should be arranged to save eye strain and decrease poor posture and deformity. The floors and walls should be kept free from dust. The schedule should be arranged as far as possible to increase body movements and decrease nervous strain. This may best be accomplished by having pupils change from room to room and by alternating kinds of work. In addition, 3-minute setting-up drills may with profit be used two or three times per day.

III. INSTRUCTION IN HEALTH PROBLEMS.

The pupils should be given instruction in: (a) The practical elementary problems which concern their health; as, for example, diet, care of the teeth, sex, sleep, exercise, and bathing in school and at home. (b) The general conditions related to health, as room temperature, ventilation, dust, school seating, and posture. (c) The public-health problems, like sewage disposal, milk and water supplies, and general control of infectious diseases.

Every pupil in the high school should be acquainted with elementary health problems in his environment. Direct application should be made to home, school, and community conditions. Definite reports of health conditions which test the powers of observation should be required. The examinations should test both the knowledge and the health habits of the pupils in home and school.

IV. PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES.

A.—EQUIPMENT (minimum requirements).

The equipment for physical activities in the public high school should include gymnasiums, showers, dressing rooms, playgrounds, and, if kept in a thoroughly hygienic condition, swimming pools. Abundant sunlight and adequate ventilation and air movement are essential elements in making the building a hall of health. The location of the gymnasium in an annex is strongly recommended, as it allows better hygienic conditions and permits greater freedom.

(1) *Gymnasiums*.—In large schools of more than 600 pupils there should be two gymnasiums, one for boys and one for girls, each large enough for a class of 50, that is, 60 by 80 feet. If we assume that

each class contains 50 pupils; that the school day contains seven 45-minute periods; that a plan of overlapping 90-minute periods is adopted, making seven gymnasium periods per day, then one such gymnasium will provide two double gymnasium periods per week for 875 pupils, and the two gymnasiums will provide for 1,750 pupils. Practically, however, it is difficult to organize the schedule of a school so that each gymnasium class will have the same number of pupils. Proportional increases or deductions should be made according to the number of pupils and the number of class periods.

One gymnasium will be adequate where the school enrolls from 200 to 600 pupils. In small schools of fewer than 200 pupils one room might serve as the gymnasium for boys and girls, and also for the town hall. It might also be used as a community recreation center and for public meetings. A room used for combination purposes should have the windows and lights protected with wire screens to avoid breakage during games. The walls and ceiling should be of concrete, metal, or wood rather than plaster, for the same reason. No gymnasium should be constructed less than 50 by 70 feet.

(2) *Showers*.—The following number of showers is based upon a 15-minute period for bathing, and 50 pupils in a class:

(a) *For boys*.—An open room should be used, for moral and hygienic reasons. Single showers with individual control will supply five boys each. If multiple showers with central control are provided, one shower will supply seven boys. Multiple showers with central control are recommended, as they save time, water, and space. The shower and drying room should contain at least 20 square feet per shower. This gives adequate room for drying in the shower room. The showers should be placed, without inclosing, on the side wall of an open room.

(b) *For girls*.—Closed shower booths (3 feet 3 inches by 3 feet) should be used. One shower should be provided with individual control for each three girls, or one shower with multiple control for each five girls. Multiple control is recommended where an attendant can regulate all the showers.

(3) *Dressing rooms*.—Each pupil should have a gymnasium locker for storing street clothes during exercises and for the gymnasium suit during the time intervening between the exercise periods. As the space for street clothes needs to be larger than that for the gymnasium suit, economy may be observed in large schools by having small lockers for the gymnasium clothing for each pupil and enough large lockers for the use of two classes, one dressing for exercise and the other dressing for school work. Gymnasium clothing and towels should be kept in good hygienic condition, either through a school laundry or home washing.

(a) *For boys.*—(1) Individual lockers. Lockers should be 12 by 12 by 36 inches, two tiers in height. The space per individual for locker, aisle, and approaches should be 8 square feet. If congestion is avoided through the distribution of the boys of each class throughout the entire locker room this space might be reduced to 4 square feet per individual. (2) Box lockers. Box lockers 6 by 12 by 36 inches in height may be used for the storage of gymnasium clothing with enough large lockers for two classes, the one coming to the gymnasium and the other leaving it. Under these conditions $2\frac{1}{2}$ square feet per individual are sufficient. The 36-inch height is desirable because it allows for the storage of bats and rackets.

(b) *For girls.*—Either the individual lockers or the box lockers may be used for girls as for boys with the same space requirements. The box lockers alone may be readily used where the street clothes are kept during the exercise period in the dressing booths. In addition, 100 dressing booths 2 feet 10 inches by 4 feet should be supplied. This gives booths for two classes of 50 girls each, one coming to the gymnasium and the other leaving it. In gymnasiums where the girls and boys alternate in its use, or where the gymnasium is not used continuously, 50 dressing booths would be sufficient. Again, it is possible to reduce the number of dressing booths to 50 by having one girl dress in a booth containing the clothes of a girl on the gymnasium floor.

(4) *Pool.*—Size of room 50 by 84 feet (with gallery), 42 by 84 feet (without gallery); size of pool, 24 by 60 feet; depth of pool, 3 feet 6 inches to 8 feet.

(5) *Playgrounds.*—Whenever conditions permit, the physical exercises should be conducted on the playground. The ground surface should be kept soft and free from dust. Various estimates have been given regarding the size required for the school playground. The following table shows the space estimated for one game of various plays:

Space estimated for various games.

	Curtis. ¹	Narragansett Machine Co. ²
	<i>Acres.</i>	<i>Acres.</i>
Baseball ³	1.00	2.00
Soccer.....		1.50
Indoor baseball.....	.20	
Volley ball.....	.10	.03
Tennis.....	.10	.06
Basket ball.....	.05	.08
Football.....		1.20

¹ For elementary schools; see "Education Through Play," p. 210.

² For adults.

³ Curtis suggests that the space for baseball may also be used for soccer in the fall, hockey in the late fall and early spring, and skating in winter.

Curtis's estimate for elementary school buildings calls for 2 acres. Organized games—baseball, indoor baseball, volley ball, tennis, basket ball—call for $1\frac{2}{3}$ acres, leaving $\frac{1}{3}$ for general unorganized play, running track, and pool. Curtis's estimate on the basis of 2 acres for 684 pupils is equivalent to 127 square feet per pupil for elementary schools. The National Education Association resolutions demand 272 square feet per child for play, recreation, and gardening. It would seem that 150 square feet per pupil ought to be the minimum requirement for play and recreation of junior and senior high-school pupils. This estimate does not include gardening. In small high schools more than 150 square feet per pupil are necessary in order to provide for baseball for the boys and volley ball and basket ball for the girls. An item often neglected is the game equipment for basket ball, baseball, volley ball, and other games. Grounds and gymnasiums are practically useless unless they are kept equipped for activity.

B.—TIME ALLOTMENT (minimum requirements).

Two double periods per week should be considered a minimum for this work.

Arrangement of time.

	Minutes.
1. Hygiene instruction once per week	15
2. Passing to locker room and undressing ²	15
3. Exercises and games	45
4. Shower, dressing, and passing to classroom ²	15
Total	90

These exercise periods of 90 minutes twice per week should be supplemented by play periods after school of at least one hour, and, of course, by the regular recess periods and setting-up exercises between class periods.

Where the regular class periods are 60 minutes, as they are in some schools, the gymnasium period might be compressed under necessity to 60 minutes. This would be a real disadvantage, as it would lessen the organic and recreative types of exercise.

The following schedule shows how the 90-minute period for physical education can be fitted into a schedule in which the regular length of class periods is 45 minutes.

¹ This time should be used on the other days for swimming or games.

² In some cases it will be possible to reduce the amount of time for "passing to locker room and undressing" and increase the allowance for "shower, dressing, and passing to classroom."

Sample arrangement of double gymnasium periods in a high-school schedule.

Group I	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.
Group II	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.
Group III	Class 45.	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.
Group IV	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.	Class 45.	Class 45.
Group V	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.	Class 45.
Group VI	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. 15 Undress.	Ex. 45.	15 Bath.
Group VII	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	Class 45.	15 Hygiene. Undress.	Ex. 45. 15 Bath.

This schedule provides for seven classes of 50 pupils each; that is, theoretically 350 pupils per day per gymnasium, or 875 different pupils on the basis of two double periods per week for each pupil. This arrangement uses the gymnasium continuously and allows for alternation of two teachers in instruction in hygiene, physical education practice, and supervision of the bathing. Three hours of instruction during the school day, plus two hours on the playground and in the gymnasium or pool after school, should be the maximum requirement for one teacher. The remainder of the day is needed for administration and the keeping up of equipment, records, etc.

C.—KIND OF EXERCISE.

(a) *Physiological type of exercise.*—The types of exercise used should be those which call into play vigorously the large fundamental groups of the big muscles; these exercises are related to the development of vigor, endurance, and power. This instruction should be supplemented by exercises of skill, grace, and alertness. Special at-

tention should be given to securing good postural habits while standing, sitting, and exercising. The training should give a virile, vigorous body, alert and well poised. Instruction should be given in gymnastics, athletics, swimming, and team games for all pupils.

(b) *Character-building activities*.—By proper control and administration of the team games and athletic contests the undesirable features and excesses of the representative teams can and should be eliminated without stopping games which have great health, social, and moral values when played and conducted in the right way. This is more rational than the radical remedy of abolishing them. Abolishment of the game as a school sport in public schools usually results in the team playing under other than school name and with no regulation. Some of the after-school activities, like the Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls, should receive vigorous encouragement.

The curriculum of activity both in school and after school should include all pupils, and should be related not only to health, but to right conduct. The qualities of honesty, fair play, courtesy, cleanliness of speech, alertness, promptness, persistency, and manliness should be required of pupils during their activity. Both boys and girls should learn the value of the positive virtues. Dishonesty, unfairness, discourtesy, vulgarity, or profanity should not be tolerated in connection with any activity. Through public and private approbation, teachers, coaches, and the community should honor the pupils of vigor and high ideals, and discipline those who pursue dishonorable tactics.

Teachers and coaches who represent the highest ideals in morals and personal character should be selected. Preferably the coaching should be done by regular teachers, and if possible by the director of physical education. With the adolescent group the basal virtues are *caught* through the inspiring personality of teachers during their direction of activities, more often than they are *taught* through definite moral instruction in the classroom.

Moral instruction shows what is right. Moral action knits together the fibers which form character. Physical activity, particularly team games, rightly conducted, offers great opportunity for moral achievement; wrongly conducted, the result is moral deterioration. During this adolescent period the vigorous, virile leaders will enter into the team activities. These team boys will, in large measure, influence the moral standards of both the junior and senior high-school groups. The moral standards and personal leadership of the teachers of physical education will be a large factor in determining whether these boys are to be merely healthy animals or future moral leaders in the community. If the "win at any cost" idea dominates

the coach, he may be the most potent factor in the community in destroying the moral ideals and the ethical standards of future leaders.

V. SCHOOL CREDIT.

The courses in hygiene should receive credit on the same basis as other classroom subjects. The physical practice in gymnastics, athletics, games, and swimming should receive positive credit on the same basis as laboratory courses. The hygiene instruction should be graded on the basis of classroom recitations and examinations. The physical practice should be marked on the basis of the quality of the work and on the effort of the pupil in daily practice. Tests of minimum physical proficiency should be given at regular intervals.

SUMMARY.

The present civilization is making great demands upon the vitality of the race. School practices which train simply eye, ear, tongue, and hand do not promote the health of the pupils. Laboratory work, shop work, military drill, and domestic science only slightly increase the big muscle activity. Big muscle work is essential to the health of the pupils. These activities are not secured in the home or in the street. Big muscle activities are essential to vocational and other kinds of skill. The higher levels of the nervous system depend for stability and health upon the organic development of the middle and lower levels. Big muscle work in the plays and games is an essential part of emotional control in relation to character building.

Administrative methods should be changed to require as a minimum two double periods per week for each pupil. The time allotted to double periods should be sufficient to allow changing of the clothes, vigorous exercise of 45 minutes with equipment, and time for bathing. The maximum number of pupils per class should be 50.

The program of activity under competent supervision should secure physical, social, educational, and moral results.

APPENDIX.

The following bibliographical suggestions, while not a part of the report, were prepared, on request, by the office of the American Physical Education Association, 93 Westford Avenue, Springfield, Mass. That association publishes twice a year a list of about 500 books on physical education, hygiene, and allied subjects. It also maintains a book department which furnishes advice, gratis, concerning books and, under certain conditions, loans books for examination.

I. BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR SMALL HIGH SCHOOLS.

Many large cities have printed courses in physical education which would be suggestive to rural high schools. Among others, the following cities have well-organized courses: Detroit, Mich.; Kansas City, Mo.; Newark, N. J.; Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, Pa.; San Francisco, Cal.; and Springfield, Mass.

Teachers without technical training will find the following books helpful in organizing work in small high schools without gymnasiums.

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- Michigan. Department of education. Syllabus of physical training. Lansing, Mich.
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- Public schools athletic league. Official handbook. New York, American sports publishing co. (Red cover series, no. 71 R.) 25 cents.
- Reilly, Frederick J. New rational athletics for boys and girls. Boston, D. C. Heath & co. 64 cents.
- Stecher, W. A. A guide to track and field work contests and kindred activities. Philadelphia, McVey. 50 cents.
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FREE GYMNASTICS.

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MECHANICS OF THE BODY.

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- Allen, W. H. Civics and health. Boston, Ginn & co. \$1.25.
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 Rapeer, L. W. Educational hygiene. New York, Scribner. \$2.50.
 Terman, Lewis M. The hygiene of the school child. Boston, Houghton Mifflin co. \$1.65.

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- Bancroft, J. H., and Pulvermacher, W. D. Handbook of athletic games. New York, Macmillan. \$1.50.
- Berry, Elmer. Baseball. Springfield, Mass., published by the author; American physical education association, distributing agent.
- Dier, J. C. The book of winter sports. New York, Macmillan. \$1.50.
- Moore, H. H. Keeping in condition. New York, Macmillan. 75 cents.
- Rath, Emil. Apparatus, track, and field work for women. North American gymnastic union. \$1.25.
- Reilly, F. J. New rational athletics for boys. Boston, D. C. Heath. 64 cents.

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- Bancroft, J. H. School gymnastics, free hand. Boston, D. C. Heath. \$1.60.
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