- 1. The student's training in <u>writing</u>, while not increased in quantity over the present required six hours of English Composition, is spread over two years instead of one. Good habits of writing can be better established in this longer period of time.
- 2. The combination of literature and composition will afford better subject matter for the latter, while appreciation and memory of the former will be strengthened.

College students are now required to take six hours of English Composition. They are also required to take a course in literature. The latter may be in a foreign language, but actually nearly all students meet this requirement by a course in English Literature. In practice, therefore, almost all of our students take eight or nine hours of English, and many take ten or eleven. The proposed requirement of ten hours of English for all students will, therefore, actually be but a slight increase in the amount of English taken by some students, and no increase at all for many others.

Incidentally, it should be mentioned that the proposal will reduce the maximum amount of English taken in the freshman year to six hours for all students, whereas now very few take but six hours, while most take from eight to ten. This will leave more opportunity in the freshman year for other subjects.

Your Committee recommends that this course be required of all students entering the College in the fall of 1945 and thereafter.

II. Speech

To your Committee it seems highly desirable that we give all of our students some fundamental training in speech, since obviously every one of