New Textile School Building

The official announcement made at the annual dinner of the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia Textile School on Friday, May 25, that the school is to be removed from its present quarters to larger and more suitable buildings on the new Parkway, was received with a great deal of satisfaction by the many friends of the school. The realization of the work being done by this well-known institution and the possibilities of still larger work with increased facilities has led many influential factors to urge such a step, and now this has been accomplished it is felt proper recognition has been accorded the institution and the part it plays in the textile industry.

The new site is at Twenty-fifth and Spring Garden Streets, on the west side of the Parkway. It is immediately adjacent to the site of the Art Museum, and the building to be erected will be in keeping with those surrounding it. The site is irregular in shape, the approximate dimensions being 600 x 600 feet. It is now being cleared preliminary to the work of surveying.

While no definite details have been arranged as yet, it is said in a general way the Textile School will probably be in the rear of the building, and this will be the first section to be erected, leaving the more elaborate front to be built later on. This new location, it is felt by the friends of the school, will secure for it the attention of every passing visitor, and more fitting public notice than in the past. The property at Broad and Pine Streets, it is expected, will be disposed of shortly, as there are several interests making inquiries regarding its possible purchase. It is not definitely known when the new buildings will be ready for occupancy, but it is hoped they will be in proper shape within two or three years.

Resolution of Appreciation

The announcement has been received with deep satisfaction by the Alumni Association, and an expression of this feeling is voiced in the following resolution, adopted at the dinner on Friday evening upon motion of William J. Wall:

“The Alumni Association of the Philadelphia Textile School hereby expresses its appreciation of the splendid accomplishment of the board of trustees of said museum and school, and of the individual efforts of the several members and their high devotion to the causes of the institution, congratulating them on having advanced the interests of art and industrial education and having furnished to the citizens of Philadelphia added advantages for the welfare of their city.”