

Young Men's Christian Association

The Young Men's Christian Association was organized in London in 1844, with a membership of eleven. From this small beginning, it has spread until it is now one of the dominating factors in the progress and development of young men in all parts of the world. Y. M. C. As. are getting firm foot-holds, not only in Europe and America, but in the Orient, especially in China and Japan. Cities, counties, railroads and colleges have taken up the work and pushed it forward. Texas has not lagged in this respect; her larger cities, her railroads, and high educational institutions have, as a rule, had Y. M. C. As. for some time.

Although for many years back several attempts had been made to organize a Y. M. C. A. here at the A. & M. College, it was not until two years ago that the Association was finally organized and put on a strong foundation. In the spring of the year 1906, six delegates were sent from this institution to the National Students' Convention, held at Nashville, Tenn. As a result of their making a study of the organization and work of Y. M. C. As., our association was founded with a membership of one hundred and sixty-five. At about the same time, the Bible Study classes were started in the various dormitories, and before the end of the year, one hundred students had enrolled in the work.

At the opening of school for the next session, the work was taken up with vigor and pushed forward. Most of the new men became interested in the association. During the Christmas holidays of that year, three delegates were sent to the Students' Conference at Rustin, Louisiana; and after their return, they accomplished much in the upbuilding of the association. By the end of the year, at least two hundred men had been enrolled in the Bible Study department.

During the past year, every department of the work has been advanced in some way or other. The religious meetings, held every Sunday night, were well attended; a greater interest was manifested in the Bible classes; the Ladies' Auxiliary aided the association by giving several sociables, and in every respect has the work advanced. Five delegates were sent to the Ruston Conference during the Christmas holidays.

It is to be hoped that the work next year will be as successful as the one just past. All possible arrangements are being made to make it so. A general secretary will be employed by the college; and with his aid, the progress and good work of the association is assured. A special effort will be made to secure all the new men for the association. In doing this, these men are insured four years of Christian work while at college. A handbook will be gotten out by the association for next year, and will be distributed among the students. These handbooks will contain various kinds of information, yells, football, baseball, and track records; an account of the association work, advice to new students, and various other things. At the opening of the session, a committee from the association will meet all trains, and receive all new students, assist them in registering, and be helpful to them in other ways. The

officers for the year are as follows: M. H. Weinert.....President
C. Symes.....Vice President
A. L. Ward.....Secretary-Treasurer
F. H. Cunningham.....
.....Chr. Bible Study Committee
R. C. Sigel.....
.....Chr. Religious Meeting Committee
C. P. Brannin.....
.....Chr. Membership Committee
R. F. Miller.....
.....Chr. Reception Committee
H. W. Munson.....
.....Chr. Finance Committee

The budget for the year is—

Expenditures.

Stationery and Adv.	\$ 50.00
International work	20.00
State work	15.00
Incidental expenses	75.00
Handbook	200.00
Social Committee	90.00
Total	\$450.00

Resources.

Membership dues	\$ 150.00
Handbook	200.00
Faculty subscriptions	75.00
Bryan citizens' subscriptions..	25.00
Total	\$450.00

It is to be hoped that the work of the association will be far-reaching in its effect, and that it will help many an A. & M. cadet in leading a strong, clean Christian life.

Notes from the Labor World.

The Iron Moulder's Union of North America will celebrate its semi-centennial next year.

Two hundred thousand men are employed by the National Metal Trades' Association.

The New York legislature of 1908 enacted ten of the bills proposed by the Workingmen's Federation of the State of New York.

The Tackmakers' Protective Union of the United States and Canada is the second oldest labor organization in America.

The Illinois supreme court has decided that a labor union's "Unfair list" is in effect a boycott and can be enjoined.

The city of Winona is making great preparations for the entertainment of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, which meets there next week in annual convention.

Machinists' lodges of New England have begun an agitation to have labor men nominated for the various elective offices in every city and town.

Kansas City labor unions are getting out a union labor bulletin every month in order to keep members well informed in regard to all union labels.

The membership of the Provincial Workmen's Association of Nova Scotia will decide by referendum on June 24 whether or not the order shall amalgamate with the United Mine Workers of America.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners has completed its plans, bought its location, and has begun the preliminary work for the erection of its own international headquarters building in Indianapolis.

Organizations of the railroad bridge and building mechanics of the Boston & Maine system are forming a system of adjustment and arbitration board similar to that of other big railroad brotherhoods.

The American Federation of Labor,

through a recent meeting of the executive committee, decided to further the union labor movement by more extensive advertising in the local papers, street cars and daily press.

The Rev. Dr. Charles Stelzle, superintendent of the department of church and labor of the board of home missions of the Presbyterian church, has been appointed superintendent of the immigration department of the board, which is to be inaugurated soon.

Unless the contractors of Reno, Nev., employ none but union labor the \$100,000 Catholic church, which is being constructed in that city, may be delayed indefinitely. Father Thomas M. Tubman, head of the parish, refuses to allow non-union men to work on the edifice.

The Hebrew Bakers' Union of Boston recently secured an agreement providing for pay for all legal holidays, the closed shop and a rule preventing the owners from doing work in the shops. A bond was also required from each employer for the carrying out of the terms of the agreement.

Statistics prepared for the General Managers' Association show that approximately 345,000 fewer employes are working for railroads in the United States now than were working October 1, 1907. The figures show that the leading roads, having a total mileage of 71,782, have discharged since last June a total of 104,766 employes.

A Japanese club, similar to the ones now existing at Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Cornell, will soon be organized at the University of Minnesota.

The University of Utah has adopted a girls' cross-country run. It is said to be quite popular among the co-eds; marvelous results are obtained.

It is reported that Theodore Roosevelt has been offered the presidency of a national university to be endowed by Andrew Carnegie to the extent of \$25,000,000.

The crew of Syracuse University will be guided by a Chinese coxswain when it rows in the big Poughkeepsie regatta next summer.

Corness faculty has adopted a rule prohibiting summer baseball. Any man who plays under an assumed name, or who takes part in a game at which an admission fee is charged is considered ineligible for college sports on the ground of having received compensation.

The plans have been completed and the contract let for a memorial gymnasium at Purdue, to be erected to the memory of the Purdue football team of 1903, most of the members of which were killed in a disastrous railroad wreck at Indianapolis on October 31, 1903. The building is to cost \$75,000.



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Amherst College is erecting a biological laboratory to cost \$100,000. Andrew Carnegie has given \$75,000 toward the building.—Ex.

One hundred and one American colleges have a holiday on Monday instead of Saturday. Their presidents enthusiastically approve of the change and believe that it has largely done away with the use of Sunday for study.—Ex.

Capron, the Minnesota University drop kicker, has failed in his studies and will not be allowed to play next fall unless failures are made up. Yale is suffering from the same cause, their wonderful baseball pitcher being the victim.

Leo de Tray, captain of University of Chicago's 1907 football team, will help Director Stagg as assistant football coach next season. He has been offered an excellent position by the Colorado School of Mines, but has elected to remain with his alma mater.—Ex.

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