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It is impossible to maintain a constructive policy of a publication when critical articles are written which lack sufficient fundamental reason to make them justifiable. This lack of reaand may often be attributed to sev-eral different causes among which are misunderstanding of conditions as they actually exist; the inability as they actually exist; the inability of securing sufficient data as a basis; the non-realization that all matters have two sides, etc. Negligible a quartery as this may seem it often serves to spread ideas and beliefs which, were the truth known, would bring reputation from the originator of the quarters. We have this would of the question. We have this well illustrated in the recent discussion of Y. M. C. A. and it is the purpose of this attempt to right some things which are wrong and to set clearly before the student body actualities ing the above named institution.

Y. M. C. A." is in the strictest misnomer for the organization on the campus which we familiarly recognize as such. It was not founded, is not supported and is not con-ducted by or in accordance with the policies of the National Association. The money with which it, was built was raised by popular subscription among classes and the faculty of this school in conjunction with that re-ceived from John D. Rockefeller and other men of philantheopic tendencies. Hence its governed by certain require-ments which make it a social or com-munity center rather than a Young Men's Christian Association it is Men's Christian Association. It is open to everyone and ladies' clubs nd social societies are encouraged to use the "Y" building as their meeting place. Thus we can see reason why there should be restrictions as to wearing of headdress or smoking while in the building for the simple on that every man recognizes the above as gentlemanly qualities to show when in the presence of a lady. It is then to be considered as a center of social and religious activities of the immediate community which includes faculty members and families,

THE BAT BAT A successful of the Agriculture and Mechanical College of Texas Subscription price \$1.50 per year Advertising rates on Application ALL ADS RUN UNTIL ORDERED OUT EDITORIAL STAFF downent funds are distinct and sep-arate). The present administration is only temporary account of the above reasons as the desire is to obtain a man who will have no other duties besides his official title as sec-retary of the "Y". Thus we see that the wrong attitude has been taken to-ward this optimized and solution and ward this organization and solely on account of an actual understanding of conditions as they actually exist.

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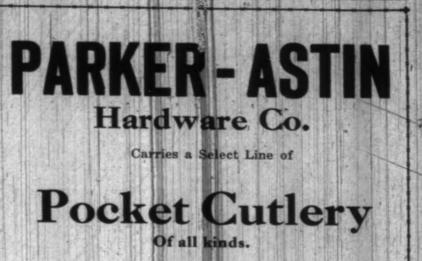
Since our last issue in which was an editorial concerning a method of financing athletics and student ac-tivities and suggesting the tax sys-tem, we have received the following from Mr. James Sullivan who is now connected with the Athletic Council

the Athletic Council We appreciate his as secretary. support in this appreciate his s novement and hope that some plan will be worked out along these lines. An extract of his letter follows

letter follows: The writer has been connected with the A. and M. College for nearly eleven years and has been deeply interested in all student ac-tivities, and to my mind there are only two ways of successfully pro-moting student activities. One is by state appropriation and the other is by the method of the blanket tax. From experience it would seem that the former is almost impossible since the legislators are very much inclined to look with disfavor on any appropriation of this nature. Thus it would seem that the only solution it would seem that the only solution of this vital problem is a taxation

method, as you suggest. The Longhorn and The Battalion have suffered to my certain knowledge in many instances on account of insufficient funds. Both of these publications have been at all times a credit to the institution and the en-tire student body and faculty alike of and I am should be proud that they are, still there are quite a number who do not take sufficient interest in either of these publications to subscribe for them. All stu-dents and workers in general at the College receive benefit from these publications thus all should share in financing them. This is an obliga-tion that rests alike on each student and each person connected with this institution and there is no justice that some should shirk this obliga-tion and at the same time receive the benefit thereof.

The same condition is true in Athletics. The Athletic Association has during the past ten or twelver years received very little aid from the College. It is true, however. that under the present administra-tion the Association is receiving more aid since Dr. Bizzell realizes the importance attached to athletics, still, the Association is badly handi-capped through the lack of funds. There are, as you doubtless know, many forms of athletics that should be promoted here. The majority of be promoted here. The majority of these are non-revenue bearing forms of athletics such as tennis, hand-ball, wrestling, boxing and volley-ball. All of these together with track are purely non-revenue bear-ing branches of sport. They are not only non-revenue bearing but they are not they are not they are not they the faculty members and families, employees of the college as well as the entire student body. As stated above it is governed by a board which have as its backing certain fundamen-tal rules and regulations of funds and methods of management. The administration and policies are in its control and these are put in operation



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