

"Y" Holds Students Center Of Recreational, Religious Interest

By Billie Blankenship

On the date of June 12, 1910 a special meeting was called in the office of Col. R. T. Milner, then President of A. & M., for a discussion of the construction of a Y. M. C. A. There were a total of nineteen prominent men, consisting of the officers of the campus, business men, and faculty members. The motion was made and seconded that work again immediately on

the construction of the new building.

At the next meeting Col. E. B. Cushing of Houston was elected chairman. Under the faithful guidance of their new chairman, the members of the building committee began the hard task ahead of them.

After asking for donations, pledges were made by the thousands of dollars. The first three

large pledges were those of Bryan—\$10,000; Officers of the college—\$5,000; and the students, who made a pledge of \$10,000.

At a later meeting, the treasurer of the committee announced that the total fund of \$2,019.25 had been collected from the pledges. From then on pledge payments began to come in very slow. With what little money they had and with great determination the committee voted to continue with the building of the new Y. M. C. A. as long as the funds held out. Suet and Bonn, building contractors out of Houston, agreed that as long as the money kept seeping in they would continue construction.

By November 20, 1912, \$32,596 had been subscribed. The slow progress was still in motion and by April 1914, the funds were so slow that building was done on even a slower schedule.

In June 1914 and January 1915, money was borrowed from the different banks in Bryan. With this money and a small sum that had been further obtained from the public, the construction of the Y was finally completed.

The estimated cost from the

beginning of this building was around \$60,000. This included every thing—ping pong tables, billiards, and other games; also furniture and other supplies for the lounges in the Y.

Through the generous donations given by John D. Rockefeller, the construction of the Y was made possible. Rockefeller in his donation matched dollar for dollar. He gave his contributions in total sums of \$10,000 each. For every \$10,000 raised by the building committee, Rockefeller would in turn match it with \$10,000.

In the year of 1920 a new story was added to the Y. The new story consisted of sixteen furnished rooms. This addition cost several thousand more dollars. The total amount of the cost of the Y would add up to around seventy-five to eighty-five thousand dollars.

The Y today stands out as the center of attraction of the whole campus. Here the Aggies spend most of their free time. In the basement are billiard tables, ping pong tables, and a bowling alley which is open every day. Also in the basement are the Y Confectionery, and a barber shop. Located on the first floor there is the Y chapel where services are held every Sunday. Here too on this floor is found the comfortable Y lounge.

On the second floor are the offices of M. L. Cashion, general secretary of the Y, and his asso-

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closed the meeting with an explanation of some pet nicknames the football boys use for each other. Dimmitt also told some of his pet stories which were well received.

P. L. Downs, Jr., good samaritan for the club, read a letter from Mrs. Lee J. Rountree thanking the club for flowers sent her while she was in the hospital recently.

Downs also told the club of finding seven Aggie graduates and another former student in McCloskey Hospital at Temple recuperating from battle wounds or service connected injuries. A plan has been worked out whereby such of these boys as are able to travel will be brought to all four football games to be played at College Station this fall by members of the Bell County A. & M. Club. Here they will be looked after and fed by Good Samaritan Downs and will be guests of President Gibb Gilchrist at the games.

A resolution directed the club president and secretary to write a letter of commendation to President Gilchrist on his set-up of a director of Student Affairs and his selection of Major J. W. (Dough) Rollins to fill the position. A letter of congratulation to Rollins also will be sent.

City Improvements On Streets and Sewage Near Final Completion

The sewer and street improvements in the city of College Station are nearing completion, according to Lloyd D. Smith, City Manager.

The sewer project, calling for an expenditure of approximately \$7000, has been completed, thus eliminating a health hazard in the area northeast of A. & M. College campus. This improvement included the elimination of the lift stations, the effluent flow by gravity.

At the present time the street improvement project, on which the city is spending approximately \$10,000, is nearing completion. Re-

surfacing of all old asphalt streets and double surfacing of other streets, together with drainage work have all been included in the undertaking.

The work has been done, Mr. Smith pointed out, without a special assessment or contribution from any individual. "The city was practically out of debt previous to these two projects, but no city can operate without capital outlay," Mr. Smith said.

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11:00 A. M.
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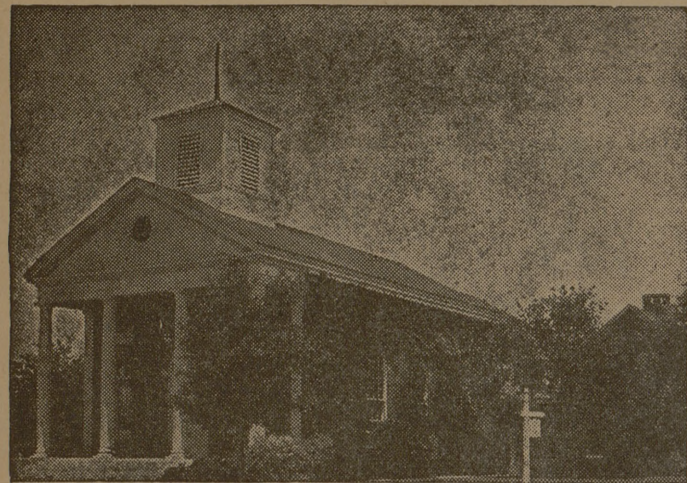
6:30 P. M.
Youth Meeting

7:30 P. M.
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Student Open Forum 7:30 P.M.
(in YMCA Chapel)

Norton Analyzes Aggie Football For Brazos Exes

Better balanced football of the same daring type that characterized the play of Southwest Conference teams last year is in prospect for football fans this fall, Coach Homer Norton told some 50 members of the Brazos County A. & M. Club at its monthly meeting held Monday night at the Bryan Country Club. Norton gave an off-the-record analysis of the style of play the Texas Aggies will use in its 11-game season which opened at 2:30 p.m. last Saturday on Kyle Field against the Bryan Army Air Field.

Coach Norton analyzed the possibilities of some ten backs and twenty linemen constituting the Maroon and White first string, both as a team and of each boy as an individual in the performance of the expectations for his position. The squad, he said, has more size, experience and power than possessed by the 1943 aggregation, but lacks the speed and passing threat of the backs of last year.

The seven teams of the Southwest Conference will be more evenly matched than last year, Norton predicted. Texas, he said, should repeat in the championship roll but he did not believe it will be such a walk-away as was the case in 1943.

Coach Norton introduced other members of his coaching staff, including Bill James, line coach, Manning Smith, backfield coach, Pete Jones, business manager of athletics and assistant coach, and "Bird Dog" Lil Dimmitt, trainer and assistant coach. The latter

ciate J. Gordon Gay. Under these two men the supervision of the Y is carried on.



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Morning Worship	10:50 A.M.	Training Union	6:00 P.M.
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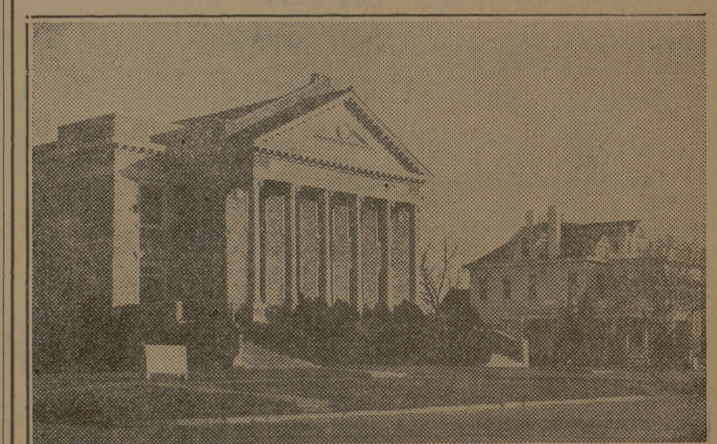
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Holy Communion, 9 a.m.
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