

'Y' Is Always Open To Serve Students

Twelve months each year, 24 hours a day — always open and doing business — that's the YMCA at A&M.

Housed on the first floor of the three-story YMCA Building, in the center of the campus, the "Y", throughout the years, has been a home away from home for students and visitors alike.

The YMCA is directed by J. Gordon Gay, coordinator of religious life and general secretary. He is dean (36 years) in point of continuous service of student YMCA work in the United States.

THE WORKING and the very atmosphere of the YMCA at A&M is as genuinely in the democratic traditions as it is possible to make it. The programs provide for the young men of many lands and many varied beliefs ample oppor-

tunity for regular religious activity.

Under the Christian hand of Gay, student-led Bible study groups meet once or twice weekly in the dormitories.

A block north of the YMCA is the All-Faiths Chapel, open at all times for prayer and meditation.

Through its weekly programs and various activities, the "Y" stresses Christian leadership by having as many of its responsibilities student-led as possible. It brings in outside leaders in the Forums on Men-and-Women Relations, the Christian marriage and the Christian home and other programs.

THE YMCA promotes good Christian fellowship and inspiration through exchange programs with other universities.



J. GORDON GAY ... coordinates religious life

Former Students Aid A&M With Money, Other Support

Many incoming freshmen will be entering A&M because a former student here, perhaps a relative, encouraged them to do so.

This is just one of the functions of the vast Aggie-ex organization.

The loyalty of A&M's former students is known the world over and each year they prove just how much they believe in their alma mater by providing financial and other support.

This year, the Development Fund of the Association of Former Students has set a goal which is the largest in 20 years.

THE ASSOCIATION is shooting for a goal of \$300,000 and J. B. Hervey, executive secretary of the group, said he is confident the goal will be reached.

Hervey said at this point the Fund has received 11,138 contributions totaling \$169,946. The gifts come from individual Aggie-

exes all over the world, business, industries and foundations.

The Development Fund has already given A&M such landmarks as the Memorial Student Center, the Campus Chapel and the olympic-size outdoor swimming pool.

Hervey outlined the 1963 Development Fund program as follows:

1. \$130,000 to the fund for academic excellence. This fund allots money for salary supplementation, graduate fellowships, faculty research projects, a university emergency fund and an unrestricted fund for departmental, college and university improvement.
2. \$8,000 for eight \$1,000 faculty achievement awards.
3. \$10,000 for ten \$1,000 Opportunity Award Scholarships.
4. \$10,000 for the first in-

stallment on the 1967 Dineen of Former Students.

5. \$10,000 to a special fund conversion of former student records to magnetic tape.

6. \$70,000 for the operation and expansion of the association program.

A loan fund is also set up the benefit of those who need help in getting through. Last year \$142,000 was loaned to worthy students for college expenses.

FORMER STUDENTS given more than \$2,400,000 to the Development Fund since it was initiated in 1943.

According to the association bylaws, any man who has earned a degree in a regular university automatically an associate member. As of this year there more than 38,000 members and active roles of the association.

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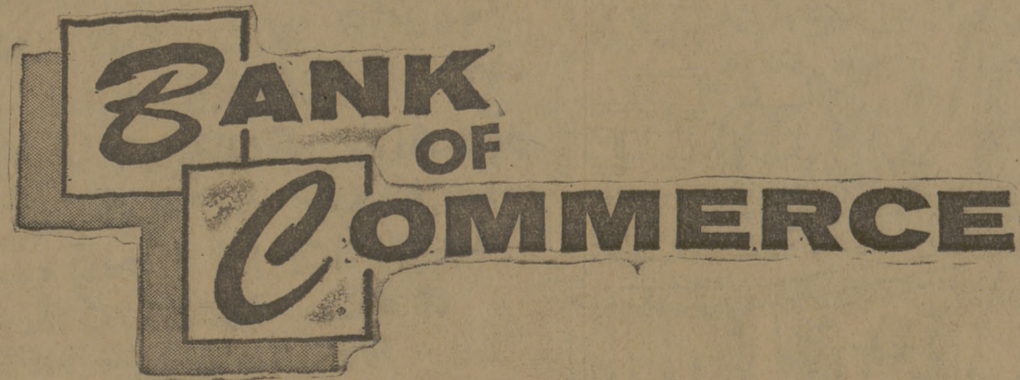
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