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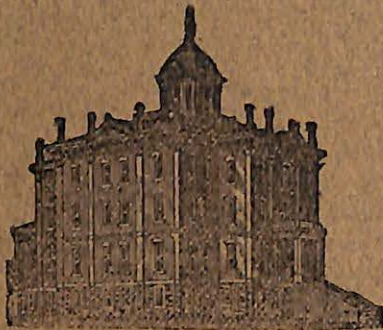


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The Mission and Methods of the College Christian Associations

K. S. LATOURETTE, '04.

The College Young Men's and the College Young Women's Christian Associations occupy a place of peculiar importance and fulfil a great mission.

The years spent in college are the formative and hence the critical years of life. Impressions made and convictions formed during this period are, in general, lasting. Very seldom does a student who has failed to make a decision for Christ before graduation do so after graduation. Moreover, these are the years when the beliefs are most liable to be shaken. Facts and laws are opened up, especially in the sciences, which seem to disagree with Biblical truths, because the student has confused his ideas of these truths with the truths themselves. If students are to pass successfully through this critical period it is necessary that during this period they be influenced strongly along Christian lines, and that the fundamentals of Christianity be impressed upon their lives, and be shown to be consistent with their broadened horizon.

The College Christian Associations, of all organizations and methods, are by far the most effective means of accomplishing this. They possess the three necessary requisites that a religious organization must have to be successful with students: they are strictly Christian, they are managed by students, and they are on the campus. The college church can no longer reach the student as in former years, and religious exercises and Bible study carried on by the faculty fail to a large extent to make any lasting impression on them, being for the most part regarded by them as necessary evils, but the Christian Associations, strictly Christian and carried on in the college, by students for students, form the most effective way of reaching students, influencing them for Christ, and strengthening their Christian faith. This is not mere theory, but actual fact proved in widely diverse fields by actual experience. The Christian Associations, then, occupy a place of great importance.

Now as to methods of work. The two associations maintain separate organizations, one working for the men, the

other for the women, but the methods of work and plans of organization are much the same in each. Great stress is laid on committee work, the purpose being to get as many students as possible into active, aggressive Christian work. Under the religious meetings committee weekly meetings are held, some weeks devotional, other weeks taken up by addresses on vital Christian subjects. Daily and special prayer meetings are often held. The aim of the Bible study committee is to get as many as possible to take up the study of The Word. Up-to-date text books, arranged in a graded course, are used, the classes, generally led by students, meet weekly for recitation, and devotional, daily Bible study is greatly emphasized. The missionary committee endeavors to increase the knowledge of, and interest in, missions. To accomplish this end, frequent missionary addresses are given, and mission study classes are organized, holding weekly meetings and studying missionary biographies, histories and treaties. The social committee conducts several socials during the year, thus increasing the fellowship among the members. The membership and finance committees have charge of the departments indicated by their names.

The associations endeavor to reach new students as soon as they enter school, and thus to get a hold on them at the very beginning of their college course. They are met at the trains, aided in securing rooms and board, in registering, and, in general, are made to feel at home. Thus the associations win their confidence and secure a permanent influence over them. Organized personal work is carried on, and occasionally special evangelistic efforts are made, so that it is ordinarily impossible for a student to be long in school without having the matter of his personal relation to Christ brought seriously to his attention.

Frequent inspiration and training in methods are given to association leaders by attendance at training conferences and conventions. Various minor enterprises are carried on, varying with the individual association, but all for the purpose of upbuilding the kingdom of God in the college.

Thus in mission and in methods of work, the Christian Associations occupy a very important position, effectively reaching men and women at the critical periods of their lives, and hastening the coming of the kingdom of God.

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We present to our readers this month a special number of the Review. The work and advance of the Christian Associations during the past year has been unequalled by that of any preceding year. We have the oldest college associations in the state, if not in the Northwest. In the Students' Hand Books for the last few years appear these introductory statements: "The Young Men's Christian Association has had an uninterrupted activity for sixteen years, and is the oldest association of its kind in Oregon, being the only one which has not been reorganized since the association movement among the schools of the Northwest in 1887." "The Young

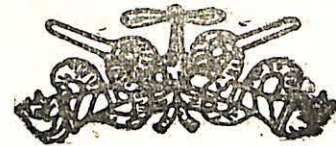


S. K. DIEBEL
Pres. McMinnville College Y. M. C. A.

Women's Christian Association of McMinnville college was organized to develop Christian character among the students. Since its institution in 1887, it has ever proved a power for good in the college." This is the first time that an issue of the college paper is devoted especially to the interests of the only Christian organizations in the school. We hope you may see the important place that these organizations occupy in college life, and also the sacrifice and effort put forth by the students to help and to give spiritual uplift to their school-mates. On other pages will be found histories and statistics showing the development since 1887; also an article on the mission and general scheme, and reports of the past year's work.

The author of the history of the Y. M. C. A. appearing in this issue has experienced considerable difficulty in writing a complete history on account of the records being so defective and incomplete. No records at all could be found for the years prior to 1895, and only the briefest mention could be found in the college catalogue. No copies of old hand books have been kept, and thus another fruitful source of information is wanting. We regret very much that this is the case. The present administration is proposing a movement toward gathering from all available sources the needed items to make the history of the association complete. Can you assist us in this work?

The records of the Young Men's Christian Association of McMinnville College are very incomplete. If any member of the alumni or any friends of the college can furnish any records or information in the form of notes, hand books or personal recollections, especially regarding the work prior to 1895, he will bestow a great favor by sending them to S. K. Diebel, McMinnville, Oregon.



Y. M. C. A. Notes

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, S. K. Diebel; vice-president, Corwin McKee; secretary, Truman Northup; treasurer, J. A. Baker. The new administration is taking hold of the work in a way that promises good for the future.

Several minor improvements in the room and its fixtures have lately been made. The curtain that partitions off the room for Bible study classes has been hung "square with the world," a desk and secretary's table have been put in, and the maps for Bible study have been tastily mounted.

The meetings last month were led by O. A. Stalker, S. K. Diebel and J. A. Baker. One meeting was given to hearing the reports of the chairmen of the various committees. The main features of these reports will likely appear elsewhere in this issue.

The mission study class will soon have completed "Effective Workers in Needy Fields." Mott's "Evangelization of the World in This Generation" will be taken up next. The interest in this class is well sustained, which speaks well for the work of O. A. Stalker and Allen McRea.

Following is the annual report of the Young Men's Christian Association of McMinnville college, April 1, 1903, to March 31, 1904:

The Field—

One hundred and two men have registered during the current school year. Of these sixty-nine are professing Christians and fifty-three members of evangelical churches. The association is the only religious organization in the college which reaches these men.

Membership—

Number of members during year, active.....	40
Number of members during year, associate.....	18
Total.....	58

Bible Study—

Number of classes.....	6
Total enrollment.....	42
Number continuing two months or more.....	32

Average attendance per week..... 25
 Courses: Life of Christ, Acts and Epistles, Teachings of Jesus and His Apostles, Individual Work for Individuals.

Mission—

Number of classes.....	1
Total enrollment.....	10
Average attendance.....	5
Texts used: "Protestant Missions; Their Rise and Early Progress," and "Effective Workers in Needy Fields." Amount contributed to missions, \$4.50.	

Religious Meetings—

Number of weekly meetings.....	30
Average attendance.....	23
Number of daily prayer meetings.....	45
Average attendance.....	3
Number of other meetings.....	11
Average attendance.....	22

Social—

Number of socials held.....	4
Average attendance.....	40

Finance Receipts—

Pledges, dues, etc.....	\$138 20
Disbursements.....	84 84

Cash on hand.....\$ 53 36
 Fifty dollars of this balance is set aside toward paying the expenses of delegates to the Gearhart conference.
 Outstanding pledges, \$11.

Miscellaneous—

Number of delegates sent to Gearhart training conference in June, 1903, four. The association has used its room during the year as a men's study hall and reading room, when not in use for Bible classes or religious meetings. A boarding house register and second hand book store have been maintained, and a religious census has been taken. Five men have accepted Christ during the year as a result of the direct or indirect work of the association.

Y. W. C. A. Notes

The Pacific Coast Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association, to be held at Capitola May 14-25, promises to be one well worth attending. Our last meeting was in charge of the new finance committee, and was devoted wholly to the interests of this conference. Different phases of the life at Capitola were presented, and with the vocal solo by Miss Hay, a very interesting and enjoyable program was rendered. Much enthusiasm is manifested; and our girls and some friends outside of the association have generously responded to the request for personal subscriptions, to be used in sending one or more delegates. Let us all join hands, hearts and brains in the effort to hear and be heard at this conference. The benefit that would come through being well represented at Capitola is almost inestimable. We would get a broader and better knowledge of the Y. W. C. A. movement, the benefit of the experience of those who are foremost in this work in this and other lands, and would be inspired to higher ideals in our work at home.

Our committee on inter-collegiate relations is preparing an exhibit to be sent to Capitola. This will be made up of pictures of student and association life, our college and campus, pennants, posters, programs, etc. The committee will gladly accept contributions and suggestions.

Our new officers were installed at the first meeting this month with a beautiful and most impressive service, prepared by Prof. Grover, Gertrude Preston and Grace McCoskey. We have a strong corps of officers to take up the burden of the work, and this fact, together with the great advance our association has made during the year just past makes our outlook very bright.

During the first week of its service of our membership committee brought in the applications of Prof. Hill, Charlotte Evans, Mae Hay and Carrie McKee for membership.

Our mission class is now thoroughly enjoying the reading of the "Life of John G. Paton." It is certainly a very profitable and interesting way of spending Sunday afternoon.

The work of our "Inasmuch Band" at the poor farm is

growing. Many are becoming interested and being enlisted in this worthy cause.

Our room is fast taking on the appearance of a rest room. The Shakespearean Club has kindly presented us with a comfortable rocker, the Self-Improvement Club with a pretty, bright slumber robe, and other friends with a couch, a screen, rugs and pictures. Some members of the Y. M. C. A. have kindly given their time and efforts toward fitting up this room. For all of these we are very grateful and hope to make the best use of them.

Commercial Notes

Several Commercials have donned white vests.

The Commercials have several promising athletes who bid fair to claim some records this spring.

Several of our number have discontinued their work for this year. We are sorry to lose them.

The Commercials will undoubtedly elect the May queen, as they have the monied men of the school. Hauser and Bertram have sold their large stock of dry goods that they might be able to cast a few votes for the queen.

The Commercials adorned the college walk with "Commercials, '04" in beautiful lavender paint, and the Freshmen apparently tried to cover it up with an old broom, brick dust and coal oil, but did not succeed in doing so.

Miss Ethel Scott, of Grass Valley, has been chosen by the Commercial class as a candidate for May queen. She will certainly have a large majority over all others, as she is popular with all the long course students as well as with her classmates.

The Lyceum society has discontinued its meeting for this year, in order to give the other literary societies of the school time to redeem themselves.

Our man, K. D. Farr, wears a new suit. There must have been "something doing" at the Richardson Clothing Co. last week.

Commercials first, Commercials last, Commercials are the only class.

Sophomore Notes

Miss Baker spent the spring vacation at her home in Stayton.

We have a new member in our class; one whom any class would be proud to include in their number, one whom we are glad to welcome—Miss Hill.

One of the most successful social affairs ever given this year was a banquet tendered to the Freshmen by the Sophomore class. Through the kindness of Mrs. Hodson, Edna's home was thrown open for their enjoyment. The early part of the evening was sweetened with music and spiced with a lively musical guessing contest, during which Miss Kuns, in her charming way, showed what a dreadfully hard time she had when she learned the A B C's. Mr. Stanard proving himself to be the most familiar with popular songs was awarded a song. Mr. Calavan received the booby prize, a french harp. Then all proceeded to the dining-room, where the banquet was served. The room was tastefully decorated with lavender and green colors of the respective classes. The tables ran riot with delicate vines sprinkled with dainty, fragrant violets. Roy Nelson served as toastmaster; Miss Johnson, Mr. Calavan, Mr. Sievers, Mr. McKee and Mr. Dennis responded. At a late hour all departed in high spirits.

Athletic Notes

Athletics present the most propitious aspect that it has presented for many years. Mr. Heater, this season's track coach, took charge of the work April 1. Mr. Heater is the best all-round athlete in the Northwest, and has had considerable experience in track work, having coached the most successful team P. U. ever sent out. Our team is very fortunate in securing his services. All the men are in the best of spirits and a successful spring campaign is assured.

A great addition has been made to this year's team in the person of George Day. Day will probably make the hundred yard dash in ten flat before the season is over. The way he does those hurdles, both high and low, is something magnificent.

"Peanuts" Gray is developing good speed. No one doubts but that he will take first place in all the short dashes.

Elmer Cummings, the crack half mile man and pole vaulter, is again in school. In the tryout last Saturday evening he made the half mile in 2:05½. He will probably make better time than that before the season is over.

On the last Saturday in April a grand May day picnic will be held in the college grove. In the afternoon the track team will hold its final tryout before the season meets. To make it more interesting Mr. Heater will enter the contest. The team will probably score new college records at that time.

Those working with the weights are Hopfield, Rutherford, Calavan, Lillie, Brown, Youngberg and McCabe. From the build of these men we may expect to have some good work in that line.

The way that Hoskins does the high jump is something wonderful. He has never tried to jump higher than 5.7, but makes that height with great ease. Other probable entries for the high jump are Day and Dodson.

Those competing for places in the mile are McCabe, Patty, Sievers, Ward, Reed, Pattison and Houser. These men are doing faithful work and prospects indicate the strongest mile man ever turned out by our college.

Locals

The Lyceum society has disbanded.

A class in Biology has been organized and takes the place of Elementary Botany in the spring term.

W. Lair Thompson '02 made a few days' visit and addressed the students on the 4th inst.

Mr. R. C. Thompson '99, of Boise, Idaho, was a visitor at chapel on the 8th inst.

The Koshaba lecture which had been arranged by the Y. M. C. A. has been postponed indefinitely.

May Greenman had a birthday on March 27th. They say it was the eighteenth.

"Cub" Cummins has registered for the spring term and will be a valuable help in track and field sports.

Prof. F. B. Rutherford has been elected president of the State Prohibition League.

A May day festival is being planned, and voting for May queen is in full force.

Most of the students seem to have enjoyed their spring vacation, and a large number returned and registered for the spring term.

Instead of "Elements of Political Economy" Hadley's "Economics" will be the text book used this term. Pending the arrival of the new books Prof. Northup is lecturing to the class on "Elements of Political Economy."

The Commercial and Freshmen have taken a sudden craze of painting their trade marks on the college walk. If the competition continues we shall soon have the walk entirely painted.

S. K. Diebel closed his singing classes at South Yamhill and Bellevue during the holiday week. He gave concerts at both places. At the latter place Messrs Rutherford, Arthur and McKee assisted him in rendering several quartettes.

The following appeared in one of the town papers, and so far as we know it is authentic: "Notice is hereby given that I, John N. Sievers, have severed all my connections with the Ariston Metron Boarding Club, Chandler Mansion, and Hill Cottage(?), and have taken up my share of the responsibilities as a member of the immortal Bachelor's Shack."

The interest in literary society work is on the rise. The Alpha Delta literary society had almost died a natural death, when an effort was made to revive it, and so far it seems to be successful. A new constitution was adopted at a meeting of the society on Monday evening, the 11th inst., and new officers have been elected.

Our delegation to the state oratorical contest at Forest Grove March 11th behaved itself very well and reports an excellent time. While we did not have a representative in the contest, we were honored in other ways. Prof. Grover was chosen a judge in delivery, and the new constitution presented by K. S. Latourette was adopted without a dissenting vote. Having the second largest outside delegation present we were not by any means behind in yells.



Y. W. C. A. CABINET

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Ch. Mission Com.

MARY JONES, '06
Ch. Social Com.

Prof. Grover entertained the Juniors and Seniors at her home on Tuesday evening, March 29. The main features of the evening were conundrums and Easter stories.

W. P. Dyke represented the college in the state prohibition oratorical contest, held at Philomath on the 8th inst. Mr. Stalker and Mr. Latourette were delegates to the contest. Mr. Dyke represented us well and his work is greatly appreciated, as was shown by the reception tendered him on the evening of his return. Next year the contest will be held with us.

Bits of Y. M. C. A. History

The Y. M. C. A. of McMinnville College is the oldest association of its kind in Oregon. It was organized by L. D. Wisbard in 1887, when, in the tenth year of association work in colleges, the movement began among the colleges of the Northwest. It has had an uninterrupted and growing activity ever since. It speaks well for the spiritual life of "Old McMinnville," that, of all the associations organized in 1887 among Oregon colleges, ours is the only one that has not been reorganized.

Growth expresses in one word the whole history of this association—growth such as is characteristic of the old oak in front of the college, "slow but sure." It has grown numerically, materially, spiritually; and as a result of the last, it has increased in activity along several lines of work.

Judging from the records kept from 1895 on, the association has grown numerically nearly five fold. It has at present a membership of fifty-eight, only eighteen of which are associate members. The average attendance at the meetings, moreover, has more than kept pace with the increase in membership. Eight or nine years ago, the secretary did not find it tedious to write the names of all members present at each meeting, but that has long been abandoned.

The material growth of the association is no less marked than its increase. The minutes of 1896 record that, through the efforts of V. E. Rowton, a permanent room was secured. Minutes of the spring of 1898 state that if the class of 1897 put in an electric plant, the Y. M. C. A. would take three lights for

the use of the room. Later, however, this room had to be given to the college for recitation purposes. In 1899 a fund was started for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building on the campus. One hundred and thirty-five dollars was subscribed for this purpose, D. H. Wolfe, V. E. Rowton, C. F. Grover and J. R. McKillop each subscribing twenty-five dollars. For some unrecorded reason, however, the enterprise was abandoned. This year the association has been granted the use of the commodious room on the ground floor, formerly used as a study room. Good use has been made of it. Reading tables have been put in, the Daily Oregonian, Evening Telegram and other reading matter are always found thereon, and the room is open to all the men as a study room in which good order is maintained. Part of the room is curtained off for the use of cabinet and committee meetings and Bible study classes. Maps of Palestine and St. Paul's Travels are on hand to aid these classes, while through the kindness of Mr. C. H. McKee, the association has had the use of a good organ.

Another item indicative of growth is the finances. In previous years, when money was needed for any special work, steps of various kinds were taken to raise it. This year quite a different plan was inaugurated. Before the year began it was carefully estimated that at least \$126 would be required to carry on the work this year. This budget has been realized and at least \$50 of it will be expended this year in helping delegates to attend the Pacific Coast Conference at Gearhart. So far as the records show, this is by far the largest budget that the association has ever had, and the first attempt to systemize the finances. This phase of the association's life shows, to say the least, a growing appreciation of the importance and dignity of this line of work.

Although the whole history of this organization shows a healthy spiritual life, the progress in this most important phase is certainly encouraging. Here again the word is "forward." Evidences of this may be seen in the work now done in mission and Bible study, attendance at conferences and conventions, and in evangelistic efforts, as compared with that of former years.

In the matter of being represented at the state conventions and summer conferences there is a favorable showing, notwithstanding the fact that former years have done remarka-

bly well in sending delegates to the latter, at Cazadero, California. V. E. Rowton was sent there in the spring of 1896, and in 1900, J. R. McKillop. Records do not show that we were represented in intervening years, though mention is made of attempts to raise funds for this purpose. Last year four delegates, K. S. Latourette, Corwin McKee, O. A. Stalker and Charles Rutherford, attended the first conference held at Gearhart. Attendance at state conventions has been gradually increased ten fold. In 1896, D. C. Williams represented us in the convention held at Eugene; in 1900, S. K. Diebel and W. P. Dyke, "our D. D.'s," represented us at the same place; in 1903 fourteen attended at Newberg; while this year, ten went to Forest Grove. During this time the pledge for state work has been raised from \$5 to \$25.

The improvement in mission and Bible study is also very noticeable. The minutes of November, 1897, say that a mission study class was organized as the result of an address of R. R. Gailey, traveling secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, but nothing more is recorded. Interest in missions was aroused by the College Missionary Society, but no definite course of reading was done. This society was disbanded in the spring of 1903, and its work assumed by the Christian Associations. This year, under the leadership of A. McRea, "The Rise and Progress of Protestant Missions" and "Effective Workers in Needy Fields" have been studied, and a class of ten men are ready to study Mott's "Evangelization of the World in This Generation." Bible study also is receiving more attention than ever before in the history of the association. In this, as in other lines of work, a marked tendency toward independence of outside help is noticeable. In 1898 and 1899 Prof. Northup delivered lectures on "Life of St. Paul," and at other times lectures on the "Parables" and "Old Testament Characters" were given by Prof. H. L. Boardman, then president of the college. In 1902 and 1903, a class composed of members of both Christian Associations was conducted by Rev. L. W. Riley. All of this, however, was of such a nature as not to require daily, personal study. But at present four classes, all led by students, and following systematic courses requiring daily work, are being fairly successfully conducted. Besides these a "Personal Worker's" class has met weekly to study how to win souls for the Master, and a daily prayer-

meeting has been held by a few from 12:50 to 1 P. M. In addition to these evidences of spiritual life, a series of special evangelistic services were held under Y. M. C. A. auspices last March. This is the first time this association has undertaken to conduct a series of such meetings. All this indicates increased spirituality and power, but we have "not yet attained." There is yet room for much improvement.

The spiritual life of the association has ever found expression in practical, tangible activity. In the spring of 1897, the minutes record that members of this organization preached in districts adjoining McMinnville. Individual members, though not always directly under Y. M. C. A. auspices, have regularly supplied several churches, and this year have organized and conducted two Bible schools in district school houses several miles out. Other forms of this activity are visible in the part that the association has taken in aiding registration of students, in disposing of second-hand books for students, and in helping new students to find board and lodging and employment. In the spring of 1903 a canvass was made to find suitable places for board and lodging, and the information was used to good advantage in locating students at the opening of the collegiate year of 1903. It is expected that much more will be done through the employment bureau next year. These fields of activity show that there is a place in college life for the Y. M. C. A., and that it is increasingly filling this place and meeting a felt need, for "The things that influence college life must live on the campus."

In searching for the material for this review, much of it was found in the notes written for Y. M. C. A. notes published in the Review. Mention ought to be made of the faithful editors of these notes just referred to. So far as the author could discover, J. E. Rhodes and A. L. Black, now at Rochester Theological Seminary, edited this department with various alternations. Mention must also be made of the several presidents who have led the association in its achievements. Names of those who served before the year 1894 cannot be found. So far as can be ascertained, presidents are as follows: '94-'95, W. T. Fellows; '95-'96(?), '96-'99, V. E. Rowton; '09-'00, D. H. Wolfe; '00-'02, J. R. McKillop; '02-'04, K. S. Latourette; '04, S. K. Diebel.



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Brief Sketch of the Y. W. C. A.

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No other walls in McMinnville College have given shelter to more diverse gatherings or listened in silence to as many strange voices as those of our chapel. We would be glad if they would tell us of a certain meeting they witnessed seventeen years ago; for our records tell us that on Friday, May sixth, in 1887, "in accordance with previous arrangements a goodly number of lady students and members of the faculty met in the college chapel for the purpose of organizing a Young Woman's Christian Association." On that day a constitution was adopted and one week later officers were elected. Miss Belle Johnson, one of the pioneers of our present conservatory of music, now Mrs. Martin, of Seattle, was the first president.

From its organization to the present time two epochs in the history of the association can be easily distinguished. The first is a decade of beginnings, extending from 1887 to 1897. This is a period of slow but constant growth, the time when the Y. W. C. A. was firmly establishing itself and proving its claim to the first place in the student activities of McMinnville College women. During these days its numerical strength was necessarily small, for the college did not register a large number of women. Only one meeting a week was held, the place varied, sometimes one class room, sometimes another, and at times a kindly opened private parlor. The day of meeting likewise changed, one year Friday, another Wednesday, and still another Thursday. The attendance sometimes averaged twelve, sometimes four or five.

It is of interest to know that during this period three student volunteers, Misses Buzzell, Skinner and Walton, went from our association to the fields of China and Japan. The year preceding her departure Miss Walton was the association secretary. Another name must be mentioned with honor, that of Mrs. Brownson, the wife of the president and the head of the department of Latin and Modern Languages. Mrs. Brownson was president or head councilor for many years and was always a source of courage and never failing strength to the young organization.

Even though this decade of the work was the period of beginnings, a few facts stand out proudly. In the year 1889

five copies of the Evangel, the official organ of the National Y. W. C. A., were taken. The following year ten copies were ordered by association members. Before the period closed the state pledge was as it now is, \$10 annually. From the very beginning the fall reception to new students was an established fact. It is also interesting to read that within one year after organization the first intercollegiate relations were established.

In May of 1897 the association celebrated the tenth year of its organization. Perhaps it was in part to emulate and honor those whose faith and prayers had laid such a firm structure, that the members in '97 began to push the work with such zeal. However that may be, we know that May of 1897 marks the beginning of a year of wonderful progress: That spring the association sent its first delegate to the Pacific Coast Summer Conference at Mills Seminary, California. In the following fall Bible study was emphasized and a class enrolled for definite and regular study. The class met on Friday with Mrs. Brumback as leader. The devotional meetings were held on Wednesday at noon. It was the fall of 1897, too, that marks the organization of the first missionary study class. The class met throughout the year, meeting every Sunday afternoon.

Another deed of lasting value was accomplished during this year. The Friday afternoon periods were shortened, and for the first time the period from 3:20 to 4:00 was definitely set aside and known as the Christian Association hour. Then as the association was growing it felt the increasing need of a room for its own use. As no room in the building seemed more available, the girls, led by the women of the faculty, prepared and painted the northeast room on the second floor that it might be used jointly as the Y. W. C. A. room and the library. It has remained the library ever since, and that no new paint or paper has been applied testifies to the good work of association women.

The Y. W. C. A. has always given itself more or less to deeds of charity. In the years of 1897 and 1898, among its other beneficent acts, it presented a very nice stand cover to the Y. M. C. A. The remains of this gift from sympathetic hearts now covers the desk in Prof. Hill's class room. Such is gratitude.

Though the records are too incomplete to show the total

budget of this first year of the new epoch, or in fact of any other year, still they do show a larger pledge to the state work made and paid in 1898 than any year before or since.

Undoubtedly the event of most importance during this year of progress was the spiritual impetus which came late in the winter. Aside from special services held in the Baptist church, the girls held a series of sunrise prayer meetings. A number of the influential non-Christian girls came to know and consecrate their lives to the Holy One of Israel. The Christian girls, too, saw new beauty in the example of the lowly Nazarene, and so new life and zeal was infused into all the Christian work in the college. And so in all these lines the year following the tenth anniversary marked progress and set the ideals high for the following years.

The past six years have made the vantage ground taken at their beginning the foundation for still larger plans and a broader outlook. With earnest zeal the years have been spent in the endeavor to bring the girls of the school into the association, enlist them in Bible study and give them a definite place in the work of the organization, that their own Christian lives may be deepened and developed, and that they may have a share in bringing their associates into fellowship with the Son of the Living God and in placing first in the lives of the women of McMinnville College the principle that since God is love, love is supreme.

Y. W. C. A. Report

Following is the Y. W. A. report for the year ending April 1, 1904:

Field—Number of young women in institution, 94; number of Christians, 87; number of church members, 67.

Religious Meetings—Number of regular weekly meetings held, 35; average attendance, 40; number of meetings of prayer circles, 8; average attendance, 9; number of evangelistic meetings held, 8; number of other special meetings, 10; number of conversions, 3; number of meetings held in union with Y. M. C. A., 8.

Bible Study—Number of classes organized, 3; total number of classes, 3; number of different courses used, 2; number of student leaders, 1; number enrolled for study, 36; average

attendance at classes, 20; number of meetings devoted to interests of Bible study, 3.

Missions—Number of missionary meetings, 5; average attendance, 40; number of mission study classes, 1; books read, "Little Green God," "Miss Toosey's Mission," "Life of John G. Paton;" total enrollment in class, 12; average attendance at class, 9; number of volumes procured for missionary library, 1.

Membership—Number at beginning of college year, 20; number since received, 30; total number of active members, 40; total number associate members, 6; total number honorary members, 4.

Socials—Number of receptions, 5; average attendance, 45.

Finances—Total amount received during year, \$34.37; amount paid out during the year, \$31.09; amount on hand, \$3.28.

Intercollegiate Relations—Number of meetings devoted to this department, 1; number of letters written, 11; number of letters received, 5; number of subscriptions for Evangel, 1.

Miscellaneous—Number of delegates to state convention, 11; number of visits from traveling secretary, Miss Shields, 3; number of lady members of faculty assisting regularly in the work, 2; number of services conducted at county farm, 3.

Encouraging Features—The work of the association has been put on a more systematic basis this year than ever before. There is a marked growth in spirituality among the members and a greater interest in the work among non-Christian girls. Permanent Bible study courses in "The Gospel According to St. Mark" and "The Life of Christ" have been established. The study of missions, heretofore a dry subject to most girls, has become a matter of great interest and has taken an important place in the association. A flourishing mission study class has been conducted during the latter part of the year. One of the regular meetings each month has been devoted to missionary work and conditions in Japan, and an interesting letter from Miss Morrison, who represents association work in the University of Tokyo, has been received. The religious meetings have been especially interesting and helpful, for many of which much credit is due Mrs. Brumback and Prof. Grover. A number of attractive posters and announcements of the meetings have been made. Through the efforts of the treasurer and finance committee financial conditions

are better than ever before. Though few in number social functions have been elevating and have afforded much pleasure. A room has been given us by the faculty, and through the kindness of friends is being comfortably and attractively furnished.

The Outlook—Any organization with a good foundation and efficient, enthusiastic officers cannot but succeed. The Young Women's Christian Association is well founded. In the cabinet are the most intellectual and capable young women in McMinnville college. At the cabinet meetings the work of each department will be discussed, thus a broader knowledge of the association as a whole will be gained, the members of the cabinet will be aroused to a greater interest in Christian work, each committee will be inspired to do its best, and by the union of all these the association will be strengthened.

For the coming year, the Bible study committee has arranged as an additional course, the study in "Acts and Epistles," and will probably add another. The mission work, in which interest has been thoroughly awakened this year, will receive more attention. So great is the interest in this department that some of the girls seriously contemplate devoting their lives to this work, and before another year has closed, the association hopes to have enlisted several girls as student volunteers. By directing an information bureau, and keeping in touch with the leaders of the work in this and other lands, the inter-collegiate committee will bring the association to such a place that the girls of the college cannot fail to see the advance step the association has gained. The Christian girls intend to set the standard of college social life, and are confident of success. How much this will mean to the association in getting the girls interested, one cannot fully realize.

New life will be given the growing association by the one or more delegates who will attend Capitol this year. The work would be strengthened if more delegates could be sent each year, and this will be possible if a northwestern conference is secured. This question, together with that of diminishing the field of the traveling secretary, Miss Shields, is being considered by the state and American committees. If these questions are carried, which is very probable, it will prove a great blessing to the association.

With an ideal president, efficient officers, willing workers and the co-operation and prayers of loving friends, the outlook of the association is very encouraging.

Second Year Prep. Notes

The regular business meeting of the class was held the first Friday of the spring term, and the following officers were elected: Edwin McKee, president; Edna Rusor, vice-president; May Greenman, secretary; May Hay, class editor.

Merritt Vannatta has returned to his home in Vancouver, Wash.

Prep.—“I’ve been working all day on my Julius Cæsar.”
Freshman—“What’s that; Latin?”

Donna has found her calling. It’s for Diebel.

Conservatory Notes

The concert given by the post graduates at the opera house, April 13th, was a success from an artistic standpoint, and those who could not attend missed a treat they will not often hear. The members showed careful training and constant study. The rendition of Samson’s “Delilah,” by Miss Patty, and “Pensa Alla Patria,” by Miss Fraker, deserve especial mention and were well appreciated.

Prof. Spangler will represent the conservatory as pianist at the annual choral concert at Yreka, California, on Friday, April 22d.

Miss Floy Kesson, Miss Tawney, Mrs. Kindred and the Misses Patty, Fraker and Latourette, from the conservatory, will attend the Shumann-Heink concert in Portland.

The next private recitals will be given on Tuesday, April 26th, and Friday, 28th.

The marriage of Miss Jennie Crawford, of the class of 1902, is announced to take place in the near future.

Miss Bessie Briedwell, '02, was a visitor April 14th.

Citizens' Prize Contest

The oratorical contest for the citizens' prize was held in the college chapel on the evening of March 21. There were three contestants, Messrs. Thompson, Cook and Sievers, repre-

senting the junior, sophomore and freshman classes, respectively. The program opened with a piano solo by Miss Sears. Then followed “The Destiny of the Republic,” by F. H. Thompson; “Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities,” B. C. Cook; “Savanarola,” J. N. Sievers. Between the orations and while awaiting the decision of the judges, competitive yelling was freely indulged in by the classes represented in the contest. Mr. Thompson was awarded first place and Mr. Sievers second. Rev. Mr. Hamilton, Wm. Haggarty and R. L. Conner acted as judges.

Fragments

“The ones who think our jokes are poor
Would straightway change their views,
Could they compare the jokes we print
With those that we refuse.”—Ex.

A young lady of Whitman college was suspended for attending a dance without permission.

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And keep kinder looking out,
Er th' librarian'll get you,
If you don't watch out.—Ex.

President Schurmann, of Cornell, is said to have declared that students should apportion their time thus: Study, 11 hours; sleep, 8 hours; meals, 2 hours; athletics, 2 hours; recreation, 1 hour. Evidently the worthy president is the victim of a printer's error. It is clear on the face of it that athletics should take the 11 hours and study two, or an arrangement like this: Study, 1 hour (once a week); meals, 1 hour; sleep, 8 hours; athletics, 16 hours (2 hours can be gained by leaving out time for study and meals). And, further, President Schur-

mann declares that a soft chair prevents study, the best work being done in a hard chair. And the brain such a sensitive organ.

Here's to the College Y. M. C. A. boys,
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Debate

The college debate between Albany and McMinnville, held in the college chapel last Wednesday evening resulted in a victory for the McMinnville team. The question for debate was: "Resolved, That, taken as a whole, the institutions of which the United States Steel Corporation and the Standard Oil Co. are types, are economic evils in the United States." Albany's team was, W. L. Marks, W. M. Wire and L. Hunt. They upheld the affirmative, and K. S. Latourette, J. B. Dodson and W. Dyke upheld the negative for McMinnville. The debate was very closely and evenly contested, both sides producing good argument, and showing the result of hard work in preparation. The judges, President Ferrin, of Pacific University; M. W. Smith, of Portland, and Mr. Ballentine, of Dayton, gave the decision to the negative by a vote of two to one. Prof. Spangler and the Glee Club furnished the music for the occasion. A good deal of "rooting" was indulged in by the students, yells being given impartially for both sides. After the decision of the judges was announced, the usual demonstration followed, the successful speakers being carried off the platform on the shoulders of a crowd of enthusiastic students. After the debate a banquet was given by the literary societies to the judges, faculty, debating teams and a number of students. During the course of the banquet, a number of toasts were responded to by various ones present. On April 15 the McMinnville team will uphold the same side of the same question against the Monmouth team. The debate will take place here in the college chapel, and will decide the championship of the Collegiate Debating League of Oregon. Representatives from Pacific College will also be present, this being the date of the annual business meeting of the league. Monmouth will be represented by Graves Crowley, Fred Crowley and W. R. Rutherford. This will be one of the most exciting debates that McMinnville has ever seen, as the home college is anxious to retaliate for the drubbing that the Monmouth debaters gave her two years ago. A large audience is expected.

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