

THE UNIVERSITY OF N. C. A. PROGRAM OF A GREAT WORK

The Eighteen Years an Important Chapter in the Life of the State University, the Movement Has Received a New Impetus by Reason of the Handsome New Building—Description of the Building and an Outline of the Scope of the Work Done Among the Students—Some of the Folks Who Are Prominent in the Work

Written for The Observer. The opening of the building of the Young Men's Christian Association at the University of North Carolina a few months ago was more of an epoch than an event, not only in college life, but as a matter of State interest as well. The policy of the Young Men's Christian Association everywhere it is established, whether for young men of the large city, the small town, of the railroad, the army, the navy, the school or the college, has been to adopt its work to meet the conditions, supplying under the proper religious influences such needs as are required by those whom it is established to serve. The association work of the larger colleges has been made many times more effective by having a building on the campus, owned and controlled by the association.

For the past eighteen years the association work at the State University has been an important factor in college life and the good results have been far-reaching and permanent. Numbers of young men have come under its influence while students, who afterward gave their lives to some branch of Christian service. The association there has stood at the very front of Southern college associations. About twelve years ago the students realized the need for a building and at that time the movement began, which resulted in the erection of the present handsome home of the association. The early struggles of the students in their efforts to secure the building involved many instances of sacrifice. The story is told of one young man, who was working his way through college, who wore a straw hat all winter in his effort to save as much as possible for his subscription to the building fund.

THE BUILDING.

The building proper contains two stories and has an auditorium in the rear. On the left of the entrance is a small clean room and office on the right the stairway. Beyond this is a reception hall having two rooms on the right and two on the left, and beyond these rooms is the entrance to the auditorium. On the second floor are four rooms and the secretary's office. The building has been, from the first, the social center of the campus and in its rooms are held practically all of the meetings of the committees that direct the various affairs of the students. There is such demand for rooms for these committee meetings that the building has already proven inadequate at times. Most of the banquets of the students have been held in the association reading room. It is also the headquarters for all of the college publications and has become the new center of the campus.

During the winter weather when students are compelled to seek their pastimes indoors the game room has been full to overflowing and every afternoon and night many find recreation in playing the various games provided by the association.

The value of the building in the social life of the students can hardly be estimated. Not only is it used as a meeting place, as indicated above, but in connection with the work for new students it has been the means of emphasizing the usefulness of the association in a very practical way.

WORK FOR NEW STUDENTS.

In the spring and summer special committees write to the preparatory schools of the State and get as many names as possible of those who expect to enter the University in the fall. Later in the summer additional names are supplied by the registrar of the University and from this full list the association sends letters to the prospective students, signed by some officer, who offer the services of the association in any possible way.

Special committees are delegated to meet all incoming trains when the new students arrive in the fall, who take them first to the association building, where an information bureau is established in regard to registering, securing of rooms, mapping out of courses, etc. In addition to this, the reception committee sees that new men are introduced and in other ways emphasizes the welcome extended to them. If an old student of the 80's or early 90's were to go there at the opening of the college year he would find a strong contrast to the reception accorded him as a freshman. The derisive yell of "fresh" on every side and the whistling accompaniment that formerly greeted new men have been supplanted by something better.

In addition to the practical service personally rendered by the special committees a name book is given to the new students, which contains more detailed information about the University and in this branch of the association work it not only serves the students, but is a great help to the University and relieves the college officers of many details at the busiest time of the year.

After the new men are fully registered by the University and the work of the year begun the membership committees go to the registrar and get a complete list of the names and such data as students are required to give when registering, regarding age, school or college previously attended, church membership or church preference, etc., and with this information in hand they begin an early campaign for members. This is done at a time when the services rendered by the association are fresh in the minds of the students and thus at the very beginning an effort is made to get the new men identified with the Young Men's Christian Association. In this way a large number are interested who otherwise might be indifferent.

BIBLE STUDY DEPARTMENT. Perhaps the most effective religious work of the association is done through its Bible classes. There were during the past year one hundred and eighty-two members enrolled in these classes, all of them under trained leaders who intelligently conducted the work of the classes in their charge.

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"I paid out a great many dollars, both for doctors and patent medicines, and no benefit only for the time.

"One day, looking through a Peruna almanac, I saw how many had been benefited by using Peruna. I at once wrote Dr. Hartman and stated my health. He promptly replied, 'I followed his directions, and after taking four bottles of Peruna can stand on my feet and work all day with comfort. The pain in my back and head have entirely left me, and I am not nervous, and can say I am completely cured from all kidney trouble.'

Pe-ru-na Restored Health.

Mrs. William H. Cottrill, 118 High St., Westley, R. I., writes: "I am perfectly restored to health as regards catarrh. Peruna has been a sure and reliable cure for me. I have passed a very fine winter as regards my health. I have tried different remedies, but Peruna is the right thing for me. I cannot speak too highly of it. I heartily recommend it to every one."

Both Depend on Peruna.

Mr. C. P. Griffin, box 10, Wilmington, Del., writes: "My wife and myself have been greatly benefited. I wish to say to all who suffer with such an unpleasant disease, catarrh, that they should try Peruna. My wife and I are taking your medicine now."

Had Doctored for Seven Years.

Mr. Andor Kies, 512 E. 18th St., Kansas City, Mo., writes: "I cannot thank you enough for being cured. For seven long years I doctored steadily for my catarrh and cough, which cost me hundreds of dollars.

"But my catarrh grew worse all the time. Even though I was under the treatment of some of the most famous doctors, I still had a terrible cough and thought sometimes that I would choke. I could get no air.

"I then bought a bottle of Peruna, and that evening and all night my wife gave it to me, according to the directions, and I felt better the following day already. Three days later I felt much improved, and, to-day, after the use of the fourth bottle, I feel entirely cured.

"I can conscientiously recommend this grand medicine to every citizen."

Headache and Neuralgia.

Mrs. M. Kliner, 248 E. 36th St., S. E., Cleveland, Ohio, writes: "I had suffered for a good many years previous to taking Peruna, and ever since I can say that I do not know what headache or neuralgia is."

A Good Appetite.

Peruna very promptly produces a vigorous appetite. It is especially applicable to those people who have lost their relish for food. They get up in the morning with coated tongue, and do not care for breakfast. They drag along through the forenoon, sit down to dinner with a languid appetite, or perhaps a distaste for food. And so on through the day.

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Chronic Nasal Catarrh.

Mr. Charles H. Stevens, 122 Sixteenth St., Detroit, Mich., writes: "It affords me great pleasure to testify to the merits of Peruna as a remedy for catarrh.

"I suffered for some time with chronic nasal catarrh, but after five months' treatment, during which time I used seven bottles of Peruna, I am pleased to say that I am entirely well, there not being the slightest trace of catarrh left."

Catarrh of Head and Colds.

Mrs. F. E. Henderson, 221 9th street, Milwaukee, Wis., treasurer of the Schiller Club, writes:

"I never had any faith in patent medicines until I tried Peruna, but my experience with this reliable medicine has taught me that there is one which can be trusted and which will not fall in time of need.

"For the past few years I have found that I caught cold easily, which would settle in a most unpleasant catarrh of the head. I had to be especially careful about being out of evenings, and not to get chilled when dressed thin for parties, but since I have used Peruna my general health is improved, and my system is in such good condition that even though I am exposed to inclement weather it no longer affects me.

"I have a splendid appetite and enjoy life, being in perfect health."

Catarrh and Weak Nerves.

Mrs. Francisca Ludgering, Cornwall, Cal., writes: "I was troubled for years with catarrh and weak nerves. In the year of '96 I began to use Peruna and Manalin, and obtained Dr. Hartman's free advice. His medicine cured me, and also cured my daughter."

Stomach Trouble.

Mr. Aug. Gerling, Troy, Ill., writes: "I have suffered for several years with stomach trouble. I have taken Peruna, and find myself in a very good condition now."

Peruna his Traveling Companion.

Mr. August Haase, St. Anthony, Du Bois county, Indiana, writes:

"I was troubled much with catarrh for several years. I was advised to take Peruna and used two bottles of it, which did me much good.

"I decided to see my old home in Germany again, after an absence of forty years, and bought a bottle of Peruna to take with me on my way. Whenever I would have symptoms of catarrh I would take Peruna, and so was very well while going over. I would advise every one who crosses the ocean to take Peruna along.

"I was in Germany nine months and during that time had no attacks. I was then sixty-six years old.

"Last winter I took cold and got catarrh of the head. I took Peruna and was helped.

"Everybody who is troubled with catarrh should take Peruna."

Catarrh of Kidneys.

Judge C. J. Park, R. F. D. No. 1, Buckhead, Ga., writes:

"For a long time I was troubled with catarrh of the kidneys, and after taking Peruna, I feel like a new man. I think it the greatest catarrh medicine of the age, and believe it will cure any case of catarrh on record.

"Rest assured that Peruna will ever be highly praised and recommended by myself."

Says Peruna Saved Her Life.

Miss Ella L. Matthews, box 111, Hill City, Tenn., writes:

"I find much pleasure in writing you to let you know that I have been taking your wonderful tonic, Peruna. From experience I have decided that there could be no greater medicine in the world than Peruna.

"Several physicians had pronounced my disease as consumption. I had been a sufferer for several years and was growing weaker all the while, until I could hardly walk across my room.

"I was so fortunate as to get a Peruna book, and after reading it carefully I decided Peruna was the remedy for me, so I began taking it. Today my health is better than it has been since I had the measles ten years ago.

"I cannot express half the praise which is due to Dr. Hartman for his great and wonderful remedy and his advice regarding health. I do not think I would be living this present day had it not been for Peruna.

"I am ever ready to praise Peruna to my friends. I have insisted on several persons trying Peruna and they were greatly pleased with it. I keep Peruna in my home, and when I feel that it is necessary I take it. If there is anything I can do to assist you in selling this wonderful medicine, Peruna, I would gladly do so."

"In a later letter Miss Matthews says 'I regard Peruna as a very important friend, and I cannot say too many words of praise for Peruna.'"

deducted the work of the classes in their charge.

These meetings are usually held on Sunday at 12:30, and the classes in all involve about twenty groups of young men who meet in different rooms for discussion of lessons prepared during the preceding week. The time for these meetings is forty-five minutes, and the discussions are informal. No special creed or denominational influence prevails, but a devotional and sacred study is made of the Bible itself. The classes are so divided as to require some work and thought on the part of the student, and in that way result in real benefit.

In preparing the lessons for the Sunday Bible study meetings the students are urged to observe during the week what is known as the "morning watch," which means the setting aside of a few minutes each morning before breakfast for Bible study and meditation. This time of day has been chosen as the most suitable for the reason that the mind is clear and easily impressed and may then be best fortified against the irritating things that may follow in observing the harder duties of the day. No doubt many deep and inspiring truths are fixed in the minds and characters of the students through this observance of the morning watch.

COMMUNITY WORK.

In addition to the work among the students of the University the association has a department which gives attention to the religious work of the village and neighboring country communities by supplying leaders for prayer meetings, and teachers in Sunday schools. This serves not only to give the community the advantage of having trained men as religious leaders, but it also serves to more closely identify the University with the people of the community and in that way perform a real social service. The earlier history of all colleges is replete with traditional feuds between the students and the people of the community where the colleges are located. The college Young Men's Christian Association has practically eliminated all of this bad feeling and established, where possible, co-operation instead of distrust and enmity.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A very important part of all college association work is in the study of foreign missions and the great student volunteer movement, through which hundreds of college men have volunteered as missionaries to the foreign field, gives evidence of the positive results of this department. A number of University men are now actively serving as missionaries. At the University something like 2250 a year is paid by the students toward the support of a missionary in the foreign field, and the committee on missionary work has occasional public missionary meetings devoted to the presentation of some specific field, in addition to the study of the general subject of missions.

TRAINED LEADERS.

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the association appoints delegates to attend the summer conferences for college associations, which for the past few years has been held at Asheville. These delegates are usually selected with regard to their ability as leaders in association work, and at these summer conferences they have the opportunity of studying under the best authorities, not only of this country, but of the world, and of learning of the best and most practical methods in all lines of association work. The men thus selected are usually from the sophomore and junior classes, as it is, of course, necessary to have delegates who will return to participate in the work of the following year.

The University association has a general secretary, Mr. F. B. Rankin, who gives his entire time to the work. Mr. Rankin graduated in the class of 1901 and while in college was a member of the University football team. The assistant general secretary, Mr. A. F. Jackson, has been most active and effective as a co-worker with Mr. Rankin, especially in the summer of 1906 when they canvassed the State together to secure funds to complete the building. Mr. Jackson expects to go to the foreign field as a missionary.

Some idea may be had of the importance of the work by the business statement of the association. It shows that a total of \$274.37 passed through the hands of the general secretary for the college year ending June 1906. These figures merely cover the ordinary expenses of the association and are exclusive of any funds connected with the building. The budget of the association provides for lectures, a University calendar, Bible study literature, mission study literature, a student handbook and a University directory. President Venable, of the University, says in regard to the work: "I regard such an organization as essential not only here but in every educational institution. The quiet unobtrusive living of the high beliefs which its members profess is one of the greatest forces for good that I can think of. I welcome the presence of the association here. I regard it as a privilege to further all proper plans for its advancement."

ANNUAL MEETING.

Stockholders of Scotland Neck Bank Declare a Dividend of 8 Per Cent, Showing Prosperous Condition—Of-Boers Re-Elected. Special to The Observer.

Scotland Neck, March 30.—Yesterday the annual stockholders' meeting of the Scotland Neck Bank was held in the office of the bank, with a good representation present. The affairs of the bank are in good condition, the business showing a good increase since the last annual meeting. A dividend of 8 per cent was declared, and the cashier was instructed to issue checks to the stockholders. Besides the dividend declared the bank has a strong surplus.

The old officers were re-elected as follows: President, A. McDowell; vice president, F. C. Gregory; of tellers, cashier, Frank P. Shields, Capt. W. R. Bond is retained as assistant cashier. The discount committee: Dr. R. M. Johnson, N. B. Joney, G. Hoffman and Frank P. Shields. The stockholders present from out of town were Messrs. C. H. Baker and F. L. Salisbury, of Hamilton, and R. E. Robinson, of Palmyra.

bank in 1891, but was reorganized as a stock company in 1903, and has prospered under both conditions. In nothing else has Halifax county made more development than in the banking business. There are 7 banks in the county—2 in Enfield, 2 in Weldon, one in Littleton, one in Roanoke Rapids and one in Halifax. There is also another new bank building in construction in Scotland Neck. It will be completed and open for business in a few weeks. All the banks in the county have good deposits, which shows that the financial conditions of the people is good.

FOOD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

The Minnesota Dairy and Food Commission's analysis shows that Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar and Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar contained opiates and croton oil. Opiates are poisons and croton oil is a violent poisonous purgative. Refuse to accept any but Foley's Honey and Tar in a yellow package. Foley's Honey and Tar contains no opiates or dangerous drugs and is the best cough and cold cure.

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