

REVIEW OF THE YEAR'S WORK

Of the Young Men's Christian Association by Retiring President
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Our association year begins the first of April, to allow the new officers to become accustomed to their work before the opening of college in the fall.

Last year's work was along lines laid out in the association policy. Following is a general statement of the results accomplished in each department except Boys' department, which appears elsewhere:

It has been the policy of the association to give an invitation to every man in the University to enter Bible study. Last spring a thorough canvass was made. Last September and October, the freshmen were urged to join classes. The results are encouraging because of the steady growth in attendance. Five classes have been conduct-

peated this spring. By means of stag and Joint socials, banquets and Bible study picnics the association gets the students together through the year at convenient times for a pleasant social hour.

Meetings are held weekly and are aimed to supply a place where men may come and enter into an hour of praise and worship to God. These meetings should be taken advantage of by all the men of the University.

Few students have applied for work this year. Of those that have, several have secured employment through Mr. Lyman, the general secretary.

The Book Exchange has a good supply of second-hand books for next year. Anyone wishing to dispose of second-hand books that will be used next year can do so by leaving them in the Book Exchange.

The Y. M. C. A. library contains one hundred volumes on Missions and

PROFESSOR FREDERIC S. DUNN

Writes an Felicitious Article for the Association Issue of the Weekly.

I was seated at the table, ready to write my eulogium upon the Y. M. C. A., when, lo!—there first floated gently in from the adjoining room and at last swept tumultuously into my whole being the delicious chords of an aria from Gaul's "Holy City."

"Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard,

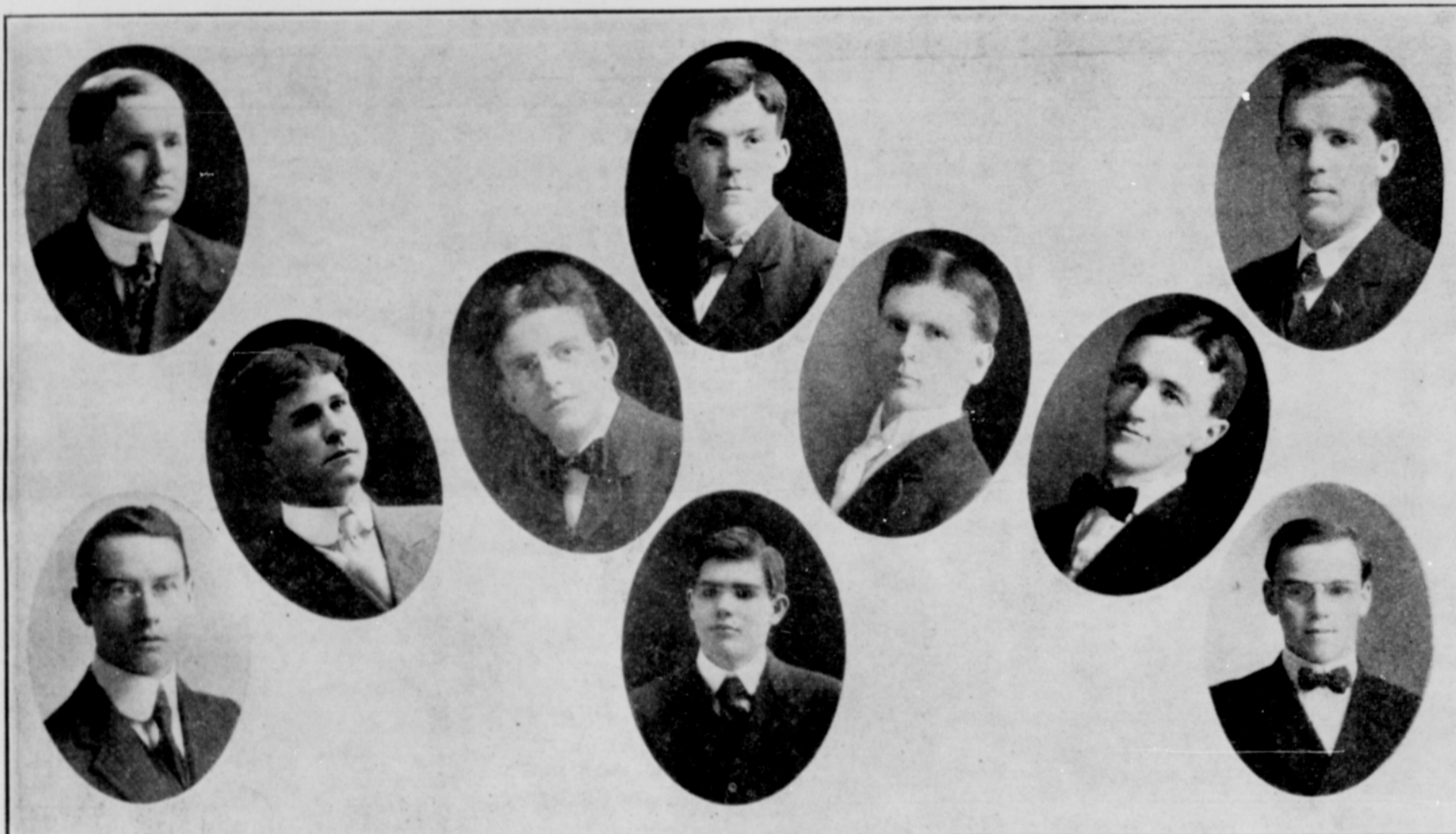
Neither have entered into the heart of man

The things which God, which God hath prepared

For them that love Him; the things which God

Hath prepar'd, prepar'd for them that love Him."

And somehow, just from the chance refrains my sister struck from the in-



Y. M. C. A. CABINET, 1908-09

ed with an attendance of twenty-five. The work is carried on by men who have had systematic Bible study. Bible study is the back bone of the association.

Archbishop Whately said: "If our religion is not true, we ought to change it. If it is true, we are bound to propagate that which we believe to be the truth." Our association is acting on this principle. The Mission study courses aim to arouse the students to the non-Christian world's need for Christianity. One course has been completed this year and another is being organized. The courses are intensely interesting, dealing with existing conditions in non-Christian lands. Anyone will find these courses profitable from a general educational standpoint.

The Stag Social and the Joint Social, both of which were given at the beginning of college were largely attended. The Y. M. C. A. took trips up the Willamette and on the McKenzie last spring. No doubt the trips will be re-

helps for Bible students. This library is open to all students.

There are 116 members out of 260 men in the University, or about 45 per cent of the men students. Most of these are active members. Thirty-six of this number have been serving on committees during the past year.

The expenses from September, '07, to June, '08, were estimated to be \$640, distributed as follows: Meetings, \$50; Conference, \$135; State and National pledges, \$50; secretary's salary, \$300; sidewalk \$25.00, sundries \$82.00. The expenses will amount to a little more than this. The cement sidewalk recently constructed on the Association's property just west of the Campus, cost the Association \$108.75. It will require about \$675.00 to cover the expenses for the year.

A joint meeting of the Eutaxian, Laurean and Philologist societies is a prospective event of interest.

Whitman College is to have an additional endowment of \$2,000,000.

strument, the two are now a beautiful harmony in my mind,—I can not dissociate them,—the "Holy City" and the Y. M. C. A.—they are both beautiful to me. How absolutely impossible it is to tell the fathomless charm of the oratorio on the one hand, while only those who know can begin, in an infinitesimal sort of way, to estimate the circumference cut into the great heart of the Alma Mater by the radii from her Y. M. C. A. The place of the Association?—at the heart of that Alma Mater. The place of the Association?—that same place which the cup of cool water assumes in the fevered conscience of the typhus-patient,—he stretches out his trembling hands toward it,—it is past all naming to him. Shame to the unthinking citizen or the listless student who would belittle the Y. M. C. A. or its sister Association. They are twin pearls in the brooch of good fame our University of Oregon has come to own and to wear upon her heart,—pearls that glow and gleam with a fadeless lustre.