

County Y Carries Association Program to Boys and Young Men of Small Towns and Communities

SPLENDID RESULTS OBTAINED BY WORK IN MARION COUNTY

Seventeen Clubs Numbering 353 Boys Now Operating Under Direction of County Organization—Activities of Association Numerous and Varied and Touch Every Phase of Boy Life

The County Work Department of the Young Men's Christian Association attempts to carry to the boys and young men of the small towns and the rural districts the four-fold program which the city association holds out to the boys and young men of the larger centers of population.

own separate fields without conflict or duplication of effort. The activities of the county association are numerous and varied. Most of this work is carried on through Hi-Y clubs, Junior-Y clubs and Pioneer clubs. Meetings are held weekly to meet with an adult in charge as club leader although the boys have their own organization so far as the officers of the club are concerned and conduct the meetings themselves.

Father and son banquets are conducted under the auspices of the various local committees wherever possible. Already this year three such banquets have been held at Woodburn, Stayton and Turner with 190 fathers and

on boy problems, encourage attendance at Sunday school and church, conduct special Sunday afternoon meetings for boys and men and conduct services in the various churches of the town and community. In addition to these trips the Stayton Hi-Y club has made two trips to small outlying towns under the leadership of Prof. O. V. White. Three Sunday afternoon meetings for men have been conducted under the auspices of the county association so far this year, two at Stayton and one at Woodburn with attendances aggregating 118. Out of these several activities have come 60 Christian decisions, 17 boys have joined church and 64 men and boys have taken forward steps or reconsecrated their lives to Christian service.

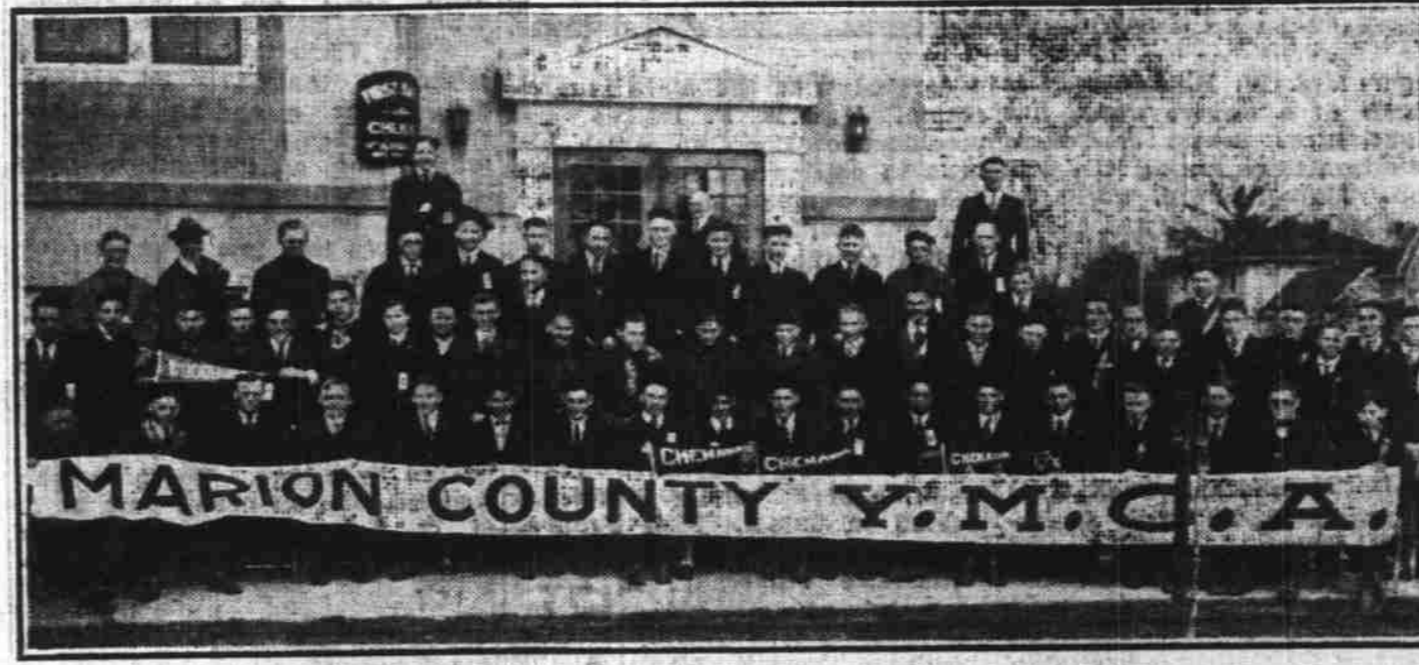
At the annual convention of the county association at Stayton last November there were 140 men, women and boys present from every corner of the county, indicating the widespread interest this movement has gained since its introduction to Marion county less than four years ago. Forty boys and leaders attended the Hi-Y conference at Silverton last October, and Marion county, outside of Salem, sent 55 delegates to the Willamette Valley Older Boys' conference at Eugene last December. Twenty-one delegates, ten of whom were boys representing Hi-Y clubs, attended the Interstate 'Y' convention at Portland, last week.

COUNTY 'Y' HAS GOODS

Report Shows What Organization Does in Marion

A few figures that are only a fraction of the real facts:	
No. of organized groups	17
No. of boys in these groups	353
Men serving on Committees and as club leaders	57
Men volunteering other service	38
Deputation trips	5
Hi-Y Gospel Teams	2
Sunday afternoon Men's Meetings	3
No. men and boys present	118
Christian decisions	60
(25 boys at Training school, have no opportunity to join church.)	
Joined church	17
Forward steps	64
Father and Son Banquets	3
Fathers and sons present	190

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Marion County Delegation to State Older Boys' Conference

YOUNG BOYS TO BE ORGANIZED

County Association Introducing Work for Boys From 12 to 15 Years

With a view to reaching the younger boys, the boys from 12 to 15 years of age, the Marion county Y. M. C. A. is introducing the Pioneer work of its Christian Citizenship Training Program into the county. Already one Pioneer club has been organized at Woodburn and several other groups of these younger boys are being lined up for Pioneer clubs, according to Secretary Sociolofsky of the county association.

"Experience has proved that it is always best to follow natural tendencies in boy nature in trying to carry on a program that will be effective in the results desired," declared Secretary Sociolofsky in commenting upon the Christian Citizenship Training Program of the county association. "Our desire in introducing the Pioneer work into this county is to direct these natural tendencies

CLUB MEMBER SEES GOOD IN 'Y' PROGRAM

High School Student Speaks Good Word for Work of Association

(By RONALD M. HUBBS)

Member Silverton Jr-Y Club Anyone who takes an active interest in the 'Y' work of Marion county can readily see the benefits of this organization, but I doubt if there are many of them who appreciate the work done more than the boys who have come directly under its influence.

The participants and organizers of 'Y' clubs have seen the great responsibility of banding together those who are perpetuating Christianity. Through this medium, many boys have been taught the principles that serve as a basis to Christian character.

The greatest factor, perhaps, in extending these principles, is the

HI-Y CLUBS GREAT FACTOR FOR GOOD

Program Described as Only Link Between School and Church

By O. V. WHITE

Supt. of Schools, Stayton, Oregon

The high school student as such, has no organized connection with the church while pursuing his active school duties and conversely the church has no organized grip on the life of the school.

The Hi-Y presents a well organized and spiritual program with a fascinating seriousness which at once appeals to the thoughtful and worth while boy.

As I view it the Hi-Y is the only organized Christian machine with power and virility enough to command the respect and elicit the many support of our strong boys in school.

The Hi-Y finds the boy in the school room, the laboratory or on the ball field and there presents to him a program, which makes Christianity at once vital and all-embracing since it touch-

SUMMER CAMP CALLS TO BOYS

Olallie Lake Site to Be Fitted Up As Permanent Camp by Y. M. C. A.

Probably no other feature of the varied activities carried on by the county Y. M. C. A. carries with it so great an attraction to boy nature as does the annual camp.

Although it is still several months before the opening of the next camp the 11 or 12 boys from Marion county who attended the state 'Y' camp at Salmon river last year are already "rarin' to go" to the next camp, taking with them as many more of their friends who have heard of the wonders of camp life from those who have enjoyed the experience.

Olallie Lake, situated at the base of Olallie Butte in the extreme northeastern corner of Marion county, has been selected as the site of the next camp and, as is hoped, the permanent camp for the Oregon associations.

Olallie lake is a mile and a half long and three-fourths of a mile wide, has a rock bottom and the water is sufficiently warm during the summer months for swimming. Olallie Butte, just back of the lake is a large mountain, over 7000 feet high, from

'Y' IS NOT IN COMPETITION WITH CHURCH

Worth While Work Believed Being Done by County Association

(By A. E. AUSTIN, of Woodburn) Member Marion County 'Y' Committee.

The religious program of the Marion County Y. M. C. A. is one of the outstanding and worthwhile activities of the organization.

This work is not prompted in competition with or in duplication of the regular church program in the communities where the 'Y' is functioning but it is in cooperation with and doing additional work in the organization of boys' week day Bible study classes in connection with Hi-Y clubs and younger boys organizations.

The county secretary has assisted in the organization of Bible study groups at the Boys' Training school and the Indian school at Chemawa where a goodly number of boys have been helped



Woodburn Hi-Y Club—A Representative Group

Bible Study at Salmon River Camp

promotion of better manhood. It has no equipment except such as each local organization cares to provide or such as is made available for the use of its members by churches, schools and other organizations. Its staff consists of one paid secretary who is the executive officer of the county committee and all of its activities are directed by this secretary through volunteer local committees upon the authority and advice of a volunteer county committee.

The Marion county association, now in its fourth year, numbers 353 active boy members divided into 17 different groups. In addition to these members there are 57 men who have volunteered their services either as members of the county committee, local committees or leaders of clubs. The expenses incident to the maintenance of the county organization are met by voluntary contributions from scores of men and women throughout the county, who, in that manner, show their interest in the association and its four-fold program.

Edwin Sociolofsky, a Salem boy and a graduate of Willamette university, is executive secretary of the Marion county association, and he has associated with him a group of 19 men from all sections of the county directing the work as a county committee. Luther J. Chagin of Salem is chairman of this committee, W. L. Kaser of Salem is vice-chairman, B. W. Youel of Silverton is secretary and Frank E. Brown of Salem is treasurer. The other members of this committee are A. E. Austin and F. E. Fagan of Woodburn; Sam H. Brown, A. M. Byrd and John S. Harper of Gervais; T. O. Davis of Jefferson; L. L. Hershberger and L. C. McShane of Hubbard; Geo. W. Hubbs, H. L. Stenberg and M. C. Woodard of Silverton; W. A. Weddle and O. V. White of Stayton; A. L. Lindbeck and Paul B. Wallace of Salem.

Through the courtesy of the Salem city association, the county organization has been allowed office space in the city 'Y' here but except for this there is no connection between the city and county organizations, each filling their

sons getting together for heart to heart talks on man and boy problems at the two banquets. Plans are now on foot for similar banquets at Jefferson, Silverton, Hubbard and Gervais.

Nine prominent and able speakers have addressed student body assemblies at high and grade schools throughout the county already this year under the auspices of the county association. These include the Rev. Ward Willis Long of Salem, Prof. J. T. Mathews of Willamette University, Prof. C. M. Panunzio of Willamette University, Prof. Roy R. Hewitt of the Oregon Agricultural college, J. S. Landers, president of the Oregon State Normal school at Monmouth; George M. Brown, associate justice of the Oregon supreme court and A. E. Yoent, executive secretary of the Oregon-Idaho Y. M. C. A. Arrangements have been made for speaking tours by Dean John Straub of the University of Oregon, Prof. J. L. Hopkins of the Pacific university and Fred Lockley, feature writer for the Oregon Journal. It is estimated that 5000 students have attended the meetings already held and the attendance at similar meetings yet to be held is expected to bring the grand total of boys and girls reached through this avenue during the year up to more than 7000.

Six community sings have been conducted by the association so far this year, two at Gervais, three at Stayton and one at Marion with an aggregate attendance of 775.

Eight high school sings have been conducted with attendances aggregating 1600. Three of these were at Silverton, two at Stayton, two at Woodburn and one at Hubbard.

Through arrangement with the county association the Willamette University deputation team has visited Stayton twice and Gervais and Woodburn and Silverton once each for the purpose of interesting boys and young men in the Christian life. These trips generally cover three days during which the deputation team members engage in hiking trips with boys of the community, conduct conferences

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TERMS BEGIN:

Spring Term.....March 26, 1923
Summer Term.....June 18, 1923
Fall Term.....Sept. 24, 1923

Students may enter any of the courses with equal advantage at the beginning of any one of the four quarters of the year.

whose summit can be seen Mt. Hood, Mt. Adams, Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Rainier on the north while to the south, Mt. Jefferson, Three Fingered Jack, the Three Sisters, Mt. Washington and the Diamond Points and many other smaller mountains are easily visible.

Around Olallie Butte are situated and visible from its crest some 40 different lakes, all within reasonable hiking distance. Jefferson park is only ten miles from Olallie lake and is easily accessible by trail now and will be by auto road within a few years. This is unquestionably one of the beauty spots of the Cascades and with its many interesting sights and side trips made the Olallie country a very desirable location for a permanent camp site.

Here it is expected to erect cabins for the accommodation of campers and to provide such other conveniences as will add to the joy of camp life. The forestry department has promised its cooperation in the improvement of this site and in making it accessible. The lake is not entirely accessible at the present time but there will be within the next two or three years an automobile road to the lake itself. At the present time it will be necessary to pack in from Detroit, which handicap, however, cannot deter the real camper from taking advantage of the wonderful opportunity which is here presented.

Swimming, fishing, boating and hiking such as can be found only in the hills and lakes of the Pacific northwest, will be offered to the boys who attend the Olallie camp next August in endless variety. But this will not constitute the entire camp program by any means. Able leaders will be in attendance to direct the activities of the boys into the proper channels and out-door Bible study will be a feature of each day's program with every boy in camp participating.

Here is the daily schedule of activities and a sample of the Bible study lessons used:

- Daily schedule.
- 6:30 Revellie.
- 6:35 Setting up exercises.
- 6:40 Morning dip.
- 7 to 7:30 Bible study.
- 7:35 Breakfast.
- 8:15 Camp duty. Blankets out.
- 9:00 Morning program: hikes, games, recreation.
- 12:15 Lunch.
- 12:45 to 1:30 Quiet hour.
- 1:30 Camp duty.
- 2:00 Inspection.
- 2:10 Afternoon program.
- 4:45 Afternoon swim.
- 5:30 Camp duty.
- 6:00 Supper.
- 6:45 Store open.
- 7:00 Twilight games.

to a closer fellowship with their Savior.

It has been the purpose of the county organization from its beginning to emphasize the religious side of its program, realizing that the boys must have Christ in their lives if they are to develop into the most useful manhood.

Men with a vision of service are taught by the Master and a purpose to incorporate it into their every day living is the great present day need and we believe that the County 'Y' is doing a worth while work in helping some boys and young men to get into vision and through their influences, to pass it on to the fellows with whom they associate.

God has blessed our efforts in the turning of many young lives to his service and we rejoice that He has thus honored our efforts.

8:00 Campfire.
9:10 Evening devotions.
9:30 Taps. Lights out.

Rocks Character—(Hold the session on or near some big boulder of rock) Matt. 7:24-27. A good foundation. 1. Cor. 3:9-14.

Practical Thoughts All boys are building character day by day. All builders have a choice of foundation. All foundations will be tried. Only one foundation will stand. Jesus Christ is the Rock of Ages.

"Every thought that we've ever had

its own little place had filled. Every deed we have done, good or bad, is a stone in the temple we build."

—SARGENT.

Character, not reputation, will alone stand the final test.

The boys learn to endure hardships; to take care of themselves with a minimum of physical equipment; to carry their share of the common load; to play and work together as a team; to yield obedience to the law of the camp. Here around the camp fire and under the stars, to many a boy dawns the significance of spiritual values.

And what do the boys think about it? "I have got more out of this camp than any other two weeks of my life. I have learned many new songs that I delight to sing."—Del Brown, Silverton. "It has meant a time of joy and pleasure, a place where God's greatness has been brought out through the study of his trees his flowers and all things of nature."—Frank Lockhart, Jefferson.

Salem is loganberry headquarters for all the world, and will always be. The acreage is growing, and it will grow as fast as facilities are provided for taking care of the crop.



Marion County Hi-Y Conference, Silverton, Ore., Oct. 14-15, 1922