

SALEM Y. M. C. A. IS FAST BECOMING A TRAINING CENTER FOR SECRETARIES

WILLAMETTE U. PRES. PLEASED

Says Local Y.M.C.A. Course One of Finest Features Offered Students

Dr. Carl G. Doney, President of Willamette University is well pleased with the results of the Y.M.C.A. course in the university, carried through the Salem Y and Secretary Claude A. Kells of the city association.

"The Willamette Y.M.C.A. course has turned out some splendid social workers and unselfish citizens," said Dr. Doney. "There is no place west of the Mississippi river where there is a better course. If there is any other as good, and the work of the worker graduates will stand as the Willamette challenge to the whole world. The influence of the Salem through the university channel, furnishing as it does the training ground and the gifted and consecrated instruction of Mr. Kells, has been most wholesome; and its influence grows every day as these graduate workers come into contact with the outside work where they put into practice the precepts they have received here.

"The university prizes this department of its work, as one of its best contributions to an unselfish, forward-looking service to all humanity. With the Willamette graduates scattering to every part of the compass and to foreign countries, as they are, they are quickening the spirit of service wherever they go, and they will be centers for spiritual growth.

"The co-operation of the university and the Salem city Y is of the finest. The university could do nothing better for the cause of better citizenship here and wherever Willamette graduates can go or reach, than to wish and pray for a bigger and better Y. Its equipment and larger personnel for the Salem city Y."

B. C. MILES



New Member Salem Board of Directors

"The city of Salem, Mass., for which our own Salem, Oregon, was named, was started in 1626, by Roger Covant. It is a quaint old city with the main street forty feet wide between the buildings. Hawthorne's house of Seven Gables, with its secret stairway is located there. This building is kept by a historical society, and is well worth seeing.

The city has a population of 42,000, comparable to our own Salem within the next five years.

While the city is quaint in many ways, it has one of the best Y.M.C.A. buildings for the size of the city in the world. This building is located on the main street in the center of the city and is worth \$750,000.00.

"It is a three story building, with marble columns at its entrance. They have in the building a large auditorium with a commodious stage. This is used for nearly all the meetings which the public is interested in. The building has commodious stairways and halls. They have excellent social and reading room. A well equipped gymnasium for both men and boys. The third story is occupied by men's apartments with all the luxuries of the best hotel. On the top of the building there is a roof supported by columns and a roof garden.

Last but not least is a tile swimming pool, where in the hot days every one enjoys a plunge.

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LESTER DAY



Head Young Men's Dept., Boston, Mass.

Lester Day, Willamette, '22, had spent much time in the Salem Y.M.C.A. as a boys' leader before his graduation. After leaving Willamette he went to Boston, where he has been working in the Boston city Y, while carrying on his post graduate studies in Boston university. He was one of the leaders in the higher social life of Willamette—including football—and he took naturally to the supervision of the down-east lads. He had been characterized by the general Y secretary of Massachusetts as one of the most outstanding Y.M.C.A. finds of the present years. Evidence of his fitness and his ability to assimilate opportunity is the fact that he is now the head of the young men's division of the great Boston association. It was not possible to get a letter direct from him within the time prescribed for the preparation of the Y.M.C.A. page, but the word from the Massachusetts general secretary and the fact that he has been given such signal honors in the old colonial city, is its own argument. Salem and Willamette Y.M.C.A.'s have good cause to rejoice over the fact that he made his big start.

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HARRY RAREY



Physical Director Honolulu

Harry Rarey has gone to Honolulu, in charge of Y work there. He was a football star in Willamette, and a religious and social leader in the university and local Y circles; he is eminently well qualified to carry the gospel of the sound mind and soul in the sound body to the uttermost parts of the earth.

KELLS PIONEER IN COMMENCING TRAINING CLASS

One of the fine things of the Salem Y.M.C.A. is its training class for secretarial work as a profession. Three years ago, Secretary Kells arranged with Willamette university to carry on a college Y department for the benefit of young men who were preparing to take up Y work for life. The course was arranged for members of the senior class only, with a good registration.

This course is being continued with notable success; indeed at the great Y.M.C.A. conference at Seaback, Washington, last summer, it was spoken of by those who should know as the foremost course of its kind anywhere in the west. It is run in close and vital connection with the Salem Y, as a part of the local plan of campaign. All the members are given their actual training at the local Y, taking up every branch of the work during the year and testing out both the regular plans as well as their own individual ideas for better work.

Some may never become employed secretaries; they will serve society from the side lines and in advisory and other helpful capacities; their Y.M.C.A. training and ideals making them for life the strong and earnest champions of the whole Y program of social betterment, even though they are not employed officers of the association.

But there have been seven of these Salem Y-Willamette university graduates who have already definitely taken up Y.M.C.A. work. They are oddly scattered; the Y being international and youth being geographical limitations, they have gone to the four winds of the earth on their mission of service. To win and to help men the great adventure, and they have followed the call far and wide.

EVERETT W. LISLE



Physical Director New Westminster, B. C.

Everett Lisle, a graduate of Willamette, 1923, and a special student of the Salem Y course in the university as well as a boys' leader and instructor in the local Y for some years, is now at New Westminster, B.C., engaged in Y work. He writes of his own impressions of the Salem association:

My Dear Mr. Kells,—I have been hearing a number of good things about you since I have been up here. You have an enviable reputation. I find that Salem is known only to a few hardy adventurers; Willamette is practically unknown, but in Y circles at least, you are well known—more than the twenty-two thousand of Salem's population.

I can never forget that I owe all that I am in the Y work to you and the Salem Y.M.C.A. I got my first taste of the work in the Salem association and this largely by your inspiration and teaching. I could never have had the grasp of the theoretical side of the work or its history, except as I learned it in the Y class at Willamette. These things are almost like the creed of a church or the ritual of a lodge; seldom recited but invaluable for reference.

We have a very fine place here—I only wish Salem had as good. The building is practically the gift of one man, who recently burned the mortgage as a memorial to his sons killed in the war. At present the Y is 99 per cent self-supporting, though this involves taking pay for a number of things that are free at Salem. However, in your new building I should advise installing some of the features that will be money makers.

I certainly hope you will succeed in your campaign for a new building in Salem. Salem needs it almost more than any other civic improvement. There ought to be a five story building, with at least 100 rooms, a cafeteria, and gymnasium facilitated for 1,000 members. Salem can afford it, Salem needs it. You ought to have such a building at your command, in order to properly use your own talents. Willamette should support it as a training ground for scores of association secretaries. I am not ashamed of Salem for allowing such a poor building to suffice.

Wishing you the best of luck, I am, sincerely,

EVERETT W. LISLE.

PAUL FLEGEL



Boys' Secretary, Berkeley, Calif.

Paul Flegel, whose home is in Portland, but who graduated from Willamette university in 1921, did not start out to make Y.M.C.A. work his life job. But he grew into the Portland association and he was so successful working with boys that he was recently called to the big association in Berkeley, California, where he has a wide field and everything that a good executive could wish for his encouragement. He got his preliminary training in the Salem Y, and was prominent in the Willamette local association before leaving Salem. Because of his close connection with every Y activity here, he is claimed with pardonable pride as a product of the local association, even though he did not have the formal secretarial class training here. Mr. Flegel is gifted with a strong and attractive personality, and the boys flock to him as the Pied Piper of Hamelin's flute. He is a notable contribution to the better citizenship of the Pacific coast.

NINE STUDENTS MATRICULATE IN 'Y' TRAINING

There are nine members of this year's class in Willamette, all of them now taking their practical training in the Salem association. It is an insignificant little building with a poor equipment and not nearly enough room to house its many activities. But it answers the definition of a college once given by a statesman who judged things by their results. "A college," he said, "is a log seat in the woods with a boy on one end and Mark Hopkins on the other." Dr. Mark Hopkins was an educator whose splendid personality and ideals made him a whole university for any boy who would join with him in the adventure of education and service. The Salem Y has met this definition admirably. There are towering churches, colleges, associations, with bulging bank accounts and overrunning memberships, that nevertheless fail utterly to measure up to the Salem Y standard of service. The new secretaries going out from here are the proofs that the local association has the divine spark.

Portland Y Secretary Is National Figure



HARRY STONE General Secretary Portland, Ore.

Harry W. Stone, general secretary of the Portland Y.M.C.A. and one of the outstanding executives anywhere in the United States, has had a powerful influence on the Salem Y. He was asked to tell some of the past and forecast some of the future for the Y.M.C.A. Special, and responds thus:

"On March 1, 1896, I came to Portland as General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at the solicitation of the International committee, for the purpose of trying to strengthen association work in Portland and the Pacific northwest.

"Salem has had an exceptionally faithful and loyal board of directors, who have been served by a line of strong general secretaries, including W. C. Paige, present general secretary at Houston, Texas; John Fletcher, who for many years did a most successful work as general secretary at Oakland, Calif.; G. A. Forbes, the present general secretary of Fresno, Calif.; and the present general secretary, C. A. Kells, one of the most efficient secretaries of the Pacific Coast.

"I am glad to learn that the Salem board of directors has purchased a site and is planning during 1924 to secure the building so much and so long needed for our capital city.

"I have come to have great respect and confidence in the management of the Salem association, so feel sure that the Salem 'Y' is entering upon a new era of expansion and development."

—HARRY W. STONE.

Two Willamette Men at Portland Y.M.C.A.



EVERETT CRAVEN Membership Secretary, Portland

Everett Craven is one of the heads of membership and service department in the Portland Y.M.C.A. He has made an exceptional record and has been entrusted with larger authority each month of his stay. The Portland Y is recognized as the biggest thing of the kind west of Chicago; it is stronger financially, educationally, numerically than any other. To serve there is an honor and a privilege. Mr. Craven has been with the Portland association for two years, doing remarkably efficient work.

Benj. Rickli, Secy. Young Men's Division, Portland

Lyman Marsters, Asst. Membership Secretary, Portland

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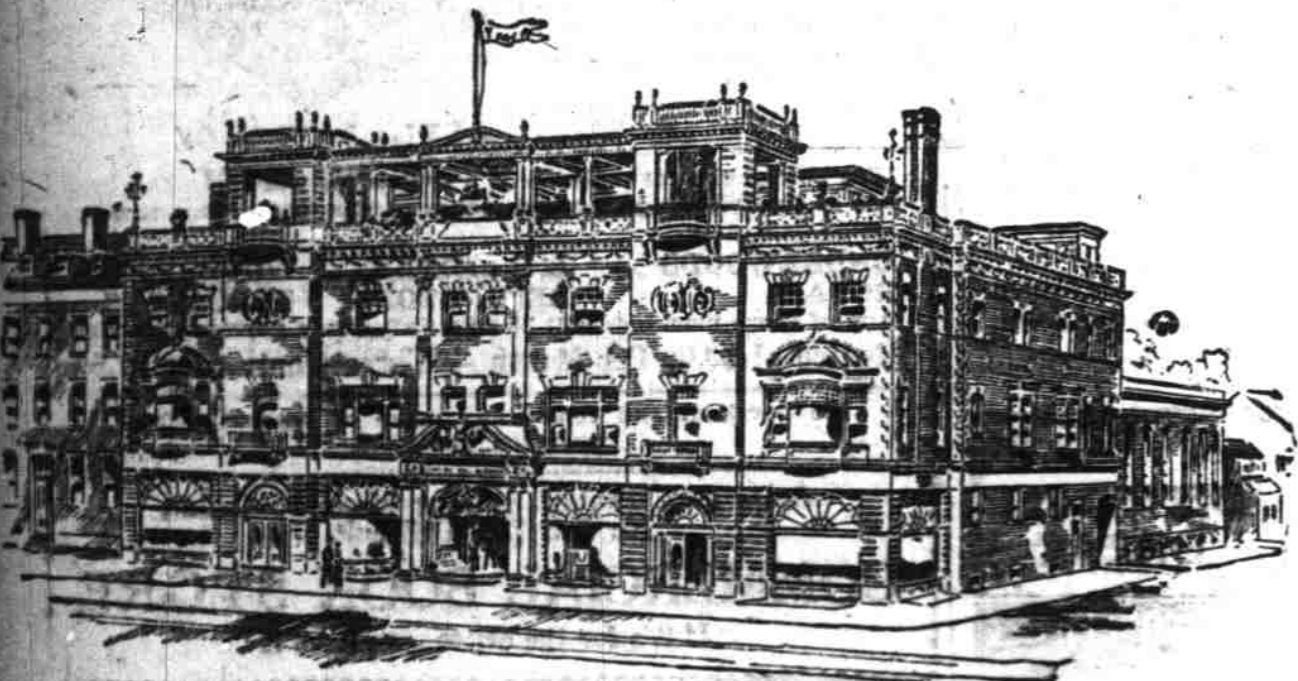
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THE SALEM, MASS., Y. M. C. A.'S PALATIAL QUARTERS.

Marion County "Y" Doing Splendid Work in Surrounding Towns Thru Boy Pioneer Clubs

PIONEER CLUB OF COUNTY Y

A little over a year ago the county secretary organized a pioneer club at Woodburn; it was an experiment that proved successful. At this fall an aggressive program of work with younger boys was laid out. On the night of October 1, two pioneer clubs were organized in Woodburn; the following night the Lincoln pioneers were organized in Silverton and today we have eight clubs of 12 to 15-year-old boys with a total membership of 96 boys, and many more in. The purpose of these



Pioneers at Play

clubs is training for Christian citizenship and the motto of every pioneer is 4-square development—physical, mental, devotional and social.

The first annual pioneer rally was held in Salem Saturday, November 17, with a hundred boys present. In the afternoon they competed in games and races. At the banquet in the evening, the rally shield was won by the Salem Jason Lee club, which made the highest total score in gym competition, table decorations, speaking, yell contest, and in club percentage attendance. The Lincoln pioneers of Silverton placed second

and Jason Lee of Woodburn, Daniel Boone of Stayton, and Wetzel pioneers of Salem tied for third place.

On December 27, 48 pioneer boys and leaders from Stayton, Lyons, Jefferson, Woodburn, Brooks and Silverton went on an educational trip through Salem industries and state institutions. They were greeted by Mayor J. B. Giesy of Salem, Secretary of State Sam Koser, Attorney-General Van Winkle, and Justice Rand of the supreme court. After the trip the boys enjoyed basketball games and a swim in the Salem YMCA tank.

The pioneer leaders of the county have planned a uniform program for their clubs for the winter with a roundup in February and a pow wow in June. The pioneer council which is composed wholly of boys, publishes a monthly paper of club news—The Pioneer Trail, which is sent to every pioneer, club leader and committeeman and to the pastors in the county.

The roster of clubs and their officers follow:

Woodburn: Jason Lee — 11 members, Elmer Klamp, chief guide; Russell Stannard, ranger; Claude Glear, treasurer.

Woodburn: Marcus Whitman — 18 members, Harry Sims, chief guide; Frank Butterfield, ranger; Adrian Schooler, recorder; Neil Butterfield, treasurer.

Hubbard: Roosevelt Pioneers — 9 members, Helmut Voget, chief guide; Chas. Mayer, recorder;

Stayton, Ore., Jan. 16, 1924. Dear Soco,—Before our pioneer club was started there was no organization for younger boys in Stayton teaching clean athletics, clean speaking, clean thinking, and giving the right understanding of Christian living.

The pioneer club does all this for us, and I can't see how it could be better. Yours very truly, HERBERT BENNETT, Recorder Daniel Boone Pioneers.

It works out the same way in the long run. If the nations won't reduce their armies for themselves, they will do it for one another.—Bethlehem Globe.

Woodburn Hi Y

A CLUB THAT IS A CLUB

Whenever you see a bunch of good fellows together ask them what club they belong to. They will say with great pride the Hi-Y. Fellows, it is one of the finest, if not the best organization in the county for boys. It stands for the cleanest, biggest and finest things in life. Woodburn Hi-Y has a membership of 32 fine healthy boys. Some of the boys say it is getting too large; every day there are boys applying for membership. We do not want to turn them down but we are going to be careful whom we pick.

The club motto is "Do good unto one another," and to love your neighbor as yourself—two of the greatest laws of the world. Fellows, don't you want to make this a better world to live in? If you do, then see one of the members in your school and talk it over with him. Ask him what's what. I know he would be glad to speak to you about it.

I am going to tell you what the boys did for the needy in Wood-



Woodburn Hi Y

LIVING PIONEER OF WEST Will Be Honored By Statue

PUYALLUP, Wash., Feb. 23 — Ezra Meeker, pioneer of the Oregon trail, whose travels in the east with an ox team, especially down Michigan avenue, in a parade, commemorated the exodus of Americans to the Oregon territory, is to have a statue.

The statue of Mr. Meeker in bronze is to be placed in Pioneer park here. The park includes a homestead that he settled when he came to the country from Iowa with his bride about the middle of the last century. Alonza Victor Lewis, a Seattle sculptor, is making the monument.

Mr. Meeker celebrated his ninety-third birthday December 30 last.

Berlin Commutation Tickets Still Sell at Bargain Rates

BERLIN, Feb. 4 (Mail).—One of the few articles still to be had in Berlin at anything like "bargain" rates, from the point of view of Americans or other foreigners, since the skidding paper mark was replaced by the Renten mark, is a monthly ticket on the government railway system which serves the city and suburbs.

COUNTY ROUNDUP IS COMING EVENT

On March 1, the annual roundup of the Pioneers, the boys' branch of the county association, will be held in Salem. It is expected to bring in July 200 delegates from all over the county. A series of interclub contests will be staged, with basketball, swimming, and other interesting contests. The winning club will carry home the silver shield as a token of