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been a decided success both in point of attendance and in degree of interest shown. Most of the meetings have been led by some prominent business man, or minister, giving an address suited to the needs of the association. Two series of Sunday meetings were conducted—one by Dr. Paine and one by Dr. Hindman. These were of an evangelistic nature with the avowed purpose of winning men for Christ, and the efforts put forth were amply rewarded. A few statistics will aid in setting forth the work: Up to April 1st, 17 Sunday meetings had been held with an average attendance of 99 men. A ten minute prayer meeting is held each noon in the association rooms, and up to April 1st the number held was 119 with an average attendance of 8 men and a total attendance of 1,000 men. Three joint meetings with the Y. W. C. A. were held on Sunday with an average attendance of 120. These meetings were in the interest of missions. Two union prayer meetings have been held with an average attendance of 20.

Outside meetings interrupted the Sunday meetings of the association during March. It is not a good plan to adjourn our Sunday meetings for any and every show that happens to be taking place in the city on that day. There have been too many formal meetings for the best interest of the association. The plan of holding a short series of meetings is to be commended very highly. The question of crowding Sunday with church and association work should be carefully considered.

FINANCE.

The finance committee has been greatly hindered by unavoidable circumstances. R. S. Hunt took charge of the finances in September, but was soon called to a position as teacher in the high school of this city. For some time he put forth every effort he could to keep up the financial interests and only withdrew when the high school demanded all of his energies. Mr. Thomas has taken charge of the committee and is doing effective work. The association as will be seen from the following report is out of debt, and by a further liberal support during this school year all obligations necessary to be incurred can be met.

Report from September 12, 1899 to April 15, 1900. Total receipts \$567.81. Expenditures—Salary to J. S. Moore, \$217.69; Nebraska Telephone Co., \$32.20; printing of hand book and stationery, \$152.33; Bible study books, \$65.42; socials, \$20.40; janitor fees, \$10.00; care of sick, \$47.47; total, \$545.51. A balance on hand of \$22.30. The printing of the hand book was paid for with money collected from advertisers, and the Bible study books were paid for with money collected from those enrolled in the classes.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

This department has met with almost phenomenal success under the leadership of L. J. Marsh. This department was organized just one year ago and has been reduced to a system of business-like care and accuracy. The public telephone in the rooms has been an important factor in running the employment bureau, business men all over the city have become acquainted with the management of this department and every day a number of calls for men to work come in over the phone. While the phone costs the association about \$40, it is the means of securing employment for men and returns its cost a hundred fold, though not directly to the treasury of the association. Up to April 1st during this school year 130 jobs of work were secured for men. Many of these jobs

extend through the entire school year, while some were for a few hours work only. A low and conservative estimate of the money earned, or its equivalent by the help of this bureau is \$4,400. Many calls for men to work are coming in this spring and by the close of the year the estimate will be much greater. The bureau keeps a list of men on file which shows who are available for work. Students desiring work should keep the chairman well informed in regard to the time they can work and where they may be found. Employers of student labor should, when possible, send word a day ahead so that the demand can be met without fail.

SOCIALS.

The opening reception in September to all students and faculty was held jointly with the Y. W. C. A. This reception is always a marked success and is especially helpful to new students. In October a committeemen's conference was held in the association rooms. The social part of this conference was made prominent and the social committee under the direction of Mr. Nelson crowned the event by serving a luncheon. By a unanimous vote the social committee was pronounced a decided success, and the future record of this committee has confirmed the opinion. The annual banquet was an event long to be remembered by all who attended. Attention has been called in a preceding report to the reception at the home of Dean and Mrs. Sherman.

The social instinct of the members in general needs to be aroused by some process. In this respect there is room for decided improvement. Attention should be called to the pleasant little gatherings in the rooms during the day. Many have improved their opportunity with great profit to themselves and others.

CITY MISSIONS.

This committee was under the management of Mr. A. Fauquet until January and since then under the direction of Mr. Harry McClenaghan. The work of this committee has been restricted almost exclusively to the mission Sunday school located at Ninth and Z. The Y. W. C. A. has shared equally in furthering the work of this mission school. The average attendance up to April 1st was 64; total collection, \$13.42. The mission pays almost one-third of its own expenses. The average attendance the past two months was 103, and is gaining steadily. The classes in the Sunday school are taught by university students, and they report that the results which are manifest amply repay them for the time and energy expended. The chairman of this committee has been doing excellent work in the Sunday school at the penitentiary where he teaches a class.

At the beginning of the association year the missionary committee was organized by G. A. Johnson and bade fair for a year of aggressive work. Several members of the committee, however, did not return in September, and reorganization became necessary. Before this had been fully accomplished Mr. Johnson was called from the city leaving the committee without a chairman. Later, upon his return, the work was again assigned to Mr. Johnson, but being in the university only part of the time it was necessary for him to again give it up. Several weeks passed before a suitable man could be found to take his place. At last in February, Mr. T. O. Rinker was made chairman. In less than six weeks he has organized his committee and outlined a very practical policy for the department.

Though the organization of the committee has been rather discouraging the work done is more hopeful. The volunteer band, consisting of twelve

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