SCHOOL RECOGNIZES NECESSITY

S. U. Committee Strives To Build Student Interest

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The Student Union project has from the beginning been bolstered and carried out by the student body, which will one day benefit from it. This need for a center of undergraduate activities and a U. was first emphasized by the Baker Memorial Committee. In May, 1953, Committee pointed out the shortcomings of existing facilities and urged that a student body take over the job of organizing a Student Union project.

First Committee

Once again the Committee acted with rather surprising alacrity. The first Student Union Committee was appointed with Eldon Bailey, '55, as chairman. At the end of its year of activity, the Committee presented a very comprehensive report to the Institute. In this, the administration had been contacted of the need for a Student Union Committee's end; a survey of necessary activity space had been completed, as had a large survey of student accommodation. A questionnaire distributed to all students yielded interesting results. The students desired in the matter of space allocations, but had all disclosed an almost unanimous belief in the need for a Student Union. The building moved swiftly closer to reality, with a shelving of architectural studies being undertaken. The Institute, stating this fact, capitalizing the Baker Memorial Fund, and 1.631,600 towards this end, the new building was so high that its construction was planned for transfer virtually all of the year's money and Social Fund to a new Student Union Building Corporation.

Second Committee

When Eldon Bailey was elevated to President of the Undergraduate Association, he also set up the Institute Committee took over, the life of the Student Union Committee was quickly renewed. John Bailey, '54, became the new chairman, and several new members were recruited from among the leaders of Student Government and student activities. The basic reason for the Student Union having been completed, the new Committee felt that its job was to ensure every effort towards bringing the student construction date closer.

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 freshmen in the Association of Class Secretaries in 1894, the Technology Association in 1892, and the Alumni Council in 1939. This council meets seven afternoons a year with representatives from the I. M. T. Clubs throughout the world.

The Alumni Association is broken into two groups—the class organizations and the I. M. T. Clubs which form geographical groups. The first I. M. T. Clubs, organized in Chicago in 1887, the next followed in Denver in 1889, and by the turn of the century a dozen such clubs had been formed. At present there are 46 clubs in the continent, United States, South America, two in Canada, eleven in Europe, and others in Hong Kong, Formosa, and the Philippines.

Fund Projects

The general purpose of the Association is to further the well-being of the Institute. By instituting a sale among the alumni, Monetary help, the way the Committee would think of furthering the well-being of the Institute, is large. In 1939 the Alumni Fund was initiated with approximately 4$0,000 alumni giving donations each year. In the next ten years the Fund operation, one and three-quarter million dollars was raised and the entire Alumni Fund, an estimated $270,000, was given to the Long-

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Three Representative School At Recent UnionConference

M.I.T. was represented at the New England Regional Conference of the Associated College Fraternity Councils held at Oregon, Maine this past week-end, by Assistant President, and Editor E. C. Grimes. The Conference stressed the important role of the Union in Maine in providing opportunities for more students to learn their potential abilities, and in making the University a better place to live. One point that impressed the M.I.T. delegation was Mr. Grimes' statement that Maine never missed the Union before it was constructed, but now realizes how it resists the building and its pro-

one million dollars given to finance Baker House, the $400,000 needed for the completion of the Hayden Laboratory, and the money given to build tennis courts at the Institute. Besides this financial aid, there are other ways the Alumni Association helps provide the Institute. Over three-fourths of the members comprising the interface of Alumni. Through the Alumni Association contact with the Institute does not cease upon graduation. At the M.I.T. Clubs a young graduate, and many older alumni, who can help him job-wise or in other ways.

Large Membership

The budget for the Association this year is 900,000, but this has to be supplemented to keep up its many services. One of the most costly operations is keeping up the $900,000 mailing list. Two secretaries work full time to keep the correct listing of these alumni by class, degree, and geographical location.

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