

Grounds are a pressing necessity. We have an Association, but it has no "local habitation." There are numerous committees, but no place in which to hold a meeting.

The members of the service are not generally burdened with what the world calls "wealth."

It is useless to expect any one member to donate these things. But cannot united effort supply them? Let us consider ways and means. A suitable club house would probably cost from ten to fifteen thousand dollars. It should be large enough for lunch rooms, reading rooms, committee rooms, etc. In a service which numbers over three thousand, there are no doubt one thousand men who would take an interest in a club house. Suppose each one donated \$5.00 per year, and we applied the first subscription in part payment of a property; it ought to be possible to hire the balance on a mortgage.

An income of at least \$5,000.00 should be sufficient to meet interest charges, taxes, and the working expenses of the club.

It would be very convenient if the club house could be on the athletic grounds, but under present conditions it looks as if the grounds would have to be beyond the city limits, which would be too far away for the club house.

It is not necessary to argue as to the advantages which a club house would be to the service—that must be apparent to all.

The thing is to go to work. The psychological moment has come. Let us be up and doing. Remember our motto: *nemo sibi vivit.*

Yours for the Service,  
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