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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR UNIONS.

CONSTITUTION.

ADOPTED JUNE 11th, 1904.

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ARTICLE I. - NAME.

The Name of this Federation shall be "The Yorkshire Federation of Christian Endeavour Unions."

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

To aid the work and the formation of local Unions, with a view to promote the general efficiency of Christian Endeavour Societies throughout the County of York.

ARTICLE III. - MEMBERSHIP.

Any Union of Christian Endeavour Societies, in the County of York, which conforms generally in spirit with the Model Constitution, and is registered with the "British Christian Endeavour Union", may be admitted to this Federation, if approved by the Council. (Written application should first be made to the Secretary.)

ARTICLE IV. -OFFICERS.

The officers of this Federat or shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary or Secretaries, (each one to be an active member of a Christian Endeavour Society). They shall be elected annually, at the December meeting of the Council, and hold office for one year, from January 1st to-December 31st.

ARTICLE V.—COUNCIL.

The Council shall consist of the officers of the Union and representatives from the affiliated Unions in the Federation, at the rate of one representative to each twenty Young People's Societies or part thereof

The Unions shall appoint their representatives to serve on the Council for one year, from January 1st to December 31st

It is desirable that the Secretary of every Union should be a representative.

The retiring officers shall be ex-officio members of the Council for one year after their term of office has expired.

The Council shall have power to co-opt not more than four persons to serve as members of the Council for one year.

ARTICLE VI.—MEETINGS.

The Federation shall hold Conventions at such times and places as may be determined by the Council.

The Council (ten of whom shall form a quorum) shall meet once every three months, and at such other times as the officers may consider necessary.

ARTICLE VII.—Nominations.

Each affiliated Union shall have the power to nominate one person for each office of the Federation. Nominations to be sent to the Secretary at least one month before the annual election meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. - FINANCE.

The expenses of the Federation shall be met as follows:—

- (a) Each affiliated Union shall contribute annually a subscription of five shillings for each representative to which it is entitled.
 - (b) By the proceeds of Conventious, Teas, etc.
- (c) By donations and subscriptions from friends interested in the Christian Endeavour Movement.
 - (d) By a levy pro rata in case of deficiency.

The Financial Year shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

The railway fares of the officers and members of the Council shall be considered as part of the working expenses, and shall be paid from the Federation funds.

The railway expenses of representives of any one Union, in excess of four, shall be borne by the Union they represent.

ARTICLE IX. - AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any Council meeting, provided the amendment has been first submitted in writing and considered at the previous Council meeting, and also submitted to the various representatives and their Unions.