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I hope you young women will join the Young Women's Christian Association. It is entirely a student organization. It has been a tremendous service to the students of this college from the very beginning. You need to have some religious organization to which you can belong and feel perfectly free to go to.

The Young Women's Christian Association is not a church organization. It applies to all denominations. It is the one religious organization of the college and it will take care of all the students whether you are a member of the church or not.

A student is not a well rounded human being unless his religious life is stimulated. I want to urge you to join the Y. W. C. A. and work in it. We develop only when we work in a thing. A person is only a well rounded human being when his religious life is developed. The Young women's Christian Association is the place here for this development.

It has helped many and many a girl here. It has been a wonderful influence for good in this college and I hope this year with the largest enrollment we have ever had it will serve as it has always done in the past.

We grow strong in proportion to the amount of work we do. We grow strong spiritually when we develop our spiritual life.

It is not compulsory to join this organization. I say it reverently--Thank God, it is not. It gives you the opportunity to show what kind of a woman you are.

There are some members of the student body who feel

that they should not join this kind of an organization. As I said, it is not compulsory. We do not want them to join if it does not appeal to their spiritual life. Jehovah is bigger than all the churches and all the organizations in all the world and the road to Jehovah is open to all.

Join the Young Women's Christian Association if you can and attend its meetings.

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