



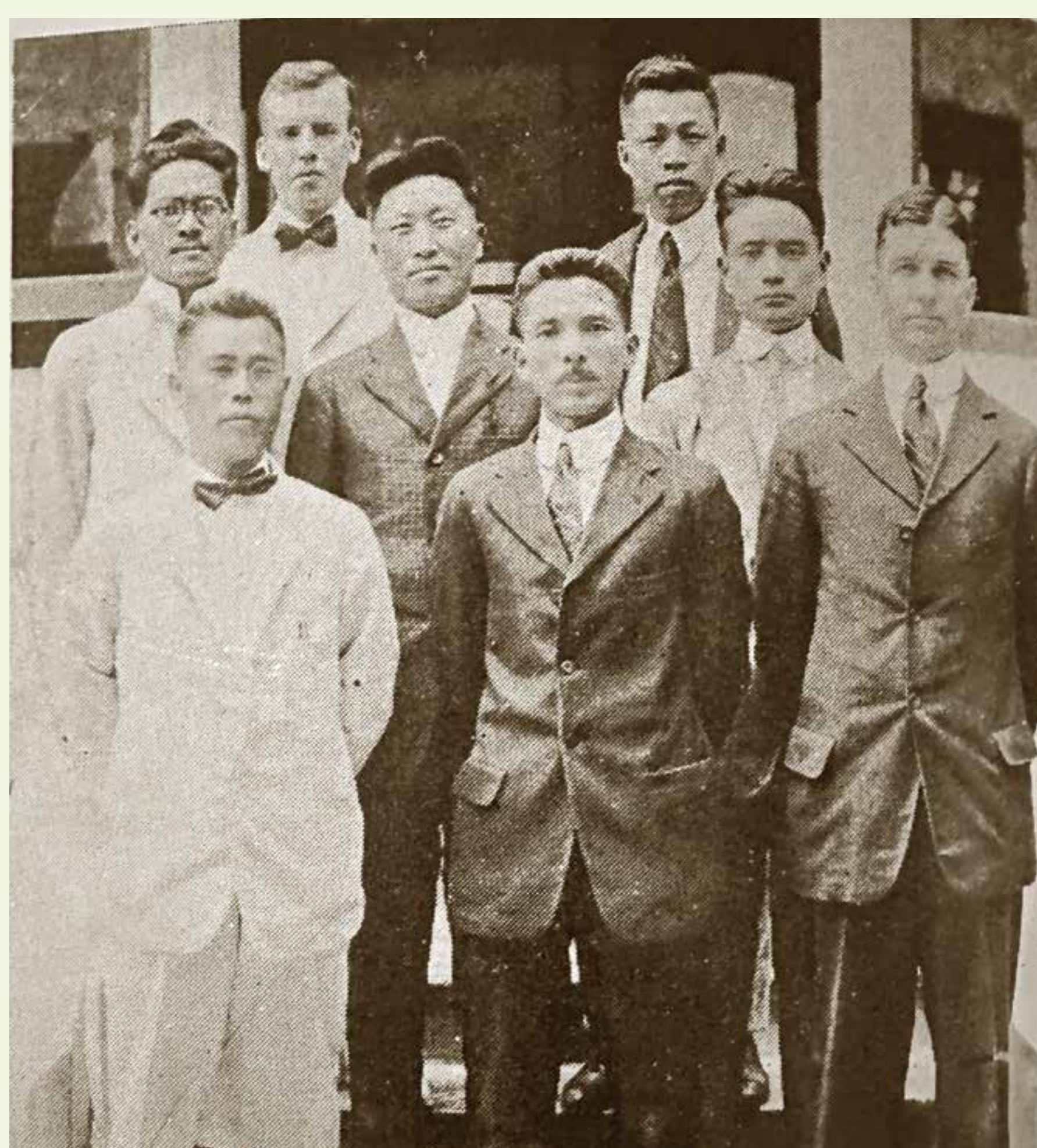
FROM NU'UANU TO SHANGHAI — AND BACK AGAIN.

Before the Y's Men's Club came to Hawai'i, YMCA of Honolulu already had a strong international outlook. Beginning in 1910, Honolulu helped prepare YMCA American leaders for international service, while the new Nu'uaniu YMCA brought together Hawai'i's Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino and other communities under one roof.



YMCA of Honolulu's work reached far beyond Hawai'i. Beginning in 1910, Honolulu helped prepare YMCA leaders from Hawai'i and across the United States for international service as part of the YMCA's growing work around the world. Dr. John Mott and Lloyd R. Kilam of YMCA of Honolulu pictured here in 1922, hosted by the President of China.

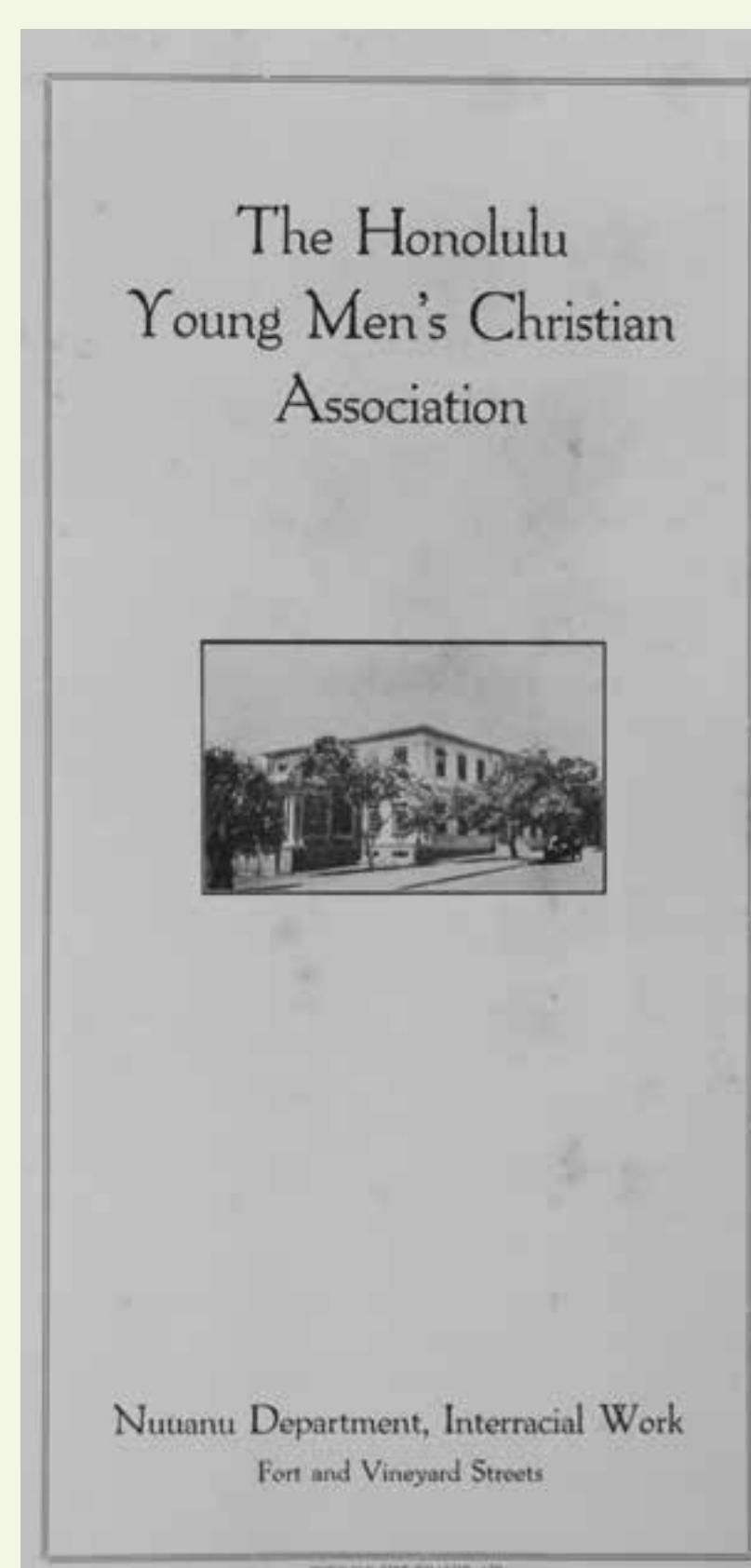
Ko Fong Lum was part that story from the beginning with his international work in Shanghai.



Ko Fong Lum was part of the Nu'uaniu YMCA staff when the new Y opened in 1918, serving as Chinese Secretary. He would go on to serve the YMCA in Hawai'i for decades in positions ranging from Young Men's Division Secretary to Nu'uaniu Executive and Assistant General Secretary. (The staff of the Nu'uaniu YMCA in 1918, left to right, front, B. M. Matsuzawa and M. Kakehi, Japanese secretaries; Lloyd R. Killam, executive secretary; second row, Torao Kawasaki, Japanese young men's secretary; Tai Sung Lee, Korean secretary; B. T. Makapagal, Filipino secretary; back row, Ray Baird, fellowship secretary in training, and Ko Fong Lum, Chinese secretary.)



The original Nu'uaniu YMCA, located at Fort Street and Vineyard Boulevard, opened in 1918 as the world's first racially integrated YMCA, bringing previously separate Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino and other YMCA work together under one roof.



Nu'uaniu YMCA reflected the many cultures of Honolulu. On Friday, May 6, 1927, Y's Men sponsored an international gathering featuring Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, Hawaiian and Caucasian art, food, music, dance and traditional dress.

AN IDEA TAKES ROOT IN SHANGHAI

In 1924, Nu'uaniu YMCA sent Ko Fong Lum to serve with the Shanghai YMCA, where he organized the first Y's Men's Club outside North America.



Ko Fong Lum

BRINGING THE IDEA HOME

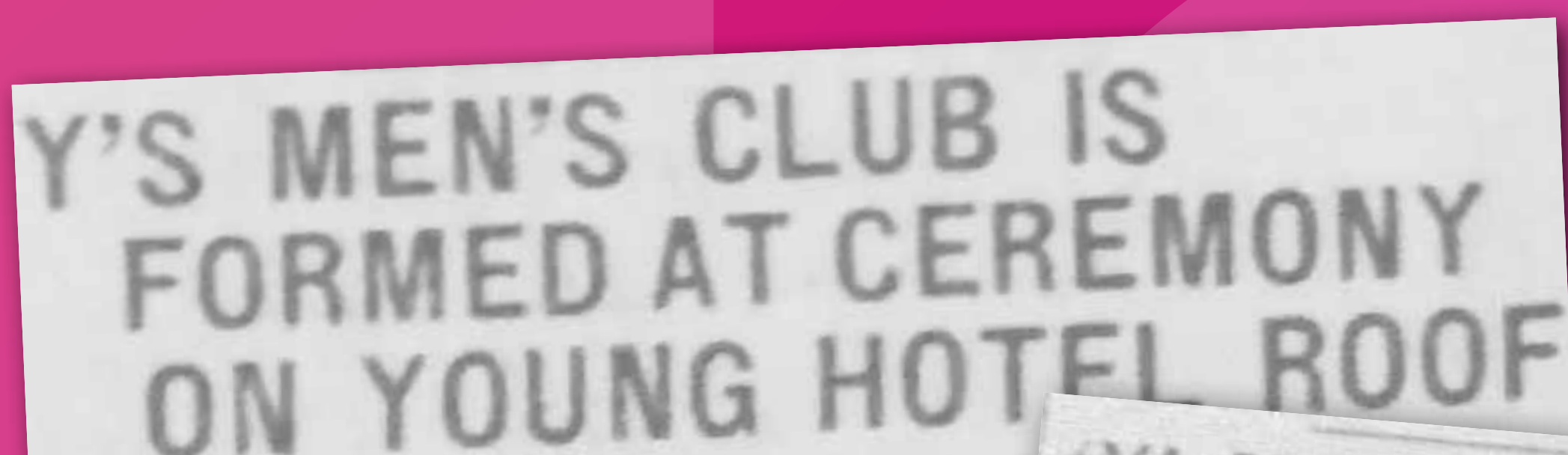
In September 1925, Lum returned to Honolulu and became Secretary [Director] of the Young Men's Division at Nu'uaniu YMCA.

One of the groups he worked with was the Y Boosters' Club. Its members were volunteers who qualified by selling **\$100 worth of YMCA memberships**. Lum organized some of these Boosters into Hawai'i's first Y's Men's Club.

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Hawai'i's first Y's Men's Club was organized at the Nu'uaniu YMCA in March 1926. Dr. Y.C. Chang was installed as president and Dr. E.S.C. Handy as honorary president. The club's purpose included organized service to YMCA boys' and young men's work, International friendship and community service wherever needs were found.



Charter night of the Y's Men's club was held Thursday night on the



On Thursday, September 16, 1926, the club was formally chartered as the YMCA of Honolulu Y's Men's Club.