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**Proctor Y.M.C.A.**

**The Proctor Y.M.C.A opened in February 1903 with the support of the Vermont Marble Company. The mission of the institution was to harbor well rounded young men. It provided various services, such as education, activities, clubs, and living spaces for men in the Proctor community. In 1919, the building became associated with the Sutherland Club. The new association continued many parts of the original mission, but also included a “physical works” committee that provided sports leagues for men returning from World War I. Over the next decades, the Depression, World War II, new social tendencies, and aging of the building largely affected attendance. The building would once again change names to the Sutherland Community Center in an effort to save the institution. Unfortunately, due to extremely low attendance, the institution closed in 1953. The building still remains in Proctor to this day, but its historical impact on the community remains virtually forgotten.**