



Choir Makes Twelve Day Tour of Eastern States

The Houghton College A Cappella choir leaves today for a twelve-day tour through Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D. C. The Choir has not toured Pennsylvania and the rest of this district in recent years. "The point of this trip," says Prof. Butterworth, "is to make new friends for the school and to prove that there is current spiritual music of a high caliber. We want to sing good music but we also want to combine with it service for the Lord, a combination unrivaled by schools not devoted to spiritual principles. It is our hope and prayer that we shall make many friends for Houghton and for the Lord."

The A Cappella members this year are leaving today, not only with the prospects of a wonderful tour, seeing places, and nearly two weeks freedom from studies, but also with definite indications of the Lord's blessing. Perhaps the most convincing of these is the answer to

prayer in connection with the itinerary. A little over a week ago, there was no engagement for Sunday evening, March 30, and no accommodations for that night. When all the contacts for engagements possible that evening had been tried to no avail, Coach Eyer requested prayer from the Choir. Towards the end of the week, word was received that a special speaker had had to cancel his meeting and the nine churches, which had combined their services to hear him, were desirous to have the A Cappella. Date and time fitted perfectly and thus the concert at Chartiers United Presbyterian church in Canonsburg.

There are forty-three students in the Choir as it leaves today. Prof. Finney will go with the choir as organist and Coach Eyer as manager. Mrs. Finney will also accompany them as Choir mother. Professor Butterworth and all those connected with the A Cappella sincerely request the prayers of Houghton and its friends that these few days might be well used to glorify the Lord and to increase the ministry of the school.

Students Elect Sanville, Kouwe Executives of 1948 "Boulder"

In the election held Monday, the junior and sophomore classes elected Elmer Sanville editor and Don Kouwe business manager of the 1948 BOULDER. Both Sanville and Kouwe received nominations from the floor for the offices.

They want this BOULDER "to represent the spirit of Houghton and its ideals, to meet student desires with a broad view of Houghton activities, and to record student life fairly." They believe that "because of the ability and cooperation of the sophomore class, we shall maintain and exceed the high standard set by previous issues."

Elmer is treasurer of the Y. M. W. B. and president of the Foreign Mission's Fellowship. He also does extension work in child evangelism. He has had previous business experience qualifying him for a position of responsibility.

Don came to college in the fall of 1942, but he entered the army in the following March. He has had little opportunity for extra curricular activity. Between the time of his discharge and his return to school he was director of Rochester Youth For Christ.

Dr. King Announces Debaters' Itinerary

The final itinerary of the Debate Squad as announced by Dr. Lauren I. King, Coach, is as follows: Thursday, March 20, Bluffton college, Bluffton, Ill.; Friday, March 21, Wheaton college, Wheaton, Ill., where the squad members will be entertained for the weekend. The second week they will meet debaters of Olivet college, Olivet, Ill., on Monday evening, March 24; Goshen college, Goshen, Ind., Tuesday evening, March 25; Marion college, Marion, Indiana, Wednesday evening, March 26. The final evening of the tour, Thursday, March 27, they will debate with Westminster college, Westminster, Pa., completing the schedule. The question for all debates will be, Resolved: "That Labor Should Have a Direct Share in the Management of Industry."

Announcements

The '47 BOULDER announces the following as winners of the last photography contest of the year: first prize, Beverly Auchmoody; second prize, Jo Fancher; third prize, Bob Dingman.

No mail will be forwarded to you at your home address during Spring vacation. If you are desiring that some particular piece of mail which you are expecting shall be forwarded, contact the business office immediately.

The Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest is held each year at commencement time as a part of the Theological Class night program. The contest is open to the theological students who have not hitherto won a prize in this contest. The prizes are \$5.00 and \$10.00. If you are interested, contact me soon.

—F. H. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fisher of Salamanca, N. Y., announce the engagement of Esther Easton, ex-'49, to Mr. Meade Crandall, also of Salamanca.

SENIOR RECITAL

The Music department of Houghton college will present Marilyn York in her senior recital, Thursday, April 3, at 7:30 p. m., in the chapel.

The program includes a Beethoven Sonata, a group of different preludes, and a group of more modern compositions.

Marilyn is a music education major with an applied music major in piano. Prof. Alton Cronk is her instructor.

Marilyn plans to teach in the public school next year.

Band Gives Concert

The band made its second appearance of the school year at Fillmore Tuesday afternoon. Stewart Folts was featured as the trombone soloist. Mr. Folts has accepted the position of instructor in instrumental music at Fillmore next year. Robert Noble played a trumpet solo with the band furnishing the background. As an extra bit of sparkle Myrtle Miller let loose with the baton on several marches.

SISTER CLASSES ENTERTAIN

Bedford gym was the scene of a gay nineties party Friday night, March 7, given to the juniors by the frosh. A platform under one basket simulated a stage, where the farce pantomime, "The Lamp Went Out," started the party in a light vein. Two male quartets provided entertainment when they wooed a girls' quarter in song, all dressed as our grandparents did. Dean Gilliland then conducted a Truth or Consequences program which included By Sheesly giving Mrs. Robert Luckey a bicycle ride.

Hot dogs and pop were served on the balcony, followed by devotions, which concluded the activities of the evening. Music was furnished by an orchestra of four under the direction of Ernie Johansen.

The sophs and their sister class, the seniors, gathered in S24, Friday evening, March 14, for a meeting of the clans. Each wore a green bow with his clan name on it, and was dressed in green to carry out the St. Patrick theme.

A candy-hunting contest led the clans to the top floor of the old Ad building. Cat calls, barking, and braying signaled the leaders of each clan to collect the candy.

The clans organized skits and then adjourned to the chapel for the presentation of the program. The skit which took first place (and a box of Hershey bars) was the "Little Irish Symphony" led by Mrs. Don Kouwe. During one selection, Mrs. K. requested "more bass",

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CALENDAR

TUESDAY, APRIL 1
Student Prayer Meeting
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2
General Music Recital
THURSDAY, APRIL 3
Marilyn York, Senior recital
FRIDAY, APRIL 4
Good Friday services (Torch Bearers in charge)
SATURDAY, APRIL 5
7:30 p. m. — Church Choir rehearsal
Singspiration (Dorm reception room)
SUNDAY, APRIL 6
Easter Sunday services (as announced)
7:30 p. m. — Home Concert of A Cappella Choir
MONDAY, APRIL 7
Oratorio rehearsal
TUESDAY, APRIL 8
Student Prayer Meeting
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9
Missionary Study Club meeting
Senior Honors Banquet
General Recital

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Galaxy . . .

We don't know how much influence the College has on the village of Houghton, but we, as students, do know that we are ashamed of the village since its trees along Main street have been cut down. We realize that the trees were old, and that they were removed as a safety measure, but we are very concerned that *more trees shall be planted as soon as possible.*

However, not only the town needs some trees; our campus could stand to have at least 100 more trees planted on it. Therefore, why can't we have a revival of Houghton's Arbor Day this year? A day taken off now would pay big dividends some day in the future when we come back to see our children graduate.

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Unfortunately, some self-centered, presumptuous, impudent individuals who don't know any better think that our Old Ad building is a barn. At least, they have tried their best to make a barn yard or a pig sty out of the grass yard in front of the building, and they have succeeded!

From now on, let us, as intelligent individuals, use the sidewalks and paths that have been provided. If we do this, it is quite possible that by the end of the summer the lawns might begin to look decent again.

To borrow a question from last year's STAR, —"Are you a COW?"

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The dining hall staff has requested that we be more careful when we come back from vacation about eating during the serving to which we have been assigned. It is especially important that EVERYONE do this on Friday nights and Sunday noons. As we have said before, it is only right that those who eat early all the time should be able to eat at first serving on Sunday noon; those who eat late all the time should be guaranteed a place at second serving on Friday night.

The dining hall has had plenty of *real* problems this year; we don't need to give them any more unnecessary ones.

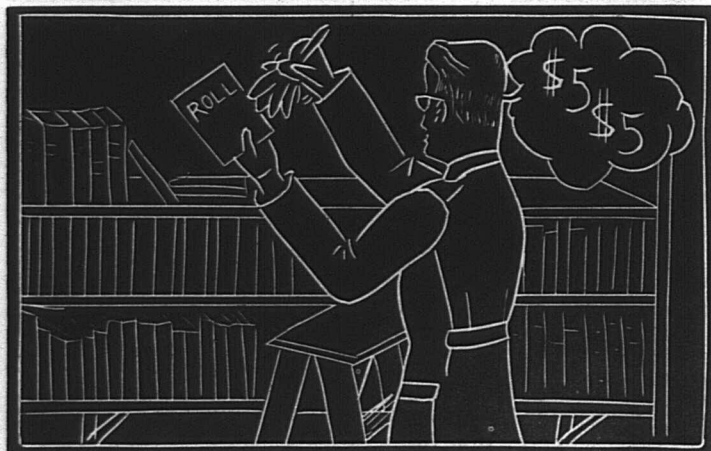
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In student prayer meeting Tuesday night we prayed that the Lord would definitely give us a minimum of 100 souls while we are away on Spring vacation.

It's one thing to *pray* here; it's another to *act* out there. We must go forth in the strength that He alone can give. "Finally, . . . be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." B. L. J.

Kampus Komments

by Gravink



Today — "better dust your seat or dust your billfold!"

FLETCHER SOLOS IN GRIEG'S CONCERTO

The Houghton College orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Alton M. Cronk, presented its annual concert in the chapel on Wednesday, March 12.

The ambitious program, beginning with Haydn's "Surprise" Symphony, included the first movement of Grieg's A Minor concerto, in which Beatrice Fletcher was soloist, and Bizet's second L'Arlesienne Suite.

The Haydn Symphony showed the orchestra at its best of the evening. The unity and accord between the members and the conductor was largely responsible for this sympathetic treatment of the familiar work.

Miss Fletcher deserves special commendation for having learned the difficult Grieg movement in so short a time. Her playing was accurate and often brilliant during the evening.

Prof. Cronk is to be congratulated for a well-chosen and well-played program.

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whereupon every member of the orchestra assumed positions required to play bass viols. Two or three members served as bass viols since there was a shortage of instruments.

Other skits were: pantomimed song titles, barking Irish setters, a joke told by Hal "Daddy" Little to his little family, a choral rendition of "Mistress Shady" led by a "German" and the story behind St. Pat's day.

Miss Burnell, after being seated in a green and white trimmed throne, was crowned "Irish Rose" and a male octet sang "My Wild Irish Rose" in her honor. Throughout the rest of the evening, she was addressed as "Your Majesty".

Following the coronation, Dave Kaser

Poplars Away!

Houghton's main street has undergone its second major operation of the year during the last four weeks with the felling of the poplar trees planted about forty years ago by Mr. Leonard Houghton.

Mr. Houghton, who lived in what is now Prof. Hazlett's home, owned a large portion of the town, and planted poplars because they grow very swiftly. However, they begin to deteriorate from the center after a few years and become dangerously frail. Some of the trees cut down here were found to be mere shells with the center completely rotted away. The roots of these trees have been interfering with the sewers and water lines, too.

All incorporated villages now prohibit the planting of poplars.

An interesting story is told about the poplars which were planted in front of the old College Inn. Mr. Waldorf, who lived there at the time, was not going to permit the planting of the trees on his property. However, one day when Mr. Waldorf was away, Mrs. Waldorf, with the help of Mr. Houghton, planted the poplars in front of their home.

Birth

A son, Michael LaVay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sheldon on Saturday, March 8. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon were graduated from Houghton in 1943. Mrs. Sheldon is the daughter of Mrs. Zola Fancher.

emcee'd a radio program which consisted of a male octet singing Irish songs and Truth or Consequences.

Elmer Sanville led in the devotional period, after which ice cream, cup cakes, potato chips, nuts, pop, candy, and crackers with spreads of cheese and olives were served.

IN OUR ORBIT

by Izzie and Dougie

When they are flecked with green

And have an orange hue—

Potatoes taste the best and

Are the best for you.

You can beat them with a shillelah

You can put them in the stw-o-o

Anyway you want to eat them

It's impossible to beat them.

But potatoes like the climate of the moist Irish soil

So you should put them in the cellar

So they never spoil—

Nor will they sprout."

This is sung with adaptations (Not to be confused with a musical instrument.)

"Chemung", the personality car, went over the top in a big way last Friday. Montaldi, putting all confidence in the "breaks", left him, headed down the hill, and went into Gaoyadeo Hall. That did it—Chemung, feeling definitely left out, decided to end it all. Starting over the bank, he finally came to a halt, leaning against a small tree about half way down. When Dom came out, a crowd had gathered to view the remains. However, Chemung made the remainder of the trip without a mishap and the only harm done was a small dent in one fender and a smashed headlight. Dom and some more of the boys are looking forward to Easter vacation and their trip to New York.