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School Obtains Large Collection of Indian Tools and Implements

Dr. Paine disclosed in an interview that the college has bought a collection of Indian relics which belonged to the late Rev. Mr. Elliott of High Point, North Carolina.

Mr. Elliott's hobby was the collecting of Indian relics. He had hundreds of arrowheads, spears, mortars and pestle, some clay toys, pieces of pottery, and stone axe heads. These relics were found in the Carolinas, the Tioga River Valley, in Northern Pennsylvania, and a few even in Florida. At one time, Mr. Elliott was offered a considerable price for a few perfect arrowheads by the Smithsonian Institute.

In 1940 at the invitation of the school he came to Houghton and gave a talk on his hobby. He made another trip here about 1942. Last fall Mr. Elliott died and though his friends heard him say that he'd like to give his collection to Houghton College, at the time of his death he had made no will, so his belongings were sold at a public auction. Pres. Paine got in touch with Rev. E. H. Phalp, pastor of a Wesleyan church in High Point, Mr. Johnson, a neighbor of Mr. Elliott, and Rev. M. R. Harvey, an evangelist. These three men bid for the collection. Then they sold them to the college for what they had bid for them.

The relics are here at the college now but are still crated. They will be the basis for an exhibition of Indian relics. Before the exhibit can be laid out, however, exhibit cases must be bought and the pieces classified. Dr. Paine said, "We don't know how soon we can unpack them and set them up in a museum. We are intending to put them up in first class condition in an exhibit that will bear the name of Mr. Elliott. We don't know where to put them. The local Advisory Board has made no final decision."

Day of Prayer Sets Services Off to a Good Beginning

A special day of prayer was held last Tuesday on the Houghton campus and in the town as a preparation for the revival services which began last Tuesday night. Time was set aside in classes for prayer, and the weekly class prayer meetings were moved up a day and held in the basement of the church before the service. A special prayer service was held in the church at two-thirty in the afternoon.

Mr. H. Gilbert Williams, the evangelist in the current series of meetings, spoke in the college chapel service on the text from I Kings, "And there was a great rain," applying the text to the need of rain sent from heaven upon spiritual drought. He stressed prayer as an essential prerequisite for such rain.

MORE NEW STUDENTS

There have been several additions to the list of new students for this semester published in last week's STAR. From the registrar's office we have secured the following names of new students: David Derk, whose name was misprinted last week as Derr, is a freshman in the religious education depart-ment, and is the son of a missionary to the Tibetan border. Mrs. Ruth Derr has enrolled as a special student. Another newcomer is Mary Armstrong, a grad-uate of Houghton High School, who has returned as a college freshman in the music department. Gwen Turner, who has been gone for a semester, has returned to continue studying here. Two other students who have not arrived yet are also expected.

Williams Begins Evangelistic Series By Urging Progress among Christians

The Rev. H. Gilbert Williams opened the Spring revival campaign Tuesday evening with a challenging message to the professing Christians. Choosing for his text, II Kings 2:6, "And they went on," and using a portion of that same chapter as a basis for the sermon, Rev. Mr. Williams pointed out the importance to the Kingdom of God of the Christian's continuing to develop in the things of the Spirit.

The evangelist compared the events recounted in the Scripture reference preceding Elijah's translation and Elisha's subsequent carrying on of the Lord's work, to the steps essential to effective Christian service. He stated that the Christian must stop first, as did Elijah and Elisha, at Gilgal, the place of consecration, for the tragedy of so many people who endeavor to serve is that they have never known Jesus Christ as their own personal Savior.

The second essential to Christian service is represented by Bethel, the place of vision. One of the paramount needs of this age is the need for earnest seeking for God "until He removes the scales from our eyes" and we, have a clear vision of the world's necessity. Mr. Williams cited Elisha's prayer, "Lord, open the eyes of the young man that he may see," to illustrate the idea that we must recognize not only the opposition to Christ's program as the power of a personal Satan, an alluring, Christ-rejecting world, the power of personal carnality, and a Spirit-dishonoring church, but also we should see the power of God, and should understand that in God and in His grace we have the means to overcome any opposition.

The third factor essential to effective Christian service Mr. Williams gave, is faith, represented by the prophet's stopping in Jericho. Elisha's belief in the power of God to fulfill His promise is demonstrated in his asking and expecting to receive twice as much of God's Spirit within his life as Elijah had had.

Elisha's crossing of the Jordan with

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Choir Makes Another Weekend Tour . . .

About 7:30 Sunday morning Aunt Crace was disturbed by forty A Cappella Choir girls who wanted breakfast in a hurry for the cars were to leave the campus at 7:45 A. M. Bath, New York was the destination for the morning service.

The choir seemed to be burrowing through snow tunnels in some places where the drifts were higher than the cars. The drivers did some skillful driving on these poor roads—Bud West even looked Hornell over before the

Hill-Bjork Wedding Held

Miss Elizabeth Bjork and Rev. Perry O. Hill ('43) were united in marriage at 4 p. m. on January 30, at the Zion Lutheran Church, Frewsburg, New York.

The wedding was a simple doublering ceremony, the bride's uncle officiating. The bride wore a two-piece aqua wool suit with a corsage of pink roses and stock. Burt Swales, a Houghton classmate of the groom, was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are at home in Queenstown, Maryland, after returning from a short wedding

Miss Bjork and Mr. Hill became acquainted at Houghton when she was attending summer school here. At that time she was working on a children's book, A Purple Pig for Pedro, which has since been published. It is based on her experiences at Bell, California. Her second book, Elsa's Lullaby, which is now in the hands of the publishers, was illustrated by Burt Swales. Because of her writings she has received recognition from the Pan-American Union and has been given an honorary life membership in the Eugene Field Society.

Perry, as we know the groom, served as pastor of the Methodist Church at Farmersville. He is now attending Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Md., from which he will graduate in May. He is also pastor of the Queenstown charge which includes three churches.

Bath concert. In case there were others in the choir who were not better acquainted with the country than one member was, those big "drifts" by the barns are known as "hay stacks."

The choir members were glad to see so many Houghtonites in the congregation at Bath. Among those present were the parents of Alice Wright and of Ruth Donley, Miss L. Hatch, one time Dean of Women of the College and Miss Doris Veazey.

The concert in Hornell was held in the lovely First Presbyterian Church. This church has a unique arrangement whereby the choir is placed behind a partition which separates the pulpit and choir. This partition was just about 5 feet 4 inches high as measured on Glenda Weaver who stood in the first row behind it. In the half hour after the concert the choir greeted old friends and ate supper. Leola Avery was surprised by having her father, who is a

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Shower & Farewell Given To Audrey Eckler on Tuesday

The first floor of the dorm echoed with "I Love You Truly" on Tuesday night as a group of junior girls gathered in the lower reception room, where a shower was held for Audrey Eckler. In the beautifully decorated, candle-lit room the girls assembled to bid goodbye to Audrey as she made preparations for a spring wedding. Audrey will be married to Lt. James Fenton, U.S.M.C. who is a former Houghton student.

Guests at the party for Audrey were Miss Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Ditchfield and "Doc" Luckey, who took pictures of the bride-to-be and of the other girls. After the refreshments the girls gave Audrey a gift which expressed their best wishes to her.

Last week the report of students receiving grade points of 3.5 or more omitted the name of Evelyn MacNeill, who received an average of 3.5.

Ward Hunting Receives His Call to Appear for Induction

Ward M. Hunting, senior science major, has received his notice to appear for induction in Turners Falls, Massachusetts on February 14 at eight o'clock. Ward plans to leave here tonight on the bus.

Ward's call was not unexpected. During Christmas vacation he passed his pre-induction physical examination and passed a navy test for radar training. He returned to Houghton and has been continuing with his work until he received the call.

Ward is business manager of the STAR, is head-waiter in the dining hall, and serves as a laboratory assistant in Chemistry. He was elected to have his name appear in Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges. He went through Houghton in three years, and lacks only one semester to graduate. He attended two summer school sessions.

Because he had passed the radar test, Ward expects to join Ray Coddington in the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. He took the test at Christmas, when it became fairly certain that he was to be drafted.

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Two Prongs of a Drive . . .

Today we are again in the heart of a special evangelistic gospel campaign. Perhaps there is something significant about the fact that our revival services are scheduled for the beginning of the semester. A new semester is a time for beginnings. There is a sense in which the slate is wiped clean, in which everyone has a chance to redeem himself if he made a bad start in the previous semester.

When evangelistic revival services are held, we often get a distorted picture if we do not judge carefully. The purpose of the meetings is not to jack everyone up and give them enough "religion" to last until the next services come around. The purpose of the services is to provide a strong, compelling, consistent emphasis on the individual's personal relationship with the Saviour. We might compare it with the reviewing, studying and taking of examinations at the end of the last semester. In addition, it provides all of us with an opportunity to start out with fresh impetus, with new zest. We can have the failures and difficulties of the last semester put under the Blood, and start a new semester unencumbered.

With the new semester and the new revival meetings, we are beginning a double drive which will culminate with commencement time. The drive is a scholastic one and a spiritual one. Both prongs of the drive will be motivated by a desire to serve Him and a desire to get what we need for ourselves out of the college.

-W. A. S.

Evangelistic Meetings . . .

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Christian service, that of complete obedience to the will of God. Rev. Mr. Williams emphasized the belief that God never calls anyone to a task which it is impossible to perform with His help.

The evangelist brought his particularly appropriate message to a close, asking, pointedly, "How far have you come?" He also quoted the following selection:

Noah believed God and went in; Abraham believed God and went out; Joshua believed God and went over; Elijah believed God and went up; Daniel believed God and went through; Jonah believed God and went back; We may believe God and go on.

The large attendance at the meeting, and the heart-searching message, coming as the climax to a day of special

Choir Weekend . . .

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merchant marine, appear at the concert and then he in turn was surprised when the girls sang to him.

After supper the choir members hurried into their respective cars and slid to the Congregational Church in Wellsville. After the concert the Men's Club of the church had arranged the lunch. In reply to Jean Marble's thank you the minister of the church replied, "I had expected a good performance, but you all did so well that I feel I should kiss every girl." With one accord the choir arose and started after the retreating and blushing minister.

Elijah represents a fourth essential to prayer, foreshadows a wonderful outpouring of the Spirit in the weeks to come, if Christians continue constant in prayer.

High School News . .

By High School Students

Now that registration is complete we can tell who all our new students are. They represent several states and we are sure that they will all fit in at Houghton. Already we know that some of our new tudents have exercised the feeling that they are perfectly "at home." ere our new students: Joan Carville, from Waltham Massachusetts; Margaret Firdt of Falling Waters, West Vir-ginia; Kenneth Lister, of Gibbsboro, New Jersey; John Strong, of East Hampton, New York; Wendell Caley, of Yeadon, Pennsylvania; David Caley, of Yeadon, Pennsylvania; Daniel Derr, of Syracuse, New York; Virginia Mitchell, of Boston, Massachusetts; Joanne Schultz, Akron, Ohio.

The High School Athletic Association is open for membership. We will be very glad to have you in the Association. Many of the vital issues concerning the letters, fees, and other matters of importance are discussed. Why not join today and make a real contribution to our Association? See Jo Fancher for information

WHAT HOJGHTON MEANS TO ME

Houghton is a word which has come to mean a lot to me, not because it is a special word or anything like that, nor because of a special education which I might be able to get in any large school, but it means a lot to me because it was here that I came to understand the fullness of God's mercy.

It was in April of 1944, about one and half months after I had arrived here that the Lord came down with power and

Kenneth Wright Serving in Philippine Islands Invasion

SOMEWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES Capt. Kenneth W. Wright is serving with a medical company of an infantry

division in the Philippines.

He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Stanley W. Wright, better known to Houghtonians as "Prof. Stan", Wallace, N. Y. His wife lives at 40 Elder St., Berea, Ky.

Before entering the army, Aug. 12, 1942, Capt. Wright was a physician at Berea College, Berea. He graduated from Houghton College in 1934, and later from the Syracuse University Medical School.

He has been overseas more than a year.

We still have a few blankets left! Valentines from 3c to 50c

Mrs. Cronk

spoke to me with such firmness and loving kindness that I had to take Him in in all of His fullness. I love that day and realize the great change it had for my life.

Since then my Christian experience has been strengthened by prayer meetings, morning watch and the church services. Because of Houghton and its influence, I am a child of God, "Praise His Name."

WHY I ATTEND A CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Perhaps attending public school for several years and then high school one one year under the influence of non-Christian friends was the greatest factor in leading me to select a Christian high school. I wanted a school where ideals were held high and where I could study under Christian teachers who could help a young person to grow in his spiritual life.

Gold Wins by Large Score in Second Game

Yesterday afternoon the Gold trounced the Purple 41-25 to give them two wins and no losses in the current color series. Bob Hanley was high scorer with 10 points, followed by Kalle, Fred Hanley and Little with 9 points each.

The Gold scored first and were never headed nor tied during the entire game. After taking a safe lead in the first quarter, while holding the Purple to one lone foul shot, Flower took himself out in favor of Wesley Aarum who accounted for six points. The Gold seemed to hold the advantage with a tight defense and control of the backboard.

Purple 1 9 15 25 Gold 1 12 20 33 45

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