# The Houghton Star 

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## Splendid Board Meeting <br> Favorable Reports From Colleges

President Luckey has returned from Board Meeting with a very favorable report. The Spirit of the Lord was present as well as each member of the Board. The business of the Church was transacted with the usual ease of method. This Board consists of seventeen persons, five of which are ex-officio members and constitute the Executive Board, and twelve other persons elected by the Church from the four school districts. The represe:tatives from the Houghton district were Messrs. Dietrich, Perrine, and Carpenter.

The Book Committec decided by a unanimous vote to hold the next session of the General Conference at Houghton, June, 1927. We are hoping that this Conference will have a favorable effect on Houghton's Commencement Exercises for that year.

The report of the treasurer of the Board showed a close year, and a gain of only about thirty dollars. However some improvements, which were made last year, decreased the gain for the year.

The Foreign Missionary treasury showed that its finances are in good condition. The missionary budgets adopted for next year amounted to about three thousand dollars more than last, the increase being warranted by the success of the past year. Rev. M. A. Gibbs, our missionary to Japan, was present at the Board Meeting, and was elected to return to the Japanese mission field as soon as his furlough ends. Brother Gibbs reported an organized church in Japan, which is supporting a native preacher. Rev. B. I.

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## Home Bureau Meets

The Houghton Home Bureau met at Mrs. Mary Babbit's, Thursday, February 4. Eight members and one visitor enjoyed the elothing lesson given by Mrs. Molyneaux.

The next meeting, which will also be held at Mrs. Babbitt's, will be February 19. All members and nonmembers are cordially invited. This will be an interesting meeting as Miss Elrey expects to meet with us. Another clothing lesson will then be given.

## Allpress All Star Concert

Fora town of its size, Houghton seems to be peculiarly blessed with good music, both from lotal sources and from "foreign" talent. Two or three times annually we are favored with an evening's entertainment furnished by our own artists; and about as often Houghton is privileged to enjoy programs from outside entertainers. It was one of the latter which was staged in the college chapel last Friday evening, February 5.
The Allpress All Star Company was secured through the Royal Lyceum Bureau, from which we have secured many good numbers in the past. This company is composed of three mem-bers-Thomas Allpress, violinist; Gladys Borchardt, cellist; and Amy Hanna Allpress, pianist and reader. A trio thus arranged makes a very good musical combination capable of rendering a varied and delightful program
The opening number of their program was an Overture, "Russian and Ludmilla" by M. Clinka, arranged for these parts by Mr. Allpress himself. This arrangement was well suited to

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## Key to All Success

On Sunday afternoon at the regular meeting of the Christian Workers, Professor Whitaker gave a practical, as well as inspirational, talk. 'In his unaff ected and sincere mannerhe present ed several points of advice to those who are going to give themselves to definite phases of evangelism but applicable to any Christian.
"As a key to all success", he said, it is essential continually to maintain faith in God." The habit of communion with God at all times will help you to listen to the Spirit. Maintaining a single object will give God the best opportunity to work out His will in your life. Develop the habit of industry. Study God's Word, for the Christian Worker should know his Bible better than anything else. Abstaining from that which is vain, idle, and fool ish is only a proper regard for the Holy Spirit. Let your light shine. One's unconscious influence is often greater than that which is conscious; yet we should endeavor to follow the Spirit in making our contacts with our fellowmen count for God in a conscious way.

## Appreciative Audience Hear Spillman

Lecture "The Twice-Boin Man" Well Received
Undoubtedly one of the greatest and must inspiring lectures ever delivered from our platform, was enjoyed last Wednesday evening when Professor Harry Collins Spillman gave his splendid personality talk, "The Twice-Born Man". By means of forceful oratory. sparkling wit, and well-chosen words, he held his audience in the hollow of his hand. as it were, while he poured into their nature that magic nectar which is brewed in the cup of truth. His noble words should stir many souls to higner ideals and a richer life.
Who is the "twice-born man"? He is that individual who has awakened to his possibilities, to his opportunities, to his surroundings, and has been born again into a new world full of activity teeming with life. He is that man who pussesses a vivid and potent personality, and who by the means of an independent brain power. a rich vocabulary, and moral. clear-cut, advancing actions, has crained his personality to help others as well as himself along the road to prosperity

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## Gold Side Takes Evening Off

Going from the lecture and sombre pictures of Puritan life into the gayly decorated annex of the dining hall was indeed a sudden dhange.
The evening started off merrily with age-old games. No dull moments intervened. Mr. Bain, as his forfeit, had to propose to Miss Moore. He first inquired of Professor Douglas how it was done, but the Professor repliep that his kind was pat-ented. Wilfred finally managed to get the ring securely on the finger of his lady-love. "Cross questions and crooked answers" kept the company convulsed ingales of laughter. One lady inquired, "Do you use powder on your face?" The gentleman answered "No, Sloan's Liniment."
The eats were no small part of the program. At least Mosher seemed to consider them so, for he sat surrounded by half a dozen cakes and a large bowl fice cream.
The orchestra was a delightful asset.
Withafew rousing cheers for "ye olde Gold", the party broke up.

## The Battle Is On

Rallying to the call to battle, the soldiers of the Lord Jesus Christ were at their posts of duty Tuesdery evening. Though the Lieutenant General, Rev. F'airbairn, had not yet arrived' at the front line trenches, the Gommander-in-chief in the person of the Holy Ghost was present and the enemy was made conscious of an Omnipotent Foe.
An offensive was begun by a season of prayer and praise conducted by a leader of the young people, Miss Josephine Richard. She urged each one to maintain through prayer the line of communication with our resources. Many definite testimonies of the grace of God were effective missiles which, empowered by the Holy Spirit, effectively pointed out the means of escape from the ranks of the enemy.
In the hope that Brother Fairbairs would arrive on the $8: 13$ train, the service was continued with the expectation that he would take command upon his arrival. Not thwarted by any disappointment in his failure to arrive, our pastor, Brother Pitt, called on Rev. N. R. Shaffer, the pastor at Fillmore, to take charge of the service. As a true "minute man" for his King, Brother Shaffer forcef.lly led the attack by using that Sword of the Spirit as found in Isaiah 9:6. The exaltation of the Redeemer produced evidences of conviction in those held captive by the enemy.

## Kernels of Truth

"Everyone is making a choice today."
"Christ pays little attention to element of chance in human life."
"Fear is a deadly foe. God cannot talk to a man or a man cannot talk to God until the fear which enslaves him is removed."
"A fearless holiness is the highest attainable grace in this world."
"There is only one cure for fear and that is an identification with Christ."
"The supreme quality of Jesus was his absolutely triumphant graciousness"
There is one thingthat doesn't fit into a practical life and that is unbelief."
"If your heart is set on Jesus Christ you can believe on Him."

- Rev. Pitt

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## Editorial

## Porro Unum Est Necessarium

He was a very great man-Sir Richard Donovan. Yea, the spread he made was exceeding large as he rode about in his coach-and-four with all the Fellows of St. John's hanging with greatest caution to his least request. "Yes, Sir Richard, I am at your service." "Your humble servant attends you." And his apartments-be needed much room to turn himself.
Now if thee will lend me thine car for yet a moment, I will tell thee a story of another man.
This man was very small, and a small man can easily turn around in six by eight. But sometimes small men have great souls and it was so in this case. When great souls turn, the world itself is scarcely large enough
It happened on this wise. The King published a decree and sealed it witha! with hi- own insignia directing ihat his subjects should converse with their Maker only through the national prayer book. Furthermore, they must not expound the Word of God - for themselves lest "the Lord's freeman" might appear before their vision and they might desire of their king something besides hovels and taxes. The great soul turned, and the world hat not yet ceased to reverberate the echo.
And the moral of these tales is this If thee is great in thine own estimation and in that of thy fellows who bask in the sunshine of thine affluence, take
 sencompass all thy frade. Remember Eddy so in thy coach-and-four can be heard no a furlough. Mioturn from ftecaion more than fifty rods at most. And superintendent of the African mission furthermore thee will be great only as field Brother Doty's son expects

## thee walks with Gond

## Our President's Message

Another place for improvement in Houghton College and Houghton Seminary is in government. The old tradition that the interests of students and faculty are diametrically opposite is fast becoming obsolete, and both are seeing and believing that their interest are one. Requlations are directions for efficient work just as truly in school work as in machine chops, and stndeuts especially college students, are coming to see this more trulv.
Every school conducted by a Christian denomination is operated at a financial loss. The income from students is usually less than fifty percent of the operating cost Every sincere student should know this and recognize the onligation that it entails. This does not mean that the student should remember that noble and true friends are extending to him through the institution they are supporting, a means to make the most of his life, and in return the student should do his best to make the most of his opportunities, and should maintain the honor and standards of the institution at all times To the conscientions student, the maintaining of the schonl standards hecome a. seered twa heroming mare and more sacred the longer the studert stays in the instututon. A semor, and eapectally a college sentior, should feel an equal responsibiny whit the faculty In seeng that these standands are maintained by the whole student body. A school is a small democracy; and, the ideats just mentioned could large$y$ pretall, eapectally with the upper clatsmen, sone form of s.udemt government cond undoubtedly be introduced whit mose benetictal results. Houghton College stands ready to cooperate with the students in every. hing that counts for stronger Christan manhood and womanhood.
J. S. Luckey

Mr. Saunder's brother and sister and three friends from Alfred were zuesto of Mr. Saunders, Monday
Jean Eldridge. a member of the Pur- h ple girl's basket- ball squad, sprained her ankle during one of the games in the "Series". She has also had a vereattach of tonsilitis but she is now on the road to recovery. half.
to come to the United states this summer, and enter Houghton Colleqe next fall. The Home Missionary

The educational interests of the Wesleyan Methodist Colleges were discussed, and their reports considered The finances of Central College are quite deeply involved, but there are hrpes of selling some property in North Carolina, the proceeds of which were intend dor religious education The returns from this probable sale will be added to the endowment of Central Collope. Rev. J. J. Coleman, former thological instructor of Houghton tentatively consented to become president of the college.
The state of Kansas has just experienced the worst crop failure of many years. Xivertheless, by the help of Gud, Milionvale College was able to operate with a deficit of ouly a thousatd dollars, with prospect that ! rest dent McConn will win out in this financial depression.
Marion Colluge reported a splendid Thowny of students and a good inco:ne from the students. An effort was put forth at the Board Meeting to make retrenchments, the result of which was a decrave of two thousand dollars in the deficit. With careful fimancing, Marion College expects to be abic to pperate on a paying basis in the near inture.
The report of Houghton College, showing a gain of atout nine thousand dollars, was well received by the koard for which we, who are a part of Hough ton, praiee (ind, and sincerely thank our beloved President Luckey for his constant ffiorts in causing Houghion Collepe to realize such an encouragng financial status. The Board approver of the recommendations of our Advisory Board to complete the Bedford Gi) masium during the year 1926. proNat the Executive Board believe that the financial situation will warrant success, after careful plans and estimates have been submitted. Let us give expression to our thanks by a deeper appreciation of President Luckey and his ceaseless labors in our be-

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#### Abstract

Allpress All Star Conceat Continued from Page 1 bring out the fine harmony produced by the three instruments. As an encore the trio played "Barcarolle", that beautiful Venetian boat song.

Fantasie on Gounod's "Faust" by Sarasate was played by Mr. Allpress as a violin solo, with Mrs. Allpress accompaning. This piece is filled with variations which brought out the player's ability as a violinist. His encore was a delicate selection which demonstrated skill and accuracy. A duet "Swiss Air and Gentle Zephyrs", arranged for the cello and violin by Mr. Allpress, was played by Miss Bor chardt and him. The composition being first slow and gentle then swift and dashing, gave them an opportun ity to show that they were masters of their instruments. ts is the case with every grood accompanist, Mrs. Allpress' ability and skill on the piano was absorbed by type those whom she accompanied. But she was an individ:al "star" in reading "Mandy's Organ", which was a good selection well read. Her encore was a "dig" on that too-common class of well-meaning females who are alwas trying to help matters by driving a car from the rear seat. Miss Borchardt was very skillful with her cello. She used Popper's "Devotion" as a solo and brought out the rich, deep music of the cello in its fullness and sweetness, artfully. Her encore was of a different type but was played equally as well. The trio again played a group of two selections of Folk Songs-one of the new and one of the old. The former was "At Dawning"; the latter, a modern arrangement of "When You and I Were Young, Maggie". Then Mrs. Allpress gave a musical monolog "Not Understood" and responded to an enare with another selection of the same ype.


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The concluding number was the "All Star Radio Symphony", arranged by Mr. Allpress, in which were sketches from operas from all over the world, various national sonys and "jigs", popular songs from many countries and closing with patriotic airs from our own Cavil War period.
Generally, the Allpress All Star Company's concert was well received. One could truthfully say that they lived up to the reputation which preceded them.

## Illustrated Lecture

The first regular meeting of the Athenian Literary Society, which was held last Monday nignt, proved to be a great success. Professor Hazlett's illustrated lecture, "The Puritans in the Old World" gave us both a vivid picture of the conditions surrounding the reformers and their followers in Europe. The lecturer began with the Reformation, telling of the work and sacrifice of such men as Wyclif, Huss, and Luther; showing the hardships of the common people and giving a brief survey of their domestic life. That greatest event in the history of human freedom, the sailing of the Pilgrim fathers, was one of the scenes most interesting to us. At the next meeting of the Society, Professor Hazlett will continue his lecture; this time speaking on "The Pilgrims in the New Land"

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[^0]Prof. Wright, in Church History Class: What dates would you keep in mind for the rise and fall of scholasticism?
Miss Sartwell: I don't keep any dates.

Miss Frost: I am going to move to he Long Dorm
Miss Sherman (a few minutes afterwards) singing: "It's almost too good to be true"

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## Audience Hear Spillman

 Continued from pageIt is a startling fact that the great majority of the human race today are brain parasites, living on the minority For, according to Mr. Spillman, "Nine-ty-five per cent of the constructive thinking is done by five per cent of the people". We are too much dependent upon our fellows, too much addicted to leaning upon their knowledge, too much given to the perpetuation of custom, tradition, and ancestral leadership. The twice-born man is a thinker, a source-minded individual, who has learned the lesson of independence, and who is a maker of motions rather than one who seconds them.
To a great extent, a successful life depends upon the sort of language used in everyday transactions, for the habit of speech portrays the inner man. No greater asset can be gained than a welldeveloped vocabulary, for by thits method, personality finds expression and a willing nature finds an avenue to the outside world. An extensive vocabulary may be derived mainly by correct reading, and the book of all books suggested by Mr. Spillman is the Bible.

However, independent thinking and a "silver tongue" do not wholly make up an ideal life. Actions, or outward characteristics have much to do with the "twice-born" man. We must put our thoughts and words into actions, we must live our convictions, and practice our utterances before we can claim accomplishments as our own. Then, when we have awakened to our possibilities, and have created $p$ ?s, $n$ ality worthy of recognition, when we have been born again into a realization of true life, we have earned success.
Mr. Spillman has left a deep impression upon our lives, and we eagerly anticipate sitting again under the spell of his words, and the influence of his own personality.

## Boulder News

"Men love darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil", but "he that doeth truth cometh to the light that his deeds may be made manifest."
The Boulder Staff of 1926 feels it is time the fact is scattered abroad that in June 1926 a year book will be published. Indeed, they believe that they need to have no compunction of conscience in offering to the students and others connected with the school, this year book-by custom denoted the 'Boulder".
If hard, continuous, and well-direct-
ed labor will determine the success of the Boulder, "it is so ordered". Already, the plan and arrangement of the bouk has been carefully revised again and again, until. with the exceptions of a few details, the outline has been practically determined. The various members of the staff are now busy preparing the copies for their special departments; the majority of the pictures have been taken, and will soon be in the hands of the engravers; the snap editor is on the alert for live, "story-telling" snap-shots, many of which have already been received. In short, the new machinery is in perfect working order, the lubricating system being well supplied with ideas. Sufficient subscriptions have been received to furnish the "gas" for the work so far; but the staff wishes to impress upon the minds of those who are interested the great, prominent need of more subscriptions in order to supply the necessary "gas" for the future.
Therefore, special efforts are now being put forth to secure more subscriptions. Yes, students, alumni, upporters of the school, old friends, and new friends, we are going to have a "real" Boulder on condition, that you give us your snpport. Will you do this?

## News in the Seminary

The Seminary piano stool will only hold two. That's enough

No sittings for conversation are allowed in the Study Hall.

Several times this week there have been fatal results to students in Study Hall, when the ringing of the telephone broke the line of thought.

Miss Rork, while passing about three feet from Robert Albright's desk, ell over two of them.

As a result of the visit of the photographer last week, many High School Seniors and members of the faculty are still looking unnatural.

Talking aloud to onesself in the Study Hall must be a sign of insanity We are worried about Mr. Strapp.

A tap, tap, tap upon the floor of the Study Hall is not the knocking of spirits but the result of a sprained ankle.

Don Fergusoe a student in our school who has been taken very seriously ill is slowly recovering.

Mr. M. C. Cronk, one of our merchants, has purchased a new Chevrolet Lenbau.


[^0]:    Fred D. Rice Music House
    Wellsville, New York

