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FRESHMEN ARE GUESTS AT LETCHWORTH

Crowded like cattle in appropriate trucks, the frosh were transported wholesale to Letchworth park Friday, October 13, where they were entertained by their sister class, the juniors.

The new students were given time to explore the historic park before supper. At dusk the group assembled in the pavilion and sang hymns and school songs while the ever-important food committee was making solemn preparations. Like the celebrated Tommy Tucker, the singers were soon rewarded. Great pans of beans, piles of hot dogs and dozens of sugary doughnuts disappeared with unprecedented rapidity.

Warmed and satisfied, the group gradually drifted into the customary Friday night formation, while the program proceeded, in charge of junior president, Lloyd Elliott, who welcomed the freshmen guests. Frank Houser, frosh executive, responded for his class.

A German band under the direction of "Red" Saurwein lent a delightfully festive air to the occasion, while Allen McCartney furnished a bit of humor and a male quartet composed of Earl Saurwein, Glenn Jones, Keith Sackett, and Lloyd Elliott, gave two comic selections.

Professor Stanley Wright convulsed his receptive audience with several stories from his group reserved "for very special occasions," and then proceeded with his topic "How Much Do You Count?" He closed his talk by saying, "The men of tomorrow are going to be men who do not let themselves count too much, or let themselves be counted too little."

With spirits undaunted by a cold windy drizzle, the picnickers were trundled unceremoniously back to familiar soil.

Cooperation, Theme At Forensic Union Meeting

"Cooperation" was the general theme of Forensic union in its second meeting Monday evening, October 16.

Wesley Nussey gave a splendid essay on the subject "Cooperatives," stressing the idea that Houghton could be made more efficient on this cooperative plan.

An interesting extempore "Cooperation from the viewpoint of a married man" was given by Dean Hazlett who seemed to draw from a depth of experience. The two minute impromptus were better than average, as given by Allyn Russell on "Why we should have a good debate team this season," Lenoir Masteller on "Cooperation as a part of personality," and Warren Woolsey on "Cooperation and association."

First and second orders of music were vocal solos presented by Marvin Byler accompanied by Edward Leschander. Parliamentary drill was conducted by Willard Cassel, Forensic humor by Paul Stewart, and the critique by Clifford Blauvelt.

A new varsity debate manager, Seymour Rollman, and a chaplain, Kenneth Hill, were elected.

Dr. Armitage as Scrooge



Armitage Presents Interpretation of Dickens

Dr. Frank Guy Armitage, eminent authority on Charles Dickens, will present a lecture-recital at the Houghton college chapel on Friday evening, October 27, at 8:15 p.m. Dr. Armitage, through intensive study, has become the world's foremost interpreter of Dickens.

The title of this lecture-recital will be "Dickens and His Queen Folk." From the rich mine of over two thousand characters described by the great writer, Dr. Armitage selects the most outstanding and in the twinkling of an eye makes them live and move and have their being once more. Micawber struts his cheerful, philosophic, optimistic way "confidently expecting something to turn up," Uriah Heep crawls in his slavish hypocrisy, and Sidney Carton makes his magnificent renunciation and goes to the guillotine. The President of the Dickens Fellowship of New York commented, when Dr. Armitage last appeared before them, "No one portrays the humor and pathos of Dickens with such depth of feeling as does Frank Guy Armitage."

Wigs and semi-costumes are used to heighten the effect of the illusion but no grease paint is employed for "make-up". Dr. Armitage achieves his astonishing facial effects by skillful manipulation of the facial muscles.

Dr. Frank Guy Armitage was born (Continued on Page Three)

Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 19

7:00 — Sophomore music recital

Friday, Oct. 20

8:15 — Howard Pierce Davis

Saturday, Oct. 21

10:00 — Dr. Leslie Ray Marston

1:30 — Senior-freshman football game

6:00 — Alumni banquet

8:15 — Alumni program

Sunday, Oct. 22

11:00 — Bishop Leslie Ray Marston

Monday, Oct. 23

6:50 — Art club, Expression club, Mission Study

Tuesday, Oct. 24

7:00 — Prayer meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 25

7:00 — Oratorio rehearsal

Thursday, Oct. 26

7:00 — Junior music recital

SENIOR CLASS ENTERTAINS SOPHS FRIDAY

The party given by the seniors for the sophomores at the Recreation hall Friday the 13th, proved to be a great success.

The sophomores were dared by the hand of fate to come and learn their destiny from the seniors. The destiny (if you may call it that) was as follows:

Entering the Recreation hall, they found it decorated in the bright autumn colors of yellow, orange and brown. On the wall were several symbols of superstition such as a black cat, a broken mirror, the number "13," and a ladder.

The program was carried on in a reverse order, the farewell address being given first by President Wesley Nussey. Vance Carlson, the master of ceremonies, took on a very definite English air with his monocle and his accent when he introduced the performers of the evening.

The brass quartet consisting of Carleton Herrman, Arthur Mann, Robert Strong and Reynard Alger played Suite No. 2 by McKay. Following this, Lenoir Masteller gave a reading. Hal Homan then sang two humorous songs. The "Upper Crust," Frank Taylor, Robert Stanton, Miles Weaver, Paul Wolfgruber, Cliff Blauvelt, also played and sang two numbers.

The outstanding event of the evening was the modern dramatization of the third chapter of *Macbeth*. The sophisticated, twentieth-century witches were Ann Madwid, Mildred Schaner and Mary Helen Moody. Durwood Clader took the part of Macbeth, and the friend of Macbeth was Vance Carlson. Shakespeare certainly must have turned in his grave while this was going on.

After this, the sophs were given a hearty welcome by the senior president and the evening ended with the serving of refreshments.

Calling All Alumni

Homecoming week-end — the only time of the year we undergrads have the opportunity to play host to alumni. It's one time when we can dream a little and visualize our own futures reflected in you. You challenge us by achieving your goals. You give us a hint of how worthwhile we can make our lives too. Some of you are becoming accustomed to the sweet wine of success. Others of you have only sipped of it. To a few, perhaps, the "waiter" is asking, "Will you have sweet or bitter?" And you give him your order and eagerly wait for your request, hoping and trusting he doesn't confuse yours with that of another. We sit at a nearby table and watch you with pride in our eyes and anticipation in our hearts.

You showed us how to live here and we filled your places as you moved up a few notches. You show us how to live in the world; we take your places as you quit them there as well.

Welcome back, Alumni. Make yourselves at home. We wish you could come oftener and stay longer.

PAUL WOLFGRUBER
Pres. of Student Body

L. R. Marston To Be Main Speaker For Founder's Day Convocation Saturday

Background of Higher Education, Psychology, Church Affairs, Seen

The central point of interest in the Founder's Day Convocation at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 21, will be the address by Dr. Leslie Ray Marston. He will speak from the topic: "Christian Education in a Pagan World".

Dr. Marston is known as a dynamic speaker. From his extensive background in higher education, psychology, and church affairs, he brings a breadth and balance of view that give his speaking unusual weight. Houghtonites hear many leaders in Church affairs, but not often do they hear a man who is both a religious leader and an educator of national reputation.

In connection with the convocation exercises on Saturday morning there will be a colorful academic procession and the conferring of honorary degrees.

One part of the Saturday evening program holds particular interest for the present student body. There will be the first showing of more than 100 ft. of cine Kodak color film. A large part of this film contains a dramatic photographic record of the events of freshman week. Not the least of these are close-ups of the Friday afternoon events including the tug-of-war.

The portrayal of the historical development of Houghton through (Continued on Page Four)

Clark Bedford Speaks On Houghton Traditions

The Rev. Mr. Clark Bedford discussed Houghton traditions in chapel Wednesday, October 12. Mr. Bedford is a former student of Houghton and was at one time the professor of Greek here.

Starting with the purpose of Willard J. Houghton, who founded our school through the Lockport Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Mr. Bedford presented the ideals which have become the traditions of Houghton college. One of the founder's first wishes was to provide an education for the poor boy and girl. It was not considered shameful to engage in hard manual labor. Students laid the first water line for Houghton and made the bricks used in construction of the present Ad building. The second desire of Willard J. Houghton was to found a school in which religious interests predominated. Accordingly, the fall and spring revivals were instituted. Tuesday night prayer meeting also had its origin in this plan of Willard Houghton.

A third tradition, scholarship, was emphasized by Professor McDowell and insisted upon by the late Dr. James S. Luckey. As president of the school, Dr. Luckey succeeded in advancing Houghton from a junior college to a fully accredited institution.



Mr. Howard Davis To Comment on World Conditions

Mr. Howard Pierce Davis will present an analysis of "World Affairs" in the college chapel on Friday evening, October 20, 8:15. Mr. Davis speaks from a wealth of experience, including a visit to Europe during the past summer.

Mr. Davis spent the early part of August in Poland with his headquarters at Warsaw. From there he went to Danzig and then on to Berlin, where he was at the time of the beginning of the invasion of Poland. He was the last person over the German-French border on the night of August 26th, at Cologne. He watched the placing of camouflaged aerial defenses near Berlin and at the approaches to all bridges and on public buildings that day. He had watched the population hurrying to mobilization, the truck loads of ammunition being rushed to the front, the mad scramble of foreigners in their attempt to arrange for departure from Germany.

In Paris during the following two weeks, he watched the evacuation of civilians, the eerie blackout of the city, listened for the air raid warning signals and rushed to shelter with the Parisians when it came, and bade goodbye to French and German friends who were going into war for France and the Allies. He had seen truck loads of art treasures from the Louvre and other museums being rushed to secret places of safety and train loads of children bound for they knew not where.

During the past five years, Mr. Davis has been contributing editor for *News Week*, Foreign Editor of the *Boston Transcript* for several months before he went to Europe this summer, and a contributor to numerous periodicals and magazines. He has been rebooked for every engagement which he filled last season and will appear on such prominent courses as the New York Town Hall.

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EDITORIAL

War and Peace

The day that New York City was bombed into Long Island Sound, the citizens of the United States were sympathetic but stoic. They were accustomed to war-scares; only a few hysterical ones grew excited over the situation.

The President called a special session of Congress.

"This is just another squabble," said a Senator who represented the interests of the munitionists. "The whole thing will blow over in no time, and I know that my constituents are opposed to governmental interference in the matter."

The gentleman from California, who had been elected for promising pensions to all the people all the time, agreed. "New York," he said, "was ninety-nine percent foreign anyhow, and I don't want to sacrifice my sons to save the lives of a bunch of wops and dagoes and niggers."

The Senate cheered.

In the House, a former clergyman who found politics more lucrative had the floor. "The old idea of an eye for an eye is out," he said. "Two wrongs never will make a right. The only way to stop wars is to keep out of war."

Congress finally passed neutrality laws. Later an embargo limiting the sale of munitions to the attacking power was proposed, but Washington was blown into atoms before the filibustering was over.

The people of the United States kept out of war. The new government, however, decided to purge the State. It was recorded that the people were eliminated very painlessly. — D. T. K.

Dreams

There are dreams and Dreams. Excursions upon mental wild goose chases are dreams. Excursions of the mind into the dim, misty future made with the noble purpose of setting a high goal somewhere up the road, and made with the earnest purpose of diligently exercising mind and soul and body in the attainment of that goal, once it is set, are Dreams — or Visions.

Houghton has been built upon Dreams. Its founder Dreamed of a school where poor boys and girls could have privileges previously enjoyed only by those more fortunate financially. Impossible? No, the Dream came true. The early leaders Dreamed of a school of high scholarship as well as of high spirituality. Where were intellectual leaders to be had? The Dream was realized when men of unquestioned ability consecrated their God-given talents to the cause of Houghton. The Man of the Hour Dreamed Dreams of a full-fledged college, and more. Obstacles? Ha! a mighty will, empowered by a mightier Will, wrought — travailed, if you will — and brought forth Houghton college.

These early men and women Dreamed. No talk of lagging school spirit, then! Lives were falling in the battle to realize the fulfillment of Dreams. School spirit was not conceived of as an intangible something which came from somewhere to perform in miraculous ways dreams which dreamers dreamed; it was being generated as needed in the power-house of labor. And there was always spirit in abundance. They knew that purpose, not pleasure, is the source of spirit; that work, not play, is the employment of spirit. Each man, each woman, knew that he or she was not only a part of Houghton, but that he or she was actually Houghton. And in the power of that realization, their school, our school, wedged her way through the years, leaving an ever-widening wake of Houghton influence upon the world. School spirit was a by-

Soph Musicians Heard In Recital

The sophomore music students were heard in their first recital Thursday night, October 12, in the chapel.

The program started with a piano solo, Beethoven's *Adagio* from Sonata No. 1, played by Theodore Gast. Frances Wightman sang Schubert's *To Music. Troika Ride* by Tschaikowski was the piano solo offered by Stephen Ortlip. Two other vocal selections were *Vale* sung by Margaret Mann and *Ich Liebe Dich* sung by Janice Strong. Other piano solos offered were *Valse* by Levitski played by Elizabeth Carlson and Schumann's *Bird As Prophet* played by Mildred Bisgrove. The program was concluded with a trumpet solo *La Mandolinata* by Ray Alger.

The accompanists for the recital were Phyllis Greenwood and Mildred Bisgrove.

The program as a whole was very well done and in spite of a rather small audience the performers put forward their best efforts.

Friday the 13th? No Tough Luck; Just Annoyances

Note: The cast of characters in this story is merely fictitious. If it uses the name of a living person it is coincidental.

With overcast skies illuminated only by a few piercing stars, the night of Friday 13 passed into oblivion with no unlikeliness for anyone; yet a few were disgruntled by the nocturnal release of the copious energies of six freshmen boys: Stanley Brown, Dave Morrison, Paul Smith, Paul Scrimshaw, John Sheffer, and Paul Stewart. As entertainers for the senior-sophomore party, the boys rendered a musical number on five horns (car). The boys second rendition was a chimes solo on the chapel bell. Since it was "date" night, many couples suffered from the impression that it was curfew. We understand that the Dean of Men gave his thanks to the boys for getting 'Joe' College and 'Betty' Co-ed in so early (???) To show their dexterity the boys successfully ran Ted Bowditch's "sea-going hack" quietly and silently from the head of Lover's Lane (there was no one in the car) to the steps of the Administration building. The following morning, Ted thought he was suffering from hallucinations. Remember, if the names which appear in this story coincide with those of students, it is their fault—not ours.

The Shadow—sees all and tells all.

product of diligent labor exerted in the direction of the fulfillment of Dreams.

For some time now, a certain will-o'-the-wisp dream has hovered in the minds of some Houghtonites. It is a dream which might well become a Dream. Appearing in the last issue of the *Star* under the title, "A Motorist Passes," was an editorial which bears the thought of that dream. "A remodeled 'frontyard' for Houghton," might be a good slogan for a campaign to accomplish this much needed improvement. Dr. Bedford told us last week about the cooperation of Houghton's first students in the development of the school. A little of that same type of cooperation on the part of the modern Houghton student would bring about not only the desired improvement, but would also be a fruitful source of school spirit. A gang of fellows staying in Houghton during vacation periods; a different gang of boys working on good afternoons; a little less time spent in selfish, speedily vanishing pleasures, and a little more time given to the purpose of seeing Houghton progress — and the job is done.

Problems? Yes. Insurmountable problems? Apparently, but not actually. Remember that fortune smiles kindly upon those who are true Dreamers.

A park with well-trimmed shrubbery and lawns; cinder paths flanked occasionally by a neat little bench; flower beds; a pool, perhaps; a proud sign reading "Houghton College"—what do you say fellow students? Shall we Dream again? — L. E. P.

Art Department Presents Exhibit of Van Gogh

The art department of the school has recently been responsible for an exhibit and is soon to present another.

Last Wednesday evening, October 11, those who heard the Siberian Singers saw exhibited in the corridor of the administration building the work of Vincent Van Gogh, a famous painter of the French school. Autumn leaves over the doors at either end of the corridor emphasized the vivid color in VanGogh's paintings.

The second exhibition, in the same corridor on the Saturday of Homecoming week-end, will represent the work of the six Houghton artists-to-be during their first month of training. Observers are asked to be sympathetic!

New Bake Shop Is Started in Houghton

Have you heard? The new bakery shop downtown is open. It's run by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keeler. Mr. Keeler is a graduate of the Siebel Institute of Technology. He has been in the bakery business for a number of years—among which he spent 15 with the "Delicious Bread Co." in Olean.

The students these days are remarking about the home-made bread at the dorm meals. The outstanding feature of the bread is the fact that it is made with pure milk instead of the usual powdered or pulverized milk.

Among their equipment is a rather unusual oven. It is round, has revolving shelves replacing the straight ones used ordinarily. The oven is heated by gas and operated by electricity. There is also an electric mixing machine, a slicer and a wrapping machine. Mrs. Keeler calls herself her "husband's helper" because when he has finished the baking she does the wrapping.

The bakery is open for the student's patronage, as well as the townspeople.

Mrs. Birkel, Mother of Student, Sails for China

Friends of Mrs. Birkel, mother of Evelyn Birkel, will be interested to know that she is sailing for China Oct. 20 on the *President Coolidge*. Mrs. Birkel is returning unexpectedly because of the illness of Mr. Birkel who has been in China for some time. Mr. Birkel underwent an operation, but is reported doing well.

By

J. P. Q.

DeRight



PUISSANT PUNDITS

A sweet young sophomore was telling of the light of her life last year to a wide-eyed freshman. "He was the goal of my ambition until he came to see me last summer," she cried dramatically.

"What happened?" demanded the freshie.

"Dad kicked the goal," came the solemn answer.

And what of the student who, cleaning the Ad building chimney during vacation, when asked how he liked his job, replied, "Oh, it soots me."

And one of the newly married couples of our campus is in difficulty already. She seems to be very dissatisfied, and no one seems to know exactly why. One of the comments, however, may shed a little light on the subject. Said a wise senior, "She thought he was a home-loving man, and now he wants to tag along with her every place she goes."

Were you around at a recent football game where you could hear our famous sports expert, Feather, holding forth to a group of frosh on the merits of the game? He was bragging up the soph team, and mentioned Paul Krentel.

"What position does he play on the team?" asked a frosh.

He thought a minute, and then refused to be stumped. "In a sort of crouched and bent position," he replied.

I saw a swell Plymouth convertible flash by, a good-looking soph at the wheel. "Who's the fair-haired girl beside him?" I asked. For a moment no one answered. Then someone ventured, "I don't know her name, but I saw them at the Inn and he called her his blonded indebtedness."

We all make mistakes at times, and if we are apt to do so, physics class will show us up. The other day Prof. Pryor asked "Dutch" Lord, "What effects have cold and heat?" "Cold contracts and heat expands things," Dutch replied.

"Very good. Can you give examples of that?"

"Sure. In winter the days are short, and in the summer they become long."

Paul Wolfgruber was describing her in brilliant terms.

"What color is her hair?" he was asked.

"Well, I guess it's on the blonde side," Wolfy decided.

"What does she wear on the other (Continued on Page Three)

Hazlett House Organizes

The first dormitory meeting of Hazlett House was held Tuesday evening. Following prayer by Doris Fenton, introductions were made. Those present were Pearl Errick who registered Monday, Doris Fenton, Ruth Samuels, Doris Rogers, Jane Wilson, Frances Nash, Lorena Berry, Irene Butts, Jacqueline Kolendo, and Evelyn Hart. Irene Butts, as acting president, explained the rules of the dormitory.

Officers were elected as follows: president, Irene Butts; secretary, Evelyn Hart; light proctor for one month, Doris Fenton; prayer meeting chairman, Ruth Samuels.

Literati

SCHON

By Floyd Sovereign

(Mr. Sovereign expresses a very old maternal philosophy in modified medieval spelling, using as his form a lyric of the thirteenth century, "Timor Mortis.")

This I note with great disdain,
Jeder Mutters Kind ist schon.

Of't we finde them longe like beanes,
Mor of armes and leges than braine;
Yet we al agree, it seemes,
That jeder Mutters Kind ist schon.

A few ther are of differente vewe,
So minut they caus eye-straine;
But widthe for lengthe is nothing
newe,
Jeder Mutters Kind ist schon.

Longe or smal, wide or thine,
Mabe we al looke the same;
Beauty makes us al akine,
For jeder Mutters Kind ist schon.

SILENT CONQUEST

By Donald Kauffman

On summer evening filtered moon-
light fell,
Outlined its towering height against
the stars,
And southern breezes softly touched
its leaves
In silver silence . . .

The northern winds of winter bowed
its crest,
Beat fierce upon its roughened back,
and sent
Great creaking tremors through its
swaying frame
In baffled fury . . .

This spring the elm no longer pressed
erect,
Put forth no buds, thrilled not to
sap's young rush:
Its broken shaft and shattered
boughs were still
In death's triumphant silence . . .

Sophomore Team
Beats Sem. Squad

The sophomore touch football team took its turn at shellacking the unfortunate seminary squad on Thursday, October 12. When the afternoon's play was ended, they had piled up a score of 39-0.

The sophomores kicked off to the high school to start the struggle. After three unsuccessful plays, Crandall kicked to the mid-field stripe, Marshall running the ball back to the 35. From this point the sophs scored on four plays, Marshall lugging the ball across the line on a wide end sweep. The attempted conversion was not good.

The sophomores used almost the same set-up to score their second touch down, Marshall again carrying the ball across. The try for the extra point was unsuccessful. After yielding the second marker, the academy defense tightened and held, turning back two goal line thrusts within the ten-yard line. The score at the end of the half was 12-0.

The soph team wasted no time in the second half, scoring two minutes after play began. The six-pointer was again registered by Marshall, who pulled down Dave Paine's long pass into the end zone. The drop kick went wide of the goal-posts. The sophs scored again late in this quarter on a touchdown heave from Marshall to Eyer.

The winners' final touchdowns, were scored early in the last period; one on a slashing off-tackle run by Paine, and the other on a 45 yard pass from Marshall to John Will.

The two captains, Crandall and Marshall, were the outstanding players. Marshall was an important participant in all the touchdown plays. Bill Crandall is triple-threat man on the offensive as a runner, kicker and passer, and on the defense he is a headache for any opponent.

Torch Bearers Elect

The Torch Bearers is an organization initiated last year with the two-fold purpose of (1) helping and encouraging new Christian converts and (2) instructing and using Christian young people in personal soul-winning. All students who are interested in serving the Lord in personal witnessing are invited and urged to join.

The officers for this year are as follows: Harry Palmer, president; Ronald Bowerman, first vice president; Vera Clocksin, second vice president; Jane Cummings, secretary; Elizabeth Eyer, treasurer; Stephen Ortlip, poster chairman.

Houghton Students
Are Pastors Also

In the immediate area of Houghton, the college is well represented by supply pastors in the various churches. Roy Albany has returned to his church at Pike, Miss Fillmore to Black Creek, George Failing to Fillmore and Loren Smith to Centerville.

Those in the Methodist Church who were given new appointments were Alfred Bauer, who went to Bird-sall; Paul Nelson, who went to Wisconsin and LaVerne Langs, who went to the charge at Bliss and Eagle.

Gordon Stone is the student pastor of the Baptist church in Hume, N.Y.

Armitage . . .

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in England, but is American by education and adoption. He holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree from Clark University and honorary degrees from several other colleges. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographic Society and a member of the Royal Colonial Institute.

During the World War he served the Canadian forces for five years and at its close was decorated with the Military Cross by the late King George at Buckingham Palace. The Duke of Windsor, formerly King Edward the Eighth, was for a short time a staff officer in his brigade. He was discharged from the army with the rank of captain.

Dr. Armitage has lived and worked in surroundings made famous by Charles Dickens for long periods at a time, and possesses one of the finest libraries of Dickens in the world.

The Houghton College Lecture Course Series feels that this number is a treat the like of which Houghton students and citizens have not had for several years. Dr. Armitage is an interpreter of Dickens, who is without question not excelled by any contemporaries in this field.

Marjorie Orton, Roy
McCarty, Ex '42, Married

Miss Marjorie Orton (ex '42) and Mr. Roy McCarty (ex '42) were married Sat., Oct 7, at Brushton, N. Y. Attending the bride and bridegroom were Miss Letitia Higgins ('39) and Mr. Paul McCarty ('36), the bridegroom's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. McCarty will reside in Houghton Hall on returning from a short trip.

Several Groups Hold
Extension Services Sunday

To the Wesleyan Methodist church in Bradford, Pennsylvania, the Extension department of the W.Y.P.S. sent a group for both the morning and evening services Sunday, Oct. 15. Prof. Ries spoke in both services, and the music was supplied by a mixed quartet, composed of Luella Patterson, Patricia Hampton, Lester Paul, and John Sheffer.

Another group went to the Allegany County home in Angelica, N.Y. Norman Mead was the speaker and music was furnished by the high school girls' quartet.

Claude Scott spoke in the evening service in the Wesleyan Methodist church in Lyndonville, N. Y. A girls' trio, composed of Elizabeth Carlson, Marjean Bennett, and Anna Ross sang in both the morning and evening services.

A male quartet composed of Charles Foster, Eugene Donelson, Stephen Ortlip, and Keith Sackett went to the United Brethren church at Frewsburg for the evening service. Eugene Donelson was the speaker for the group.

Floyd Sovereign was the speaker for the afternoon service in the Evangelical church at Bennington, N. Y. He was accompanied by a girls' trio composed of Elizabeth Cheney, Ada Stocker and Mary Foster. The same group was at the St. Paul Evangelical church in Buffalo in the evening.

E. J. Windsor Guest At
Annual Missionary Chapel

Earl J. Windsor spoke on Christian stewardship in the annual missionary chapel Tuesday, October 17. He presented the two-fold command of the gospel that we first yield ourselves and then all that we have to God's service. He developed his theme with illustrations from his own missionary experience.

Mr. Windsor is on furlough from a mission station in Rethi, Belgian Congo, Africa. He has been serving for thirteen years under the Africa Inland Mission. He talked at length concerning the great opportunities for medical as well as evangelistic work on the field. He stressed the need of the natives who are bound by fear and superstition, many of whom have not yet been reached by missionaries. He expressed the deep satisfaction which he found in seeing souls saved, and in seeing dozens of converts burn their heathen fetiches.

After the address Dr. Paine made a brief but earnest appeal for everyone to pledge, even if it were only a small amount, to help support the college missionaries, Mrs. Floyd Banker in India, and Miss Ione Driscoll in West Africa. He specified the amount required for the support which is twelve hundred dollars, to be raised annually on missionary day and at commencement.

Mrs. William L. Nute, a missionary from Turkey, was also present and offered prayer at the opening of chapel.

Pundits . . .

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side," quipped Al McCartney, "A wig?"

Editorial: If anyone would like some fine third-class zoological specimens free for nothing, without charge, the same can be obtained from the inside of the modernistic light shades in the library. Don't forget to check out all flies and mosquitoes at the desk, where permission can be secured to keep them for an indefinite period. Live flies can be kept without checking out, upon guarantee that they will be well-fed and ill-treated. (If the supply of specimens in the library becomes limited, another supply is available beneath the chapel lights,

Sunday Services

SUNDAY MORNING

"Hereby know we" was the theme of Rev. E. W. Black's sermon Sunday morning, Oct. 15. Some people who profess to be Christians find themselves at times questioning their own religious experience. In first John 1:2-6 we are told how we may have confidence in our faith "if we keep his commandments," and "if we walk in the light as He is in the light."

Mr. Black went on to say that when we take an active part in Christian service, we are greatly strengthened spiritually. He suggested at least four ways we might grow spiritually: by personally witnessing to others, by finding our place of usefulness in the work of the church, by knowing God's Word thoroughly, and by becoming filled with the Spirit.

SUNDAY EVENING

The topic of Mr. Black's Sunday evening sermon was "The Christian Life of Warfare." The Scripture background was found in Deuteronomy 12, verses one through eight. There is a battle to be fought in this world, and it is not a sham-battle. It is going to take all there is in us to win, for "we wrestle not with flesh and blood but against principalities and powers . . ." The enemy is great and powerful in equipment; the world, the flesh and the devil are arrayed against us. But the secret of our strength is the Lord. The remembrance of God's help in the past gives us confidence for the battle. There are some, however, who are not ready to fight. Those whose interests are divided, those who have not worked heretofore, those who leave unfulfilled obligations, those who are faint-hearted—all these must be eliminated from the ranks. When we have made ourselves ready, then God can use us. If we give wholehearted service, and if we have unclouded confidence in Him, then God will give the victory.

W. Y. P. S.

Ruth Shea, Sunday evening leader of W. Y. P. S., gave a vivid allegorical story illustrating what the life of a Christian ought to mean after consecration. A king sought out a poor, hopeless man, elevated him to a position of messenger, gave him white garments in place of rags, plenty in place of hunger, and a guidebook for his travels. Because he joined an unpledged group of friends, the messenger failed in his mission for the king. When he again found the way, the path to service was blocked by his past unfaithfulness. Finally, the king failed to recognize his unfaithful messenger. So we need to examine ourselves, prove ourselves, and follow our guide if we feel God's call to service. If above everything we count ourselves His servants, He says, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." (I Cor. 13:5)

An instrumental duet, "Precious Hiding Place", was played by Raymond Alger and Henry Ortlip.

Frosh Elect Officers

The freshman class chose their officers for the year in class meeting Monday, October 16. They are to be as follows: Frank Houser, president; John Sheffer, vice president; Beatrice Gage, secretary; Gwen Fancher, treasurer.

guaranteed to have the advantage of age and experience.) Notice: Anyone found molesting aforesaid specimens will be forced to desist and to join the S.P.C.D.I.D. (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Dead Insects and Dust).

My Responsibility

By Henry Ortlip

"The heathen have their gods and are happy. Why bother them with Christianity and western ideas of civilization?" So speaks the modern American materialist, and, by their actions, many nominal Christians.

The materialist, to a certain extent, is justified in his statement, as far as he is concerned. He has never tasted and discovered the vital and real joys which the Christian has, and to him Christianity is "just another religion."

But what about the Christian? Is he justified in his action if he is passive toward missions? If he has truly found Christ, he knows that the deepest desires of his inmost being have been met and are being continually met in Christ. He knows that these desires can be satisfied in Christ alone. He also knows that his obligation is to do the will of his Master if he is to remain His disciple.

Christ's commands are clear. There was never one who spoke the truth so plainly and in more simple language than Jesus. His commands concerning missions are just as clear and specific as they are concerning all other important issues. Among the many statements which he made there are three which should take a strong position in determining what our attitude toward missions should be.

First of all, Christ's command is, "Lift up your eyes and look." Unless we look upon the fields, or open our eyes to the world conditions in relation to missions, we will never have the needs of the world impressed upon our hearts. Without a vision of the world's needs, the cause of missions and the salvation of the world will perish. Jesus, knowing this, commanded his disciples, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are already white unto harvest."

And shall we not look upon the world as it is today with the prevailing disturbances of war and strife? Today the need for evangelization is greater than ever before. Opportunities for reaching the lost are also greater today than ever before. Latest reports from the mission boards reveal that the wars are having a serious effect on missionary giving and on missionary property. We ought to be aware of these conditions so that we may be ready to do all that we can to help.

Secondly, Jesus said "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he send forth laborers into his harvest. The place which missions has in our prayer life is a good indicator of our concern and interest in missions. It is strange to think that we as mortals can limit God in his plan of salvation to a lost world. But God has so limited himself that he has made himself dependent upon our cooperation in the saving of the lost. Jesus, in realizing the great ripened fields of his day, urged his disciples to pray the Lord of the harvest that he send forth laborers into his harvest. Today the need for laborers is just twice as great, and the words of Jesus may still be heard repeating this command.

Among Christ's last words as he stood on the Mount of Olives were these, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel unto every creature." His words are still ringing clearly in many hearts today. Many have responded to this great Commission; others have spurned and rejected it. What is your attitude toward His command? Have you given Christ a hearing in your heart? He may not ask you to go; some must necessarily stay, but he has a part of the burden for you to bear, perhaps as a prayer partner, or perhaps he would have you help support someone whom he would have go. He does have a task for each one of us.

Where is the red-blooded zeal, the
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Championship Freshman-Senior Game Scheduled for Play-off Saturday P. M.

Error In Decision Of Play Is Cause Of Repeating Game

By Warren Woolsey

The kick-off of what will probably be the '39 season's championship football game will be this Saturday afternoon at 1:30. Although the sports department of the *Star* is rather leery of making predictions, we feel no inner qualms when we prophesy that this game between the sages and the yearlings will be the season's best, not only from the standpoint of chills and thrills, but also in the brand of ball-playing exhibited. The fact that both teams rely rather heavily upon an aerial attack should serve to increase spectator-interest.

As most of you probably realize, the game has been played once before. At that time, the senior nine emerged from the fray victorious to the tune of 6-0.

However, the play, preceding and making possible the touchdown, has been the chief topic of locker room conversation and controversy all this week. The play involves several moot points. Some of them are not included in the rule book and others are only vaguely mentioned. Besides that, there was considerable confusion during the play. No one knows exactly what happened during the play, but Coach has consulted a county official whose version favors the freshman aggregation in that he considers official interpretation to be different from the one called last Wednesday.

Since we couldn't include all the highly controversial details in a semester of *Stars*, we shall not attempt to settle the question. However, Coach feels that, in fairness to both teams, the game should be played again.

It will naturally be a little in the nature of a grudge match. Both teams have that "do or die" spirit that makes touch tackle more than just nine guys pushing nine other guys around a gridiron.

The game last Wednesday was a thriller. The last five minutes of the last quarter, just after the seniors scored, the freshmen launched a mighty offensive that brought them within reach of the goal line. A pass interception by Taylor, however, effectively halted them.

From all this you can see that the frosh, given this new chance, will be in there Saturday fighting plenty hard. The seniors will be battling just as desperately, for they have a record of three years' standing to maintain.

Who's going to win? Our crystal ball shattered to bits trying to solve that one, so you'll just have to come around and see.

Dr. Kenneth Wright, Alumnus, Opens Practice

Dr. Kenneth Wright, '34, son of Dean Stanley Wright, has opened a medical practice in Ellicottville, N. Y. Dr. Wright is a graduate of Syracuse school of medicine. During his senior year he was senior bacteriologist at the University hospital.

On the main street of Ellicottville you may read this notice: "Dr. Kenneth W. Wright, M.D.; office hours, 1:30-3:30 and 6:30-9:30 daily, except Thursday."

Purple-Gold Begin Touch Football Series Next Week

The Purple and Gold will officially open their season's rivalry next Monday in the first of two touch tackle engagements. The kickoff is scheduled for 3:30 p. m. Anxious to atone for defeats in basketball and baseball last year, the Purple will be out to grab an early lead and, according to those who know, the Pharaohs seem to be the pre-game choice. However, when Purple and Gold forces get together it's best not to pick, for although one may appear to have a slight edge, anything can happen when old foes meet.

The Pharaohs possess a wealth of material. Paul Krentel at the center position will probably be flanked by Mark Armstrong and big Keith Sackett at the guard positions. Possible ends are sophomore Marv Eyler and senior Frankie Taylor. The backfield consists of Cliffy Blauvelt, Norm Marshall, John Sheffer, and Bill Olcott. Others due to see action are A. A. Black, Bill Crandall and John Will.

For the Gladiators, we find Scrimshaw, Elliott, McCarty, Houser and Tuthill holding down line positions. Probable candidates for the backfield are Paine, Kennedy and Torrey.

The Purple with effective blocking and a speedy backfield will probably rely on a running attack. The Gold will counter with an aerial charge headed by Dave Paine as chief slinger.

Freshmen Defeat Juniors, 20--6

A medium-sized but very enthusiastic crowd turned out Monday afternoon to see the freshmen take the juniors into camp in a class series touch football game. The final score read 20-6.

The game opened at a fast tempo as the frosh struck deep into junior territory. Their thrusts failing before a tightening junior defense, the yearlings kicked. The juniors quickly pulled a surprise "sleeper" play with Sackett whipping Evans a 20 yard pass over the heads of the napping frosh backfield and as a result one touchdown was chalked up for the juniors. The try for extra point failed.

A scoreless second period was then played but as the half ended the juniors were pressing toward their second touchdown only to be stopped by time. The half ended with the juniors on their opponents' five yard line.

The scene changed, however, in the second half as the yearlings turned on an aerial attack. Right end McCarty went deep into junior territory where he received a long pass from the frosh passing ace, John Sheffer. Bruce then eluded the junior backfield with a burst of speed, carrying the ball 40 yards for the second frosh touchdown. A quick bullet pass from Kennedy to Hall netted the extra point.

Much credit should be given to the juniors' Sackett-Tuthill pass combination which threatened valiantly, but failed to endanger seriously, the frosh goal line.

Ninth Annual Homecoming Schedule of Activities

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 7:30 A. M. Morning Watch (conducted by students) in room A 31, the room in the rear of the chapel. This is a half-hour devotional service.
- 8:00 - 10:00 A. M. The regular Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday classes of the first two periods will meet. Alumni and old students may visit classes if they wish.
- 10:00 A. M. Founder's Day Convocation in the chapel. Address by Dr. Leslie Ray Marston, Bishop of the Free Methodist church, psychologist and educator. Honorary degrees will be conferred.
- 12:00 Noon. Founder's Day Luncheon in the college dining hall. Class reunions. All alumni and old students not included in previously scheduled reunions may obtain luncheon at the dining hall.
- 1:30 P. M. Class championship football game between the seniors and the freshmen. The college band will be present to help make this a good exhibition of Houghton athletics.
- 3:00 P. M. Alumni Purple-Gold basketball game in the gymnasium. Players will be ready to play as soon as the football game is completed.
- 4:30 P. M. Rehearsal of former choir members in the college chapel. All present members of the choir who have been in the choir for two years or more are also urged to attend.
- 6:00 P. M. Annual Homecoming Alumni Banquet in the college dining hall. A program of appropriate music and speeches will be given. The annual election of officers will take place.
- 8:15 P. M. Special Founder's Day Program in the college chapel. Outstanding events in the development of Houghton will be re-enacted through skits. Lantern slides of personalities and scenes of the early school will be shown. Recent, colored 16 mm. cine Kodak film will be shown, depicting among other things this year's freshman week. The program will conclude with a group of numbers by a group of former choir members, under the direction of Eugene C. Schram, Jr.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 10:00 A. M. Sunday School in the Church.
- 11:00 A. M. Morning Worship in the Houghton church. Sermon by Dr. Leslie Ray Marston. Special music in charge of Eugene C. Schram, Jr., minister of music.
- 4:00 P. M. Vesper Service in the Church. The service will feature music by a combined church and college choir. They will be assisted by Prof. J. M. Andrews, violinist, and Miss Barbara Cronk, organist. Mr. Eugene C. Schram, Jr., will be in charge.
- 6:40 P. M. Young Peoples' Meeting in the basement of the church. Alumni are invited.
- 7:30 P. M. Evening Worship Service. Sermon by President William F. McConn, of Marion College.

ALUMNI OFFICE: For the convenience of all visiting alumni and old students, an office will be maintained on the second floor of the Administration building. This office will perform the following functions:

1. Keep a registration book of all visiting alumni and old students.
2. Keep a cumulative list of alumni in attendance at Homecoming on a bulletin outside the office.
3. Will handle the problem of lodging; those desiring lodging should check with this office as soon as they arrive on the campus because facilities are very limited.
4. Any who wish to take a conducted tour of the present school plant, whether in part or as a whole, will find guides at this office from 1:30 until 5:00 on Saturday afternoon.
5. Any requests or information which is the concern of the alumni association or college will be courteously received.

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skits and lantern slides will give a tangible conception of the heritage belonging to Houghtonites. In addition to the personalities and scenes to be projected on the screen, there are a few slides of early letters and notes as written by Willard J. Houghton.

The committee in charge of this program are sure that it will be long remembered by everyone who attends because of its unique form and content.

Calendar

Saturday, October 21

Seniors vs. Freshmen. Game time, 1:30. Special Homecoming event.
3:30 Alumni Purple-Gold Basketball Game—Special Homecoming event.

Monday, October 23

Purple vs. Gold 3:30 p. m.

Wednesday, October 25

Purple vs. Gold 3:30 p. m.

BLEACHER



GOSSIP

By Al Russell

Without apology, the top sporting event of the fall season will take place this Saturday afternoon on the college athletic gridiron at 1:30. The scheduled combat between the senior sages and the yearlings will not be merely a Homecoming event—it will in all probability decide the inter-class football championship. Both teams are well groomed for the fray and the old "do or die" spirit will prevail throughout. Although the sages seem to have the edge on paper, the speedy yearling team concede Bill Olcott's men less than nothing and are anxious to claim their debut into Houghton's sport world with a victory. Professor Robert Homan's band will furnish music for the inter-class finale.

We take our hats off this week to none other than this same Mr. Homan. Perhaps you've noted that "Prof" has done more to instill a little school spirit in the fans and players than anyone has done in many a moon—simply by having his "wind instrument" class practice between quarters. A week ago yesterday when musical notes first drifted from the field, there was an alarming response. The library lost a good half of its cash customers, students called a halt to "lab" work, and some of the music students left the "noise arcade" to see how it was done. The game moved faster, and made competition just a little keener. Yep, Bob and company increased game interest forty per-cent.

Coach McNeese also deserves a big hand for his willingness to hear both sides in making last week's unusually tough decision. Speaking of decisions—what do you think of this one that supposedly occurred in a big baseball game? The runner on first base attempted to steal. As he left the bag, he spiked the first baseman, who in turn, attempted to trip him. The second baseman blocked the runner, and in sliding into the bag, the latter tried to spike the shortstop who was covering second. The batter hit the catcher on the hands with his bat so that he couldn't throw, and in turn, the catcher trod on the ump's feet with his spikes and shoved his glove into his face so he couldn't see to give the decision. When the umpire was asked how he called the play he replied, "I poked the catcher in the nose, called it a foul ball and sent the runner back!"

My Responsibility...

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whole-hearted sacrifice which caused Christianity to spread so rapidly in its early days? Is it impossible to to have that same spirit today? It seems in our streamlined age Christianity has become anemic. But it is possible even in this age to have a burning heart of love for the lost, and a keen sense of our responsibility to Christ that will cause us to go forward to glorious victory in face of difficulties.

Yes, I am responsible; you are responsible for the part which Christ is commanding us to perform. May each of us, as students, not disobey and disappoint God in failing to bear our responsibility.