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Memorial Chapel

Our chapel on Friday, 7th, was a memorial to Professor H. R. Smith. The chief speaker was Professor Hazlett, whose almost broken utterance expressed the depth of devotion he felt. The tribute of praise, altho exceedingly great, could not be more than justice to the one who was called the most Christ-like man of Houghton.

Henry R. Smith was great in service. When he came to Houghton Seminary in 1908, his salary was low, his schedule heavy, his responsibility not alone for the intellectual, but also for the spiritual welfare of the students. What he gave, he gave freely. His life was centered in the institution. He planned and prayed for Houghton. He worked and wept for Houghton. When he left to attend Cornell for two years, it was that he might prepare himself to do more efficient work for Houghton. He was looking forward to service for Houghton College when he was taken away from us. Yet his presence and spirit is still in these halls. He is still a part of the Houghton tradition that will be perpetuated. In character he was quiet and unostentatious. There was nothing of self-aggrandizement. His was a kindly, gracious, and patient soul of great depth and absolute sincerity. His faith was simple, steadfast. He was humble, faithful. Never in his whole life did he utter anything base. Henry R. Smith is one of Houghton's immortals.

On Tuesday Miss Montgomery gave us a very interesting address on "The Preservation of Wild Life". She pointed out the dangers attendant upon the loss of forests, animal life, and bird life, and means for preserving these. On Wednesday Prof. Woolsey gave us new light on the thirteenth chapter of first Corinthians by translating it from the French Testament.

The speakers for the next week will be: Monday, W. L. Fancher; Tuesday, Miss Rork; Wednesday, Pres. Luckey; Thursday, Rev. Pitt. The Friday chapel will be something special, but it is not yet to be announced.

White Christmas

The Junior and Senior Young Missionary Worker's Bands, together with the Sunday School, have considered putting on a somewhat extensive program next Sunday in the form of a White Christmas. For various reasons, however, it was decided that a shorter and more simple one would be more appropriate.

Sunday School will convene at the chapel at 9:20 A. M., Sunday, December 16. Everyone is cordially invited to be present. The opening exercises will consist of four numbers: a double quartet, a Christmas reading, a solo, a Schriptide reading on the birth of Christ, and another solo. This will be followed by reports from the different classes as to what they have accomplished during the past year.

Spread the news and be at the College Chapel at 9:20 A. M., Sunday, December 16.

Basket-ball

Friday evening, Dec. 7:

Purple Juniors vs. Gold Juniors

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Dorm 15

Town 11

No games will be played this evening on account of the lecture.

Practices

Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Gold men.

Wednesday and Saturday evenings, Purple men.

Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday afternoons, Purple girls.

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoons, Gold girls.

Absent-minded Freshman---"What time does the 8 p. m. train on the Penna. leave?"

Brilliant Sohomore---"They try to get it out of the way before the 6:55 a. m. comes."

Permaneny Fund Campaign Launched

During the first of the week, especially through letter mailed and President Luckey's chapel address on Monday, a great campaign for the purpose of raising Houghton College "Permaneny Fund" was launched.

The president in his speech recounted once more the vicissitudes and the triumphs which led up to the obtaining of the provisional charter for Houghton College. He made our hearts thrill once more with pride when he spoke of things that had been accomplished; the recognition of our college work in other great colleges and universities; the acquiescence of the State Department of Education to the plan which accepted a guarantee of four per cent interest on the half million dollar endowment required by law in lieu of that endowment; the guarantee of that amount by the school board; the co-operation of the student body, the people of Allegany county, and the church in raising last year over one hundred thousand dollars productive endowment; and last but not least, the application for the charter itself which now hangs on the wall in the president's office.

His speech made us feel that we had all personally done our bit toward obtaining the charter and then he explained to us the way in which he wished to give us the privilege of helping make that charter permanent by pledging a certain amount to be paid semi-annually over a period of five years everyone felt that it really was a privilege rather than a duty.

He also explained to us more fully the details and mechanical features of the campaign which have been so thoroughly circulated that it would be useless to repeat them here. The campaign will be carried on in the student body entirely through the individual classes.

The developments of the campaign will be printed in the STAR each week. Watch for them.

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Editorial

The Houghton Pessimist Says:

"I ain't a goin ter put any of my cale into this here Permanency Fund. They are allys after sothin', and they will never raise it anyway."

Socrates finding himself in great emotion against a slave, said, "I would beat you if I were not angry"---Socrates meeting a great man on the street, saluted him, but the great man took no notice of it. His friend in the company observing what passed told the philosopher, "they were so exasperated at his incivility that they had a good mind to resent it." But he said very calmly in answer, "If you meet any person in the road in a worse habit of body than yourself, would you think that you had a reason to be enraged at him on that account? Pray then, what greater reason can you have for being incensed at a man for a worse habit of mind than yourself?"

Once more within the past two weeks we have seen the inevitable results of anger; strained and broken bonds of friendships, lowered self-esteem, the breaking down of that laboriously constructed faculty of self-control. No man who is a Christian, a gentleman, or a true sportsman can be such, and become angry. The reason may seem to be sufficient, but the act is never

justifiable. Both pagan philosophers and holy writers agree, at least, on the subject of anger. Seneca calls us wise if we will not be angry, while Solomon has left us as his contribution, "Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry, for anger resteth in the bosom of fools," and "Make no friendship with an angry man and with a furious man thou shalt not go." In which class are you? When tempted, do you use the irrefutable arguments and logic of Socrates, are you the wise man as characterized by Seneca, or are you so easily provoked to anger that you deserve the denomination given to such a person by Solomon? Hold your temper, and you will increase in yourself that most desirable of all traits, self-mastery.

FELLOW-STUDENTS, WE

must back the permanency fund campaign just launched by President Luckey. It is simply another challenge to ua, which if we are to perpetuate Houghton's traditions, cannot go unanswered. Can anyone point to a time when the Houghton student body has failed in the matter of financial support to any just cause. We did not fail in any phase when the obtainment of the charter was at stake, and neither will we fail in giving every possible assistance toward making it permanent. Class presidents do your duty, which, as President Luckey says in the last analysis is a privilege.

The Houghton Optimist Says:

"I will get behind the Permanency Fund with my money and influence. I want to be in on all the good things and no campaign in Houghton ever fails."

New Piano Installed

On Monday morning the people of the High School laid aside their schoolastic duties and enjoyed a brief but pleasant entertainment celebrating the purchase of the High School's new piano. The remaining students of the graduating class which left the High School halls at the close of the year 1922 were the guests of the occasion.

It was chiefly because of the efforts of this class the piano was purchased. Therefore, we are greatly indebted to them and feel that they have done us

a favor which can never be repaid.

The entertainment was opened by a prayer by President Luckey, after which our principal, Mrs. P. S. Bowen, spoke a few words of gratitude for this great blessing. Mr. Whipple, Mr. Higgins, and Miss Edith Lapham each gave a short talk; Miss Wright favored us with a solo, and Mr. Kemp cheered us with the banjo. Mr. Stanley Orner, who was with us for a few days, consented to sing one of his always popular solos.

After a few cheers the meeting was broken up. We wish to express our gratitude to both the members of the class of '22 and also to our friend and benefactor, Mr. Arthur Hartmann.

NEOSOPHIC SOCIETY

A goodly number of Seminary students and a group of welcome visitors assembled on Monday evening and after all had taken part in the opening exercises a very interesting, although somewhat mystical program was rendered by the German class in the language which they are studying. Miss Rork called the roll of the class who answered by giving German proverbs. The class then sang "Die Lorelei", after which Miss Rork told us the story given in the song. Miss Holst next read a story in the language of the "Fatherland" after which she translated it into an understandable form. It was the story of "The House Father" and was very interesting. Next Miss Dentler presented a sketch of the life of Goethe. She ably told of his outstanding characteristics and emphasized various styles and types of his writings. Miss Gillette then sang a very pretty German song. Our interest was next held by the narrative of Katrina's visit to New York, told by Miss Randall. Miss Mattoon showed that she had spent much time and effort in preparing a paper on "The Life and Works of Schiller". In conclusion the German class sang another selection, "O Tannenbaum" as a fitting close for a "Deutsch" program. Next week a special Christmas program has been planned for, and we are expecting you all to come and help make this last meeting before vacation a success.

Hugh M. Tilroe Coming Tonight

For some time the students, faculty, and town's people have been awaiting with eager anticipation the coming of this renowned orator, reader, and poet. The fact is fully appreciated that we have a rare privilege in securing one who has had such a broad public experience, and who now holds such a prominent position in the educational world. Mr. Tilroe is professor of Public Speaking, and is also director of the School of Oratory at Syracuse University. Twenty-seven years of experience upon the public platform has taught Professor Tilroe the demands of the public. His lectures and recitals are prepared with that aim in view.

Mr. Tilroe has, among a great many lectures and recitals, one of each group which is considered most fitting for such an occasion as this. As yet it has not been fully determined whether he will give his lecture "The Size of a Man," or his "Dunbar," lecture recital. The one is a very pungent putting of the principle that man is measured by what he is, not by what he acquires. In the other the soul of the singer, Paul Laurence Dunbar, can be plainly felt in each of Mr. Tilroe's readings,

which are woven together with interesting comments that add greatly to the delight of the audience.

Whichever of these productions is presented, both young and old will find great interest and benefit in coming to hear this noted speaker.

"I Can Plod"

Most of us have to, but who said that, originally? Anyone of those who have been attending the Saturday evening Mission study classes can tell you. And they can tell you many other things about missions, and missionary heroes. Not for nothing have we been studying about Judson, Carey, Moffat, Taylor, Livingstone, and others of missionary fame. Interesting information, inspiration, impetus to action--- all these have been the results of the classes.

Last Saturday evening, about forty-one were in attendance, and if forty-one more desire to get acquainted with the great missionary heroes, there is plenty of room for them. Tomorrow evening the story of Mary Slessor, missionary to Africa will be taken up.

District School Notes

The method of providing hot lunches which was decided on at the November meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association has proved very satisfactory thus far. The date for this month's meeting is December 14. All residents of Houghton and vicinity are requested to consider that these meetings furnish practical opportunities to help in the work of the school.

A cordial invitation is extended to all who care to attend the Christmas exercises Friday evening, December 21, at 7:30 in the college chapel.

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Sophomores Show Spirited Start

The Sophomore Class, although late in organization, finally held a meeting despite the comprehensiveness of their English assignments.

Last June we shed our traditional tint and breathed with relief as we put away the last vestige of Freshman days. Since we have shouldered the responsibilities of upperclassdom, we have finally come to realize how free and easy were our underclass days.

The passing of that dividing line is one that is indeed momentous. In our Freshman year we were guided, instructed and watched over by upper classmen. Now in our Sophomore year, it is we who are endeavoring to keep the Freshman on the straight and narrow way. It is to us as well as the Seniors to whom the College looks for support of its customs and traditions. As we look back on our underclass life, we do so with satisfaction---we have tried to do our best in all lines of college activity, athletic, social, and academic.

Therefore, we as Sophomores organized on Monday, electing the following officers for the school year:

President----- Frank Henshaw

Vice-president----- Eudora Fero

Sec't-Treas.----- Bernice Wright

An unusual amount of enthusiasm was very evident at the meeting, at which committees were appointed to select colors, and to take care of social activities of the class.

As the upper classmen of one school say, "There are certain subjects brilliant in themselves and much is to be expected of the innocent Sophomore." This we regard as truly sacred and esteem it our duty to hold strictly to said qualifications, which, with our natural ability combined with the efficient aid of the instructors of our beloved institution, we believe we will be able to satisfactorily accomplish.

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Large Attendance at Athenian

The music studio proved inadequate for seating the crowd which gathered this week in anticipation of music by the orchestra and "pictures" from the school machine. It was necessary to appropriate the chapel and it was estimated that including visitors, there were between seventy-five and a hundred present.

The orchestra with violins predominating nicely rendered the "Intermezzo from Cavallonia Rusticana" by Mascagni.

Then the lights were turned off, and with Fred Bedford operating the machine and Miss Edith Warburton reading from the story, both sight and word pictures from the beautiful story of "Evangeline" were brought before us. Miss Driscoll, one of the Program Committee obtained the slides for the program from a school near her home in Michigan. Two more selections by the orchestra closed the program,

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Class Spirit Shown by College Seniors

Do the College Seniors have any pep? Judge for yourself. Last Friday morning they were up long before the break of day preparing for the maneuvers of the morning which had been previously planned. The first part of the morning was consumed by a drive in the fresh air of the approaching day. On returning from the drive yells and songs were given at various places about the town and on the college campus. We believe some at least were aroused from their dreams. A splendid breakfast much enjoyed by all was served at the home of Miss Laura Steese, she herself being a member of the class.

The enthusiasm was not so much exhausted by the events of the morning and the attendance of classes during the day, but there was plenty left for a class function in the evening. The main event of the evening was a social time together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lennox of Caneadea. Mr. Lennox is a member of the Senior class. Various songs were sung, and other interesting things occurred until supper was served which was enjoyed by all present. After supper the class returned to Houghton. Although somewhat tired everyone reported a happily spent evening. Our class functions have only begun. We are expecting pleasant and profitable times together in the future.

George Clarke has returned home from Rome, N. Y.

CHURCH NOTES

Houghton W. M. Church

Hours of Service

Sunday School	10:00 a. m.
Preaching	11:00 a. m.
Children's Meeting	3:00 p. m.
Young People's Meeting	6:45 p. m.
Preaching	7:30 p. m.
Prayer-meeting Thur. Eve.	7:30 p. m.

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Edmond Peck of Syracuse spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. J. S. Luckey visited relatives in Rochester Friday and Saturday.

Earl Weaver and family of Hornell were at Charles Weaver's, Sunday.

Mrs. Roberts and three children have moved back to Wolcott, N. Y.

Fred Bedford and Frank Henshaw were in East Aurora over the week-end.

Milton Cronk, wife and daughter Amelia visited at M. C. Cronk's Sunday.

Mrs. S. D. Wilcox has gone to Forks-ville, Pa. to visit her daughter and family.

Stanley Orner has come back to visit us for a few days. We are indeed glad to have him with us, but we regret that he is not able to again enter school until next fall.

Prof. Wright, Earl Tierney, Frank Henshaw, Donald Schumann, Edward Williams, and Paul Steese attended a basket-ball game between Olean Hewitts and Buffalo Times at Olean Thursday night.

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This week we will begin a new column which we hope will be very interesting, especially to alumni. It will be headed "Faculty Introduction" and will continue until all the new members of the faculty have been introduced.

Last week we were favored with a column headed "Talks with Charley." Now Mr. Magundy, the sure wuz sum colum an the editer wold be glad ter print somthin from you every weak or so.

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Inasmuch as Professor Hazlett succeeds the late Professor Smith who was no doubt known to all the readers of the "Star"; it seems perfectly fitting and proper that Professor Smith's successor should head the list of new members.

"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time."

Professor Smith was so successful in carrying out the moral of the preceding lines, that his successor attributes his ability, genius, and ambition to the inspiration received from his predecessor.

Professor Ray Hazlett was born March 4, 1892. He entered school at Houghton in 1907, and continued there until 1913. While in Houghton he was very prominent in athletics and oratory work. He was an honored member of the debating team and twice editor of the "Star." In the fall of 1913 he entered Oberlin College, and received his degrees of A. B. and A. M. during the next two years. It was said by the professor in the English Department there that Hazlett was the most brilliant student that he had ever had.

After one year of teaching in the High School at Norwalk, Ohio, Professor Hazlett joined the faculty of the Kansas State Agricultural College. While there, during the late war, he had charge of the radio practice for the "Soldier's Training Detachment."

From Kansas he went to Syracuse University where he remained for four years. At Syracuse he was Professor of English in the College of Applied Sciences.

At the death of Professor Smith, Professor Hazlett felt it to be his duty, Professor Smith's desire, and God's will that he come to Houghton. He started with Houghton College as head of the English Department at the beginning of this school year.

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