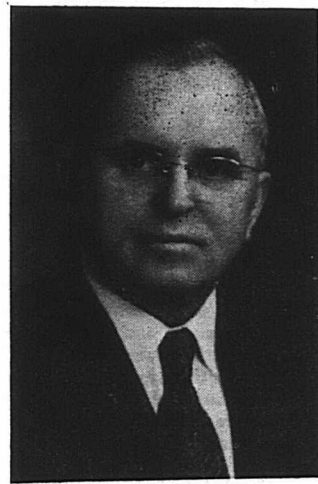


O. G. Wilson Challenges Seniors To A New Faith

A charge for a more aggressive faith in winning the lost youth of the world was delivered by Rev. Oliver G. Wilson, Editor of the *Wesleyan Methodist*, at the annual Baccalaureate service on Sunday, June 5.

Before a record-breaking number of over 170 graduates in the tabernacle auditorium, Reverend Wilson spoke upon the theme "The Plight of Man and the Plan of God," presenting the confusion, chaos, and disease which exists, and asserting the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be the only cure.

Well acquainted with students, the church, and world problems, and a visiting evangelist to Houghton church in the past few years, Reverend Wilson has served in the capacity of pastor, conference president, college teacher, and editor of Sunday school literature before assuming his present position as editor of the denomination's newspaper.



REV. OLIVER G. WILSON

"Graduates and youth before me," asserted the former conference president, "I challenge you to a new and aggressive faith in the Gospel as the true and only solution to the ills of our generation. I challenge you to a full-blooded crusade against sin, to a deeper devotion to Christ; to a more effective witness for Him to the youth of your day."

Since according to all present indications, the end of the age is approaching, the editor declared, those youth who are without Christ are in a desperate condition. Therefore he declared service needs to be speeded up, gifts developed, and surrender deepened in order to advance for Christ.

Dr. S. W. Paine Travels Through Conferences

Last Tuesday President Paine visited the Allegheny conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church. Later this week he will journey through the Lockport conference and afterwards return to the Allegheny conference for further touring. Up until the middle of July our president will be involved in a heavy schedule.

He put the burden of this accomplishment upon Christian young people by stating, "Non-Christian youth of today will respond more readily to the appeal of Christian youth than to the appeal of any other. If therefore, these godless youth of this our day are to be won, they must be won by the Christian youth with whom they are in touch every day" (Continued on Page Four)

Woodworth, Elmer Address Seniors On World Problems

The class night exercises of the class of '49, the class that goes out of Houghton "Anchored in Him," were held in the campground tabernacle at 8:30 p. m., June 4.

Edna Woodworth, salutatorian of the class, showed that Christ is the only answer to the world's problems. She stated the conditions in many of the countries of the world, especially in China and Japan, where Communism is taking over rapidly.

David Kaser, this year's Student council president, handed over the mantle to John Woodhams. In his presentation, Kaser likened the handing over of the mantle to handing the baton to the next man in a relay race. As the baton in the relay represents completion, so the mantle represents success in the completion of college, he stated. He also said that just as there are rules in a track meet, so there are standards and principles to be kept at school, adding that the juniors should run a race that is compatible with the Christian philosophy. He urged the juniors to "be true to Houghton and keep its precepts."

"We will be responsible to run the race, hold to the precepts, and promote the welfare," John Woodhams stated in his reply. He added that the junior class would run "with, and by His rules."

Valedictorian Romona Elmer emphasized that the answer to the eternal search for peace is the teachings

of Jesus Christ. In her speech entitled "The Quest," she illustrated the fact that the sociologist says science is too fast for the world, that the Communist blames capitalism and turns to Marxism, that the proletariat wants world union, and that the clergymen stresses world brotherhood as the whole solution for peace, and yet that they are all on the wrong quest. She added that man's soul is in turmoil, and that art, music, and religion only create a deeper longing. She urged the graduates to "go on over the threshold to victory in Him—the truth, the way, and the life," and to take their places in life and demonstrate the Christian philosophy.

Warren Ball, student body president, brought us a little to the humorous side with his oration "Graduates, Are Your Strings in Tune?" He asked what had been the purpose in coming to Houghton, whether "to be a student, to be sociable in the Pantry, to win a big 'H', or have association?" quoting the Pennsylvania Dutch girl at college who said, "I came to get went with, but ain't yet." He stated that some of us aim at nothing and attain it, but that our aim should be to learn character, to grow mature, to learn to accept responsibility, and to gain knowledge. "Perhaps we thought our high school stages of caterpillars ought to make us college butterflies?" he asked, then added that we must keep our aim high. He emphasized that (Continued on Page Three)

Rev. Huff Urges Need For Help

"I sought for a man . . . but I found none." (Ezekiel 22:29). Reverend Mr. George Huff, an African missionary now on furlough, used this text in delivering his address at the annual missionary service which was held in the campground tabernacle last Sunday evening.

Rev. Mr. Huff read from the apostle Paul's epistle to the Ephesians, the first five verses of chapter two. Here Paul describes how his hearers had conducted themselves before God redeemed them from their sins. Using this passage as a basis, the speaker gave four characteristics of all people lost in darkness: walking according to the course of the age, walking according to the prince of the power of the air, fulfilling the desires of the flesh, and living under divine wrath. This is the kind of material which God is using to build his Church, the missionary stressed.

The Reverend Huff presented three means for missionary activity—the service rendered by the missionary himself, the giving of material needs and the power of intercession by the Church. He emphasized the need of missionaries, and presented a challenge for Christians to respond to the urgent demand that mission work presents.

President Paine then addressed the audience, stressing the financial support upon which Houghton depends for expanding its missionary projects. He also expressed the hope and possibility of the college's sending out a dozen missionaries within the next several years. At present the school is supporting four foreign missionaries.

Preparatory Presents Class Day

The annual senior class day exercises of the Houghton preparatory were held Saturday, June 4, 1949, at 10 a. m. in the Houghton college chapel. The fifteen maroon garbed seniors followed by Professor Wesley G. Moon, principal, and Mrs. Zola K. Fancher, senior class faculty adviser, marched to their places on the platform while Mack Weiford played the processional "Pomp and Circumstance" by Elgar. The invocation was delivered by the Reverend Clarence Budensiek.

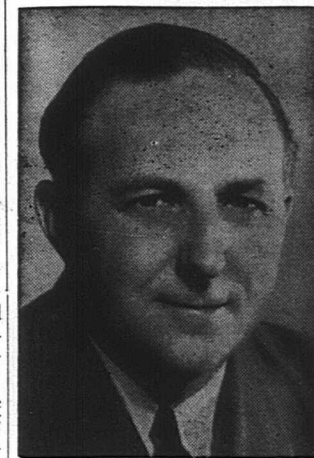
The salutatory and an oration, "The United Nations," were delivered by Carol Kreckman. In her oration Miss Kreckman reviewed the steps that led up to the forming of the United Nations since Woodrow Wilson and the League of Nations and outlined its internal structures and their functions. A quartet consisting of Jean Baker, Grace Kehrein, Robert Knowlton, and Frederick Mills sang Koschat's "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Franklin Hersey, president of the senior class, presented the Preparatory spade to the president of the junior class, Don Nichols. The class poem was recited by Sheila Ferguson. Standing beneath the class motto, *Esse quam videri* (to be rather than to seem), arranged on the crimson curtains in back, the seniors sang their class song. This was followed (Continued on Page Three)

K. S. Keyes Discusses Secrets Of Success

With the words "Regardless of the career we have picked we all have the desire to be a success," Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes, Christian businessman from Miami Florida, began his address to Houghton's largest graduating class at the annual Commencement exercises of the college held June 6 at 10 a. m. in the campground tabernacle.

Mr. Keyes went on to say that he had received the idea for his address from an article he had read on "Why God used Dwight L. Moody," by R. A. Torrey, in which Torrey said that Moody's secret of success was that he had realized that of himself he could do nothing.



KENNETH S. KEYES

Taking his cue from that idea, Mr. Keyes went on to speak around the general theme of success, a subject of importance to every graduate. The world thinks of success, he said, in terms of money and of finances, but true success is not merely financial success, but it is living a life of testimony for Christ, doing things for others. Various people have had their ideas of what constitutes success. Horatio Alger claimed it was attained by working hard and being "square." Others have said success was brought through secrecy in self-confidence.

None of these constitute real success, for the secret of success is for one to recognize Christ's power and appropriate that power for his life.

One good way, continued Mr. Keyes, to discover ways to success is to consider the lives of outstanding preachers, teachers, missionaries—men whom God has used.

The second thing Mr. Keyes emphasized as a secret of success found in the lives of all Christian leaders is prayer. It would probably be better, he feels, if we spent less time in service and more time in prayer. Mr. Keyes mentioned in this connection the six rules of George Muller, a great man of prayer, for discovering the will of God. These are:

1. Get your heart in a state where it has no will of its own on the matter under consideration.
2. Do not leave the result to feeling or impression.
3. Seek the will of God in the Scripture.
4. Take providential circumstances into account.
5. Ask God in prayer to reveal His will.

In the third place the great men of God have all drawn on the power (Continued on Page Two)

New Dormitory May Soon Rise

The second meeting of the Houghton College Development committee was held on the campus on Saturday, June 4th. Thirty-six members answered the roll call. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. H. Gilbert Williams. Miss Norma Thomas, secretary to the committee, read the minutes of the first meeting.

Dr. Paine presided over the session and began by presenting the report of the coordinating committee. Before adjournment for lunch with the senior class, preliminary discussion of fund raising methods had been started.

The afternoon session began with the basic consideration of what to do to further the new dormitory project. The question of enlisting a professional fund raising agency to make a money and carry on a campaign or continue without that help was thoroughly discussed.

After a lively discussion, a suggestion was made that the actual building of the new dormitory should begin as soon as possible to add impetus to the fund raising efforts. A register of opinion showed a unanimous vote to begin in the building as soon as it is practical to do so. This course demands immediate action to raise a sizeable sum of money in a short time.

The time of the next meeting was set for Homecoming, Oct. 29th. President Paine expressed his thanks to those present and invited them to attend the Alumni banquet and the activities of the graduation.

Pebble Dedication Held

The Houghton preparatory annual, the Pebble, was dedicated to Professor Elwood W. Stone, instructor in Latin in the prep, in a brief ceremony at the foot of the flagpole, Saturday morning, June 4. Martha Reisdorph, the editor, officiated at the ceremonies. Copies of the Pebble may be purchased for \$1.50 each from Mrs. Ray W. Hazlett.

Theologs Show Talent

The Division of Theology held its closing exercises in the Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Church, Friday evening, June 3.

First prize-winner in the Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest was Mary Brunner, with Marcus Anderson taking second place. Four contestants took part.

Three addresses centered around the theme of the class motto, "With all confidence preaching Christ to the world," high-lighted the program. Mrs. Miriam Foster emphasized the aspect of confidence while Luke Boughter directed attention to the missionary aspect of the Gospel Message involving the responsibility to preach the Gospel to every creature. Carol Davis spoke on "Christian Education in this Modern Age," showing the need of Christ-centered education in the world today.

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Beware of Harvey . . .

One of the leading comedies on the New York stage during the past few years concerned an alcoholic who imagined he had a large pet rabbit named Harvey that followed him everywhere. In the technical review, *Psychiatry*, Dr. Silverberg, a noted New York psychiatrist, speaks of this play and of the habit many people have of imagining a way out of difficulties. "I have wrestled with reality for 40 years, Doctor, and I am happy to state that I have finally won out over it." Thus the leading character in *Harvey* confesses that he has been hiding from an unbearable reality behind his six-foot imaginary rabbit. Dr. Silverberg calls this escape a "schizoid maneuver," and explains that it is a mental dodge to escape reality. Children invent imaginary companions, says the doctor, but adults had better keep away from such ideas, and should refrain from pulling six-foot rabbits out of their unhappy minds.

No small danger exists that individuals may do that very thing in everyday living. Even though we do not blame our failings upon a large, long-eared construction of our minds, somehow we do attempt to attach the responsibility to something other than ourselves. This other-than-self object may be an another person, an institution, or a machine, but no matter what means is sought to avoid guilt the fact remains that we are striving to escape reality. Very few people claim to be perfect, and it is generally accepted that no one is; therefore, when mistakes occur, the responsibility for those errors must be received.

There is still another area in which this scapegoat idea is prevalent. Christians sometimes set up for themselves a spiritual "schizoid maneuver" regarding sin. If people do not have the proper understanding concerning the implantation of the new nature beside the old, it is possible for them to become careless in their living, blaming anything that happens on the Old Adam. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation." This is a wonderful truth, but we must not think of the new creation as something apart from our old being. The new life must penetrate every sphere in which the old life operated. The emotions, the thinking processes, the volition, the whole man must bear the imprint of the Holy Spirit fashioning us into conformity with Christ. Such a procedure requires a daily crucifixion so that we may be transformed from one glory into another.

Thank You Seniors . . .

At this time of the year editors of college Commencement issues of the school paper are frantically writing eulogies to the senior class, now having become alumni. Or with the ever-present expected lump in the throat, they drip on about the place in their hearts that can never be filled. Or perhaps they glance at the school calendar with a critical or even appreciative eye and write a retrospect of the year.

We of the Houghton *Star* are going to be the black sheep this year and refuse to fall in line with these editorial tapers—chiefly because we don't feel competent in either case to do an adequate job. We would rather simply express our feeling for the class of '49, who were our friends, by saying "Thank you" to them for enriching our lives as they enriched their own in striving to fulfill these fundamental aims of education as stressed by educators:

- To value a personal philosophy of life.
- To gain a perspective of the universe as a whole.
- To establish a sense of values.
- To establish a sense of values.
- To achieve a method of thinking.
- To acquire a specific group of skills.
- To establish a broad group of interests.
- To develop desirable personality and social traits,
- To prepare for greater leadership.
- To increase the intellectual tone of society.
- To acquire cultural polish.
- To experience rich friendships.

All these they have acquired for themselves and in so doing have brought us that much farther toward the same goal.

Seniors Glance Back At College Years

J. CROSBY

Houghton's foremost contribution to me has been the impetus to evolve a reason for my faith translatable in words to entirely different types of persons. A brush with philosophy has given me a bit of insight into the problems of the university drifter. Visitation in an old folks' home has shown me the need for simplicity with the more unschooled. I am sundry rutted-road miles away from absolute preparation for any possible question, but Houghton has pointed the direction for me.

Then there has been the strengthened conviction that scholarship is not a moldy substance to be displayed proudly as a particularly non-eatable brand of ancient cheese. Scholarship is a practical possession in furthering cultural development. To know and to enjoy Schumann's *A minor concerto*, discovered in music appreciation class, will always be a means of personal enrichment even though some strange order of events may send me on to the railroad tracks to work. To realize the story behind regularity in the rise and fall of democracies since the time of early Greece grants a little perspective on the subject of the present decline and dissension in our own country, although we can alleviate matters very little.

My good fortune in contracting a wide number of persons through publications has generated in me a genuine enthusiasm for individuals. To choose between my friends or to grade their value to me would be quite impossible. Each has done something for me that no other one could have handled quite so well.

My life is dedicated to a special task. I cannot really discuss it very thoroughly because I do not yet know what it is. I do know that God has granted me life for a purpose. I am confident that He will guide my thought and action toward that end. Houghton has increased that confidence, for I stand at the end of four college years with a sense of profound contentment that tells me I have been in the proper place.

They have not been perfect years. Not even commencement sentiment could make me think that, but they have been vital. In fact, they could be arranged in segments representing problems met and solved. Those problems were not very original. Most of my friends have had them, too, but with some spicy little difference to keep them from seeming monotonous, of course. That means I shall be able to discern distress signals and to offer sympathetic aid. Any one of these contributions would have made the whole venture mightily worth the effort necessary to do the job. Perhaps the greatest testimony to the completeness of this lap is the fact that I have no desire either to prolong or to repeat it. I am anxious for a new proving ground.

E. KREIDER

My two years at Houghton mean much more to me than what I can explain by words. I wish to express in this article my appreciation and thanks for what she has done for me.

She has shown me in her classrooms, extracurricular activities, sports, social activities and spiritual life that Christ can be given the pre-eminence in every area and avenue of life.

I am thankful for the instructors who were continually demonstrating by their lives and teachings that a life of self-surrender to Christ is the best life possible to attain here on earth. Even though time and distance will separate us, the influence of my instructors will continue to challenge my every activity.

I am thankful for the foundation

upon which Houghton has established herself and for which she stands unflinchingly. I could not ask for anything more than a keen insight into life and a workable solution for its problems. This Houghton has given to me throughout my short stay here. To know Christ is to have a knowledge of sins forgiven, to have a sense of security in this troubled world, and to bring happiness into other people's lives. What has our education availed us if we have not learned how to serve our fellowmen better?

The teachings of Christ have become an integral part of my life and I take for my code of living the sermon on the mount. Jesus told us what attitudes we should take toward God, our fellowmen and ourselves. Love is the fulfilling of the law. Christians are not dominated by the law; we have no law. The fruits of the spirit are love, joy, peace, long-suffering, tenderness, goodness, meekness and kindness.

My hope is that I may be able to hold high the convictions and standards which Houghton seeks to maintain.

P. SAMUELS

Six years ago I left high school a bit optimistic—with a determination to achieve much by virtue of myself. Along with this, I possessed a feeling of uncertainty. Three years ago I left industry a bit disillusioned, pessimistic, and disgusted with what the world had to offer. Today I officially finished my work at Houghton college ready to face life confidently with a purpose for living. Life has a new meaning to me—it is more than mere existence. I have, in the past few years, increased my faith in God. I still have the same idea to help mankind as I had before I entered college, but the motive is of a different sort. Instead of "getting back at society" for some unfavorable things it gave me, it is the love of God. This is the greatest single change that has occurred in my life during my college days. There is a story behind this.

K. S. Keyes Discusses Secrets Of Success

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of God through the daily study of His word.

Humility is the fourth requirement for being used by God. This is the most important one of all. Although this is also the hardest one to follow, it should be easy when we remember that God has contributed all we possess.

The last secret is that these men have put no importance on money and obsessions. Money is simply ability, time, and energy, all God-given, all converted into spendable form. Under this topic Mr. Keyes went on to stress the practice of tithing. The tithe is a sign of our gratitude to God, and a symbol of having given all to God. It gives one a sense of a partnership with an all powerful God. Although we are not obligated to pay the tithe as in the Old Testament, we ought to give as much out of love as Old Testament believers did by commandment.

Preceding the Commencement message by Mr. Keyes, the audience was led in prayer by the Rev. Mr. Clarence E. French, after which "Lord God of Abraham" from Mendelssohn's *Elijah* was sung by Gordon Miller.

Schubert's "Great is Jehovah the Lord," sung by Evelyn German, immediately followed the Commencement address. After this Wesley Moon, principal of the Preparatory de-

I entered college in July 1946 full of hope, expecting a more perfect social machine; but to be honest, I was disappointed. Today some of that feeling lingers. However, there is a brighter side—a side that overshadows any opposing feeling. After a while, I managed to come to a mental adjustment with my environment, though this was not without its problems and conflicts.

I am leaving Houghton satisfied that my time and efforts have not been wasted. I have gained some academic learning and practical experience in class lectures, laboratory periods, and hours of individual study. This I might have gained at any accredited university. This, however, is not all my college days have given me.

To sit in an anatomy class and listen to the professor after a word of prayer, to hear the teacher in an organic chemistry class say "a daily walk with God is the most important thing in one's life," to hear the physics professor say that the goal of the course is to show God's handiwork with no sacrifice to the nature of the subject material—these have indeed been great privileges.

I have been introduced to the scientific method in laboratory preparations, dissection, and microscopic study, but I have also been shown that the scientific method with sense experience and observation as the sole means to acquire knowledge is insufficient to build up the Christian world-view. For the Christian philosophy finds its basis in a self-revealing God.

I have enjoyed the natural environment of Houghton, but the things that will be remembered the longest are those that have been a product of the devotion of both staff members and students to the Christian principles. I will cherish the many friends that I have acquired here and the friendly atmosphere that pervades the place. Why this friendliness? Because a more serious attempt was made to anchor principles in Jesus Christ and to make Him pre-eminent.

partment, presented the candidates for diplomas. Dr. Lauren A. King, Dean of the College, presented the candidates for diplomas in the Christian Workers' course, for baccalaureate degrees, and honorary degrees. Three received the Christian Workers' Course diploma, 160 were granted baccalaureate degrees, and the Rev. Mr. Oliver G. Wilson, editor of *The Wesleyan Methodist* was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and Mr. Kenneth S. Keyes, president of the Keyes Realtor Company of Miami, Florida and member of the Board of Administration of the National Association of Evangelicals, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws.

During the awarding of degrees, Dr. Stephen W. Paine gave a challenge to each of the three groups of graduates. He urged the high school students to count the occasion but a milestone and to press on for the prize of the high calling of Christ. To the graduates of the Christian Workers' course he said their great need is for God's guidance into the field where they belong. After congratulating the college graduates on finishing the course, he mentioned the big investment that had been made in them by parents and teachers, and urged them to reverse the trend of human nature to the extent that they will be motivated by the desire to give rather than by the desire to go.

We Have A World To Win

BY CORINNE HONG SLING

An inscription above the desk of a prominent communist reads: "A World to Win." This is the same motto used by the Nazis and the Fascists, people all out to ruin the world. Although we may say that these were greatly deluded, we must give them credit for one thing: they always planned and worked in terms of the whole world, and not merely their own little group. Not only did they plan and work in terms of the world, but they also succeeded. Their efforts are partly responsible for the plight of the world today.

The world is sitting in darkness and in shadow of death. Many problems face mankind. . . . these problems have become magnified as the earth has shrunk in proportion to the advances of modern science with its jet-propelled planes faster than the speed of sound, and its atom bomb which can level all humanity to the common denominator of a lifeless, fetid pulp.

"But great as these problems are, perhaps the most formidable problem of all which we have failed so far to solve is represented by the force of a group of men banded together to eliminate God from the face of the earth.

"The greatest obstacle to our finding a solution to this problem as well as to most of the others is the apathy which comes from our lack of understanding that we followers of Christ have the salvation of the world in our hands." (James Keller, *You Can Change the World*.)

Couples Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Leo R. Williams of Cleveland, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter Wanda Mae, '49, to Harry W. Wilcke, III, '49, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Wilcke, Jr., of Halboro, Penna.

Tentative wedding plans are being made for June 1950.

Mrs. Mary Wice, of Franklin, Pennsylvania, announces the engagement of her daughter, Martha Jane, to Robert Q. Wolcott, of the class of 1949, son of Mr. and Mrs. Quentin L. Wolcott of East Longmeadow, Mass. No definite date has been set for the wedding.

Stevenson-Webber

Marion Stevenson will wed Dr. Joseph Martin Webber in the Rochester Christian Missionary Alliance church on Saturday, July 16th, at 7:30 p. m. All Houghton friends are invited.

Class Night

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the "graduates' responsibility was to take their ideas and produce tools of usefulness, and that their efforts must be properly directed. He told the graduates that they were all instruments and asked if their strings were in tune.

Immediately after this oration, Leslie Beach, class president, called Miss Bess Fancher to thank her for her help as advisor, and gave her a gift. Miss Fancher, with emotion very evident in her voice, thanked them for the unity and cooperation that they had manifested. She mentioned Skip day as an example of the "fine attitude" of the seniors.

Between these speeches were a violin solo by Janette Jordan, a vocal solo by Gordon Miller, and a piano solo by Beryl MacMillen. Before the benediction, the class and audience sang the Alma Mater.

The cure for the darkness of the world is: more bearers of the light. Christianity has the Light of Men, our Lord Jesus Christ. The world is in darkness. Let us not hide our light, but rather let it shine, that this world may see and believe on Him who is our Life and our Salvation. Such is the irresistible nature of Truth that all it asks, and all it wants, is the liberty of appearing. The sun needs no inscription to distinguish it from darkness. We cannot fight darkness; we can only let the light come in and dispel the night. Nor let us think ourselves too small to make any real contribution to solving out problems. If the minorities mentioned above could



shake the world, if a handful of unlearned fishermen could do it, cannot we also, God with and in us?

Read what the communists instruct their students: "What we give you doesn't belong to you! You mustn't keep it to yourself! Don't take any job. Get in where you can reach the masses. Get into a college, a government job, a trade union, or a newspaper."

With the different purpose of spreading light, those instructions can be applied to Christ's followers. What He has given us does not belong to us. We must take it to others, to the masses, to the world. The Communists borrowed their zeal from the early Christians; we must not fail to do likewise. We too have a world to win, but not Communism. We must win it to God, to peace, to true joy, and to eternal life. God is with us. Now is the time. Let us each dedicate our energies, our time and our talents to His great cause. "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves, but our sufficiency is of God."

Choir Picnics At Conesus Lake

The Houghton college A Cappella choir concluded exam week on Thursday with its annual spring picnic. This year Long Point park on Conesus lake was the center of attraction, where many of the students played their first games of miniature golf and took their first swims of the year in the cool lake. Extra excitement was furnished when a number of hesitant swimmers were thrown off the dock or upset in canoes. Several students were also thrilled with speed-boat rides.

In the early evening the group gathered around the picnic tables to enjoy a supper of steak fried over open fireplaces. Immediately afterward gifts were presented to Prof. Butterworth, Prof. Hall, and Prof. Heydenburk for their diligent work in making the 1948-49 season a success. The picnic ended with a ferry boat ride around the lake.

Former Students Get Together For Old Times' Sake

On Saturday, June 4, a number of alumnae classes of Houghton college enjoyed luncheons and reunions on or around the college campus.

The class of '39, Mr. Harland Tuthill, president, met at the Twin Spruce Inn at their ten year reunion. There were 23 members of the original graduating class present.

A picnic lunch was served to the class of '43 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Bert Hall. Seventeen members of the class were present.

Wolf Creek, Letchworth park, was the scene of a luncheon for the joint classes of '47 and '48. Between 50 and 60 members, representing both classes, were present.

A period of testimonies and songs followed the luncheon. Music was provided by a girl's trio consisting of Alice Omdal, June Canfield Clark and Viola Donelson.

From 3:00 to 5:00 p. m., a 20 year reunion of the class of '29 was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Fero, Houghton. Counting a few members of the second generation, there were about 30 members present.

Dr. Hollis Stevenson, successful dentist of Plattsburg, New York, is president of the class. Other members of the class include teachers, professors, principals and pastors.

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by the class prophecy which was presented in the form of a skit entitled "Chapel at Houghton University, 1960."

The oration, "The American Caste System," was presented by Robert Knowlton. He compared the caste system in America with that of India. The highest caste in America he said was that of the millionaires followed by those of the lesser categories. At the bottom are the slums and the tenements. Not only racial discrimination of negroes, Jews, and foreigners, but partiality of newspaper society columns, precedence of service by restaurants, and selection for membership in social clubs are economical and social castes in the United States.

The pattern of American society, he pointed out, was to be found in the Declaration of Independence which sets forth, "All men are created equal." Christ also rebuked such practices when he stated, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." "A caste system should have no place in a democracy nor in schools. Yet it is here," Mr. Knowlton declared that it is the responsibility of those who are educated and who know better to put down such barriers and restore the free equality of the individual. Mr. Knowlton also delivered the valedictory.

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College Choir Has Year Of Fellowship And Fun

BY BOB NUERMBERGER

A person in church listening to the choir present a service in song sees only one phase of that team in operation. He cannot witness the long hours of practice at school, the strenuous bus trips, the packing and repacking, or the fun and fellowship. This is all behind the scenes, and we will try to take you with us to show you the extent of our social life.

Here we are, Friday, April 8, all ready to embark on our Easter tour. First thing we have to do is meet George, our bus driver and fellow traveler for the next ten days. Then we have to fit all the suitcases, the risers and robe trunks into the bus. Roll call is taken; off we go to our first concert in Erie, Pa.

The bus is a place where we enjoy the fellowship of our choir members and establish some lasting friendships. Everyone is a little excited now, laughing, joking and singing, for we have plenty of energy—in the beginning! Starting this afternoon we will observe a half hour of quiet time when the Bibles will appear and the Lord will receive glory. The bus settles down and lets the lovely countryside roll by.

In Erie we check the work list and get everything on the bus so that George can take Herman to a garage to have his cylinders and valves manicured. Also Herman is rather thirsty and wants his oil tanks filled with the usual 125 gallons. Meanwhile we have some time before supper, so let's meander downtown and window-shop.

After the concert: we put the robes away and prepare to meet the folks who will take care of us for the night. How fortunate we are to get such grand people! When we get to their home they serve us refreshments. Then we go off to take a bath and wearily drop in bed. But don't forget to thank the Lord for such a beautiful companionship with Him.

The days roll by and we sing at Warren, Akron, and Elyria in Ohio, then go up to Ottawa Lake, Michigan. Miss Beck, the dean of women, has a farm here, so we have a grand time playing ball and running into the barn to pull out a poor little calf. Prof. Butterworth is given the calf, who now has a bright red beret, and the cameras click once more. We're not sure which is the calf and which is Prof, because they both look slightly nervous. That night we en-

joy our concert, for the people in the small church are hanging on every word in the text. They are packed in, standing along the walls and listening outside to the public system.

Sturgis, Michigan is our next stop, and then Chicago, where we visit the Museum of Industrial Arts and Sciences, and the Moody Bible Institute. After a tour through this marvelous institute we give a half hour broadcast over WMBL. What a thrill for us!

At one home where I stayed in Chicago they gave us mashed spuds. Unfortunately they were new potatoes and didn't exactly take to mashing—in fact they made the best glue for my upper plate that I've ever had. I also reheeled my shoes with them. Then there was the time that I shared sleeping quarters with the biggest man in the choir. I would not say bluntly that he is heavy, but when he landed in bed the mattress folded up and I had to sleep on its edge. Every time he inhaled I had to crawl back into bed, and in the morning he had the audacity to ask why I was black and blue.

During our quiet hour on Good Friday some of the fellows and girls read aloud Christ's seven last sayings on the cross. We thought of His supreme sacrifice to us and how we measured up to His standards as Christians. That night, singing in Holland, Michigan, we were strengthened by the inspiration of our quiet time.

Port Huron, Brighton, Flint and Detroit flashed by, and Canada saw us sail through. At the close of the tour we had a banquet and presented a gift to our good friend George. We had found that he was a peach of a bus driver.

We had eight weekend trips during the year. We found ourselves especially fagged out after having presented four concerts in a two-day weekend trip, of which there were four. But believe me—the blessings of singing, traveling, and associating with Christian people repaid us in full for all our efforts.

Thursday, June 2, we had our last good time together at Conesus Lake. We gave Prof. Butterworth a split cowhide suitcase and told him it was to help him leave Houghton, but we'll let you in on a little secret—it was actually to help him get back to us anytime he is able.

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Male Quartets Tour For College

Two male quartets will be touring seven conferences of the Wesleyan Methodist church for the college this summer. A faculty speaker will accompany each quartet as the official representative of the school. These tours have a four-fold purpose: (1) to promote more intimate relations between the Wesleyan churches and Houghton college; (2) to acquaint the church with the present aims and projects of the college; (3) to make young people familiar with the educational opportunities of a Christian college; (4) and to gather from the churches suggestions concerning their school.

The first group is a vocal quartet composed of Professor James Harr, Harrisburg, Penna., first tenor, instructor in the English department and faculty speaker for the quartet; Lawrence Richards, Lebanon, N. J., second tenor; Edwin L. Foot, Jr., Washington, D. C., baritone, son of Rev. Edwin L. Foot, Sr., pastor of the Washington, D. C., Wesleyan Methodist church; and Ralph Black, St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, bass.

The second group is a combination brass and vocal quartet consisting of the following members: David L. Hill, Long Lake, N. Y., first tenor and cornetist; John C. Atwood, Perry, N. Y., second tenor and baritone horn; J. Edward Hostetter, East Stroudsburg, Penna., baritone and trumpet; and Joseph A. Howland, Cortland, N. Y., bass and trombonist. Accompanied alternately by Dr. Bert Hall, of the Theological department, the men will begin their tour June 16th, in Romulus, Michigan.

GROUP I

Canada Conference

Tues., June 14 Belleville, Ont.
Wed., June 15 Toronto
Thurs., June 16 Powassan
Fri., June 17 North Bay
Sat., June 18 Waltham, Que.
Sun., June 19 a. m. Cambell's Bay
Sun., June 19 p. m. Shawville
Mon., June 20 Inkerman, Ont.
Tues., June 21 Ottawa
Wed., June 22 Winchester
Thurs., June 23 Cornwall
Fri., June 24 Brockville
Sat., June 25 (Travel)

Middle Atlantic States

Sun., June 26 a. m. Jersey City, N. J.
Sun., June 26 p. m. Sussex
Mon., June 27 Lambertville
Tues., June 28 Trenton
Wed., June 29 Willow Grove, Pa.
Thurs., June 30 Camden, N. J.
Fri., July 1 Florence
Sat., July 2 Delanco Camp
Sun., July 3 a. m. Philadelphia, Pa.
Sun., July 3 p. m. Trainer, N. J.
Mon., July 4 Off
Tues., July 5 Paulsboro
Wed., July 6 Vineland
Thurs., July 7 Carney's Point
Fri., July 8 Wilmington, Del.
Sat., July 9 Off
Sun., July 10 a. m. Smyrna
Sun., July 10 p. m. Georgetown
Mon., July 11 Washington, D. C.
Tues., July 12 Washington, D. C.
Wed., July 13 Baltimore, Md.
Thurs., July 14 Shippensburg, Pa.
Fri., July 15 Halifax, Pa.
Sat., July 16 (Travel)

Champlain Conference

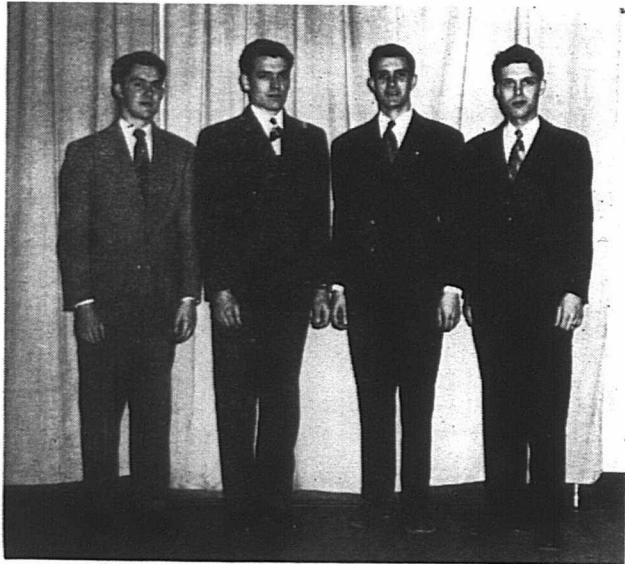
Sun., July 17 a. m. Cobleskill, N. Y.
Sun., July 17 p. m. Chichester
Mon., July 18 Seven Oaks Camp
Tues., July 19 Springfield, Mass.
Wed., July 20 Forestdale, Vt.
Thurs., July 21 Corinth, N. Y.
Fri., July 22 Hadley
Sat., July 23-30 Shady Bay, N. Y.
Sun., July 31-Aug. 6. Broadalbin, N. Y.

Sat., Aug. 6-14 Bennington, Vt.
Mon., Aug. 15 Stony Creek, N. Y.
Tues., Aug. 16
Wed., Aug. 17
Thurs., Aug. 18 Nanuet, N. Y.

GROUP II

Michigan Conference

Thurs., June 16 Romulus
Fri., June 17 Vanborn (Avondale)
Sat., June 18 Detroit V.C.Y.
Sun., June 19 a. m. Brighton
Sun., June 19 p. m. Pontiac
Mon., June 20 Shiawassee
Tues., June 21 Owosso
Wed., June 22 Ingham
Thurs., June 23 Lansing
Fri., June 24 Clarksville



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Fri., July 1 Youth Camp (Hastings)
Sun., July 3 a. m. Holand
Sun., July 3 p. m. Allendale
Mon., July 4 Allegan (Diamond Springs)
Tues., July 5 Hickory Corners
Wed., July 6 Battle Creek (Level Park)
Thurs., July 7 Union City
Friday, July 8 Sturgis



John Atwood David Hill Edward Hostetter Joseph Howland

Sat., July 9 off
Sun., July 10 a. m. Coldwater
Sun., July 10 p. m. Jackson
Mon., July 11 Eaton Rapids
Tues., July 12 Rives Junction
Wed., July 13 Pittsford
Thurs., July 14 Bird Lake
Fri., July 15 Hudson
Sat., July 16 off
Sun., July 17 a. m. Waldron
Sun., July 17 p. m. Ottawa Lake
Mon., July 18 travel

Rochester Conference

Tues., July 19 Bentley Creek, Pa.
Wed., July 20 Herrickville
Thurs., July 21 Taylor, New York
Friday, July 22 Indian Reservation
Sat., July 23 off
Tues., August 9 Sandy Creek
Wed., August 10 Boylston
Thurs., August 11 Rome
Fri., August 12 Tyler
Sat., August 13 off
Sun., August 14 a. m. Syracuse (Willett)
Sun., August 14 p. m. Syracuse (Lyncoust)

Mon., August 15 Waterloo
Tues., August 16 Canandaigua
Wed., August 17 Houghton
Thurs., August 18 Westfield
Fri., August 19 Wellsboro
Sat., August 20 off
Sun., August 21 a. m. Corning
Sun., August 21 p. m. Elmira

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Alumni Top Seniors In Eight Inning Game by Score of 10-5

The Alumni-Purple and Gold softball game scheduled for June 4th was substituted by a Senior-Alumni contest. The one big reason for the substitution was the usual annual difficulty in finding alumni willing to lay aside their dignity long enough to participate.

The returning men were weak in spots, but a few of the more recent grads still showed the stuff that they

exhibited in college days to the extent that they won handily over their opponents 10 to 5.

The alumni enlisted the aid of such notables as Cliff Little, Art Ruder, Dave Flower, Barnett, Woolsey, Harr, Hall, and Wells, while the seniors were aided in their losing battle by Walker, Sutton, Dingman, Hal Little, Gretz, Speering, Rinell, Foote, Ryan, and Thompson. Flower and Harr were the strength of the alumni scoring, crossing the plate four and three times respectively, while Thompson led the attack for the seniors with two hits and two runs.

Although the game was not what might be termed "a thriller" it was of great interest to all concerned and picked up in number of spectators as the afternoon ran on.

Oliver Wilson Gives Address

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