

# The Houghton Star

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## ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING HELD Students Pledged Over \$300

The Friday chapel service was held in the missionary interests. A program was given consisting of music by the male quartette, short speeches by Messrs. McKinney, Shultz and Pres. Luckey and a presentation of further interests by Mary Lane Clark, General Y. M. W. B. Superintendent.

Harold McKinney spoke on the open doors of today and the various needs; G. B. Shultz told how Houghton students can have a share in the work of various fields. Mrs. Clark then gave a resume of the needs in Japan, South America, China, India, and Africa. She urged the students to let "Christ have the pre-eminence" and do their utmost in these branches of work.

When she had finished, Pres. Luckey appealed to the pocketbooks of all by urging self-sacrifice in order that the work might go on. Pledges were taken which amounted to over \$300, which will go to support Miss Clara Campbell, a former Houghton student now in Africa.

A general missionary meeting will be held June 15, when two hundred dollars more will be added to this amount. This is a practical evidence of good missionary spirit.

## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

From the time the Seniors received the invitation to attend the Junior-Senior Banquet, they were in a state of suppressed excitement and the days passed very slowly. At last, however, the eventful night arrived and about eight o'clock Friday evening we found ourselves standing outside the Vocal Studio. We were cordially ushered in by Frances Graves and were very much surprised at the transformation the studio had undergone. The room was beautifully decorated in green and white, the senior colors, and one side was especially artistic as it was covered with evergreen upon which the word Seniors was written in white trilliums. After a few minutes of pleasant conversation, we were permitted to listen to a most ably rendered program which consisted of a piano solo by Veva Parker, vocal duet by Frances Graves and Nora Mattoon, piano duet by Veva Parker and Winifred Lynde, readings by Mrs. VanBuskirk and Nora Mattoon and an interesting talk

by Curtis Woodhead. We surely believe that the Junior class possess rare talent. Then we adjourned to the Dormitory dining room where another delightful surprise awaited us. The tables were arranged in a pretty and original way and decorated with pink and white carnations, the pink ones lying upon the table and showing the Junior colors, moss green and old rose, and the white ones arranged in vases as Senior colors. Green and white streamers extended from the ceiling to each table and the rest of the room was equally beautiful. Edward Stamets, Whitney Shea, Ivah Benning and Pearl Russel from the Sophomore class made very capable and dignified waiters and waitresses.

The dinner itself consisted of four courses. First, tomato soup, second, the usual meat course, third, fruit salad and wafers and fourth, strawberries with whipped cream, coffee and cake. Almost every article of the menu was in either the Junior or Senior color. Twenty four people were seated at the tables, President and Mrs. Luckey, Mrs. Bowen and Curtis Woodhead being the only guests besides the Seniors.

After the dinner, of course came the toasts, some of which were clever and original. Mr. Woodhead was a very capable toastmaster and Laura Steese's toast, "To the Seniors of 1919" brought in some of Virgil's most striking expressions and were well given. This was responded to by a toast, "To the Seniors of 1920." Max Molyneaux spoke on "Coeducation" and made a rather unusual conclusion by saying, "If Houghton Seminary had not been coeducational, I would not have been standing here before you tonight." Grace Bremigen gave a humorous toast "To the Seniors of 1925" and prophesied many agreeable things for Houghton. Mary Williams' toast was on the "By Products of Houghton" and was not only well rendered but showed us clearly which she liked best, study or play. The last toast was "Co Boss," given by Clement Bedford. By this time it was nearly 11:30 and after a few remarks by the toastmaster we left for our homes, not however, before we had our pictures taken in our places at the tables. The Seniors are all of one mind that there never was such a generous and kind hearted Class of Juniors or such a beautiful banquet as the Junior-Senior Banquet of 1919.

A Senior



## ANNUAL MAY FESTIVAL.

Although it has rained incessantly for the past two weeks, yet it stopped long enough for a huge crowd to gather in the college chapel, and listen to an artistic program rendered by the music and oratory departments. This is the last number on our lecture course and the one which Houghton people most enjoy. It is one of the greatest occasions of the school year.

The most conspicuous factor that went to make up the success of the evening was the classical character of the numbers. Perhaps the program was a little too heavy for a popular audience.

Which was the better, the men's quartette or the ladies' sextette? They were both good, the former sang with volume and distinctness while the latter were characterized by brilliancy and finesse. Especially to be commended was, "The Night has a Thousand Eyes."

Both the piano quartette numbers were good but the "March Militaire" was more popularly received. Chopin's "Polonaise" played by Miss Kennison, manifested greater mastery of technique than any other piano solo. We enjoyed the weird interpretation of the "Sprites of the Glen." Miss Davis, vocal instructor, rendered that exquisite gem, "Ave Maria" with rare ability and unusual distinctness. The accompaniment was much enhanced by the violin obligato of Mr. Mattson. We enjoyed his violin numbers also. Special mention might be made concerning the accuracy with which Miss Fish sang her octaves and trills.

The readings were well taken and showed that much effort and time had been given in preparation for them. Perhaps some of our out-of-town friends will want to come to Houghton to take elocution after hearing these readers.

Altho this has been a poor year in many respects owing to the "flu" and war conditions yet the united efforts of the students combined with the splendid instruction of the teachers has made this May Festival on a par with any of the previous years. For the interest of our readers we print the program.

## OUR INTERESTS IN FRANCE

Prior to the recent world war, America's interest in things European centered nearer Potsdam than it does today. To be sure, we knew that Paris was on the map and the most of us knew that it was this side of Berlin. The influence, however, of "made in Germany" professors, "made in Germany" imports, and

"made in Germany" citizens was making a decided impression. This affected our schools in that more attention was given to the study of German than to study of French.

Since 1914 there has been a great change of interests. We are less interested in Germany, but more interested in France. France is our ally. She has fought our battles. On her fields our boys have joined her sons in a common cause and today our President is sitting in her halls of council at Versailles. This is not a local interest, for it is shared in every district, city and hamlet of America. Until last year how many of us had ever received or seen a letter from France? The boys as they return are bringing pictures and memories of that land to be cherished and handed down to their children.

Houghton is glad to have had a good representation of her sons in the A. E. F. and she is proud of the part they have played in the struggle. Had they not thus taken their place in the conflict at this time of world crises, we at Houghton would have lost our point of contact with other schools and other Americans. We would have lost in sympathy and influence with our people at home. But now we share the feelings of other Americans and are learning to know the French. Mr. F. E. Densmore, a former student of Theology at Houghton, has taken a special interest in the French people and has tried to communicate that interest to the teachers and students at Houghton through correspondence. Already several people here who have studied French have sent letters to addresses furnished by Mr. Densmore and have received replies. This gives a real incentive not only to study the language of the French but to become conversant with their history and literature as well. For instance, one of our lady pupils wrote to a young French school girl telling her what French classic we were reading. This demoiselle replied that the scenery described in the book was in the vicinity of her home and that the author of the book was accustomed to spend much time at her home city, Issoudun.

Not only are we interested in France, but the French are also interested in our country. All express a desire to continue the exchange of letters. They say, too, many pleasant things about the friendly relations they have enjoyed with our soldier lads. Here is a sample quotation translated from a letter which the writer of this article has received from Professor P. LeGoff, of the college at Issoudun, France. "We in France all desire to learn your language and to know your history and your literature better. Our ardent

sympathy goes to the American people whose ideal of justice and of liberty is so nobly represented by your present president, who is really of the lineage of the Washingtons and the Lincolns."

There are many reasons why our sympathy should go to the French people. Today France is free, but in what condition are her industries, her finance, her fields, her homes! The war has cost America billions of dollars and thousands of men. It would have cost her many times more, had it cost France less. Shall we not rightly keep for this people a place in our sympathies and in our prayers? H. L. F.

### WHO'S WHO

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Sophomore Prep.	Whitney Shea, '21
Freshman "	Gladys Crandall, '22
Junior College	Leland Smith, '20
Sophomore College	Beulah Williams, '21
Freshman College	Fidelia Warburton, '22
Theological Dept.	Harold McKinney, '21
Girls' Mission Study Class	
Leader	Miss Hillpot
Boys' Mission Study Class	
Leader	Harold McKinney, Theo., '21

### A LIVE MINISTRY.

"Where there is life there's hope," is an old saying and very true. The wise one of old in meditation wrote this proverb, "Where no wood is the fire goeth out." Both imply the same thing, that where there is life there is action.

The human heart is the most wonderful of all God's creation. It's work has been the marvel of all great physicians in all ages past and present. It's continual, steady pulsations that reach into the millions and billions without one rest have amazed all who have studied this wonderful little organ. Yet it keeps itself in repair while it works so that the one for whom it labors may enjoy life.

But let that organ cease work and instantly a great series of different muscles, blood vessels, and nerves are stopped. Why is the change? We say that life has gone. But that same organ is as good as ever, as far as the eye can see, yet all the rest of the organs die because it has no life.

An inventor labors for years to invent a great engine. It is the master piece of mechanical achievements. None like it has ever been built and it is the talk of the scientific world. It stands before you as still as death itself. You ask to see it operate and the proud inventor turns on the current and immediately the machine goes. And how wonderfully perfect it is! Turn off the current and it is useless. It's life has gone and it is useless. It's life has gone, it's wheels are still; it is a burden rather than a great piece of machinery. It must have power or "Life," as we say. But to get at the point, what of the man of today? Give him all the training of generations and university routine. Let him know his books from A to Z, but take away that spark of life and he becomes a useless heap of clay. There are two forms of life, one is natural and the other spiritual. Nature has given us life similar to the plants and with that life there is an abundant life, a life full of energy. Our bodies and brains are the mechanical parts or store house and unless we have life to get that into use we are worse than the engine without the current. We must have the natural life, but unless we turn on the power our life will be but a mockery. Somewhere there is a great store house of life, and you can hear the master say, "I am come that they might have life and have it more abundantly," and although He went away He sent the power in the form of the Comforter. Those who accept Him will receive a double portion of life and work. Machinery moves and things are done.

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## Editorial

## Welcome Back, Alumni.

Now that the great war is over and conditions are becoming more stable it is time for all the Alumni to think of coming back to your Alma Mater for one glorious get-together. Now is the time when you may show what you think of her and what she has meant to you in the trying hours of life.

Who is to be here? Well, many of our boys who were over there; many friends of the present student body; and we are expecting a great missionary representation here for commencement. It is rumored that one whole day may be given to the missionary interests besides the usual time given to it on Sunday. Come, Come, Come.

There has been a practical destitution of boys here for the last two years so come back and give us a good showing. You need the recreation; we need your presence. Will you not be greatly inspired and mightily refreshed to see and meet your old chums once again, where once you had such rich times. If you want to live old days over again, come back for Commencement 11-15 inclusive. We shall expect you, come.

Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous. —Chinese Maxim.

## MAY CONCERT PROGRAM

Piano	Merry Wives of Windsor	Nicolai
	Miss Kinnison	Miss Parker
	Miss Kitterman	Miss Ellingwood
Reading	The Seventeen Year Locusts	Anon
	Frances W. Shultz	
Piano	Skyrockets	Combs
	Mildred Ellingwood	
Vocal	The Rock-a-by Lady	Damrosch
	Calm as the Night	Bohm
	Gladys Jelliff	
Male Quartette	The Lights of Home	Bartholomew
	A Summer Lullaby	Gibson
	Mr. Wilcox	Mr. Shultz
	Mr. Visser	Mr. Hester
Piano	Showers of Stars	Wachs
	Zola Kitterman	
Vocal	My Laddie	Thayer
	In Treeland	Elliott
	Mildred Ellingwood	
Reading	The Recruiting Sermon	Richmond
	Nina Lapham	
Violin	Humoresque	Dvorak
	Sigfred Mattson	
Vocal	The Lass With the Delicate Air	Arne
	The Swallows	Cowan
	Berenice Fish	
Piano	March Triumphale	Kuhle
	Miss Parker	Miss Fish
Reading	The Boy that was Scared o' Dyin'	Slosson
	Thelma Hill	
Piano	Nocturne	Chopin
	Fidelia Warburton	
Sextette	The Night has a Thousand Eyes	Woodman
	What the Chimney Sang	Griswold
	Miss Fish	Mrs. Shultz
	Miss Bullock	Miss Sullivan
		Miss Hall
Piano	Sprites of the Glen	Dennee
	Arbutus	Dennee
	Frances W. Shultz	
Reading	The Man of Sorrows (The Crisis)	Churchill
	Gratia Bullock	
Piano	Polonaise	Chopin
	Evangeline Kinnison	
Vocal	Ave Maria	Schubert
	Miss Davis	
	Violin Obligato	Mr. Mattson
Piano	March Militaire	Schubert
	Miss Davis	Miss Warburton
	Miss Fish	Mrs. Shultz



## PROGRAM FOR COMMENCEMENT.

Wednesday, June 11.

Class Day Program of  
Preparatory Department 8 a. m.

Thursday, June 12.

Preparatory Commencement 10 p. m.  
Final Chapel 8 p. m.  
Annual Oratorical Contest 8 p. m.

Friday, June 13.

Theological Commencement  
Address by Rev. E. F. McCarty 10 a. m.  
Alumni Dinner 12 m.

Saturday, June 14.

Missionary Rally 6 a. m.--12 m.  
Field Meet 1 p. m.--6 p. m.  
Students' Rally 8:30 p. m.

Sunday, June 15.

Baccalaureate Sermon, by Rev. McCarty, 10 a. m.  
Alumni Missionary Meeting 8 p. m.  
Address by Mr. M. Gniesson, of Philadelphia, Pa.,  
a native Russian.

We extend a most cordial invitation to all our friends to be with us during the whole of Commencement week.

So long as we love we serve; so long as we are loved by others, I would almost say we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend.

Stephenson.

DR. J. E. TIFFANY WRITES OF  
REMINISCENCES

"We received a sample of 'The Houghton Star' for May 1, read it through and were pleased with it, especially the article on Holiness, page 2. The present generation of Houghton people and students little know the sacrifices that the founders and workers of Houghton Seminary passed through the first three years of its life. All classes of people moved into the little hamlet and much diversity of opinion existed as to the methods to be pursued to make a success of the new undertaking. The denomination owes a large debt to the first teachers associated with us, both in the church and seminary. The names of W. H. Kennedy, principal, Alice Boardman, Eva Davis, and that grand Holiness teacher and expounder of the Word, Sister M. E. Depew, made possible the present standing of Houghton Seminary and College, and a continuous revival for three years culminated in the conversion of almost every student, and the sanctification also of a large number who were the first fruits of the

harvest which has followed; not the least among them was President Luckey. We are glad that we were associated with them. Like all new movements in Holiness there was great opposition to the work and the workers, both in the church and among the worldly. No one now living has a deeper interest in the prosperity and success of Houghton College than we. With the nation-wide class of 'Pagan Universities' and heterodox Theological Seminaries molding our young people, we pray that Houghton may stand a mighty bulwark for righteousness and be a 'city set upon a hill' for the 'Beauty of Holiness' and that the 'Houghton Star' may be forever in its 'ascending note'."

## A LIVE MINISTRY

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The power goes out like heat from the blast furnace and men feel it. Now a concrete conclusion of it all is that we are the machines but there has been a lack of connection with the power house and men are merely on exhibition without energy, or life, or action; the exhaust may be heard but the power never does any work. The machine rusts out and the world wonders what use it really was after all. This condition is today in the Christian Ministry, there is machine but no power. Men die for a single sweep of the great arm of strength. Come on, Brothers. Let's get connected up with the great head station, get a current that will fill us with such a power that it shall be heard around the world. Right out there is a world gasping for one little life. But our wheels are still. Oh, give us the life like those of old who with one touch of that power spread the gospel through the world.

A. N.

## Alumni Notes

Thru correspondence with a number of old students this Department has been able to work up an Alumni Letter Contest. We are enabled to announce that the results were: Pardon Overton, 712 Irving Ave., Syracuse, N.Y. first winner, and Earl Barrett, R.7, Lockport, N.Y.; second winner. These prize letters will be published in the Star.

As it was impossible to advertise the First Alumni Contest completely among our family of several hundred, we plan on a Second Alumni Contest, beginning the date you receive this issue of the "Star," and ending June 10. All of Houghton's Alumni and old students are eligible to enter at once. Old students may write in these contests letters on whatever subjects

they choose. In general we would suggest these topics for subject matter of the letters; "When I was a student in Houghton Sem," "Houghton and her Alumni," or "How the Houghton of the past can help make the Greater Houghton of the future." Star subscribers are especially urged to get your letters in early. Promptness will be considered in deciding upon winners. Judges of Second Alumni Letter Contest will be three, chosen by the Star Staff at Houghton. "Prizes" will be the honor of publication in the "Star" of all winning letters in the contest, as First Winner and Second Winner.

(Editor's Note --- These letters in all probability cannot be printed before the beginning of the next school year.)

#### The Class of 1916

"Sixteen will shine, yes, sixteen will shine

"Till the moon comes up and the stars come out

"Sixteen will shine!"

The class with the emblem of green and white was a class with zest and spirit. This they proved after graduation, when a majority of their number entered the College Dep't that autumn, and as "College Freshmen" made a memorable record. That was a year full of adventure for their fortunes, from the time of a certain Halloween celebration to the night of a sleigh ride to Belfast. That class once endeavored to put out a January number of the "Star." They were even so good-natured about its appearing in green ink, that they only smiled in return and said it was an omen of early spring!

There was a graduate from the Oratory Dep't in the June of '16. The Alumni Dep't gets a note from Carroll Daniels. He writes as follows to the "Star" people: "I am still all in one piece, quite well and as happy as could be expected. Houghton is a little dearer to me than ever before, and my fondest dream is to be back there for Commencement Week." His address is: Sergeant Carroll Daniels, Co. C., 306 Field Signal Bn., Am. Ex. Forces.

But where are the jolly Preps of '16 and the College Freshman of 16-17?

Gratia Bullock Prep '16 has continued her collegiate work and is at Houghton this school year.

Arthur Bernhoft's address is Little Valley, N. Y.

Daisy Rogers Prep '16 is located at Forksville, Pa.

Harold Luckey Prep '16 was in the S. A. T. C., at Oberlin, Ohio. He still remains in Ohio.

Pearl Schouten Prep '16 is a loyal "Star" subscriber. Her address is Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Ray Russell is in the Civil Service. His address

is 1421 Buchanan St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Dorothy Peck is in school at Houghton.

Glenn Molyneaux, after enlisting in the S. A. T. C. at Oberlin, Ohio, still continues his college work there.

Carrie Coleman teaches public school music at Succasunna, N. J.

Fidelia Warburton is continuing college work at Houghton.

Everett Lapham is staying with his parents here in Houghton.

Myra Steese Lee together with her husband, Harold Lee is living here. She held a position in the Houghton Corporation store while her husband was in camp and she still retains her position.

Mrs. P. B. Loftis of Houghton, N. Y., finds in Lucy Newton a very good assistant in dressmaking.

Mary Warburton Kellogg is married and at home in Taylor, N. Y. Recently Ivan Burr was born to them.

Edith Warburton is pursuing her college course here.

## Locals

Robert Chamberlain was here visiting, week before last.

Rev. C. B. Whitaker and wife were visiting their friends a couple days last week. He gave the students a very interesting chapel talk. Rev. Whitaker was pastor at Houghton for five years.

Rev. Harry Bullock and wife came down to attend the May Concert.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Crandall and their little son took an auto trip to Mr. Crandall's parents last week.

Curtis Woodhead is down in Pennsylvania this week.

Leslie Lane is home from the army. He was at the front for several months.

George Whitaker and wife came down from Olean Friday morning. He gave an account of his experience at the front.

Rev. Readett was in town Friday.

Miss Hillpot was suddenly called home last week on account of the sickness of her father. He had a paralytic stroke and is in a critical condition.

The Seniors, the Juniors, the Advanced Botany Class and a number of others visited Portage Saturday, June 1.



## VICTORY NOTES.

I am so glad to be able to say just now that the Lord saves and His blood cleanses me from all sin.

Grace Tarey.

I am glad to say that I feel the abiding presence of Him who has promised to go all the way with us.

Evangeline Kinnison.

Am so glad for the joy and peace I have in serving the Lord and I know He keeps me from day to day.

Berenice Fish.

I am enjoying the presence of the Lord in all His fullness. Praise His Holy Name.

Mildred Ellingwood.

The Lord is my shepard and leads me day by day. I rejoice in victory to-day.

Arthur Northrup.

I am seeking to continually count all but loss that I may win Christ and accomplish something for Him.

Alice Jean Hampe.

These are precious days of victory, not by anything that would merit any favor in myself but only through the efficacy of the blood. It flow over my heart continually and keeps it clean.

Edith B. Hill.

This is the happiest life I ever lived. I mean to die out for God, not rust out.

Harold C. McKinney.

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DENTIST

FILLMORE, N. Y.

What's the difference between John Wilcox and the United States Senate?

The Senate changed the time and Wilcox changed the date.

Prof. Coleman has a new kind of fruit tree. Usually fruit falls in the fall, this falls in the spring. If you don't believe ask Fred Warburton. P. S. Do you suppose it was green?

Dad—"I fell off a sluice at home and lit on my mouth."

Alzada—"Is that what made it so big?"

Dad—"Yes, and did you fall off the Brooklyn bridge?"

Why would Bilheimer make a good Electrician?

Because he controls the spark.

Clocks in (seeing Billheimer in his class colors)—"What regiment does he belong to?"

Northrup—"The Ladies' Aid Society."

Gladys, in the Gym—"Oh, dear!"

Clark—"Present."

Prof. Smith (speaking of cafeteria)  
"All you have to do is to go in and set on what you want."

## Exchanges

We are pleased to note the generosity of our various exchange friends. Our rack contains a large assortment from schools as distant as Pasadena, Cal., and as near as Dunkirk, N. Y. We are often reminded that "Distance lends enchantment to the view," but we find all papers have their good and bad points.

The Item from Pasadena is marked for the Short Stories, but our reading was somewhat interrupted by the transposition and somersault of some of the pages. However this gives infinite variety, which is sometimes hard to find. The cartoon page is very good.

The Roxbury Echo appeals to us as a neat, interesting paper. You are to be congratulated upon the large number of advertisements. Your advertising psychology would doubtless be valuable to smaller papers.

Other exchanges are the Wheaton Record, Hemnica, Middlebury Campus, Miltonval Monitor, Huntingtonian, Apokepsian, Alethia, Acorn.