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## Dr. Mingledorf Gives Farewell Chapel Talk Hits Al. Smith a Mighty Whack

Last Thursday's chapel was purely political. When once Dr. O. G. Mingledorf gained the platform poor "Al" didn't have a chance. The Dr. indignantly demanded "Who is Al. Smith? How was he nominated? Who did it?" And proceeded to answer said questions, denouncing Tammany and all connected with it in an emphatic manner. If "Al" Smith is elected President it indicates that the American people have turned against prohibition and are using a lever to turn Congress against it. He then proceeded to outline what a "dripping wet president" can do when once in office such as, appointing Federal Court Officers.

He outlined the work of John J. Raskob in getting the southern negro votes for Al., and hinted that if conditions don't soon change the K.K.K. will awake.

After the stirring speech, Dr. Mingledorf bade us farewell as he returns to Georgia almost immediately. When the rousing cheers had subsided the Doctor remarked in his bewitching southern drawl, "I like you youngsters a lot. You ain't pretty much, but your fine!"

## Introducing Mrs. Herbert Hoover

### Ideal American "Gentlewoman"

When we cast our vote for Herbert Hoover on election day, I wonder how many of us will think of Mrs. Hoover and the position we thus give her of "First Lady of the Land?" Through the newspapers, current magazines, and by the radio, we have been generally informed as to the sterling character and integrity of the Republican nominee. But how much do we know of Mrs. Hoover? Will she be capable, competent, efficient; able to meet the responsibilities that may soon be hers? Will she be a true "helpmate?"

Let Margaret Sangster give you a intimate little review of her impressions of Mrs. Hoover. "A slim graceful woman of average height, with graying hair arranged simply above a broad thoughtful brow. Her eyes are blue, and steady and kind. Her hands are slim and well-shaped but they are extremely capable hands. The sort that one links with an executive mind. The clasp of them is firm and holds a certain pleasant warmth."

"When one thinks of Mrs. Hoover, when one writes of her, there is a word that comes to mind. The word is an old one—not now very much in use. It is 'Gentlewoman.' And it describes her quite perfectly."

"For Mrs. Hoover is gentle. And despite her trained mind, her learning and social efficiency, and her high place in national life—she is the most womanly woman that one would ever meet!"

"A womanly woman! To the average brain that word brings pictures clear cut and charming and sweet. Pictures that make the soul remember. That set the heart to dreaming. For a womanly woman is the mother woman. The wife, *The helpmeet!*"

Mrs. Hoover's maiden name was Lou Henry. The history of her life

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## Freshmen Awarded Scholarships

Five members of the College Freshmen Class have been awarded New York State University Scholarships. The students thus honored are, Miss Vivian Bunnell, Scio; Miss Rena Potter, West Chazy; Mr. Walter Alexis, Falconer; Miss Mae Collins, Bliss; and Miss Elsie Chind, Houghton.

In addition to the New York State Scholarships, Miss Rena Potter has been awarded a scholarship of one hundred dollars from the Sarah S. Vert Student Fund of Plattsburg, New York.

## "Cy" Steese Returns --Married!

### --Puts one over on the gang--

Carl H. Steese and his bride, formerly Miss Evelyn Holshue of Barberton, Ohio, were in Houghton over the week-end, and actually escaped a "horning!" He frankly informed the gang that he was an old married man—but then "Cy" was always kidding and no one took it to heart. So Saturday evening sped by uneventfully, and the Sabbath morning dawned as peacefully as usual. Then the gang awoke to the fact that "Cy" had been telling the truth, and that he was immediately returning to Barberton. The chance for the "horning" was all shot. When soundly reprimanded for his seeming lack of fidelity to the old bunch, Cy chuckled and said, "We knew our onions—we were'n't at home any Saturday evening, and anyway I told you we were married and you wouldn't believe it, so it isn't my fault."

Best luck "Cy." Congratulations and all the rest. But you might have let the gang in on it!!

## Class of '28 is Re-United.

y njoyed Crouches

Friday, October the twelfth, seemed like alumni day at Houghton College, for while Columbus was being allowed to re-discover America, several members of the 1928 graduating class journeyed back to their Alma Mater to renew old acquaintances, and talk over old times. The war-whoops of last year's Seniors made things seem quite natural, as the lusty cries of the alumni resounded over the campus.

After putting in a full day at the college, the former Seniors spent the evening at Crouch Lake, where a general get-to-gather was held. Although several of the class members were absent, those who were present found pleasure in the reunion and rapid conversation—conversation centered largely around the school-teaching profession. The place was prettily decorated with jack-o-lanterns and Japanese lights.

Those present at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Archie King, Ruth and Verna Crouch, Archie Neal, Lawrence Chapman, Anna Duggan, Alta Albrow, Ruby Moore, Joe Horton, Ralph Jones, Laurel Davies, Helen Kellogg, Miss Burnell, and "Verg" Hussey.

We're all for the old College, and enjoy exceedingly the privilege of returning from time to time.

## Herbert Hoover Versus Al. Smith for President

### Public Speaking Class Debates Question

#### Affirmative Argument

The public speaking class last Friday debated the proposition—Resolved: That Hoover should be elected President of the United States in preference to Smith. (The affirmative was upheld by Erma Anderson and Gladys Brown). All America is agitated over the coming election regarding the policies and personalities of the candidates, Hoover and Smith. Hoover is preferable to Smith because he has the vision, courage, and ability to conquer great problems. No figure stands out more in American History as an organizer and administrator. In 1897 at the recommendation of one of the foremost engineers in America, Louis Janin, Hoover was summoned to Australia to organize mining interests there. His fame had reached China and in 1899 he was summoned there to straighten out the mining difficulties of the Chinese.

In 1914 he gave up his mining interests and certainty of wealth to feed and clothe ten million war-ravaged people. Irving Fisher says of him, "Mr. Hoover is a great humanitarian who came into politics not as a politician, but as a friend of his fellow men, as did originally Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson. It was Hoover's constructive work in Belgium relief undertaken not because of personal ambition, but at a personal sacrifice,"

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#### Negative Argument

The negative side of the question was debated by Mr. Hess and Miss Fox. Although avowed followers of Hoover, the worthy opponents presented arguments in favor of Mr. Smith which showed a true Democratic spirit. The outstanding arguments in favor of Governor Smith will be given in brief.

Alfred E. Smith is the man for the presidency for he is a man of action and gets things done. He sped up the work on the grade crossings in the state thereby eliminating serious danger points for automobile traffic. Governor Smith saw the condition of the State institutions and hospitals, and immediately went about to remedy the situation. New buildings were erected where necessary and new equipment installed. To say that Governor Smith does not have the interests of the people at heart is false. Al. Smith has the ability to conquer great problems. He has conquered the intricate affairs of state. The *Pathfinder* gives the following insight into his character. "As member of the legislature Smith's first years were lonely. 'I thought I would never get the hang of it,' he said. 'And then I made up my mind I'd stay and learn about it.' This Smith did; he studied every bill that was introduced and in time was master of the complicated legislative machinery. Elihu

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## "Stevie", Nocturnal Acrobat!

### Subject To Nightmares

It has been rumored that Hollis Stevenson is subject to nightmares,—and that is no dream. Woe be to the one who happens to be his bed-partner! I speak from experience.

One night last winter he was bunking with me, when suddenly I heard a crash and realized Hollis was out of bed. Instead of leaping over me he had vaulted over the foot of the bed onto a chair, which by its fall, had caused the crash which awakened me. Knowing his weakness, I hopped out into the icy darkness and turned on the light, while Hollis kept repeating, with much conviction, that a wood-chuck was in bed with us. Finally I succeeded in quieting his nerves (and mine) enough to get him into bed again.

But even more interesting was an experience not so long ago, at the home of a friend, where a few of us were spending the week-end. This time Hollis attempted to leap over me; but failing to clear the bed-clothes by a mere inch pitched headlong out of bed. Awakening to my surroundings (or the lack of them, rather) I was on the job—so that he went no further down than the floor and no further out than the door. In Hollis' own words as he related the incident to our host the next morning, his sensations were as follows:

"I dreamed that I was in a deep canyon and that the rocks above were falling on 'us.' The scars from a badly skinned knee and shin remain as souvenirs of this episode."

Leo B. Lawless

## Houghtonites at Wallace

### Two Services Held

Sunday, October 14th found the Christian Workers engaged in services at the Wallace Wesleyan Methodist Church, of which Miss Bertha Richards, a former student of Houghton, is pastor. The morning message on the need of heart purity was brought by Mr. Harold Van Wormer. The Spirit surely unclothed his words, as he gave a clear picture of human hearts and the need of their being clean. The special music of this service was a male quartet and a solo by Mr. Joseph Shipman.

At night the nature of the meeting was missionary in the interest of the Y. M. W. B. Mr. Arthur Doty talked on the conditions of our and district work in India. Miss Elsie Chind told about her call to the foreign field as well as the faithfulness of God in leading her toward that end. The main address was given by Miss Josephine Rickard on "Prav ve therefore the Lord of the harvest."

Special songs were given by the male quartet and a duet by Miss Luelia Roth and Mr. Joseph Shipman. Professor F. H. Wright as faculty attendant led both services.

It was a pleasure for the Houghton group to meet with the friendliness and sincerity of the Wallace Church and pastor, and at night with the representatives of the Haskinville charge. Truly, we need a greater united effort and a closer co-operation of our churches to combat the compromise and laxity that are clutching at the life of Christianity.

## High Honor Bestowed on Houghton Alumnus

### Dr. Clawson Wins Medicine Award

We quote the following extract from *The Minnesota Daily*, the school paper of the University of Minnesota.

"Bringing to Minnesota, the highest number of awards granted any medical school or college, three Minnesota scientists were given awards of merit in connection with scientific exhibits at the American Medical Association convention at its 79th annual session in Minneapolis, June 11 to 15. Seventeen awards were given scientists all over the country."

"Dr. B. J. Clawson, professor of pathology, was awarded for a study emphasizing clinical and experimental phases of the inflammation of the heart muscles."

Dr. Clawson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clawson of Dixonville, Pa., who for many years have been active workers in the Wesleyan Methodist church. He became a student at Houghton Seminary in 1902 and graduated in 1906. He married Miss Vera Jennings also a Houghton student, the daughter of Rev. A. T. Jennings.

## Why Everyone Should Vote

Election time is here again. One hears on every side the questions, "Are you registered?", "Going to vote?", "Who for?" We will be quite Utopian if we ever reach the stage where no one has to ask these questions—for every one should vote.

One owes it to himself as a citizen, and to his responsibility as that citizen, to do his small best in putting in office a man worthy and capable of handling the affairs of the Nation, or the State, or the particular job to which he is pledged. Party platforms should be read to determine which one you really believe is the better, and then, if you must, let personalities influence you. But the real fundamental thing to keep before you is to put the right man in the right position. One who will enforce the Constitution, and the law, and keep the needs of the people ever before him.

We have fought for the privilege of voting—let us make use of it.

E. M. Bork

## A Student's Part in the Election

A student should be interested in the outcome of an election, especially a state or national one; because upon the various elections depend the stability and character of the government under which he lives. Is he not interested in his own liberty, life, and happiness? I am sure if he is a normal American youth, he is. It is through elections that these fundamental blessings are either increased or diminished; therefore, should we not all endeavor to find out which party and course of procedure will endow upon our country and us the most beneficial surroundings?

First of all, we are all interested in the welfare of our great nation known as the United States. Pride makes us exult in her success. It is through the great men who are chosen in the election and the management of

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## EDITORIAL

### ABSOLUTISM OR DEMOCRACY

The daily papers recently brought us the news that Albania had proclaimed King Zogo reigning monarch. Simultaneously came the news that South Africa was seriously thinking of establishing a monarchy and was even now considering the advisability of asking one of the sons of King George V to become their sovereign. This willingness on the part of the citizens of a country to become subjects of a king may seem inexplicable to many people living in a democracy. Upon a careful study of the situation the phenomena is not so profound as would appear at a cursory glance. We boast of being a democracy, yet, in a broad sense of the word, we are an oligarchy, a government ruled by a few. Our forefathers fought that they might have representation. Even in those stirring times the demand for a democracy was not unanimous (among the colonists). Thousands of individuals, known as Tories, sided with the king. When the vote was finally gained citizens, like children with a new toy, elected their representatives with considerable enthusiasm. The vote was a cherished privilege. As the voting body grew in size due to increase in population, immigration, and constitutional amendments, the initial fervor waned. The citizens are losing their interest. The vote, once a privilege, has become a duty to be carried out, if convenient. In 1920 less than half of the eligible citizens of the United States voted in the presidential election. Let someone suggest that the vote be denied to the citizen and what a howl of protest would go up from this 50 percent who neglect to vote. While we profess not to understand how a country cares to become a monarchy, we sit back complacently, fold our arms, and let the country become one. It seems that there are few steps between a democracy, an oligarchy, a dictatorship and a monarchy. If the citizens of a country wish to live in a democracy they are in honor bound to prevent the government from falling into the hands of a few. The vote is the voice of the people. If the vote fails to be cast there is no voice. A situation in which the citizens have no voice in the government must be a monarchy of a very autocratic type. There are very few absolute monarchies in the world, yet the trend in our democracy is towards absolutism, if the present indifference toward constitutional privileges is any criterion.

Prof. R. E. Douglass

## Locals

Erma Meade visited her sister in Rochester over the week end.

Miss Mildred Wightman spent the week end in Rochester.

Pauline Beattie is spending a few days at her home in Ogdensburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisk of Falconer visited their son James in Houghton last Saturday.

A son was born on Monday, October 15th., to Prof. and Mrs. J. M. Molyneux of Marcellus.

Joseph and Louis Shipman left Wednesday for their home in Mansfield, Pa. They expect to be gone several days.

John Kluzitt is visiting friends in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Gladys Brown visited Miss Neola Williams at Laicester, N. Y. over the week end.

Prof. George W. Parker, head of the Agricultural School of Cornell University visited his daughter, Jessie Parker, in Houghton recently.

Our Olean students, viz., Margaret Carter, Virginia Derby, and Olive Wetherill were not permitted to go to their homes over Sunday because of the typhoid epidemic in Olean.

The following students visited their homes over Sunday for the first time since school opened: Lawrence Benson, Falconer; Doris Clegg, Lockport; and Esther Tomlinson, Wales Center.

Evian Stevens went to her home Rochester last Friday, and incidentally to have her eyes tested.

Miss Rothermel and Miss Bur visited Mr. and Mrs. Perry at Hinsdale on Sunday.

Joseph LaCelle has been appointed assistant to the station agent in Houghton.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Caroline Baker is suffering from an attack of tonsillitis.

President and Mrs. Luckey left for Marion, Indiana, Wednesday.

The Rev. Mr. Moore, retired Minister of Caneadea had charge of the chapel service Wednesday, at which time he read some of his delightful poems.

Lucy Brady entertained at a dinner party on Tuesday evening, October 16th., the occasion being her nineteenth birthday. The dinner was held at College Inn. The guests Jane Williams, Katherine Gauder, Esther Hall, and Martha Work.

## Our Books on Missions

### Read Them!

Houghton College has in her library a splendid collection of books on missionary history and biography. This collection is the result of years of choosing and selecting. Complete biographies of such famous missionaries as David Brainerd, John Paton, David Livingston, Alexander Duff, and James Hudson Taylor are on the shelves. Books such as these should prove interesting to every lover of biography.

There are also splendid books on missions in general by such well-known authors as Robert E. Speer, John R. Mott and others. Special attention should be given to the books by Amie Carmichael Wilson since many of these are no longer in print.

Two new books have recently been added to our collection furnishing reliable information on present day missions. These are The Progress of World Wide Missions, by Robert E. Speer and Outlines of Missionary History, by Mason.

Every individual ought to have some book at hand to be read in spare moments which would otherwise be wasted. Look over the missionary books. Read them now for some of them may not be available for you at some later time.

## Cats

In all we have had twenty-two cats as star boarders. Not one of them was even slightly unfriendly. The accuracy with which they could find the center of a new table-cloth would have pleased Euclid. The mother of the twenty-one kittens was a handsome Angora Tom. The salesman at the pet shop assured us that the nimble black and white mass of fur was a remarkable male kitten. I am just now commencing to realize how remarkable he was. A tom cat that has two litter of kittens a year is rather uncommon. In fact, this was the only case that ever came to my attention. We have always known the mother of each of the kittens. I regret to say the same cannot be said of their paternity. I fear that many of the kittens had great unsightly galls on their family tree. Disaster seemed to stalk every kitten with designs on each of its nine lives. The history of the first felicitous quartet is typical of many of the "troups." "Nig" neglected to learn the "bus" schedule. Jack was struck by lightning between the house and the barn. Fanny was too friendly with a skunk and had to be ostracized. Kewpie died young. She was on the

wayway one dark night. Alas! we were here to-day and to-morrow we know not what. I must not forget Methusalem. He too died young. It was a mistake in judgment. He thought that a salmon can would make a fine collar. Posterity, though not his, know that he was wrong. I have a cat cemetery. To the best of my ability and as well as circumstances would permit, I have gathered the remains of my cats. A shingle marks each resting place.

No more shall the mouseie shiver,  
Or the fuzzy mole be in dread.  
Their enemies are gone forever  
When I buried my feline dead.

Prof. "Doug."

## High School Notes

### Juniors Have Party

At 4:00 P. M. Friday the car owned by Professor Allen Baker, class father of the Juniors, groaned heavily as it carried the Junior class to Moss Lake. We decided to journey on to Caneadea Lake and dam. Some perching on the back, some on the headlights and some in the car, we arrived safely at the desired spot. Having explored the dam we climbed the 143 steps to the faithful "Chevie" and returned to Moss Lake where a royal feast of weiners, buns, coffee, doughnuts and bananas was enjoyed by all. We returned to "dear old Houghton" looking forward to more good times.

### Student-Body Meeting

The first meeting of the High School student body was called to order Wednesday. The following officers were elected:

President	William Boehne
Vice President	Florence Smith
Secretary	Margaret Lewis
Ass't Secretary	Harold Flint
Treasurer	Mae Young
Pianist	Irma Scharfe
Choirister	Raymond Berry
Cheer Leader	Anna English

## Athletics

### Champion Baseball Team

#### Purple Lineup

The lineup of the Champion Purple Baseball team, the school champions for 1928-29 is as follows:

Pitcher, Dick Wing  
Catcher, Frank Lane  
Infielders, Warden, Stan Miller, Louis Shipman, "Stevie", Joe Shipman, Fox, Captain.  
Outfielders, Bill Albro, Osgood, Doty, Crocker, Folger.  
Utility, Dayton, Houser.

Ten men played in a sufficient number of games to earn a letter. Wing, Lane, L. Shipman, Fox, Miller, Warden, Stevenson, Albro, Doty, and Osgood have won their "H." Several however have earned their baseball letter, but no person may be awarded the same style of letter more than once.

Members of the losing Gold team who have not won their letters will have another opportunity next Spring, when the Varsity Baseball Team will be chosen. All members of the Varsity team who have not won their letters previously will receive them. Twelve men are allowed on the team which will be led by Willet Albro Varsity Captain—Elect.

### Senior Baseball Team Defeated by Lower Classmen

Last Friday the pick of the three lower classes accepted the challenge of the Seniors on the baseball grounds. The Seniors got away to the one run lead early in the game, but the lower

classmen came forward with a three run lead in the fourth.

Wing started the fifth in the box for the Seniors and was very lightly hit throughout the remainder of the game. Tuller for the opponents pitched good ball during the seven innings. Fox and Miller led the attack for the Seniors with two clean hits each, while Albro starred at the bat for the winners having two hits to his credit.

The score by innings follows:

Seniors:	1 0 0 2 0 0—3
Lower Classes:	0 0 0 6 0 1—7

Batteries: Seniors, Fox, wing Frank Lower Classmen, Tuller and Allen

## Music Department

### Chorus Begins Practice

A large number of students, towns people and friends from neighboring communities were present at the first rehearsal of the College Chorus on Monday evening October 15. Although the copies of the Christmas cantata "The Prince of Peace" by Wolcott, have not as yet arrived, Prof. Baker practiced on other numbers on the Christmas programme. It is hoped that there will be 125 voices in the Chorus this year. Mr. Wesley Gleason is accompanying.

### Orchestra Officers Selected

The members of the College Orchestra elected officers on October 10. Mr. Willfred Bain was elected President; Mr. Leon Hines, Vice-president; Mr. Alfred Gross, Treasurer; and Mr. Wesley Gleason, Business Manager. If possible, the orchestra intends to give a few concerts in nearby communities, and also to present a program over the radio.

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## A STUDENT'S PART

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the affairs that our country has come  
to be what it is. Certainly, it is  
through these same channels, that  
the and of ours is to retain its won-  
derousness and prestige.

Even as a student one should de-  
sire to see the right man at the  
head of the American people, acting  
as a leader to uphold and spread  
abroad their ideals. An energetic  
man who stands for American prin-  
ciples is the one to be desired.

The type of people that is to come  
into dominance is worthy of note also.  
We do not wish to have a group or  
party come into power which is dif-  
ferent from our basic creed and be-  
liefs, therefore each one should study  
the candidates and platforms care-  
fully.

Although a non-voter is denied the  
right to cast his ballot on election  
day, he may play a considerable part  
in that election by casting his influ-  
ence upon his favorite side. By per-  
ceiving the true light on questions,  
he may explain to others the advan-  
tages or disadvantages of such a  
measure. Perhaps he can change  
their view-point and convince them  
that particular step is the only one to  
be taken. Or he may not have to  
change one's views; perhaps some one  
in doubt as to how to vote and a  
few words of enlightenment upon the  
subject will win a vote for the de-  
serving side.

Having studied up the topic of  
election, a student might correct the  
views of some misinformed person.  
Interest may be aroused in a certain  
class of persons who would not other-  
wise go to the polls to vote.

Thus, although one may be too  
young to vote, he may play an impor-  
tant part in the election by arousing  
interest and bringing to light true  
facts. All should be interested in  
these political struggles, because it  
is through these that his nation and  
his own life are regulated.

V. Harbeck

## MRS. HOOVER INTRODUCED

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is indeed colorful. When a young  
girl in her teens, living in California,  
Lou Henry became exceedingly in-  
terested in rocks and minerals. To  
be a geologist was her ambition and  
for study in this her chosen field, she  
chose Stanford University. A young  
man named Herbert Hoover, also  
made Stanford his school for the  
study of geology in his training for a  
mining engineer. Romance? Of  
course!

Herbert Hoover's first position was  
in Australia. His work was soon  
completed here, and he began to  
consider work in China. Engineer  
Hoover did not want to go alone, so  
back to California he came to make  
Lou Henry, Mrs. Hoover. Then  
off to China they sailed.

Life was not all smooth sailing,  
Lou Henry Hoover soon found, for  
within a year the Boxer Rebellion  
brought perplexing difficulties of a  
very serious nature. She stood by  
Mr. Hoover in his "citizen relief  
work" nobly. She even studied  
that complicated language of the  
Chinese, that she might more effi-  
ciently help her husband in this foreign  
land.

Zoe Beckley, novelist and short  
story writer says, "Any woman who  
will learn Chinese to help her hus-  
band is my idea of the matchless  
mate, perfect wife, good genius, com-  
rade, friend. For almost thirty years  
these two have trodden the years to-  
gether apparently without stumblings  
or discord. Nor have I seen many  
women with such friends. Such  
loyalty, such praise, not to say rever-  
ence, as those who know "Lou  
Henry" give to her!

"The Hoovers have ever been  
travelers. Mr. Hoover's work took  
them everywhere. Before their  
China-born baby was half-past three

they had been thrice around the world.  
"I asked Mrs. Hoover if she had  
grown to love the orient and other  
outland places. She thought an in-  
stant:

"I loved certain things," said she,  
"but not enough to want to live in-  
definitely in any place except Amer-  
ica."

Mrs. Hoover hates publicity! She  
is interested in her husband's public  
work. Her own work during the  
world war was indeed remarkable  
yet she shuns all unnecessary lime-  
light. It is said that she has never  
given a single "interview."

Mrs. Hoover loves her home! She  
is the mother of two young men,  
Herbert and Allan. Herbert is the  
eldest son. He has a home, wife,  
and several children of his own.  
Allan Hoover is attending Stanford  
University. Mrs. Hoover is con-  
sidered one of the most delightful  
hostesses in Washington. Zoe Beck-  
ley tells us that "the house on S  
street is spacious and charming, with  
enough luxury to make it whisper  
"quality," and enough decoration  
and color to keep it homey. It looks  
used and livable; with plenty of  
books and a few good pictures, and a  
hospitable dining table."

Mabel Walker Hillebrandt says  
that "The Hoover fireside is a place  
where high thoughts and tolerance  
are realities." In commenting upon  
the religious views of Mrs. Hoover,  
this same person goes on, "I do not  
know many Quakers. I suppose be-  
ing a member of the Quaker church  
is of itself alone no positive guarantee  
of spiritual achievement; but I do  
know that Lou Henry and the Quaker  
faith have been somehow so in-  
tertwined as to make Mrs. Herbert  
Hoover of to-day the very symbol of  
all that is finest in intellectual and  
cultured Christian womanhood and  
the creator of a home with spiritual  
foundation."

Mrs. Herbert Hoover is the ideal  
American Woman. As "First Lady  
of the Land" and helpmate for a  
"President" husband, we can be con-  
fident that Mrs. Herbert Hoover  
would be a true success.

October's Bright  
Blue Weather

O suns and skies and clouds of June,  
And flowers of June together,  
Ye cannot rival for one hour  
October's bright blue weather.

When loud the bumblebee makes  
haste,

Belated, thriftless vagrant,  
And Goldenrod is dying fast,  
And lanes with grapes are fragrant,

When Gentian roll their fringes back,  
To save them for the morning,  
And chestnuts fall from satin burrs  
Without a sound of warning;

When on the ground red apples lie  
In piles like jewels shining,  
And redder still on old stone walls  
Are leaves of woodbine twining;

When all the lovely wayside things  
Their white-winged seeds are sowing,  
And in the field, still green and fair,  
Late aftermaths are growing;

When springs run low, and on the  
brooks,

In idle golden freighting,  
Bright leaves sink noiseless in the  
hush

Of woods, for winter waiting;

When comrades seek sweet country  
haunts,

By twos and twos together,  
And count like misers hour by hour,  
October's bright blue weather.

On suns and skies and flowers of  
June,

Count all your boasts together,  
Love loveth best of all the year  
October's bright blue weather.

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When you break your Glasses  
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### AFFIRMATIVE ARGUMENT

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which brought him into prominence and led President Wilson to appoint him food administrator. From that day to this he has been a great figure in the relief of human suffering and in child welfare. In post war-relief through his ingenious device, the 'food draft,' millions were kept from starvation in Germany, Austria, Poland, and elsewhere."

The Department of Commerce stands as a monument to Hoover's ability as an organizer and administrator. President Coolidge says of Hoover's work in that department, "It has been of great benefit to the commercial life of the nation and has given a new impetus to our entire business structure." It was the least considered item of our government in 1921; by 1926 it ranked as one of the first two or three in usefulness and importance.

In three months, due to Hoover's efforts, the wheels of progress were turning again. This instance again proves Hoover's ability and foresight.

Past experiences in Russia, and in the Mississippi valley have revealed his courage, enlarged his vision and have increased his ability to handle any problems that may confront him as President of the United States. Coolidge says of him, "He has knowledge of the mechanics of business of government that is unsurpassed."

Hoover is preferable to Smith because his international relationships and policies are conducive to the welfare of America. The late Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior under Wilson, in a letter to Hugo K. Asher in 1920 had this to say about the 1928 Republican presidential nominee, "I hear there is some talk of setting up a third party and nominating Hoover. Two things a president must know—European conditions and American conditions. This Hoover knows. He has the confidence of Europe and the confidence of America." His foreign policy has "one primary object, and that is peace."

Though supporting the tariff principle, Hoover pledges his party to make such revision as may be necessary to provide real protection against the shifting economic tides in our various tariffs. Nor does Hoover admit that the immigration law is perfect. Still he agrees that restriction is necessary to maintain our present high standard of living and thinks the only thing to be done is to amend existing laws "to relieve unnecessary hardships on families."

Hoover is preferable to Smith because his home policies are conducive to the welfare of the people for he recognizes the importance and necessity of agricultural relief in the next administration. In his address at the Notification Ceremony in Stanford Stadium he stated, "I would use my office and influence to give the farmer the full benefit of our historic tariff policy." It is a definite plan of relief that the Republican platform pledges: a creation of a Federal Farm Board of representative farmers who will not only aid in the solution of farm problems, but building up with federal finance, farm-owned and farm-controlled stabilization corporations which will protect the farmer from the depression and demoralization of seasonal gluts and periodical surpluses. Hoover is in a position to understand the situation for he is a son of the soil.

In conclusion the affirmative proved that Mr. Hoover will uphold the Eighteenth Amendment and give labor a fair deal.

The affirmative rebuttal completely refuted all arguments stated by the negative. The major portion of the rebuttal is given below:

#### REBUTTAL

Our worthy opponents state that Smith rules Tammany rather than Tammany ruling Smith. If so,

here's how he rules it, "Queens sewer scandal, proved thievery of the ballot box, wholesale payroll padding, graft of Tammany inspectors, passing diluted milk and food products to women and children, petty larceny of city marshal."

Our opponents state that Hoover exercised absolute power when in Europe and European officials were disgusted at being set to one side. Who let him exercise absolute power in Europe? If the officials or crowned heads had a better plan to offer, why didn't they bring it forth? Hoover's ability superceded theirs.

Our opponents again state that Smith "says what he believes" regarding prohibition. Truly so. He says, "I hope to see the time when we can put our feet on the brass rail and blow the froth from our mug of beer." Yet they say he does not favor the open saloon!

Our worthy opponents stated that the past presidents have been ignorant of various situations before entering the White House and have coped with these problems successfully. Is it not to the advantage of any President to have the knowledge of national and international affairs before hand? We have proved that Hoover has this knowledge.

Our opponents further state that we have not had law or order since the passing of the Eighteenth Amendment. No, we have not had law and order and especially in New York where Governor Smith rules. The Citizens Union of New York city in evaluating Smith's legislative record from 1909 to 1914 stated, with one exception, "Record of votes bad." Therefore Hoover should be elected in preference to Smith.

### NEGATIVE ARGUMENT

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Root once said that Smith understood the business of the state better than anybody else. And it was President Wilson who declared of the New York Governor, "He seems to me one who has responded in an extraordinary manner to the awakening forces of the day."

Another difficult problem which Smith has handled is that of taming the Tammany Tiger. If you think it is an easy job you try to do it. No, Smith is not a tool of Tammany, but he rules Tammany with an iron hand. He has opposed great Tammany leaders on several occasions. In fact it was he who caused the overthrow of Hearst, former Tammany boss.

Smith has been elected governor of this State for four terms, in spite of Republican presidential landslides. No mere man could have done that. Again, Smith gained the presidential nomination on a practically dry platform. Certainly Smith has the ability to conquer great problems.

Furthermore, Smith understands important public problems of which development of water power for the public benefit is one. The other is his suggestion that the State Barge Canal be made part of a ship canal connecting the Great Lakes with the Atlantic seaboard. If Smith understands these problems surely he will be able to cope with problems of national interest if given the chance.

Courage is another trait for which Smith is noted. The Governor does what he believes to be best for "the orphan at Albany" regardless of what the lobbyist think. "With Smith honesty means courage, and truth means candor." He silences his opponents not by backing down but by coming right out flat-footed for his convictions. This trait was shown when 'Al' was only a boy. "You're a dirty little Mick," says the Bully. "I am a Mick," replies Al, and I'll show you how little I am. Let's go!"

In similar manner Al treats the Wet question, and the Tammany accusation. He says what he believes regardless of losing votes and in spite of that his party leaders may say.

Smith's foreign policies will be conducive to peace. He believes that some change should be made in regard to immigration so that families need not be separated. Nor should quotas be based on a census that is thirty-eight years old.

The second speaker took up in detail the foreign and home policies of Governor Smith. The high points are given herewith:

**The Tariff**—Governor Smith favors no radical change in the tariff, but wishes it to be regulated on a strictly non-partisan basis.

Mr. Smith's ideas on war and our foreign relations are well worth consideration. He believes firmly in eliminating wars by removing the causes. He cites a certain bill passed in 1921 which prohibited the building of all vessels over 10,000 tons, but emphasizes the fact that nothing has been done about reducing the production of vessels under 10,000 tons, armament, poisonous gases, and other machines of war. He is convinced that there should be something done to reduce the manufacture of these horrible implements of war.

Governor Smith is very much opposed to the practice of a President entering into arguments with a foreign country, without the consent of Congress. He refers especially to our relations with Nicaragua for past few years. Mr. Smith is very anxious, however, that friendly relations be maintained with Latin American Countries, and pledges himself to bring this about as far as it is in his power to do so.

In regard to the Eighteenth Amendment, Governor Smith has very decided opinions. He favors a change in the Amendment, but will leave this entirely to the people to decide as they see best. The open saloon will be taboo however, and the law and order of our country will be maintained, as it has not been upheld under the present administration.

Another home policy of Smith's is in connection with the water ways. He believes that there should be more internal water ways. These will help greatly in the prevention of floods.

Mr. Smith is the champion of the farmer. He stands on the platform for the development of co-operating marketing, and for earnest efforts to solve the problem of distributing cost of handling surpluses over units benefited. Governor Smith promises to call in experts to study the questions vital to the farmer and present recommendations upon the convening of Congress.

The negative rebuttal showed that European leaders do not look on Hoover as a great peacemaker, but rather as a dominating representative of Uncle Sam. They want to see a representative of Wilson's party at the head of our government for they feel that only then will peace be continued.

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What is the first thing that Smith will say when he gets to the White House?

Answer, "How do you do, Mr. Hoover!"