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## Boulder Benefit Concert Tonight

### Local Artists to Appear

To-night is the opportunity for which we have all waited six long weeks. Leading Houghton's social attractions appears the Annual "Boulder" Benefit Concert. This evening from eight to ten the pick of Houghton College artists will make its first official 1931-32 appearance.

To the new students especially we present a challenge. What are you gaining from your college life? To be sure you are developing mentally, but ten years from now your present book knowledge will be almost buried in life's experience. The social side of your nature as now developed will be yours to keep.

To-night you will be offered something really worth while. The Boulder staff needs and asks your support. However in this instance your support is so closely linked with your own pleasure and opportunity that the benefits are remarkably two-sided.

We expect to see the chapel filled to the doors. Purchase your tickets this afternoon from one to three-thirty. Good seats will be saved for all advance sale tickets. When we see you fellows coming we will just naturally get two tickets ready.

### PROGRAM

- Invocation *President Luckey*  
"Sheep and Goats" *Guion*  
College Orchestra  
"O Rest in the Lord" *Mendelssohn*  
(Aria from Elijah)  
*Edith Stearns*  
"The Race for a Life" *George Marsh*  
*Louise Minnis*  
"On Wings of Song" *Mendelssohn*  
*Helen Baker*  
"My Native Land" *Gretchaninoff*  
"The Blacksmith" *Brahms*  
*Professor Bain*  
"Where There's a Will"  
*Ellis Parker Butler*  
*Edna Roberts*  
"Legende Op. 19" *H. Wieniawski*  
"Serenade" *Fr. Drdla*  
*Professor Sorensen*  
"Trees" *Kilmer*  
"My Lindy Lou" *Arr. by Smalle*  
*College Male Quartet*

## College Quartet Broadcast Successful

Believe it or not, Hines, Turnell, Cronk, and Ebner were finally in a padded cell, Monday night, October 19. As a matter of fact, they stood before the microphone of station WKBW and presented the first of a series of broadcasts by the quartet. As might be expected, they were, for the time at least, inclined to look down upon the rest of the world (being on the 18th floor of the Rand building.)

Their voices blended well over the radio, and the reception was good. We congratulate the boys on their success and good performance.

## Juniors Defeat Soph Tennis Team

### Flint and Mein Win Hard Fought Contest

The Juniors, represented by Flint and Mein, defeated the Sophs, represented by Benjamin and Burns, by winning three out of the four sets played. Flint's swift serves and volleys proved to be too much for the lower classmen. However, the Sophs played hard, and would not admit defeat until the final point was decided.

Score by sets: 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 Juniors.

## Yorktown Program Heard in Chapel

Classes last Monday were shortened considerably to provide for an hour-long chapel. After the preliminary exercises, the radio, loaned by Mr. Cott for the occasion, was tuned in on the Sesqui-Centennial celebration being held at Yorktown. After a short description of the events taking place there and a selection or two from a band, President Hoover spoke.

At the conclusion of his speech classes were resumed for the fourth period.

## Heartening a Discouraged World

Things look dark for the world. What with revolutions all around the earth; with financial disaster threatening the oldest and steadiest nations; with unemployment and distress universal, and with discontent everywhere, the present seems to be a period of more general gloom than living men have ever before known.

Every day produces new discussions of the subject, and suggested remedies. This is one hopeful aspect of the case. More and better brains are dealing with the present depression than ever before considered a kindred calamity.

Strangely little is being said or done, however, in the realm of sustaining people's spirits through a hard time. All of our concern seems to be for their bodies.

Clearly, though, an earlier need, and a continuing need, is for putting heart into a fearful and discouraged generation. To make strong and hopeful the spirits of the people is the first of all steps toward a successful emergence from a perilous period. The state of public ideals is more important than the condition of the banks.

Here we come to the unique mission of the Christian Church, with her message of courage, comfort and peace. In this emergency, only the Church's Good News can lift up the hearts that are cast down.

If the people are to be inspired by considerations that outweigh material calamities, the Church must inspire them.

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## Mrs. Abigail Luffe Thursday Speaker

### Voted Buffalo's Sweetest Girl

The students and faculty of Houghton College, in the chapel exercise Thursday morning, had the unexpected pleasure of hearing Mrs. Abigail Luffe who operates an home for the aged in Buffalo and recently was voted the sweetest girl of that city. She came to Houghton in the company of Rev. Smith, the Baptist minister of Rushford.

Mrs. Luffe who is now almost 74 years of age gave us a complete and inspirational account of her girlhood days in England. She was reared in a very strict Christian home, her father being a minister, and for this home, especially her mother, she has increasing gratitude because she learned early to be a lover of Christ. Her schooling amounted to only two years but she was taught in the way of Christ by her godly mother. She learned scripture verses instead of Mother Goose rhymes. When her mother became an invalid and was confined to a bed, Abigail played about the gardens and so came into contact with the great George Muller who taught her to pray and have faith in praying. Her conversion occurred when she was seven years old and she confessed her Christ for the first time to a little Gipsy girl whom she had heard singing. Before her mother's death, her mother prayed to God that all her children and her grandchildren would be saved for Christ. Just to show how this prayer has been answered, Mrs. Luffe stated that she had fourteen nieces and nephews in the foreign fields today, all serving Christ. She warned her audience that sin is exceedingly sinful and no one should fear to become absolute Christians.

Mrs. Luffe left England and came to America thirty years ago. Her husband expected to join her here as soon as he could leave the university in which he taught. But on her arrival in America, she was notified of his sudden death. Relief from sorrow could come only from serving others, she thought, therefore with no resources except a faith in God she opened a home for aged women. Never in twenty five years has she solicited money publicly but receives enough money to carry on her good work by donations given to her by friends who realize that she is doing a wonderful work in which they can help if they wish.

With her title for being the Sweetest Girl goes a check for \$100 the gift of the Buffalo Confectioner's Association and the Buffalo Evening News.

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

Prov. 3:5, 6.

## Baseball Series Won by Purple

### Farnsworth Pitches a Fine Game

The Purple proved their superiority in baseball by holding the Gold scoreless. The Purple opened up with four runs in the first inning and scored in every succeeding inning.

Mountjoy made his first appearance on the mound for the Gold the last two innings, and showed remarkable control of the ball.

Farnsworth hurled even better than usual, and fell short of his ambition by only one hit, of pitching a perfect game.

Flint, on account of a sore arm, was unable to hurl as well as usual.

## Senior Class Elects Prof. Fancher Advisor

In a Senior Class Meeting Wednesday morning after chapel, Prof. LeRoy Fancher was elected advisor to the Senior Class to succeed Dr. LaVay Fancher who resigned soon after his election in the earlier part of the year. Dr. LaVay Fancher has agreed to act as advisor *ex officio*.

## Rev. Stanley Lawrence Speaks in Chapel

One of our Alumni returned to Houghton last Tuesday and gave us one of his characteristic talks in chapel. His subject was "Bite Your Lip" and he used the well known "Charity" passage in Corinthians for his scripture text.

We like to see and hear our Alumni often.

## Freshman Girls' Sunday School Class Elects

The organization of the Freshman Girls' Sunday School class is as follows:

President—Florence Clissold  
Vice-Pres.—Lorraine Brownell  
Sec.-Treas.—Vera Hall

We commenced our social activities with a weiner roast held Wednesday, October 14, on the Camp Grounds. About 16 were present, including our teacher Mrs. Clarke and our assistant-teacher, Miss Rork.

After we had fully satisfied our appetites, Miss Rork entertained the group by relating mystery stories. And before we left, Mrs. Clarke had convinced us all that "dreams come true."

As the sky was entirely devoid of stars, we hurried quickly through dark and treacherous places, on the way home. Our story wouldn't be complete if we didn't say, "An enjoyable time was had by all!"

Consider the stoker: His only exercise is flinging tons of coal into the ship's fires, yet he has athlete's foot.

## Lecture Series Is Announced

### Landon Coming Nov. 13

The first number on November 13, features Sidney Landon, the master impersonator. He impersonates such authors as Tennyson, Poe, Longfellow and Bill Nye, in a unique manner. His number on the 1928-29 Lecture Course was thoroughly and universally enjoyed. We who were permitted to attend the program that year remember not so much Landon, as the poets which he impersonated, although his own is a pleasing personality. Do not miss the opportunity of seeing and hearing Longfellow, Poe, Tennyson and others. Landon brings with him the costumes, wigs and the rest of the make-up which transforms him together with his audience into another realm of thought.

Among other numbers that will appear on the 1931-1932 Lecture Course are; an illustrated lecture on Scenic America; Zeigler, the great Swiss pianist; and an illustrated lecture on the Byrd expedition given by the one who was the right hand man to Commander Byrd during his entire period of exploration and adventure.

A total of eight numbers will be offered this year, which is an increase of one over the number of programs usually given in our Lecture Courses.

## Houghton Students Hear Bennard at Bradford

When Rev. George Bennard of California, the author of "The Old Rugged Cross", and Rev. David Reed of Michigan were in Houghton holding revival meetings, a short time ago, they made the suggestion that a Houghton night be observed in Bradford, Pa., where they expected to conduct their next revival meeting. Accordingly, a large group of professors and students as well as townspeople, made their way to the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Bradford Wednesday night. When they arrived, they were ushered to the platform where they participated in an inspiring song service led by Mr. Miles Wagner. This was followed by a duet, "God's Way is the Best Way," by Mr. Malcolm Cronk and Elizabeth Smith, after which Willard Smith had charge of a Houghton testimony meeting. Elizabeth Smith next sang a solo, "Gethsemane," which was followed by a quartette number "Zion, City of Our God," the quartette being composed of Alvin Barker, Lyle Donnelly, Howard Dietrich and Malcolm Cronk.

Rev. W. H. Marvin of Houghton led in prayer, after which Rev. George Bennard preached, taking as his text John 3:3, "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." The topic of the message was "The only way to become a Bible

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## Collegiate Sam Says:

Success depends on backbone, not wishbone.

## TO WHISTLE OR NOT TO WHISTLE

Hamlet had no greater problem than the one which today faces our nation. Professor Charles Gray Shaw, of New York University's department of philosophy, has proclaimed that he who whistles is a moron. The problem is, shall we whistle merrily on and take the chance of labelling ourselves morons, or shall we stop and let excess happiness cause us to burst or the blues to drive us to destruction.

Think of taking a bath or a shower and having to hum when only whistling puts the lather on right. Imagine spring time in Houghton and not a fellow or girl daring to proclaim it to the world by whistling. And what under the sun would you do if you got out of the wrong side of the bed some morning? I'd have to stay grumpy all day if I couldn't whistle the feeling away.

Don't you say with me and Senator Borah, "I whistle when I feel like it, and any man who says whistlers are morons is a moron himself?"—R. B.

—H.C.—  
THOMAS A. EDISON

The death of Thomas A. Edison has cast a shadow over the entire world. Even we who cannot claim him as a personal friend pause in thought at least, to pay reverence to the memory of a man whose influence cannot justly be measured.

We cannot but wonder wherein lay the secret of his phenomenal success. One of our Professors recently said. "Edison's success lay in his ability to take those principles which some one else has worked out and employ them." Can we not, on a much smaller scale of course, employ Mr. Edison's method of using ability to the nth degree? A bit of reasoning (even though it hurts) would facilitate the process of working out dread assignments, and would make more enjoyable the tasks connected with our favorite studies. And good habits of work and of play obtained during our school life, mean a wealth of happiness not only during but after "cap and gown" days.—R. B.

## SENIOR GIRLS NAME

The longed-for event has arrived, —the seniors have their rock painted. Besides, the two senior dorms have both taken names. A couple of weeks ago the old Junior dorm refurbished itself with the Greek appellation of "Arthron" and now the old Senior dorm has chosen an Seneca Indian name "Da-yo-it-ga-o" which may be translated "where the valley begins to widen." Both dorms have also their house yells and house songs. When

## A CORECTION

"In last week's issue of the 'Star' in the article on the reunion of the class of '30 we neglected to mention the names of Ellsworth Brown, Marjorie Donley, Hollis Stevenson and Alvin Densmore. Also it is Eleanor James VanGilder instead of Eleanor James Gilder.

We beg your pardon.

they get together, a noisily joyous time is sure to follow.

## Personals

Lois Sweet and Gladys Davison went to Rochester for the week-end.

Miss Magdeline Murphy spent the week-end at her home.

Esther and Floyd Burns spent the week-end at their home.

Miss Maud Gifford visited at her home in Syracuse over the week-end.

Miss Burnell spent the week-end in Ithaca where she was the guest of Professor and Mrs. Woolsey.

Miss Kate Cole and Miss Brockett went to Alfred to a football game Saturday.

Miss Noss, Edna Stratton and Louise Minnis went to Wellsville shopping Saturday.

Ruth Lawrence and Ruth West took supper at Perry Tucker's home Monday night.

Miss Bernice Davie took Mrs. Lee's place in the Markee Cottage over the week-end.

Rev. Dean S. Bedford of Brighton Community Church, Rochester, visited Houghton Saturday.

Elizabeth MacFarlane and Florence Clissold are back in classes after being absent several days on account of illness.

Miss Bernice Davie went to Friendship and helped in the services of the Congregational Church Sunday morning.

Miss Fillmore has been in the hospital for a week and Miss Edith Noss has been taking charge of the Dormitory during Miss Fillmore's absence.

Professor Alton Cronk accompanied by several music students was in Buffalo, Monday to attend a concert given by Rachmaninoff.

Mrs. Augustine who has been the guest of President and Mrs. Luckey has returned to her home in Chicago.

Professors Stanley Wright and Claude Ries attended the Rochester Conference Bible Institute at Beuna Vista on Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Bedford, daughter of Dr. Clark Bedford and niece of Mrs. Stanley Wright, visited friends in Houghton last Sunday. She is finishing her dietetic course in Genesee Hospital, Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. George Spragur were callers in town Monday. Their work at Romulus in the Varick Wesleyan Methodist Church is to be taken care of by Adelbert Edwards while the former return to Africa.

## "Teacher" Travels Abroad

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make a long trip short (150 miles) we left Athens at 6:30 a. m. and arrived in Olympia at 8:30 p. m. We had travelled in a Greek train all day, third-class, eating watermelon at each station (perfectly luscious ones to impassible automobile roads. To for two cents apiece!), reading detective stories and laughing each time our tickets were punched (to say ten times is to put it mildly!). The second day we spent studying excavations, and the third we had a reception of the first day, except that since it was Saturday, quite a lot of Greeks brought chickens and what not into third class coaches. All these pleasant variations added to the excitement of the trip.

I had hoped to tell you about one of our long trips this time, but shall have to wait until next week, when I shall write about a trip through the north of Greece. Au revoir!

## Lost & Found

LOST—A brush has disappeared from a locker in the lower hall. The owner will appreciate it if the brush is returned to the locker.

LOST—A blue, fountain pen. Prof. Allen Baker.

LOST—Ladies black fountain pen, Finder please return to, Theda Thomas.

FOUND—A fountain pen minus a clip.—Chester L. Osgood.

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## High School Notes

### SENIOR PARTY

"Well we can't stay here, that is certain," remarked one of the members of the Senior class last Friday night, when the aforesaid class had gathered at the dam. It was raining hard, everything was all wet, and there even was a sharp wind blowing.

After arguing a little it was decided that they would go to the home of Silas Molyneux. Here a big, roaring fire greeted them, large rooms where many games were enjoyed, and even a radio to furnish them some entertainment.

When it came time to eat, the "dogs" were roasted in the fireplace, the coffee "perked" on a little electric stove, after which the food vanished with great rapidity.

Following this, games were played a few stories told, and then Prof. Tucker "shooed" them off for home. A great time was had by all and they wish to express their appreciation to the Molyneuxs for their kindness in letting them use their home.

At the first meeting of the High School Girls' Glee Club Thursday night the following officers were elected: Pres., Elizabeth MacFarlane; Sec. and Treas., Hazel Fox; Librarian, Mary McIvor.

The Girls have a new leader in Miss Bernice Davie this year and they expect to have great results. They are the only girls glee club in the school.

Wonder of wonders! The high school boys have also started a glee club. It is rumored that many surprising talents were unearthed Tuesday night. Their leader is Mr. Ebner and he is determined that the boys shall beat the girls' club.

## Know Your Campus

"What a beautiful College Campus Houghton has today!" A former graduate of Houghton who finished his three years of college work here in 1913 and graduated with his A. B. degree at Oberlin in 1914 was heard to make this remark recently. He had been back occasionally since 1914 to see the campus, but the growth of the shrubbery and the trees which have been planted had made what seemed to him a radical change.

Those who came here as students during the time of the World War, who have never been back since, would surely think there had been a decided transformation. The first campus sight that the new student arriving in 1918 beheld was a field of bushy potato vines "row on row" covering the campus. In those days instead of the Farm Board urging curtailment of production of food crops, and asking farmers to destroy part of their crop to secure a living wage, each farmer and each institution was urged to "do his bit" by producing to the limit. Potatoes then, incidentally, were worth dollars, not cents a bushel! Houghton College did its patriotic bit in practice as well as in preaching.

But while we today can well dispense with the potatoes in the front yard, we can not well spare the chestnut trees which stood seemingly so sturdily and apparently so permanently upon the campus. The stumps of two of them remain near the site of the "boulder". Most of them are gone. What few are left are well nigh if not completely dead.

Not only did we prize these trees for their beauty, but it was a daily stunt in the autumn for the students to club down chestnuts while waiting for lunch or supper. Many were the student hikes into the open fields or woods ostensibly, and often actually to secure chestnuts. Frequently college lads and the youths of the village secured their "spending money" by going "chestnutting". This fall one of the local merchants says he has bought twelve pounds of chestnuts. In those days the local merchant bought and shipped chestnuts by the barrel.

On the campus hill side near the flagpole stand three evergreen trees close together. These were not here in the days of the World War; for these trees are memorials of three valiant former Houghton students who gave their lives in service to their country. These men were William Russell, and Harry Meeker who died in camps in the United States, and Curtis Rogers who died in action in France shortly before the Armistice.

The late Professor H. R. Smith, Jr. (father of Willard and Florence) in writing a memorial to the Houghton boys who had died in service said in part: "The test of a true patriot is not what he does after he is nerved into a frenzy by the smell of powder or by a deafening sound of war's onslaught. The true test is in the mental and emotional attitude with which he, in his quiet hours of solitude, responds to his country's call. We believe our Houghton boys have stood this test with one hundred percent loyalty and devotion."

Matches work when they strike.

## "Teacher" Travels Abroad

### A FEW SHORT TRIPS

Out of six weeks spent in school this summer, exactly one-half of our time was spent traveling through Greece. It was very strenuous for everybody; but we were glad for the opportunity to see Greece as few people ever do.

Short day trips were not bad, for we left usually about seven in the morning, and arrived home in ample time for an eight-thirty dinner at night. These short trips were taken in buses, which I am firmly convinced had solid tires and no springs! Usually I felt as if I would never be the same again. But somehow I managed to recuperate rather speedily.

Our first short trip took us to Sunium, the southernmost point of Attica, where in ancient times, stood a wonderful temple to Poseidon. Now it is in ruins, but as it stands there, majestically shadowed against the blue ocean and still bluer Greek sky, it is as awe-inspiring now as it must have been two thousand and more years ago to the Greek sailor who there got his first glimpse of home as he rounded the cape before entering Piraeus.

Another day-trip saw us at Marathon where in 490 B. C., Greek (mostly Athenians) met Persian on the battleground that drove the invader back to his Eastern home and changed the course of world history. Sometimes it is idle to speculate upon what might have been, but as I stood on the mound where were interred the Athenian dead after the battle, I could not help but wonder what might have been the course of history had Persia conquered then, or if the course of Persia and her neighbors been changed by contact with Greece. Then, as I thought of how Greece had driven back the invader, I had a feeling of thankfulness, in the light of present day conditions, that Greece had kept her civilization untouched.

A third day-trip saw us in Piraeus tracing the ancient Athenian fortifications there, then meeting the Odyssey cruise and going with them to the battle ground of Salamis which, even more than Marathon severed East and West, and thence on to the island of Aegina. When we arrived there, it was necessary to go from the larger boat into a launch—and was that fun! Right at the shore there was no good place to anchor, so while the boat bobbed back and forth we jumped from the prow to shore between bobs—at least three feet! From the shore to the temple on the height it was a climb of thirty minutes up and up and up, with a full moon coming up over the hill. Finally, we were there, standing in the ruins of one of the loveliest temples of Greece. Built in the last years of the sixth century B. C., some of its lofty columns still stand, fashioned out of a single block of marble. It was a lovely sight to view the temple standing there in the moonlight against a background of azure sky and pine trees. Then followed the scramble down to the shore again, and finally, after a jump back into the launch we were on our way back to Athens tired, but still under the spell of the temple by moonlight.

But I must not omit the trip to Olympia, from which I was positively sure I would feel permanent effects. We had to go by train, due

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### COMPANIONS ON THE TRAIL by Hamlin Garland

Did you know that Kipling gave Edward Bok a fearful swat with a wet newspaper for reading some of his work he didn't care for, and that Bok got "hot" about it?

William Vaughn Moody unused to "roughing it" suffered from lumbago on the Great Divide when he camped with Garland. But despite the pain he said, "I didn't know such beauty existed in America."

Would you like to imagine yourself a guest at a dinner given to Mark Twain, a man whose "every sentence was salable," to laugh at his keen humor and to squirm as he called down invectives upon Bret Harte whom he despised heartily?

You can find these and "oodles" more of different, honest-to-goodness unexpected things, in Hamlin Garland's *Companions on the Trail*. The book is based on journals which he kept from 1900 to 1914 and as he says, "If it were not too cumbersome, it might be called 'Red Letter Days from a Diary with Later Comments by the Author.'" Hamlin Garland must have known, and talked and dined with every celebrity of his time. And travel, he rushes from New York City to Colorado to Mexico to Chicago and to England, while always and everywhere he meets and enjoys talking with literary, financial and political giants.

His record of and comments on conversations of celebrities is not done up in a stiff collar and labelled "Hands Off." Garland discusses Indiana with President Theodore Roosevelt, inspects a Mexican mine with Irving Bacheller, goes to Mark Twain's home, describes John Pierpont Morgan, camps out in the Colorado with William Vaughn Moody who got an attack of lumbago as a result but who explained as he looked at the Great Divide, "I didn't know such beauty existed in America."

On and on they are introduced, making a fascinating, life-like panorama; Shaw, Doyle, Kipling, Will Rogers, Vachel Lindsay, John Burroughs, William and Henry James and even that old friend of *History of the English Language* students, Lounsbury.

Some of Hamlin Garland's short stories can be found in our library. They are realistic and of special interest to those who enjoy good short stories. It is said of Garland that he was perhaps "the most distinctive worker" during the latter part of the nineteenth century, the time of the "triumph of the American short story." His work, which is strong and appealing and shows to the best advantage in the short story, breathes of the "depressed realism after the Russian and the French types."

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"How did you get here?" asked the genial hospital doctor of the patient.

"Flu," replied the victim.  
—American Boy Magazine.

Shortstop (gazing at report card):  
Well, now I'm as famous as Abe Lincoln.

Catcher: How come?  
Shortstop: I went down in history today.

"What time is it, my dear Reginald?"

"My sweet Elaine, it is but a quarter of twelve."

"Liar! the clock strikes three!"

"But, Heavenly Eyes, is not three a quarter of twelve?"  
—American Boy Magazine.

"Many worse things have come to pass," sighed the teacher as she gazed at the incoming class.

—American Boy Magazine.

Professor: I left my umbrella at home today.

Wife: How did you discover that you didn't have it?

Professor: I wouldn't have missed it only when it stopped raining I put up my hand to lower the umbrella.

—Pathfinder.

She: How fast your heart is beating. It sounds like a drum.

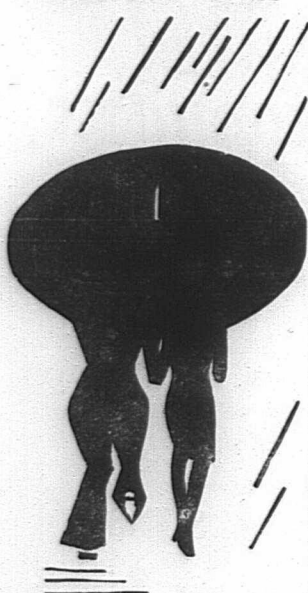
He: Yes dear, it's the call to arms.

Boss—Why aren't you carrying cement?

Mike—I don't feel so good, Sir, I'm shaking all over.

Boss—Then get to work on the sand sieve.

## With'er 4 - Kast



The following With'er report was X-Rayed to us by our special observer Dr. Notsot.

Friday afternoon	Showers (hot or cold)
Friday nite	Muggy
Saturday morning	Misty

The Doctor also hints a hot wave over the weak-end.

## Church Services

Rev. Pitt, at the Sunday morning service, took the scripture reading from Genesis 28:10-22. His text was taken from Genesis 28:16.

Jacob early knew that God had a purpose in his life but he had a greatly distorted idea of the method by which this purpose would be brought about. So he forged ahead, not waiting for God to unfold his plan, by tricking Esau's birthright his brother's blessing. The first lesson he received on God's plan was during the night spent out in the desert when Jacob had the vision of the ladder.

God has a purpose in every life. God can be worshipped anywhere. Jacob found and saw God in the desert as he had never seen Him at home.

Hours of blessing are not hours of self-exaltation. There must be room for the vision.

Jacob said, "He brought me out into a large place."

The evening service was entirely taken care of by the Junior Y. M. W. B. They presented as only children can, the need for missionaries in the foreign fields. It is very inspiring to see little hearts turned to the will of God. Lawrence Strong and Kenneth Wright both presented discussions on Missions.

## Houghtonites at Bradford

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Christian." This sermon was a bringing forth of old truth, for as Rev. Bennard said, "All truth is as old as God and truth never changes."

Philosophy says, "Think again"; Science says, "Try again"; Jesus says, "Be born again". Sin deforms, man reforms, but Christ transforms. Some say that if we obey the Golden Rule that is all that is necessary. A man may keep the Golden Rule, and not know what it means to be a Christian. Others say morality is sufficient. You can have morality and not have Christianity, but you cannot have Christianity and not have morality.

We note that Nicodemus, of whom third chapter of John speaks, came to Jesus by night. We do not know the real reason for this, but we know that not only did he come when there was darkness of night in the world, but also when there was deep darkness inside of his own heart. After he had assured Christ of his morality, Christ spoke to him the words of the text. We must be born of the Spirit to see spiritual things just as we must be born of the flesh to see natural things. A blind man may be taken to the building in which are masterpieces of art, but he cannot see the art. So with one spiritually blind. He cannot see spiritual things until his eyes are opened by the Spirit.

To have physical life we must be born into this world by a natural birth. We are made Christians by supernatural generation. To be a member of God's family, we must be born of the Spirit.

We have need of two degrees in our spiritual life: the B. A., "Born Again," and D. D., "Divine Dynamite," if we are to be New Testament Christians.

Nicodemus marvelled at words "born again." He did not understand them. Jesus explained to him that he could no more understand spiritual birth than he could understand from whence the wind came, or whither it went; however he could know it as a fact as much as he knew the blow-

ing of the wind to be a fact.

There are many Bible proofs by which we may check to see if we are true Christians three of which follow: II Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new." Are you a new creature?

I John 5:4, "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Are you an overcomer of the world or are you overcome by the world?

I John 3:9, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for His seed remaineth in him; and he cannot sin because he is born of God." This does not preclude the possibility of sinning, but a man cannot continue committing sin. If perchance we should sin unintentionally, we have I John 2:12, "If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."

When we are Bible Christians, we love Jesus above all else. This world is dying for more Bible Christians; not for more church members.

We are in need of a revival of the new birth that people in this world may be convinced of the reality of Christianity.

## Heartening a Discouraged

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If society is to be held steadfast to the old integrities of character, the Church must hold them.

If men are to be kept from despair and destructiveness, the Church has the word that will keep them.

If the social order is to progress toward a more brotherly and more equitable operation, instead of plunging into accentuated class strife, the Church must enunciate the principles of brotherhood and justice.

Without entering at all into a discussion of the vast and pressing problems that squarely confront the whole world, I wish merely to suggest that this is obviously the opportunity of the Christian Church to speak, clearly and constantly, her Master's word of counsel and comfort. Week by week, every pulpit in the land should find place for some message that will put courage and confidence into hearers who are bearing unusual burdens.

All sorts of anti-Christian and anti-social agencies are showing themselves quick and resourceful in utilizing the world-wide depression for their propaganda purposes. Shall the Church be less efficient?

She may not cry "Peace! Peace!" when there is no peace; but she may and should, bring to bear all her mighty resources to stabilize panicky thinking; to discover a Divine design in this upheaval; and to help men and women to stand fast by the qualities of character which should survive all changes of condition.

The Church has the word for the hour. If she speaks it, bruised and baffled hearts will throng to her temples, to learn life's deeper lessons in the light of eternity.

"Comfort ye! comfort ye—My people."

—William T. Ellis.

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## Literary Corner

### CONSOLATION

If I could sing a song with notes so gay,  
T'would banish every sorrow far away  
And bring to those in darkness one bright day,  
Then I'd be glad.

If I could paint a picture that could tell,  
Where the inspiring germ of life doth dwell  
Which scientists can neither buy nor sell,  
Then I'd be glad.

In autumn I would paint the maple tall,  
Whose gorgeous red and yellow leaves do fall,  
And in their giddy, whirling flight they all  
Are mists of flame.

The music in the ocean's mighty sound,  
The brook o'er rocks, then tumbling on the ground.  
Make symphonies of music yet unfound.  
This I'd attempt.

But art is not for me—my clumsy brain  
Could never teach my hands the brush, nor train  
My voice to sing some lovely, gay refrain.  
But I'm content.

For in my plodding work, from day to day,  
God gives me strength, in His inimitable way.

I find a joy and peace in Him, always.

Consolation.—M. Freeman.

(Submitted October 15, 1928)

### OCTOBER

October! 'Tis a gypsy gay  
Skipping, dancing o'er the hill,  
Singing an ecstatic lay  
As from her cup bright colors spill.  
Gay leaves, bright leaves  
Whirling all around  
Red and yellow banners  
Flutter to the ground.

Some way I have the strangest notion  
That in some weird and subtle way,  
October sprinkles a magic potion  
For nature seems so young and gay.  
Gold days, cold days,  
Exhilarating, fair,  
Everything a-tingle  
In the frosty air.

I your secret can divine;  
It is thy wine, October.

—F. Long.

(Submitted October 15, 1928)

The above poems were written by members of the Feder Plume Literary Society of 1928, and have been kept on file among the contributions made by the members of the club. In 1928-1929 this organization was one of the most active of any connected with the college, and its accomplishments were splendid, the students and professors alike taking a keen interest in its progress. In 1930-1931, however, the club was not reorganized and the Feder Plume became history, to the regret of many who had been interested in its continuance. And now in 1931-1932 Houghton is reorganizing her classes and societies for a new year—will there be a literary society? The STAR needs an enthusiastic group of writers behind her staff, and good material to go into her columns. Let's think it over, and all cooperate when there is a call someday soon for students to organize some such society.

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