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CHOIR MAKES TWO PIONEER VISITS ON SUNDAY, MARCH 15

Ten-Day Concert Tour Takes in Six States.

It's not too pleasant an experience to find yourself parked along the road in a too-warm bus and that bus a stubborn thing which has suddenly refused to go any farther. Such was the experience of the choir Sunday afternoon as they were on their way to a concert in the First Baptist Church of Canandaigua. They had been on the road about an hour and had just entered Mt. Morris when they discovered themselves stopped in front of the stores on the main street of the city. Immediately the question came—"how long"? It so turned out that after an hour had gone by the bus was just starting out again. From then on, it was a question of making miles as soon as possible. The church at last reached, the choir members donned their robes and in a few minutes another concert was in progress. This was the first visit to Canandaigua and the organization received another invitation to return next year.

After a tasty luncheon served by the women of the church, the bus, with its human cargo, made its way to Geneva, where the North Presbyterian Church was host for the evening. Here, in this spacious and beautiful edifice, the choir sang one of the best concerts of the season. The minister had been rather dubious concerning the success of the concert, because here, too, it was a first appearance and the choir had a reputation to make. However, from the very beginning the audience was very appreciative, and for such a crowd it was a distinct pleasure to sing. The building echoed and re-echoed to such scintillating numbers as *The Shepherd's Story* and *Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray*. There was no pulling down—no feeling that it was an effort to perform. It was easy to let go and sing—and sing they did. After the concert many interested listeners audibly expressed their enjoyment of the performance. Now Geneva North Presbyterian can be considered as a real friend of Houghton Choir, and it is expected that this will not be the last concert, as the minister and his people were most expressive of the hope that next year will find the choir back again.

Now, instead of planning Sunday concerts, Prof. Bain and his co-laborers are concentrating their efforts on the regular spring tour which will begin March 27, when the choir starts out in the old "Wooley" for a first concert in Scranton.

CHOIR ITINERARY

Friday—March 27—Grace Reformed Church, Scranton, Penna.
Saturday—March 28—Third Presbyterian Church, Chester, Penna.
Sunday—March 29—afternoon—Summerfield Methodist Episcopal Church, Port Chester, New York
Sunday—March 29—evening—St. Andrew's Memorial Church, Yonkers, New York
Monday—March 30—People's Church, Dover, Delaware
Tuesday—March 31—Fourth Presbyterian Church, Trenton, N. J.
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VARSITY TRIUMPHS OVER ALUMNI IN THE SEASON'S FINAL BASKETBALL GAME

The Varsity-Alumni game, Saturday, March 14, produced a game alive with interest and competitive spirit. The Varsity came through in the last quarter to win by one basket, 33-31. The game was fast throughout but it was a mixture of both good and bad basketball. Offensive play was stressed by both teams and defensive play on either team was mediocre.

Schogoleff, the captain of the championship Purple team, was the high scorer of the evening. When one considers that Farnsworth, Fox and Dolan were in the Alumni line-up this is no small feat. The Batavia flash ran up fifteen points and his entire game showed the same competitive spirit that has characterized his playing during the Purple-Gold series.

The Alumni had perhaps the strongest line-up they have had in several years. "Will" Farnsworth and Lowell Fox each played fast games at the forward posts. Both Dolan and McCarty proved that they are in tiptop condition by their work at the guard positions. Orrell York of Chestertown was able to be in town for the week-end and thus the Alumni were fortified with a good center. Farnsworth, the ex-Purple captain, ran up the highest total for the Alumni team scoring eleven points while Dolan, ex-Gold captain, was second highest with nine points.

"Weiner" White appeared in the line-up for the college forces and played a very creditable game especially in floor work. White has steadily improved during the past season and deservedly gained a position in the starting line-up.

The girls' varsity walked away with an easy 31-2 victory over the Alumni in the preliminary.

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Four Services Conducted by Extension Department

Sunday, March 15, several of the young people, under the auspices of the extension department of the W. Y. P. S., represented Houghton in various outlying communities. In the morning Mr. Boon filled a preaching appointment at the Baptist Church of Hinsdale, and in the evening a group including Schlaffer, Farwell, Eddy, Foster, Shea and Boon had charge of the service at the First Baptist Church in Salamanca. Mr. Boon was speaker.

Merritt Queen took a girls' quartet, composed of Misses Schehl, Wright, Hotchkiss and Clissold to the Baptist Church at Webster, of which the Rev. Mr. Schehl is pastor. The quartet sang at three services, the morning service at the church, in the afternoon, at the Monroe County Home, and again at the vesper service. Mr. Queen led the latter service.

Those in charge report a very cordial reception at all the churches. Not only do they feel that their efforts have been of benefit to others, but also to their own experiences.

NO STAR NEXT WEEK!
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DEATH OF ALBERT MOXEY SADDENS HOUGHTON GROUP

Special Student '35 Dies from Accident.

About two years ago some Houghton students together with Professor Ries attended a meeting of Evangelical Students held in Philadelphia. They brought back an enthusiastic report concerning a certain student, Mr. Albert Moxey of the University of Pennsylvania. He presided at the meeting and was also the host to the Houghton group. It was said that he carried gospel tracts with him as he went about the city and gave them to people whom he had occasion to meet.

During the college year 1934-35 Albert attended Houghton College as a student and as director of the physical training for men. He was taking the pre-medical course and desired to spend at least one year in a Christian College. While here he not only performed his tasks well but he also made many friends. In his physical bearing he was always erect, poised and self-controlled and was a splendid athlete. In his social and spiritual life he was sincere and consistent, a valued friend and a lover of the Word.

This year he was beginning the medical course at the University of Pennsylvania. On the last day of February occurred the motor-cycle accident from which he died a week later without having regained consciousness.

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Forensic Union Theme Is Taken from Aeronautics

The monthly meeting of the Forensic Union was opened Monday evening, March 16, by Marvin Goldberg, acting chairman in the absence of President Harold Boon. Following the devotions, Ruth McMahon presented the first order of music in the form of a vocal solo. Esther Fancher then delivered an extemporaneous discourse on the cause of Lindbergh's popularity. Continuing the theme of aviation, Henry White gave a very comprehensive summary of the history of the aeroplane in the United States, followed by Elton Kahler, who read a well-prepared review of Lindbergh's own book, *We*.

Ruth McMahon sang an appropriate selection for her second offering. Then came the always interesting portion of the program—the impromptu. Prof. Stanley Wright Carl Vanderburg, and Howard Andrus were the victims, in the order named. The succeeding parliamentary drill, under the supervision of William Foster, witnessed the discussion of various topics of current interest, one of which was "executed" by Walter Ratcliffe.

Church Business Meeting

On Saturday, March 21, the annual business meeting of the Houghton Church will be held at 2:00 p.m. The business which is to be transacted includes the election of officers and committees for next year and the choosing of delegates to the Lockport Conference, convening at Bradford, April 7-12. Local preachers' licenses will also be renewed.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY TO DEBATE VARSITY MEN'S TEAM TUESDAY, APRIL 7

On April 7, Houghton's Men's Varsity will meet the Rutgers Men's Varsity on the Houghton chapel platform. The Rutgers-Houghton debate marks a new step forward for the college in the field of extra-curricular activities. The Houghton debate is the eighth of a ten-debate trip for the Rutgers team, the colleges met being Allegheny, Ohio State, University of Dayton, University of Cincinnati, University of Chicago, Heidelberg, University of Akron, Houghton, Syracuse and Colgate.

The squad that is making the trip is made up of six men who are all seniors, members of Tau Kappa Alpha forensic fraternity, and who with the exception of the manager have debated since their freshman year. With the exception of one man each member has distinguished himself in the field of sports and in several cases is a leader in the student body. The men making the trip are as follows:

John R. Keating of Ludlow, Vermont, is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Besides winning his letter in football, wrestling and crew, he is president of the student council, president of the cap and scull and a member of the senior honor society. Mr. Keating is a major in ROTC.

Paul W. Schmidtchen of Jersey City, New Jersey, besides being an athlete of the university, has distinguished himself in the dramatic and literary activities of the university. In athletics he has won his letter in football and fencing. In dramatics he is vice president of Queen's Players, an honorary dramatic society. His literary pursuits have gained him these positions: copy editor of the Targum, semi-weekly newspaper; associate editor of the Anthologist, campus literary magazine.

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High School Boys Team Takes Lead in Volley Ball

The second round of the volleyball tournament is well under way and we still find the high school men's team out in first place with only one defeat. In the women's series the junior girls' team is holding the grip on first place and are the logical ones to take the championship. The outcome in the men's series is not so certain as the freshman team seem to have their stride and may yet nose out the academy team who have up to date been the superior team.

Friday, March 6

The junior team lost to the freshman team, who startled the crowd by their newly found prowess. Harlan Tuthill starred in both games which went to the freshmen 15-9, 15-9.

Monday, March 9

The sophomore team, who seem determined to stay in the losing column, were again defeated by the junior team 15-3, 15-3.

Tuesday, March 10

The senior team, who had previously beaten the freshmen, could not match the playing of the freshman team this time and lost. The scores were 15-10, 15-3.

AUDIENCE THRILLED IN SECOND CONCERT OF THE ORCHESTRA

Solos by Mrs. Steese Receive Hearty Applause.

It was Friday the thirteenth; perhaps that accounts, in a measure, for the misbehavior of one of the basses in last week's orchestra concert. The first number, "Stradella Overture," was ending—a brilliant climax had been reached—the audience was fairly electrified, when suddenly things happened. The bass had decided that he must have a more marked part in this concert, so he called on the bridge to do a little performing. The bridge played his part well—he fell on the floor in a heap, but was soon dragged out by an irritated manager. As punishment, the bass and his accomplice, the bridge, were not allowed to appear again during the concert.

The soloist of the evening, Mrs. Ruth Zimmerman-Steese, appeared next to sing, accompanied by the orchestra, "Farewell, Ye Forests" from Tschaiakowski's colorful *Joan of Arc*. This is a notably popular number and appeals strongly to almost any type of audience. In it, Joan very dramatically bids farewell to the friends of nature she has known, telling them that it is hers to "obey the call of the Holy Virgin". This number was particularly enjoyed and Mrs. Steese is to be complimented on her fine performance. It might be mentioned that she is not a stranger to Houghton, having been a member of its faculty during the years '29-'31.

It will be remembered that in another orchestra concert earlier in the year Dvorak's "From the Western World" was presented for the first time. This is one of the finest numbers in the organization's repertoire; because of this, coupled with the ever-growing need of raising Houghton's standard in the music field, Prof. Cronk included it in Friday's program.

After a short intermission, the players reassembled and Lehar's "Merry Widow" was heard. It may be said that this was enjoyed by all present and probably to a certain group it was the highlight of the program, containing such favorites as "Vilia" and the title song.

The soloist of the evening then appeared in a group of four solos. She was accompanied this time by Professor Cronk, who did a most excellent piece of work, furnishing for the singer a colorful background and good foundation without in the least overaccompanying. The first number, "God's World" by Jacques Wolfe, was particularly well liked. Then followed "Morgen" by Richard Strauss, Cyril Scott's "The Unforeseen," and "Would You Go So Soon" by Bainbridge Crist. As an encore she offered the ever-favorite "Baby's Boat."

As the last number on this fine program, the orchestra presented "Merry Wives of Windsor". This number, with its gay, carefree mood, left the audience satisfied, yet wishing that there could be just another—to which Professor Cronk would would not consent.

The concert was a success, due to the untiring efforts of Professor Cronk, Mrs. Steese, and the orchestra.

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Editorial

CAMPUS COMMENTS

The proximity of exams makes each class seem more important—especially to those practice teachers who are just beginning or closing their terms.—The senior pins and keys arrived last week and are now being shown about the campus. Very nice!—That Varsity-Alumni basketball game last Saturday night was swell to watch. It was one of the best games of the year and was undecided until the final whistle. Seemed good to see some of the former Houghton stars in action once more.—The debate teams are surely busy these days. It must seem great not to have to attend classes every day. But on the other hand they have put forth many, many hours of preparation in order that they might represent Houghton's colors on the speaking rostrum.—Following the tests next week the A Cappella Choir leaves on its another for Professor Bain's proteges. But it certainly nual spring tour. For two weeks life will be just one concert after another for Professor Bain's proteges. But it certainly is worth the time and vocal effort. Yowsir!—And here's wishing you a grand and glorious vacation. L. A. A.

RUN, BROTHER, RUN!

There has already been a great deal of speculation concerning the outcome of the Track meet this spring. Everyone is attempting to size up the new material on his side and prophesy the future success of the Purple or Gold. Track and Field Day is perhaps Houghton's outstanding Spring athletic event. Why not inaugurate a Track season?

The proposed season cannot be definitely outlined. However, a series of three meets would certainly provide sufficient incentive for the boys and girls to train, ultimately resulting in smoother performance and more invigorating competition. The final meet could be the big meet of the season, occupying the day now set aside for Track and Field Day. The two preliminary meets could be easily run off in one afternoon each, the most favorable afternoon to be decided by the faculty. A lapse of possibly two weeks between each meet would tend to stimulate interest and permit the contestants to further perfect themselves. Result? A healthy interest in athletics. Tighter competition between contestants in better physical condition. A keen spirit of friendly rivalry, leading into a more active school spirit.

How about it, brother and sister Ho'ton, let's run!

—H. G. A.

\$102. Given for Susu, Afr.

The goal of the Houghton Y.M.W.B. for this year is \$1,200. To date \$659.38 has been given. Of this \$445.13 has been given for our college missionary, Mrs. Hazel Banker, \$102 for the Susu work, \$50 for Mrs. Price Stark, and \$50 for Miss Ione Driscoll. (The last \$100 mentioned is extra and does not count toward the \$1,200.)

Last fall \$400 was pledged for the opening of the Susu work. \$200 more is needed if the \$600 total is pledged. To secure \$200 more in pledges during the current year and to pay in five hundred on this item and \$150 for the college missionary between now and June seems a task. But it can be done. Tuesday night's address made many feel that it is worthwhile to sacrifice a little more to send the gospel to the otherwise unreached.

NOW THAT HE'S GONE

IN MEMORIAM

Not ours to wonder why he's gone
So suddenly away—
And left us all with aching hearts
And little left to say.

'Tis only ours to thank our God
When it came time to go,
That his account was settled.
Thank God that it was so.

We must not stop to question why
His wish was not fulfilled,
Why his hands could not have done
their work
Before forever stilled.

We must not pity him, ah no!
We must not wish him back.
He's where his heart and treasures
are
And knows not any lack.

This life is but a vapor—
A thread which soon may break.
We cannot tell how long 'twill be
'Til we like journeys take.

If we should sorrow—now he's gone
He, up there, would grieve.
His only wish for these he knew
That they his Christ believe.

So with this life so precious
Snatched suddenly away—
'Tis only ours to press ahead
And work while yet 'tis day.

Poem written in memory of Albert Moxey.

Rev. Maurice Gibbs Speaks on Building for Character

"Everything we say is helping to build up the character of every one that hears what we say," asserted the Rev. Mr. Gibbs, guest speaker in chapel, Friday morning. Mr. Gibbs is now familiar to Houghton audiences, having addressed the student body several times, as well as having spoken in the church. Since becoming residents of Houghton, the Gibbs family have endeared themselves to many of the students and townspeople. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs are returned missionaries from Japan.

Using Luke 6:44 as a text, Mr. Gibbs pointed out that the fruit of a tree is merely an evidence of an inner nature. The most inexperienced can determine the kind of tree by its fruits. So it is with man. The externalities merely reveal an inner nature and conversely, the inner nature determines what shall be the outward appearance.

"Why do people cheat or why do they of greosv etaoi AlsoVqt(a:t they forget vows?" the speaker asked. This is only a manifestation of an inner life.

Trees, to bear fruit, must be deeply rooted. The Christian, to bear fruit, must be rooted and grounded in Christ. By reading and studying God's Word he is enabled to stand firm in the face of temptation.

But what are the seasons of Christian fruit? What is the season for love? When someone is angry and says unkind things about us. What is the season for joy? When tribulation surrounds "count it all joy." What is the season of peace? When all about is turmoil.

We must be like the palm tree, he said, which has its life at its center. The only way to bear good fruit is to be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Just Before Spring

Through the branches of the pine tree,

On the snow so unpolluted,
Timid moonbeams softly venture;
Cautiously they dare to glimmer.
To the needles, silent, list'ning,
Breezes softly come and whisper.

Children of the King of Winter,
Balls of soft and furry whiteness,
Come at midnight to the shelter
For a secret fairy frolic.

All is winter; all is silence;
All is calm, serene and peaceful.

N. B.

PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

Earl Churchill Bowen

Born: March 27, 1916

Place: Haskinsville, N. Y., moved to Houghton 1918

School: District No. 6, Houghton, New York

Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Seminary

Houghton College

Event in school: Studied a little.

Statement: "I have nothing to make public at this time."

Vera Jeanette Bay

On January 17, 1915 Vera first opened her eyes to the light of day. Living at Great Valley, she naturally attended the high school of that place and graduated as valedictorian of her class. At present she lives in Franklinville.

During her four years at college she has played on the class basketball and volleyball teams and has also been active in other extra-curricular work such as the Social Science Club, the Expression Club and the College Chorus. She is also interested in girl scout work. Her major work in college is Social Science with minors in History, English, and Education. Regarding Houghton Vera writes, "Houghton has meant more to me than I can ever tell. All I say is that I am sorry to leave her."

"Four Years Without God" Is Theme of Light Bearers

If you're not a regular attendant of the Light Bearers' meetings, we can safely say that you don't know what you're missing. For, although the crowds are sometimes small, the meetings are always inspirational and uplifting. In truth, the organization is growing "bigger and better".

Those present last Sunday were delighted by the clear, straight-forward talk by Coach Frank Leonard entitled "Four years without God". This theme was taken from his college life, during which, he relates, he left the "straight and narrow way" and lived for a "good time". He tells how, after getting farther and farther away from God, he happened to take up his residence in Houghton and finally got back to the place where he was before he left home. He went on to relate a stirring incident from the death-bed scene of our old friend, Albert Moxey, and closed his talk by urging everyone to keep true to God and never try to attempt anything in their own strength.

Mr. Leonard's talk, as well as being a warning to us, is an encouragement and a challenge as well, and we thank him for his interest and friendship.

The song service was conducted by Phyllis Keogh, accompanied by Barbara Cronk. Everett Taylor took charge of the devotionals and read Matthew 6: 19-33, after which there was a brief season of prayer and testimony. Accompanied by Barbara Cronk, Olson Clark gave a vocal selection: "The Great Judgment Morning".

We are hoping to see a real crowd at our meetings from now on and we'd like to see you there, so come if you possibly can.

ALBERT MOXEY

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sciousness.

At the funeral service some of the passages which Albert had marked were read from his New Testament. The sermon was from the text; "And his hand gave unto the sword" (II Samuel 23:10). Albert's use of the sacred Scripture was likened to the deeds of a valiant soldier with his weapons. There were present at the service several young men whom he during the past year had led to Christ.

VILLAGE NEWS

Mr. Loyal Wright spent the week end with his son, Richard Wright.

Miss Elizabeth Eyler is spending a few days in Olean at the home of her friend, Miss Thelma Paterson.

Mrs. Cook spent three days in Houghton visiting her son. She was the guest of Bullocks, Cronks, and Clocksins.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Loftis and daughter, Mrs. Beverly Taylor, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lane and daughter, Joan, in Dunkirk, N. Y.

CHOIR CONCERTS

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Wednesday—April 1—Broadcast 12:45-1:00, New York, National Broadcasting Company, WEAF network

Wednesday—April 1—eve.—First Methodist Episcopal Church, Danbury, Conn.

Thursday—April 2—First Baptist Church, Everett, Mass. (Boston)

Friday—April 3—Brookline Baptist Church, Brookline, Mass. (Boston)

Friday—April 3—(Broadcast over Yankee Network from Boston)

Saturday—April 4—Main Street Baptist Church, Oneonta, N. Y.

Sunday—April 5—Second Reformed Church, Syracuse, New York

Monday—April 6—First Baptist Church, Watertown, New York

Tuesday—April 7—First Baptist Church, Webster, New York

—HC—

Students Hear Recordings of Ducas and Tschaiowsky

Monday evening the Recorded Symphony Program consisted of *Egmont Overture* by Beethoven, Tschaiowsky's Fifth Symphony in E minor and *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* by Ducas. The Tschaiowsky number is one of the very popular and distinctly melodious symphonies heard often today. Connected with *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* is an interesting story. As the adage goes, "When the cat's away, the mice will play"; the sorcerer in the story had gone when his apprentice decided that he should very much like to cast a spell on something. He then told the brooms to sweep the floor. After this, they were ordered to each get a pail and the pails should be filled with water. When everything in the house was running over, the poor apprentice suddenly woke up to the fact that he had forgotten the magic words—what to do? As all good stories end, the sorcerer came in the niche of time and the poor apprentice was saved. The moral—don't play when the cat's away.

Geraldine Paine & Donald Kauffman Take H.S. Honors

On Saturday night, March 14, while the greater part of Ho'ton was at Bedford Gym, the High School faculty, juniors, and seniors gathered in the Music Hall auditorium to hear the official report as to who had been chosen Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the graduating class of '36.

It seemed to be a foredrawn conclusion that Donald Kauffman ranked first in his class, but there were several possibilities for next highest honors. The final choice was Geraldine Paine and these two have our congratulations, especially Donald, who has come to be considered a near relative of the owl and has turned in a very enviable scholastic record in his four years with us.

For the evening's entertainment the crowd played games, with ice cream and cake for refreshments. Truly an enjoyable experience.

ALUMNI CORNER

Jean Trout '34 Nearing Station in Ethiopia, Afr.

On Board S. S. Loomedan
Feb. 27, 1936

I am writing this from a small freight boat which is tossing about at a great rate on the Mediterranean Sea. Yesterday we passed Gibraltar—my, we were thrilled to death to see it at all. We are to be on this boat until March 10, when we land at Djibuti. It is quite a long trip—we left England on the 22nd. We had a lovely trip to England on the *Berengaria*—it is a beautiful ship. I've not been seasick at all, for which I am duly grateful. The meals on this trip are simply marvelous—talk about course dinners, they are the ordinary thing in English meals. I never ate so much before in all my life.

It is very wonderful to be actually on the way to the field. I feel so very unworthy of the privilege, but the Lord uses the "weak things" of the world so there must be some place of service for me. We are all praying, as we go, that the way into Ethiopia may be kept open. If the railroad from Djibuti to Ababa should be destroyed I do not know just what we could do. As far as we know it is still safe. Our missionaries are all perfectly safe and carrying on their work as they always do. The Lord has blessed the work abundantly—we have fourteen stations in Ethiopia—since 1927 when the first party went out.

My address will be Box 105, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, East Africa. Write me soon and keep me "up" on all the Houghton news.

Jean R. Trout ('34)

Dorothy Kenyon '36 Works in Evangelistic Endeavors

Dorothy Kenyon, who left us in January, wrote a letter to a half dozen of her correspondents telling of her many interests and much work. Excerpts are published here:

"Our meeting in Chicago closed in good victory. It was a hard meeting, but God rewarded us by granting to us some blessed fruit. Last Monday and Tuesday we were invited to broadcast at the noon day service in the Loop. The meeting was in a big opera house right in the heart of Chicago.

"At present we are in Lyle, Minnesota, where we will have two services, tonight and tomorrow night. Friday we plan to go to St. Paul where we are to be for ten days, and then to Minneapolis for two weeks. After that we are to go to Texas where we are to have the formal opening of our school, April 12. (The Kenyons are opening a Bible School in Texas about half way between Dallas and Fort Worth.)

"Don't forget to keep pushing the campaign for the Susu work. Keep praying for the money to come in, and reminding the kids about it. Yesterday morning my hostess handed me a five dollar bill. I plan to send it to Jimmy for the Susu work. (She did. Mr. Bence received it last week.)

"How good God has been to me and to all of us. How can I ever doubt Him. When we place our lives in His hands, He knows just how to work out everything perfectly. I just simply marvel as I look back and see how He has worked everything out. How I praise Him!"

Congratulations

Born to Prof. and Mrs. Herman Baker, of Marion College on March 15 a daughter, Eleanor Williams. Prof. Baker taught music here from 1928 to 1931.

Ione Driscall Sends Report from Mission in W. Africa

Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa
January 27, 1936

Dear Friends,

So many things have been happening the last few weeks, and so many of my letters have gone unanswered, that I am going to run a group off on the hectograph, to save repeating as many times as I should if I wrote to all my friends.

Undoubtedly, you know that the Rev. E. F. McCarty, our foreign missionary secretary, paid us a visit. He arrived about December 12 and left Jan. 19. He must think the missionaries live a fast life, if he judges by the time he was here. Our field is somewhat scattered with 35 native workers in about 20 stations, and he visited them all, beside holding a ten day Institute and taking a long motorcycle trip into Susu country, north of us. His visits were a blessing and encouragement to all. Especially were we helped by his doctrinal sermons on prophecy, given at the Institute at Bendembu. I believe this helped the natives to understand more about Wesleyan Methodism, and will help them to meet future temptations.

We missionaries had many pleasant times as we were together. The single ladies, Marilyn Birch, Hazel Carter, Dorothy Johnson and I lived in the garage, and we had some rollicking good times. Miss Carter is full of humor and kept us all sweet. We were all at Bendembu for New Year's. In the evening we had a watchnight service that was a blessed time. Afterwards, the natives had good rice and goat soup. Pa McCarty was too tired, went to bed, but asked that some be saved for him. It was, but before he got it in the morning, monkey was substituted for goat. He didn't know it until in the afternoon, when in service, he was publicly thanking the men for saving the soup. He told how good it was. The more he talked, the more we snickered, until finally, we were laughing out loud; then he realized he had had monkey soup. I ate some too, and it wasn't bad.

Institute was over on Sunday. Friday I came as delegate to the U. B. Conference in Freetown. Marilyn Birch also came. We were very glad to get into their meetings and see how others do. Since they have been here for about eighty years, they have a much larger work. There are 25 missionaries, 250 native workers, and about 100 schools with over 1000 students. They have some very fine men. Their work is more advanced than ours, mostly because they are dealing largely with educated people. By boarding with their missionaries, we became quite well acquainted. The fellowship was uplifting.

After Conference, Marilyn and I came up to our own house. When I say up, I mean just that. We are way up above Freetown and the harbor. The view is glorious, and the air refreshing. Just now, since there is an American boat, we'll probably have home mail tomorrow.

Yesterday, we went to visit the U. B. rest house. It is way above us—so far up that we were above the clouds, and so cool that we sat close to the fire place most of the time. The air was truly invigorating. Each of their missionaries spends a month there each year.

In a few months, I shall be headed for home. First I was going to stay over until December, so as to give Miss Kelly, who will be coming when I go home, a chance to study the language. Then, it was decided that I'd stay till Conference and live at Rogbane. That's what I wanted,

for Rogbane needs closer supervision, but there would be no one to go on with the work. Therefore, I am coming home at my regular time—September.

Pa McCarty left last Sunday on a French boat for Marseilles, France. From there he will go to India via Palestine. We went out to his boat and thought it quite a taste of civilization.

When he came, he brought many lovely presents from home. I think I have written personally to each giver. These presents mean so much to us here. Thank you all again.

Sincerely,

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Janet Donley Enjoys Her Week-end at Alma Mater

Dear Alumni and Friends,

My thoughts often wander back to Houghton and to the school which has meant and does mean so much to me. My home town being only sixty odd miles from there, I am sometimes privileged to return to enjoy your activities and meet old friends. The past week-end was one of these occasions which I thoroughly enjoyed as the orchestra concert was given Friday night and the exciting Varsity-Alumni games on Saturday night, but I missed many of the Class of '35. Where were they? Even the captain of our alumni team was not there—I understand that she often comes back.

I feel rather a stranger within the dorm (hunted all over for my roommate, Purla) but I do trust that the freshmen and upper classmen may hold high the torch which has been handed to them that Houghton's ideals may be always advanced and may they appreciate all the advantages that Houghton offers.

I was very fortunate last year to obtain a position in our high school at Avoca (my home town) as social science teacher and although I have been plenty busy in this work and as adviser for the freshman class, I have enjoyed it immensely and wish for the graduates of '36 a success in their efforts to land jobs and fill a place in this busy world.

Sincerely,

Janet E. Donley, '35

Paul Titus is "Hot on the Trail of a Job", Says Letter

One of the Houghtonites recently received a letter from Paul Titus, '35, who is now attending Cornell University. Some of the interesting information is compiled for our readers:

Paul is hot on the trail of a job for next year. He seems to feel that he has it practically clinched. In speaking of his work at Cornell, he finds it a task to find enough to do. He misses the boys who used to roam around the country in their spare time at Houghton.

Speaking of concerts, "Tite" says "any concert that we get under the Student Activity Fee at Houghton costs \$1.50 and \$2.50 here. About one out of every four fellows you see have a formal dress on of one species or another."

"I'm taking a couple of courses in Farm Economics that are very good." The people there seem to make Paul home-sick for the old Houghton gang.

Alumni Seen at Recent Game

Visiting Alumni and friends seen at the Alumni-Varsity game Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Steese, Mrs. Ruth Warburton Chamberlain, Misses Fidelia Warburton, Golda Farnsworth, Barbara Sandford, Betty Coe, Addie Belle Bever and parents, Loraine Brownell, Janet Donley and mother, Messrs. Henry

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lombard, of Plattsburg on March 11, a was Beatrice Jones ('32).

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steese, of Copley, Ohio, on March 11 a daughter, Ann Marie.

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Human Personality—an Approach to God, F. H. Wright

This chapel talk was an attempt to answer a question propounded by a student friend, and is published by student request. The question was, "Do you think you could convince one by reason that the claims of Christianity are valid?" The question was honest enough and surely demands an answer.

Descartes, the great French philosopher, began his constructive reasoning by throwing away all that man had ever taught in order that he might begin at the beginning. His first premise was, "I think, therefore I am." He discovered that he was in a world that he did not create, among humans who also were thinking and living. In short, he discovered that he was a person. Philosophers always seek to answer the question, How? Their ultimate quest is for God. Descartes answered the question, How?, by discovering for himself a personal God. Personality consists in three great elements—intellect, sensibility, and will. We humans all recognize these elements of personality in ourselves. In the earliest stages of our mundane existence these elements are capacities awaiting development. In God, these elements are perfect and we call them respectively, omniscience, sensibility, and omnipotence.

The Bible does not prove the existence of God. It reveals Him. Man may, if he will, find his own personality a means of approach to a reasonable understanding of God. God's omniscience invites man's intellectual consideration; God's emotions, man's emotions; and God's omnipotence, man's will. I know that faith, rather than reason, is the basis of the Christian's salvation, but I know also that when God urges faith He urges a reasonable faith. God makes no unreasonable demands from those who seek Him. In Luke 9:24 we read: "But whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it." Paradoxical? Yes, but how true! I wish you to notice that small word *it*. It refers back to the word *life*. What Jesus is saying here sums itself up in all that you thought you were saving by keeping your life to yourself, to your plans, to your own way, and lost by giving to Jesus Christ. You have really saved. The story is told of a famous organ in an Italian city. This organ had ceased to function. Expert services were sought but no one was found to fix the great organ. But one day a stranger, rather uncouth and unkempt, came to the city and asked to see the organ. At first he was refused. He sat down at the organ and began to play. In a brief period of time he had discovered the trouble, made the adjustment, and the organ was functioning perfectly again. When asked how it came about, he replied "I made that organ. I know all about it." Does it not seem reasonable then, since God created us and all about us, that we should open wide toward Him our entire redeemed personality, and find out for ourselves that God knows how best to release and develop us, to find for ourselves that God is the complement of our every need, the answer to our own personality?

Weiss, Orrell York, Lowell Fox, William Farnsworth, Clair McCarty, Richard Hale, Eddie Dolan, Joseph Horton, and Fredric Hauser.

Seniors Dramatize Yeats' 'Land of Heart's Desire'

A definite individuality marked the presentation of senior chapel, Wednesday, March 18, through the medium of a story "Land of Heart's Desire" by William Butler Yeats. Given in the nature of a "group reading", the seniors, who portrayed the story in semi-action, gave a unique performance, utilizing the power of suggestion to convey a definite moral.

Marion Whitbeck gave the introduction, explaining the story which was to follow and pointing out its symbolic meaning.

Without further introduction the readers, who took the following parts, proceeded with the story: Mairteen Bruin, the father—Layton Vogel; Bridget Bruin, the mother—Vera Bay; Maire Bruin, the newly-married bride—Ivone Wright; Shawn Bruin, the husband—James Bedford; The fairy—Marion Burns; Father Hart—Albert Fortune; and the voice off-stage—Esther Brewer.

The story was built around an old Irish superstition that discontented newly-married brides may be stolen on May Eve by the fairies. It showed very clearly the truth that man may approach close to true happiness and be denied it through his own selfishness and perversity.

The platform was arranged appropriately and every member of the program gave an excellent performance.

TO GAUYADEO

(With Apologies to Edgar Guest)
There's something about living in a dorm that's very nice;
Of course, you may be lonely and homesick one or twice;
But there's nothing like the chatter in a cozy college room
To sorta make you happy and drive away the gloom.
There's something about working together all the day
And coming back at evening with laughter clear and gay,
The day may have been weary, the road a little long,
But you'll catch the lilting challenge of a cheery bit of song.
There's something, is it something?
It is someone, let us say,
Whose presence walks the corridors beside us every day;
It's that One makes Houghton, makes Gaoyadeo Hall
A place that will be sacred in the memory of all.

A. V. R.

ORCHESTRA CONCERT

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tra. Houghton should consider herself most fortunate in possessing such a splendid organization.

The next concert in the series will occur on April 24th, when the feature of the program will be the two-piano team of Walter Ferchen and Carl Vanderburg.

ALUMNI-VARSITY GAME

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Varsity	FG	FP	TP
Schogoleff f	7	1	15
White f	3	1	7
Donelson f	0	1	1
Thompson c, g	2	0	4
Gibbins c	2	0	4
Wright c	0	0	0
Farnsworth g	0	0	0
Stevenson g, f	0	0	0
Luckey g	1	0	2
Goldberg g	0	0	0
Churchill g	0	0	0
Total	15	3	33

Alumni	FG	FP	TP
Farnsworth f, g	5	1	11
Fox f	2	1	5
York g	3	0	6
Dolan g	2	5	9
McCarty g, f	0	0	0
Total	12	7	31

CAMPUS PARADE

It must be fun to be a practise teacher. For the first time in sixteen years of scholastic forays the tables are reversed and you yourself are the king pin. To ask questions and know all the answers. To judge and evaluate, outline and elaborate—ahem. To point out to them the basic principles. To watch 'em look out the window, pass notes, and wiggle. To look wise in spite of misgivings. All—must give the Senior a real satisfaction. It means work, though; every time I drift by the *Star* office there's Steve in at the desk with a head in Muzzey's *The American People*. The boys say there's a difference between studying to bluff through a college recitation and boning out a teaching assignment. Ten drops of mental sweat anyway. Guess it will be a proud day for some lad when he says, "Oh yes, I took History C under Lawrence Anderson. . . ." And it is a partial eye that certain sophomore educationalists cock at the first year high school fry, for some day both will probably become better acquainted. Personally, young Woolsey appears to be a promising and likely chap, even though he doesn't appreciate the classics. He should make some practise teacher a star performer.

Once more "exams" roll around—the last time for the Senior but thirteen more to go for the freshmen. Here's to all of us. We extend heart-felt sympathy to all who must now start to keep a lonely vigil night after night over the text books. But now's the accepted time. After vacation spring is here. Also the music festival, class frolics, tennis courts, green grass, blue sky and other things. Blue books and red marks. It's nice that we can so immediately flee the scene of the defeat, leave behind the written evidence and light right out for the old homestead.

Going home, yessir. Back where the corn and 'taters grow. Back where mother serves breakfast from 9 to 12 a.m.; back where father's pocketbook is; back to the family omnibus and radio. Your brothers and sisters will greet you with open arms—for the first five minutes before the novelty wears off and then you can fight about the paper. But say, can the *Buffalo Evening News* come up to the *Daily Times* for news coverage? Ella Cinders and Battlin' Jake's sporting column? 'Fraid not. Boy, but it's going to be great to get home.

FURTHER GLIMPSES OF UTOPIA

"Hello, Bill. You're looking your usual best this morning."

"Yes, and I attribute it all to classical restraint."

"Nothing to excess, huh, Bill?"

"That's right. See, I never wear lavender shirts, cloudy, soup-swirl ties, or orange braces."

"That's fine, Bill. What this country needs is more men like us."

"Shake, kid."

"Is *Psychology of Childhood* by Norsworthy and Whittley in?"

"Right here."

"It isn't out, then?"

"No."

"Hmm, very funny but very nice. Thank you."

Other myths: a 20th century elevator to aid in the 8 o'clock scramble for the third floor; a mudless Houghton; and a pair of rubbers that would stay put.

You come to the house after a Sunday morning breakfast exuberant and elated. The robins are chirping outside, the sun makes the brown earth steam, and the prospect of a beautiful morning spent in loafing and inviting your soul is before you. But then what do you see but a couple of closed bedroom doors as mute evidence that the boys got in at 1:00 a.m. and are at this very moment sleeping it off. You tip-toe to the room and write letters to Aunt Fanny.

"We were about to drive off when somebody suggested that I look into the tank to see if I had enough gas. It was pretty dark so I lit a match and leaned over the gas tank. I brought the match directly over the gas tank to enable me to see if there was any gas left. I saw that there was plenty. So I got into the car and drove off."

Penn State Froth.

SPORT SHOTS

The current basketball season was brought to a hair-raising finish on Saturday night by a rip-roaring clash between the Varsity and Alumni. It was that slam-bang type of game which keeps the fans on their feet and screaming from start to finish. The Alumni overcame an early Varsity lead to place themselves in front 19-16 as the first half ended, but the Varsity pulled up and kept the score even until, with seconds to go, a field goal put them out in front. They managed to hold this margin until the whistle ended the game. The final score was 33-31, and provided the Varsity with sweet revenge for the defeat suffered at the hands of the old grads last year. The game marked the final appearance on the court for some of the Varsity as Captain "Dick" Farnsworth, Glenn Donelson, "Weiner" White and "Marve" Goldberg will be graduated in June. In a preliminary contest the Varsity girls, captained by Barbara Cole and paced by Milly Shaffer and Vernita Green, held the Alumni girls quint without a field goal

and swamped them under a 31-2 score.

Last Saturday night, Glen Cunningham, barrel-chested Kansas miler, came through with his first victory of the indoor season as he outsmarted his main rivals Gene Venzke and Joe Mangan to win the Columbia mile, feature of the Knights of Columbus games held in Madison Square Garden. The Kansas Flyer changed his strategy by lagging behind his rivals from the start of the race and they consequently slowed the pace. Mangan and Venzke were both confident that they could beat Cunningham in a sprint finish but the indoor record holder foxed them both, running the fastest last quarter ever recorded in any mile race. His time for the last quarter was 55.8—but in spite of this the time, 4:46.8 was the slowest mile Glen has ever run, indoors or out. Eddie O'Brien, Syracuse flash, and Ben Johnson, Columbia negro sprinter, finished ahead of fast fields in the "Casey 600" and the sixty yard dashes respectively.

Our neighbor college Niagara University, will send its Purple Eagles to the Olympic basketball tryouts

in New York City as representatives of upstate New York. The Eagles have compiled a fine record this season and boast a string of victories which includes Manhattan College, of the better New York outfits. We wish them success in these try-outs and hope they may continue to the finals, which will be held in April.

On Saturday night the Buffalo Bisons hockey team came through with a smashing 4-0 victory over the Rochester Cardinals. The win moved them to within a point of the Syracuse Stars, pace-setters in the Eastern division of the International League. Young Les Cunningham starred as he hit the mesh for two of his team goals.

Bill Farnsworth's Angelica high Class B basketball circles as they scored a victory over Avoca at Alfred in the sectional play-off by a margin of 34 points. This sends the team to the semi-finals in Rochester for the second successive year, although they were in Class C last year.

Clair McCarty's Lewiston high team, also in the playoffs for the second successive year, dropped a heartbreaker to Ebenezer at Buffalo's Pine Hill school in their sectional game. The final score was 36-35, and it was anybody's game until the final gun ended it. Incidentally, Ebenezer's sharpshooting high scorer, Vogel is a cousin of our own "Wahoo".

The major league baseball teams are all in training camps preparing for the long grind of the 154-game schedule. However, some are still handicapped by the hold-out of several stars. Among the most prominent are the Dean brothers and Hank Greenberg. The Cards are having salary difficulties with their eccentric mound stars but it is probable they will be settled before the season opens. Greenberg, big first-base star of the world champion Detroit Tigers, is still adamant about his salary and seems likely to remain so.

The Tigers and Cubs, last year's champions are of course picked to repeat but are expecting trouble. The Bengals have to beat the Red Sox, who have a collection of stars which may or may not function together, and the New York Yankees, who are depending on the comeback of Gehrig, Gomez and Dickey and the work of Joe DiMaggio, sensational rookie outfielder. The Cubs are figured to have trouble from St. Louis Gashouse Gang, who are banking on Roy Parmelee (acquired from the Giants) and the comeback of Charley Gelbert, and the Giants, who will present the same outfit as last year with Sam Leslie, Brooklynite, aiding Bill Terry at first and a couple of star rookie pitchers bolstering Hubbell, Schumacher and Castleman.

The current volleyball season was brought to a close on Friday afternoon when the high school team beat the sophomores. The high school team won the boys championship as they went through both rounds, dropping only one game. They were followed by the frosh, who came back to whip all their opponents in the second round and gain runner-up honors. The Junior girls clinched their championship, wiping out all their opponents to come through with a clean slate.

Alumni (Cont'd)

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Other Alumni and old student who spent the week-end in Houghton were Edith Lapham, Mrs. Nina L. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur France of Sinclairville were campus visitors on Sunday. Arthur is taking extension work at the University of Buffalo working toward a Master's degree. Varena keeps busy with scout work and young people's activities of the church and school.

What the Ascension Means Explained by Local Pastor

"What the Ascension of Jesus Christ Means" was the sermon subject Sunday evening, March 15. The text was taken from Romans 8: 34.

He ascended unto the right hand of the Father. What does this mean to me?

To us this means: (1) An atonement finished. He entered into the holy place—into Heaven (John 14). (2) The establishment of an eternal priesthood in Heaven to make intercession for us. His priestly prayer of intercession begins in John 17. How many of us can say that prayer is what we want? (3) The guarantee of all needed spiritual ministries and leadership. It is now possible to march boldly out into the world and proclaim Christ. Your church connection cannot promise you equal blessings in any town. If you search horizontally for what you want spiritually, you'll never find it. When various ministries or vocations are placed in your path, they are not accidents. "When there it a unity between a soul and its Saviour, then there is a Paul or Peter to be sent out for the Saviour. There is no greater honor than to have the King of Kings seek you out to act as His worker." (4) The unity and perfection of all members of the body (1 Cor. 12). This guarantees the unity of all believers in Him. However it does not guarantee the unity of denominations. (5) The resurrection of our bodies and our gathering unto Him.

Drawing a conclusion from the above points, the pastor declared, "In view of the above, I must accept His right to administer my life according to His Heavenly purpose. Are you willing that Christ administer your life according to His Heavenly purpose? It doesn't mean that you will be above reproach, above trials, nor above hard places. Paul went thru these, and it proved his Christian life with Christ."

H.S. TAKE VOLLEY BALL

The high school volleyball team gained the inter-class championship on Friday afternoon by defeating the sophomore team in two straight games. The high school had definitely established themselves as leading contenders for the championship title in the first round when they came thru undefeated. They suffered one defeat at the hands of the freshman team who steadily improved during the second round. Captain Paul Paine showed his ability to coach and built up an offense that the college teams never seemed to be able to equal. The work of the academy forward line was always of very high calibre and showed marked quality to "kill" the ball, giving them many of their points. Each member of the team, P. Paine, D. Paine, M. Eyer, B. McCarty, D. Sellman, and E. Taylor contributed to the team's victories. There was no outstanding star but team work explains their success.

The junior girls had a distinct edge over their opponents and went through the season undefeated. Even though the opposition was not of great strength, they proved themselves a good team.

FINAL STANDINGS

Boys			
	W	L	Pct.
High School	7	1	.875
Freshmen	6	2	.750
Seniors	4	4	.500
Juniors	3	5	.375
Sophomores		8	.000
Girls			
	W	L	Pct.
Juniors	8	0	1.000
Frosh	5	3	.625
High School	4	4	.500
Sophomores	2	6	.250
Seniors	1	7	.125

Verdon Duncel Conducts Young Peoples' Service

Verdon Duncel addressed the Young People's Service Sunday evening, March 15, on the subject of "We". His texts were Proverbs 14: 32-35; Ezekiel 18:4-9; and John 3: 31-36. The central theme of his discussion was "We" in regard to present-day conditions.

"We must face sin," said Mr. Duncel, "therefore we should discuss it. To see the world go by, one would think we had no God knocking at our door." Modernism says that the Old Testament teaches a God of love. However, God was first a God of love, but Judea continued in rebellion. His punishment of them led the conception of Him as a God of wrath.

Are we to consider such things as likely to happen to us? We as Americans feel ourselves infallible. However, when Jerusalem sinned, God punished her.

Franklin's oration said that God governs the affairs of men. The old pioneers trusted God. We have the idea that we don't need Him. He is for the weak. That a follower of Christ is looked down upon is proved by the removal of "In God We Trust" from the national eagle and the substitution of emblems of anarchy in its place. In England, a country in much better condition, the King prays and reads the Bible.

If we as individuals forget God, we shall die—as nations. Pictures of sin in Romans 1:21-26, 28 denote the downward steps of sin. "Man's conduct can never rise above our conception of Christ."

If death is hard for the sinner to think of, it is the sinner's fault. "Lose yourself in Christ. Cast all your cares upon Him, for He careth for you." Sinners say that it is hard to live as the Bible teaches. It is not hard, for it doesn't take much of a man to become a Christian. However, it does take all there is in you. The rest of a man's success is God.

RUTGERS DEBATE

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zine. He is also captain in the ROTC, and secretary of the Interfraternity council.

Daniel V. Smith of Upper Montclair, New Jersey, is a star on the Rutgers Track team. Mr. Smith is Middle Atlantic champion in the mile and half mile runs besides being captain of the Cross Country Team. He is a member of Delta Upsilon and Spiked Shoe, honorary track society.

Daniel T. Winter III of Jersey City, New Jersey, is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, advertising manager of the *Anthologist*, and has won his letter in 150 lb. football.

William O. Collins Jr., of Westfield, New Jersey, is a member of Alpha Kappa Pi. Mr. Collins has distinguished himself in agricultural studies. He is a member of two honorary agricultural fraternities, Alpha Zeta and Pi Alpha Xi, besides being president of the Hortus club.

A. Leslie Leonard of Hillside, New Jersey, the assistant manager, is a member of Alpha Kappa Pi. Mr. Leonard has won letters in three sports—boxing, baseball, and cross country. He is an honor student and a reporter on the *Targum* staff.

The Houghton student body is awaiting eagerly the coming of this splendid team to the Houghton platform. Rutgers University is located in New Brunswick, New Jersey, and has a student body of 2,300 students. Incidentally, Rutgers University was founded in 1766, one of the first five to be founded in the United States. This clash between a leading university and a small denominational college should provide a great deal of interest.