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YEARLY FOUNDER'S DAY IS ARRANGED

Famed Russian Chorus Thrills Large Audience

Diminutive Conductor Brings From Voices a Tonal Magnificence

Have Unusual Repertoire

Numbers Entirely in Russian; Interpretative Quality Not Reduced

On Monday evening, Nov. 15, the Houghton College 1937-38 Artist Series was inaugurated with the appearance of the world-famed Don Cossack Chorus under the leadership of Serge Jaroff.

The chorus of 34 voices set a standard in performance and interpretation that will not soon be equaled on our platform. A capacity audience experienced genuine thrill as the chorus thundered in crashing fortissimo passages or sank to barely above a whisper in virile pianissimos. While the program was entirely in Russian, the leader and chorus singers have that quality of interpretation that makes music an international language. The diminutive, but dynamic, Jaroff brought from his group tone qualities that were nothing short of magnificent for the soft falsetto of the high tenors and the deep growling of the true Russian basses was united into a composite picture of sheer beauty. Especially commendable were the rhythmic effects which at times almost approached instrumental proportions. Those singers who did solo work were a true index to the "vocality" of the entire group for in expression, (Continued on Page Four)

War Times As Houghton Saw Them, Club Subject

During the World War the campus of Houghton was planted with potatoes and beans, Miss Hillpot told Social Science club members Monday night. She went on to tell how both teachers and students helped in the planting and harvesting of the crops. Then she explained the significance of the service flag, which was hung in the front of the chapel.

Dr. Woolsey, who was "over there", gave an interesting talk on the life of a soldier in war-time. To illustrate the kind of food they were served he dropped a piece of bread, hard as a rock, which he claimed was just that hard when it was given to him to eat in France.

Dr. Douglas entertained with a short talk on the kind of men he met when in camp. All the talks were of necessity short because the president, Marcus Wright, timed the speakers with his trusty alarm clock.

Suggestions Concerning Traffic Regulations Made

It has been suggested and agreed that certain traffic regulations on the campus would greatly reduce the likelihood of accidents. One suggestion is to make the drive in front of the campus a one-way drive, entering from the end near the Moses House. This would avoid the necessity for traffic crossing in front of the dorm and would encourage drivers to keep to the right side of the road at the top of the hill.

Another good suggestion is that space be always left directly in front of the Administration building for business callers.

Forensic Talks Over Situation Of the Orient

Although there were Don Cossacks in Houghton that evening, "War Drums in China" allured Forensic Union members to the monthly assembly in the auditorium of the music building, November 15. Edward Willett, president of the organization, presided.

As the first number Marion Brown and Hal Homan sang "By Bendemeer's Stream". Following this duet Park Tucker extemporized on "The Rise of Imperialism". The critic later gave his opinion that it was the best speech that he had heard Park make in Houghton. The two musical performers dramatized the second order of music, as they sang "Madam, Will You Walk?"

Lora Foster and George Charlesworth discussed respectively "A Preview of the Sino-Japanese Conflict" and "Trends in the War." Both of these speakers gave a didactic and almost unprejudiced reviews of the situation in the far East.

The first impromptu gave Hazel Fox ('37) an opportunity to tell what she would do if she were commander of the Chinese forces. The next two impromptus could have been welded into a debate as Herbert Loomis, attired in his tuxedo for the evening's concert, presented his off-hand views on "Why I think the United States should remain neutral." On the other hand, Dean Thompson was forced to convince himself and the audience in two minutes that the United States should not remain neutral.

Pat Brindisi brandished the gavel for parliamentary drill. The humor, handled deftly by Ruth Walton, was in the form of an opportune analogy, likening the recent ten weeks examinations to a war. Walter Sheffer, in presenting the critique of the program, commended the participants and offered suggestions for improvement.

New members received into the union were Mildred Schaner, Willette Thomas, and Herbert Loomis.

The Man of the Hour Ready For Distribution Soon

Court Bill Is Debate Bone Cf Argument

"Who Is Right?", Audience Asks As Contest Reaches A Conclusion

Juniors, Seniors Tangle

Judges Driscall, Davison, Ries Give Decision in Favor Of Junior Team

Debating the reorganization bill of the Supreme Court as proposed by President Roosevelt, the senior debaters, Ellen Donley and Arthur Lynip went down to a noble defeat at the hands of the juniors as represented by Lois Roughan and Edward Willett. The debate, held November 17 in the chapel was the second in the inter-class series.

The audience became tense with excitement as time after time the clash of issues brought forth the ever recurrent thought in the listeners' minds, "Who is right?" and it was readily admitted at the conclusion of the contest that both teams had well-constructed, well-presented cases to support their contention.

Though slightly veiled the usual issues of debate were present, the affirmative, upheld by the seniors contending a need for a change and signifying that the proposed change was the best since it steered a middle course between ultra-conservatism and radicalism. Shaking their heads emphatically, the juniors countered (Continued on Page Four)

Buffalo Hebrew Mission Head Gives Testimony In Chapel Service

A Christian Jew is a wonderful example of faith", declared the Rev. Abraham Benjamin Machlin of Buffalo at chapel service Friday morning, Nov. 12.

Born and raised in Russia, Mr. Machlin recounted his adventures while studying the tailoring trade with his uncle in a "forbidden city" of Russia where he narrowly escaped seizure by police. "Most young Jews are Socialist-minded," he stated, "because they have been under such severe oppression."

Mr. Machlin entered the United States in 1914 hoping to earn enough money to send for his family, but his life was changed when he found the Messiah through the efforts of the American Board of Missions to the Jews.

Speaking of his conversion, he said it occurred when he was shown that Christ was the Messiah through Old Testament scripture in Isaiah, Daniel, and Zechariah.

The Rev. Mr. Machlin is at present superintendent of the Buffalo Hebrew Mission.

Second Convocation Will Be the Feature Of Alumni Home-coming As Both Dr. Ferry And Dr. Fall Have the Award of a Degree

ALUMNI CALENDAR

Friday, November 26
4:00 - 5:30 Alumni Tea
7:30 p.m. Alumni Purple-Gold Basketball Game
Saturday, November 27
10:00 a.m. Founder's Day Convocation
12:00 noon Founder's Day Luncheon
2:00 - 5:00 "See the College"
6:30 p.m. Homecoming Banquet
p.m. Alumni Program
Sunday, November 28
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:40 p.m. Young People's Service
7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service

Color Expert Is First On '37-'38 Lecture Course

The courageous souls who gave up their study hours Tuesday night for the privilege of listening to Dr. Herbert E. Strong's lecture on color were well rewarded.

Dr. Strong began his lecture by a demonstration of the colors which can be produced by sending light through a block of pure water-white optical quartz worth two hundred and fifty dollars. The variegated colors, which wove in gorgeous blends through the stone, amazed and delighted the audience.

Dr. Strong started to study the science of colors more or less as a hobby. However, his intense interest and skill in that field led him to take a position as the inventor of new color schemes for automobiles. Believing that nature was the best source, he used the color combinations of birds and fishes as the motifs for much of his decorating.

For example, he once designed a car according to the colors of the angel fish which he had viewed in an aquarium. Later he had the opportunity of meeting a similar fish face to face while on a diving expedition off Bermuda.

Among the things of value which are in Dr. Strong's possession is a collection of precious stones which he uses in his work.

He also holds the patent to a very valuable discovery—that of the projection of polarization of light. This process will be used in a building at the World's Fair of 1939 to be held in New York.

He demonstrated the use of polaroid in his presentation of a number of slides. Loveliest among these displays of color were those produced by a drop of asparagus juice, a bit of gallstone, and the growth of matter demonstration.

The wonderful color world revealed by Dr. Strong will long be remembered and appreciated by his audience.

State Education Department And Colleges Will Be Represented

Rev. Pitt to Be Present

Choir and 'Little Symphony'—Bain, Cronk Directing—Will Take Part

A special observance of Founder's day will occur on Homecoming, Saturday, Nov. 27. Extensive plans for this, our second convocation, are being arranged.

Of particular note will be the granting of honorary degrees to Dr. Paul H. Fall and Dr. Fredrick C. Ferry. Dr. Fall is an alumnus of Houghton college, ('13), and later graduated from Oberlin college, Oberlin, Ohio. He has held several noteworthy positions in the field of education, having been head of the chemistry department of Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio, as a result of which he received his Ph.D. degree, and is now professor of chemistry at Williams college, Williamstown, Mass.

From 1902 to 1912 Dr. Ferry served as professor of mathematics and dean at Williams college. Since that time he has held the positions of professor, trustee, and president of Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y. During his past educational career, Dr. Ferry studied not only in the best of American universities, but also in the University of Christiania in Norway and the Universities of Berlin, Leipzig, and Gottingdam in Germany. Recently he has been a member of the National Committee on Standards of Colleges and Secondary schools for Middle States Association of Colleges and the National Association of Colleges and Universities. It was in this capacity (Continued on Page Three)

Houghton Delegates Are Present for Convention

Theological delegates from Houghton saw two alumni, Merritt Queen and Winton Halstead, at the fifteenth annual conference of the Middle Atlantic Interseminary Movement which was held at the Auburn Theological seminary, Auburn, N. Y. Nov. 11 and 12. There were about 150 representatives from various theological seminaries and institutions. "Queenie" and "Pete" were among ten delegates from Drew university.

The program included a banquet in Silliman hall. Among the speakers was Dr. Otto Piper, exiled from Germany in 1933, who gave an address entitled "What Is Man?" Those present as Houghton delegates were: Robert Fern, Stanley Hall, Cyrus Sprague, Leland Webster, and Professors F. H. Wright and C. A. Ries.

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The EDITOR'S DESK

SIGNS OF AWAKENING

That the historical Student council died a lingering death is common knowledge. Enough elegies have been murmured; and the Student Council of today has no apologies to make for another group's reputation.

The Council is being reorganized on a permanent and solid foundation. Action has already begun; it will continue!

The Hallowe'en party, organization of the bulletin boards, establishment of an active social relations committee, plans to install a skating rink and an amplifying system for the dining hall—these are among the initial steps which have been taken.

The Council is conscious of the fact that the student body lost faith in its usefulness, but, with the new adjustment within the Council and with the spirited cooperation that the student body can give, the Student Council, this year, can go far in attaining the ends which you desire.

If you have any complaint, suggestion for improvement, or any recommendation which comes under the head of Student Government, it is your duty to bring that business to the Council.

This is your representative government—Know your representatives! and use them.

Do we lack authority? We are willing to let the united progress of student body and council answer that. Our faculty is not deaf to student voices. But that voice must articulate a concise and cooperative opinion in tones of enthusiasm. The Council is your mouthpiece—Use it!

A. W. L.

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

Both the *Star* and the student body can rightfully be accused of having had no definite policy with relation to the Student council. No doubt this has been due to the lack of a definite policy on the Council itself. But though its lethargy may be seemingly wearing off, it is not the time for us to cease activity.

First, we pledge our support to an active Council, which should continue the signs of awakening already present.

Second, it is our belief that the Council should be assured an impartial hearing and consideration upon recommendations presented to the administration. Whether this should be done through a special faculty committee, or by the stimulation of a less paternalistic attitude toward the Council, it is not the intention of this editorial to dictate.

Third, and perhaps most important, is a revival of student interest and patronage. No representative body will progress beyond the amount of support which it is given, and we as students can expect nothing if we do nothing.

A last criticism rests, not only with those in authority, but with those upon whose shoulders rests the burden of Council membership. A sense of responsibility must be the basis of every function and procedure that will effect Council achievement.

E. J. W.

Personnel of the Seniors

Elaine Corsette

Elaine Corsette made her debut into this world on April 14, 1916 in Rushford, New York.

Since her father was a carpenter, she changed her place of residence quite frequently, moving to Willard and Franklinville.

She attended grade school in Great Valley and Canadea. She then returned to Rushford for her high school work. There Elaine played in the town band for five years and in the high school orchestra for four years. She also sang in the Glee Club, played basketball, had the leading part in the senior play and was editor of the school paper, "The Record."

Elaine entered Houghton in September, 1934. She became library assistant to Miss Moses the first year. She has participated in the Latin Club, W. Y. P. S., College Chorus, and the Social Science club. The girls in the Jennings dormitory have elected her as their vice-president.

She makes this statement concerning Houghton: "I have made some fine friends here and have enjoyed the spiritual atmosphere. I've always admired this college and will recommend it to all of my friends."

Fern Corteville

Although Ontario, N. Y. was to be her home, Rochester was the scene of Fern Corteville's first appearance on June 20, 1916. Following in the footsteps of other Rochester little ones, she attended grade school in Rochester. At this time her family moved to Williamson which is her present home. In Williamson high school she took part in literary and dramatic organizations and was active in athletic and musical events.

Graduating from high school as valedictorian of her class, she attended Hope College, a Dutch supported school in Holland, Michigan, where she spent two years.

Her interest in literary activities continued and she became a member of the literary society, the "Delphi".

She also belonged to the A. D. D. known to the well-informed as the Athletic Debt Diggers association.

Coming to Houghton as a junior she immediately became active in athletics, especially in basketball. She is also a member of the Forensic Union and the French Club.

Fern plans to teach and her schedule now is planned toward that end. Her opinion of Houghton: "I

Dr. Paine Continues His Chapel Talks on Psalms

"The Psalm of David's Glasses" is the significant title President Paine gave to the third psalm, the subject of his talk in chapel Tuesday, Nov. 16. This psalm was composed by David when he fled from his son Absalom. It is divided into four strophes of two verses each.

In the first strophe David is looking at his troubles without glasses, therefore he sees only discouragement. But in the next two verses David remembers his glasses, his faith in God, for he says, "Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me; my glory and the lifter up of mine head."

The third strophe, describing the glasses, states that they were bifocals. In verse 5 we read that the first part was for close-up vision, for looking through it David found peace within. The second part was for long distance, giving courage.

In the last strophe David puts his glasses on by prayer, "that which makes faith effective." "You and I can be people after God's own heart as David was if we put these same glasses on," Dr. Paine said in conclusion.

Frank Houghton is a fine college and I will be very proud to go out as one of her alumni."

Leona Davis

The war drums of Europe were already beginning to rumble ominously, and the cannons were about to roar, when a great event occurred in the Davis home at Centerville. On June 3, 1914, Leona Davis was born. Twenty days later the world was plunged into the bloodiest war of history. Little did anyone think, in those stormy days, that Leona would grow up to cherish one of the greatest ambitions a girl can have, to go out to the foreign mission fields and preach the gospel of the Prince of Peace. Now Leona, who is a theology major, is praying that a way may be found for her to fulfill this dream.

At present Leona lives in Rushford where she attended high school. She was much too busy with her studies there to find time for any extra-curricular activities, but since coming to Houghton she has been active in the Ministerial association and the Mission Study club, both of which are of especial interest in her particular field.

When asked to express her opinion of Houghton, Leona stated, "I think the religious life here is excellent. It offers the best there is spiritually. There are many opportunities to form new friendships, and to enjoy Christian fellowship with the other students."

Erford Daniels

The Christmas season of 1916 was an extra noisy and happy one in the Daniels home at Bath, N. Y. An excellent reason for this was that on the nineteenth a curly-headed boy was born and named Erford William Erford attended high school at Fillmore, New York where he graduated as a prominent student. He decided to study for the ministry and made plans to enter Houghton College as a theological student.

In 1934 he entered Houghton and became interested in a number of extra-curricular activities including speed ball, Forensic Union, Ministerial Association, touch football, chorus, and extension work.

Erford plans to preach for two years and then return to Houghton for his B. D. degree. With regard to his four years at Houghton he said: "I have certainly made many fine friends in Houghton and will have many fond memories to look back upon in future years."

Ruth Donohue

Ruth Donohue, one of the busiest girls in the senior class, took time to answer a few questions in order to satisfy the curiosity of the *Star's* interested public. It seems that twenty-one years, two months and one week ago (September 30, 1916, to be exact), in East Aurora, N. Y., she began her interesting career. After once entering grammar school, she advanced rapidly until in 1929 East Aurora high school opened its portals for her. Athletics and studies occupied the major part of the time which was not spent with more pleasant "associations".

Her four years here at Houghton have been active. Participating in basket ball and volleyball, she has proved her stamina in the field of athletics. As an active member of the Social Science club, the Forensic Union, and Der Rheinverein, she has enlarged her sphere of interest. This year Ruth became social chairman of Gaoyadeo dormitory. Her work in this capacity has shown her originality and capability.

At the end of last year when the seniors of 1936 chose the most popular junior girl to lead the senior procession at commencement no one

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The HOKUM WEAKLY EFFORT

By Bilgie

It has been brought to our attention that the co-eds of this fair institution have not done right by our little Frankie. For this reason, that venerable authority on association, Frank Taylor takes a minute of his valuable time from his studies to give a bit of advice to women (only). He says, "A straight line is the shortest distance between two points."

Someone should take it upon himself to warn the News Editor of the *Star* to be more careful in dealing out the assignments. A few times it has been known that the reporters took their assignments seriously and followed them out to the letter. This, unfortunately, was exactly what happened when Mary Tiffany was sent to the infirmary "to see what she could pick up". We are happy to report that Miss Tiffany is again able to be about and that she can receive visitors on Friday evening until 10:30 p. m.

That hectic week during which the students successfully repelled the attacks of the profs with comparatively few casualties, actually offered a bit of amusement now and then. For instance, during the General Zoology exam (which, to say the least, was anything but general), Dr. Douglas became uneasy under the insistent stare of "Peg" Schlafer. Finally, his nerves gave way; he could stand it no longer. "Just what are you staring at?" he demanded. "I've just been trying to get a little inspiration by looking at you," she answered, "but it won't work." Needless to say, she didn't get an A sharp in the course.

And then there was the person in Shakespeare class who, in interpreting the question: Give the difference in structure of Richard III and Henry IV, wanted to know if Dr. Small meant the plays or the characters.

I don't take much stock in this unemployment census that the government is making. My main objection is that it is not complete. For instance under question 2 it gives but two alternatives: Are you

(a) Totally unemployed and want work?

(b) Partly unemployed and want more work?

They make no provision whatever for the many students around Houghton who are employed and want no work.

'Twas the Saturday night before exams, and all through the gym the professors were preparing to trim the theologists in a "sociable" game of basketball. The calloused faculty led the attack under the invulnerable Dr. Paine, known from coast to coast as "Dead-eye Doc, the Dextrous Dribbler". Supporting him were those two dashing basketeers, Prof. Stanley Wright, wily wonder-lad and Prof. LeRoy Fancher, flashy flinger, both well-known to sport fans of days past. We cannot omit such a picturesque figure as Prof. H. Boon, brainy ball-bouncer from Newcastle, from this list of stars. That might they relived those days when thousands thrilled to their spectacular and breath-taking skill as they sent the ball through the air to swish through the basket without even stopping to flirt with the hoop. And as they add another notch in their belts, let us add to their acclaim. Bravo!

Two Letters Come from '33 Grads Located in Extreme Parts of State

Coming to Home-coming

I married Beulah Marshall of Pasadena, Calif. on April 7, 1934. On June 2, 1936 we were blessed with a six and one-half pound baby girl, Carolyn Beulah (redheaded). At the present time I am completing my third year as manager of the Hub Auto Supply Co. Both Beulah and I do loads of hunting and fishing. Last year she shot a 210 pound buck. This year I was successful in getting one somewhat smaller. We are both active members of the Plattsburg Little Theater club.

Loyal S. Wright

Manager of the Hub

The letter asking for alumni news from the Albros caused me to reminisce a bit. I even took time out to look over an old diary in which my college days were recorded. Those certainly were happy, carefree days—except, shall I say at exam time.

Yet I wouldn't exchange today for even those days. For as each day goes by with its work and play, we are convinced that it's the best ever—and why not? We are certainly pleased with Chautauqua and our life in it.

Bill has been a real muskelunge fisherman this fall—especially in view of time spent at it. Of course, I'll have to admit his luck has been rather good, too.

We have hopes of activity in our Chautauqua chapter in the near future. Our best to Houghton alumni and we do hope to attend Home Coming.

Ruth Brandes Albro

Mac Wells Is Employed With Federal Position

Mac C. Wells (ex'40) is now employed as clerk-typist to the chief probation officer for the Northern District Court of New York state. Last year Mac won second place in the short story division of the Houghton Literary contest. An excerpt from his letter follows:

When I left Houghton last June, I expected to return this fall but my plans changed considerably. Attended the Albany Business college this summer and was very fortunate in securing an appointment to a federal position, that of clerk-typist to the Chief Probation Officer for New York state, including 29 counties of this state. As there is a wonderful opportunity to advance in this department, the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, I have decided to continue in it. However, I hope to be able to complete the liberal arts course in the not-to-distant future.

I shall always remember the good times I had while at Houghton and the friends I made there.

Sincerely yours,
Mac C. Wells

Hunt Sisters in Allentown Bible Institute Faculty

Lena and I are again teaching in Allentown Bible Institute. This is Lena's second year and my fourth. She is teaching American history, problems of democracy, physics and biology. I am teaching high school Bible and French I and II. I am also Dean of women this year. We have a fine Christian group of about 70 young men and women with whom I work. We are enjoying serving the Lord in this part of His work.

Mildred Hunt
Allentown Bible Institute
Allentown, Pa.

NEWS FLASHES

Indirect information, but very true, comes concerning Richard "John" Farwell. For the past two years he has been teaching in the Mack (district) school near Haskinsville. This year he has eight children!

"Euster" Pierce, who teaches near Wallace, was married to Betty Bartlett sometime late last summer.

Mary Edith Miller was at the basketball game last Friday night.

Beth Harmon was in town over Sunday Nov. 7.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Densmore ('30 and '29) of Caledonia, N. Y., on November 1 a daughter, Annette Margaret.

Robert Miller ('36), who is taking up the course in male nursing in Craig Colony, Sonyea, has been elected president of his junior class and is at present teaching the laboratory course in chemistry.

Kenneth Wright ('34) has been promoted to senior internship in bacteriology at the Hospital of the Good Shepherd in Syracuse. This promotion from junior internship resulted from the careful diagnosis of a critical case of spinal meningitis.

Misses Rita ('36) and Nora Mae Albright, and Miss Ruth Shea of Syracuse visited here over Sunday.

Mrs. Harold McKinney and daughter Johanna were guests of Rachel Davison Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Max Molyneux of Brockport visited his parents here Sunday.

Alton Shea ('35) of Rochester was on the campus recently.

Mary Paine ('37) is employed at the Altman and Company store at White Plains, N. Y.

Gerald Smith ('37) has employment with the Grant Company in Rochester.

Alvin Paine (p.g. '34-'36) is attending Faith Theological seminary at New Wilmington, Del. This seminary opened its doors this year for the first time. Among its trustees are Mr. Percy Crawford of Philadelphia, and Dr. J. Oliver Buswell, president of Wheaton college.

Varsity Debate Plans Are Uncertain at Present Time

"We are not ready to disclose the schedule of varsity debate as yet," said Elton Kahler, manager of varsity debate.

On March 4, Houghton debaters will meet representatives of Hobart college.

If present plans are consummated, the debate team will tour Central New York from February 28 to March 4. A tour in Ohio will be made from March 7 to March 12. Arrangements are being made with various colleges in these areas for debates.

Watch *The Star* for further notice of the schedule being planned for our debaters.

Fifteen of High School Get Recognition on Honor Roll

Fifteen high school students achieved the distinction of being placed on the honor roll by getting at least eighty-five per cent as a mid-semester grade in each of their subjects.

Those on the honor roll were: Richard Beach, Odena Clark, Barbara Dunning, Neva Dunning, Dorothy Failing, Gwendolyn Fancher, Ruth Fancher, Janet Fyfe, Caroline Hubley, Edith Preston, Elizabeth Preston, Herschel Ries, Martha Woolsey, Warren Woolsey, and Rita Wright.

PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

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was surprised to find that Ruth had been chosen.

Ruth feels that Houghton has made a lasting impression upon her, and said, "I regret that I have but four years to spend at Houghton (with apologies to Nathan Hale)."

Bernice DeGroff

Bernice DeGroff, born in Nunda, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1916, was a constant companion to her only sister. Bernice graduated from the Perry high school where she belonged to the Latin and French clubs.

In 1934 she followed in the footsteps of her older sister and entered Houghton as a freshman. Her extracurricular activities comprise participation in the Latin club, the Expression club, the Social Science club, and the W. Y. P. S.

Bernice has a major in social science and a minor in English. Her rather interesting hobby of collecting small images of all types of dogs has received considerable attention during her stay here.

When asked to comment on Houghton, Bernice smilingly replied, "I wish to thank Houghton for all of my friendships that I have made during my four years here."

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Next Semester To Have Several Added Courses

Several new or changed courses will be offered at Houghton the second semester of the present school year.

Listed among the new classes is one in the art department under Miss Ortlip concerning chalk talk technique. The music faculty are contemplating a history of opera course to be taught by Prof. Cronk. If this is given, it will provide a second minor for music students. However, whether this will be taught or not has not definitely been decided. Coach McNeese will instruct a class in track and field. This course has been offered once before in the physical education department.

As additions in the more general college courses, Miss Rickard will teach English renaissance. This work can be applied toward major or minor credit. Heat, a course which has not been given in the physics department for several years, will be under the tutelage of Prof. Pryor. Dr. Douglas will again teach physiology, and we urge all science students to consider this worth-while course. Last year Miss Rork introduced a social pathology course and she will repeat it next semester. The educational sociology offered previously has not given major credit. However, the course to be taught by Mr. Boon next semester will apply toward major credit. Please note this carefully, the catalog states that it does not give major credit.

For the advanced students in Bible School, Prof. Frank Wright will introduce two new subjects, present day religious trends in the light of scripture and the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. The former has to do with present world conditions in the light of scripture, while the latter deals with the entire Bible, stressing the personality and offices of the Holy Spirit in the church.

If a man stuck his foot in lake water of 34 degrees and held it there for three hours while the mercury was dropping 10 degrees an hour, the fact that he didn't believe in the law governing freezing wouldn't help him get his foot loose at the end of the hundred and eighty minutes.

Sunday Services

Things Fundamental

"What kind of stewards are you with the benefits which God intrusts to you?" asked the Rev. E. W. Black in his message Sunday morning, Nov. 7th. The text was Ps. 24:1—"The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein". All that we possess, Mr. Black stated, comes from God. Therefore we ought to glorify God and show him our gratitude by giving proportionately as God has prospered us.

Ambassadors

William Grosvenor, speaking in W. Y. P. S. Sunday evening, November 7, said, "We are ambassadors for Christ." He discussed the question of who an ambassador is, and what such an office means. We should be true representatives of Christ, he said making plain to people everywhere how to become saved. It is a duty set before us. We must be faithful to the calling of Christ.

Signs of the Times

Sunday evening, November 7, the Rev. Mr. Black discussed the signs of the times in relation to the second coming of our Lord. In answering the question, "Is Jesus coming soon?" he said there are two signs. The first is the church, and the apostasy which is so prevalent. The second is the prevailing lawlessness and disregard for authority. We know not when the day of our Lord's coming again is, but if we are not ready, we should be making preparation now.

Personality of the Spirit

"We should remember that the Holy Spirit is a person and not a mere influence," the Rev. Mr. Black stated Sunday morning, Nov. 14. "If we would practice the presence of God, we must remember the personality of the Spirit. There is great danger in grieving the Spirit. By exercising holy carefulness we may avoid doing so. Yet, by indifference, by not heeding his checks, by corrupt speech, or by want of patience, the Spirit can be grieved. Our light grows dim and we drift as a result."

The Weeping Jesus

Willis Elliott, speaking in W. Y. P. S. Sunday evening, Nov. 14, on "The Weeping Jesus," pointed out the reasons why Jesus wept when he approached Jerusalem on the triumphal entry. The multitudes misunderstood him, accepted him only as a teacher; Jerusalem hated Him, and was blind to the destruction. As Jesus wept over Jerusalem, knowing what was coming to them, so should we weep over the souls of men, knowing their fate if they do not turn to God. "We must have compassion on them. By our witnessing it is our task to make the weeping of Jesus effectual."

Rev. Miller

The Rev. H. S. Miller spoke Sunday evening, November 14, from Romans 1:16-18. He pointed out that Paul was not ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, and that in it the righteousness of God is revealed, and the wrath of God, also, which is a warning to all. Three facts sinners need to know were set forth: that all have sinned, that the wages of sin is death, and that Christ died to save sinners. He pointed out the foolishness of dying when Christ died for sinners, and will save those who come to Him.

When another can make you hate, he is in control—not you.

Don't let another man line your face and furrow your brow—especially an absent man. Make him nonexistent so far as you are concerned.

Geology Class Takes Trip Thru Salt Mine

The November issue of *The Du Pont Magazine* carries an illustrated article concerning the Retsof salt mines, located at the small town of Wadsworth, near Geneva. Ten members of the faculty and student body of Houghton college recently saw at first-hand the operations described in the article.

The purpose of the tour was to serve as a field trip for the geology class, although several outside the class went along. On their return they visited a bluestone cutting and quarrying company. The time was the afternoon of November 11.

The Retsof tour began with a 1200-foot drop in a crowded elevator. The party boarded an electrically drawn salt car and proceeded through various tunnels to a point one-half mile from the main shaft. Here and at other locations they observed salt miners drilling holes for charges of powder with which to loosen the salt, the loading of cars to be later pulled off to the surface, and other operations. Of interest were the well-equipped offices and machine shop situated so conveniently below the surface.

Last recollections of the party were the square of light which marked the bottom of the shaft and observable through a hole in the floor of the elevator, rapidly growing smaller as it dropped farther and farther away.

Review of Mission Interests Given in Prayer Service

Robert Lytle was in charge of the student prayer meeting Tuesday evening, November 16, which was devoted to a review of missionary interests and enterprises of four other colleges. Miss Eulah Purdy presented various current events relating to the mission field, and several prayer requests. Mable Harris, graduate of Moody Bible Institute, Myrtle Bradley, formerly of Eastern Nazarene, Doris Smith, formerly of Chesbrough Seminary, and Lenoir Masteller, formerly of Wheaton College, outlined the missionary work of those institutions.

CONVOCATION

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that he inspected Houghton college previous to our acceptance into the Middle States Association. Since this step was such an important one scholastically for our college, it is with a deep sense of pleasure that we are permitted to award a degree to Dr. Ferry.

An address, "James S. Luckey, the Builder" will be delivered by Dr. Fall in memory of our beloved President. Dr. Ferry will speak on the subject, "The Progressive Age."

The Houghton college orchestra, under the baton of Professor Alton M. Cronk, will play the processional and the a cappella choir, conducted by Professor Wilfred C. Bain will sing a group of choral selections. The Rev. Joseph R. Pitt, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church in East Aurora and former Houghton pastor for seventeen years, will also take part in the program.

Represented at the Convocation will be the New York state Department of Education at Albany and several New York State colleges.

Prayer Service, Nov. 9

Everett Elliott, speaking from Matthew 5:14, in Students Prayer Meeting on November 9, said, "Just as natural light requires some object from which it shall be reflected so Christ has given us His light that we might reflect it to the world."

SOPHS HAVE EDGE IN SERIES BY DEFEAT OF ACADEMY

Champs Advance Victory Streak to Nine Straight

A capacity crowd watched the sophomores and academy quints play the laid off the 1937-38 class series in a brace of nip-and-tuck duels, resulting in a splitting of the victory laurel. The curtain raiser provided a mild upset as the shifty seminary lassies squeezed out a 9-8 triumph. The nightcap saw the champion stalwarts keep their winning streak intact by overhauling and conquering an ever-threatening high school contingent.

WOMEN'S GAME

Capitalizing on the ball-handling prowess of their diminutive forwards, Elaine Bailey and "Gwen" Fancher, the academy girls eked out their narrow victory in the final minutes in a game replete with excitement and action. Both teams experienced considerable difficulty in ramming the sphere through the meshes, accounting for the deficiency in the final scoring tabulations. The sparkling aggressive play of "Elusive Elaine" Bailey featured the attack of the victors. "Billie" Paine's defensive tactics were outstanding. "Millie" Schaner fought valiantly for the loser's cause and captured high scoring honors with 6 tallies.

MEN'S GAME

In the final, the champion soph outfit had many uneasy moments before stretching their winning streak to nine straight and getting off on the right foot in the defense of their title. Jumping off to an easy lead, which was maintained throughout the first half, the "Sellman steamroller" looked capable of flattening the undefeated collegians. However, their smooth-clicking aerial machine stalled in the last pair of stanzas as the stalwarts swung into high-gear and continuously forced the ball into scoring territory, staging their characteristic last half "mesh-splitting" splurge and clamping the lid down on their ninth straight victory.

Oddly enough, the high scorer and runner-up belonged to the vanquished quintet. Captain Dean Sellman paced the goal-getters with eleven counters, Bruce McCarty registered nine. Every first-stringer on the collegians squad tallied at least once, Captain Glen Mix and "Cliff" Blauvelt chalking up eight tallies each.

DEBATE

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with the cry that the present system was not only adequate, but that any change would endanger the fundamental structure of the government.

Tricks were employed on both sides as the senior proponents attempted to confuse the negative with their knowledge of specific cases, while the latter pointedly asked, "Do you feel that there is a necessity for revising the Constitution?" and proceeded to point out inconsistencies in the affirmative stand.

Judges for the debate were Miss Driscoll, Miss Davison and Prof. Ries, who seemingly concluded that the affirmative had not met the negative assertion that a proposed plan must cure the evils of which it accused the system already in existence.

In announcing the decision, Miss Frieda Gillette, chairman, stated that the concluding debate of the series would be held between the juniors and the sophomores for possession of the cup.

Many people who can't properly adjust their own affairs can solve the Sino-Japanese problem while you snap your fingers once, possibly twice.

Further Basketball Game Schedule Is Given

Monday, Nov. 22:
Sophs vs. Seniors (men) 3:30
Tuesday, Nov. 23:
Sophs vs. Seniors (women) 3:30
Friday, Nov. 26:
Purple-Gold Alumni 7:30
Monday, Nov. 29:
Frosh vs. High School (women) 3:30

Senior Team Submerges 'Fighting Frosh' By 25-17

Led by Scott and Schogoleff on the offensive, and Donley and Watson on the defensive the senior girls once again showed their superior ability with a 25-17 win over the fighting frosh girls' quintet.

The frosh drew first cut-in shot for two points. However, the seniors forged into the lead soon after and were not headed again, due to the seniors' fine defensive play.

In the second half the frosh came to life and threw a real scare into the senior team with Paine, Schlafer, and Burleigh leading the way. The seniors finally bore down and emerged on the long end of a 25-17 count.

The game showed that the seniors are still the "tops" but as soon as the frosh get organized it is this reporter's belief that they will relieve the seniors of the top position.

PERSONNEL

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Celestine Carr

Celestine Carr, a newcomer in our midst, was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Carr in Red House, New York, January 11, 1917.

Her mother taught school on the Indian reservation for several years. Her father is the town clerk at Red House.

Her grammar school education was completed in seven years, the first four being taught by her mother at the Indian grammar school.

Celestine graduated from Salamanca high school in 1933, following which she had a year of post graduate work.

The first two years of college work were taken at Cheshbrough seminary in North Chili. There she was active in the a cappella choir, the ladies' quartet, which traveled for three months through the state, varsity basketball, and the Journalism club. She had the honor of being editor of the annual.

For her junior year, Celestine attended Greenville college at Greenville, Illinois. There she was active in the a cappella choir, ladies' quartet, and dramatics, having received several prizes in this field. She was the school accompanist and one of the art editors for the annual publication.

This, her senior year, is her first one in Houghton. The Expression club, Social Science club, and the college chorus claim her membership this year.

When asked her opinion of Houghton, she stated: "Since I have not been here very long it would be hard to say much about Houghton but I have appreciated the Christian friendships and fellowships found here."

Faculty Basketeers Win From 'Battling Bishops'

The hard fighting faculty five easily defeated the "battling bishops" on November 6, by a score of 35-29. With the lanky Tuthill leading the scoring, the profs quickly built up an edge that, due to the fine parsing of "Doc" Paine, was well protected for the rest of the game.

The "battling bishops", led by Donelson and Minnick, were hopelessly outclassed by poor shooting and ragged passwork. Time after time the long arms of Tuthill reached out and grabbed the ball that was soon swallowed up in a sea of smooth passes that usually ended in a basket. Team play was badly lacking on the preachers' side as individualists broke up what may well have been a very interesting game.

"Doc" Paine and "Gene" Donelson played the best floor games while Tuthill stole the scoring honors.

High School Lassies Bow To Junior Girls 24-16

After a hard fought battle the junior girls worked a 24-16 decision over the high school lassies. Only the fine defensive work of Hess and York kept the juniors on top. The passwork of the diminutive "mighty mite", Gwen Bailey, of the academy was the highlight of the game.

Higgins and Kingsbury led the scoring column for the juniors, aided by the fine passwork of Stroud. Fancher and Fyfe on the offense and Billy Paine on the defense showed up well for the high school.

COSSACKS

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pure singing and interpretation, they were of concert calibre.

The first group was composed entirely of Russian church music, the best known of which to the audience in general was the Livovsky "Have Mercy on us, O God!". The second and third groups contained selections by well known composers of the Russian school, spirited folk-songs, and several arrangements by Conductor Jaroff. Especially appreciated in these groups were the ever-popular "Volga Boat Song", "Dark Eyes", and a vocal arrangement of Tschai-kowsky's "Fifth Symphony".

The complete program consisted of the following:

I
Credo *Kastalsky*
In Thy Kingdom *Pantschenko*
Psalm I of David
Old Church Melody
We Sing to Thee *Rachmaninoff*
Have Mercy on us, O God! *Lvovsky*
II
Two Russian Popular Songs
Holy Night *Dobrowen*
Terek and Kuban Cossack Songs *Gogotsky*
Arr. by Jaroff
Volga Boat Song *Arr. by Jaroff*
Jolly Popular Songs
Lesginca *Schedoff*

III
Three Soldiers Songs *Jaroff*
Lullaby *Liadoff*
Two White Russian Songs *Jaroff*
Black Eyes *Schedoff*
Cossack Songs *Arr. by Jaroff*

English translations of the general text appeared also on the programs and these added much to the further enjoyment of the evening's program.

The second number of the Artist Series will occur early in December when the Marianne Kneisel String Quartet will be presented. A more detailed announcement of the concert will appear in a short time.

Juniors Get Opening Win Over Sages

Last Friday night the senior women and the junior men came out on top of two rather lopsided contests. The senior players were aided by a little vocal accompaniment from the senior and soph fans under the leadership of "Walt" Ferchen, "Millie" Shaner and "Dot" Platt.

The girls' game started out as a nip-and-tuck battle with little scoring on either side. Both teams played tight defense. All the guards proved their merit by holding down dead shots on each team. In the second quarter both teams began sinking shots and the half ended with the score 10-3 in favor of the seniors.

In the second half "Millie" Schogoleff led a fighting attack to overwhelm the fighting juniors. The passing team work of Schogoleff and Stone brought many points for the seniors. The fray ended with the score 21-8. "Millie" led the senior scoring with 8 points; Emma Scott ranked second with 6 points. Kingsbury led the juniors with 4 points.

In the boys' game the juniors overwhelmingly beat the senior aggregation. The juniors, by their flashy pass work and tight defense, stand out as a threat for the class series championship. Tuthill and Crandall were high scorers for the juniors with 18 and 10 points respectively. The junior men's passwork could not be stopped and their zone defense was invincible. The half ended 32-3.

The second half opened with a seemingly different senior team. Their defense clicked and they began sinking their shots. In this half they outscored the juniors by four points but the game ended with the juniors leading 45-20.

"Dick" Wright led the senior shooting attack with 13 points with Andrus and Hopkins as major aids.

Academy English Students Celebrate with Picnic

Several members of the editorial staff of the "Who's Who in Our Third-year English Class" celebrated the culmination of their labors by an impromptu picnic at the Hyena patrol scout cabin, the afternoon of Saturday, Nov. 6th. After their arrival at the cabin a fire was built and soon everyone "came and got it." The main course consisting of weiners and buns. Those present were Hilda Parker, Janet Fyfe, Gwendolyn Fancher, Ruth Littorin, Vera Clocksin, Rowena Peterson, Allen Smith, and Warren Woolsey.

Exempters Have Party at Home of Miss Fancher

All high school students who were exempt in all of their subjects enjoyed a party at the home of Miss Bess Fancher, the afternoon of Wednesday, Nov. 10. After playing in a number of games such as Shakespearean Romances; Beast, Bird or Fish; and In Cahoots, they were served chicken dinner with scalloped potatoes, ice cream and many other delicacies. Those present were: Edith Preston, Elizabeth Preston, Martha Woolsey, Neva Dunning, Rita Wright, Ruth Fancher, Gwendolyn Fancher, Warren Woolsey, and Mrs. Bowen.



Engaging in speculation regarding the relative merits and potentialities of sport celebrities—both as teams and as individuals is one of the most popular and wholesome forms of mental recreation for all devotees of the various "brain and brawn" activities. This practice, I believe acts as a vitalizing tonic in supplying and strengthening interest and in stimulating class spirit.

One of the greatest attractions of competitive athletics is the element of uncertainty which is omnipresent defying the most expert prognosticators. All of us like to imagine ourselves as keen observers and intelligent judges of talent and ability. We come up with sweeping, dogmatic generalizations concerning the relative worth of this team or that player and make rash predictions as to the outcome of the games. Judging from the observation, it seems that the athletic events are assuming a major place in the discussions among the students of our institution. There is a greater number of experts than ever before. The games are attracting capacity crowds and are becoming the chief topic of conversation.

At the present writing all entrants have made an official appearance at the harawood "court of athletic relations". In the feminine division the superiority of the seniors is practically unchallenged and only a major earthquake can remove them from their lofty perch. However below them the race is wide open. The yearling coeds showed up well in their initial encounter, displaying a fine passing combine and a better-than-average defense. The high school lassies look capable of causing much trouble, sounding a warning note by topping the sophs in their inaugural. Although the juniors were smothered by the champs, they have the equipment to finish near the top. The sophs, weak defensively, are bound to acquire a greater potency as the campaign continues.

The expectation that the boys series this year will reach unprecedented heights in excitement and in the caliber of basketball played seems well within the realms of possibility to one witnessing the opener. The "soph stalwarts" displayed their customary last-quarter scoring drive to establish themselves as favorites in the minds of many while the performances of the "seminary hoopsters" mark them as the chief penitent threat. The frosh-varsity game is hardly a fair criterion for judging the "plebes" but it does indicate that they are endowed with sufficient material to be exceedingly dangerous. The "junior juggernaut" sailed smoothly on its first voyage under highly favorable conditions while the hapless "sages" exhibited intestinal fortitude and intestinal fortitude (not a misprint).

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