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FAMED PIANISTS PRESENT FOURTH SERIES PROGRAM

**Audience Is Delighted By
Superb Performance**

PLAY MANY ENCORES

The fourth number of the present Artist Series was given Wednesday evening April 20, at the College Chapel by the duo-pianists Josef and Rosina Lhevinne, in what proved to be the prime musical event of the year thus far.

The internationally acclaimed virtuosos displayed individually, a remarkable impeccable technic, a varied palette of tone color, and an illuminative quality of interpretation such as belong to only a few artists of supreme rank. The effect achieved when rare gifts like those were united into an essentially flawless account of duo-pianism cannot be well described without drawing upon language apocalyptic.

The perfected synchronization, the blending of tone until it seemed to come from one instrument, and the oneness of feeling on the part of the two musicians, making the recital as the outpouring of a single spirit, all went into a performance that was superlative. The Lhevinnes showed their genius for ensemble playing to best advantage in the Mozart D major sonata. In the passages of thirds where the upper note is given to one piano, and the lower to the other, their tones were so balanced that it was nigh impossible to distinguish the notes as the production of two pianos

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SYMPHONY IN FRIENDSHIP

Friendship, N. Y. was the host community to the Little Symphony Orchestra in an out of town concert, Wednesday evening, April 19. The place was the Friendship high school auditorium.

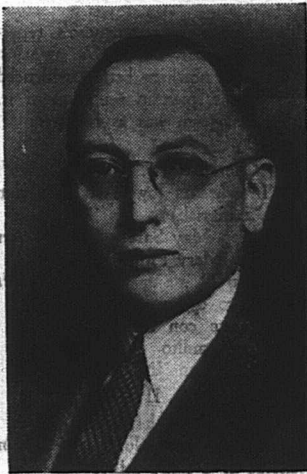
Cars conveyed the "strumming, tooting ensemble" to and from the scene of action, with leaving and returning times listed at 6:15 p.m. and 11 p.m.—the latter not too exact.

Audience enjoyment was evidenced throughout the performance. A new number, *From the Western World*, by Dvorak, was presented.

YOUTH CONFERENCE COMING MAY 13-14

Dr. Walter D. Kallenback, blind evangelist of Drexel Hill, Pa., will be one of the principal speakers at the third annual youth rally to be held at Houghton college on May 13 and 14. His life story is very exceptional. After leaving college where he was an outstanding athlete, he became the solo trumpeter in Paul Whiteman's jazz orchestra. While in this line of work, he met with a hunting accident which made him totally blind. Soon afterwards he was led to Christ and proceeding with his studies, overcoming all handicaps, he graduated from the University of Virginia as a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. Continuing his education he earned his Ph. D. and his

Ludwin Speaks



Speaking Tuesday evening and Wednesday in lecture appearances in the college chapel was Dr. Leonard Ludwin, world-traveler and authority on Mongolia. Dr. Ludwin is also well-informed on the situation in both Europe and Latin America, both of which he discussed while in Houghton. A full account of both lectures will be given next week.

Class Gift Revealed And Explained in Senior Chapel

The Senior class ably demonstrated (in chapel the morning of Friday, the 21st) the value of dictaphone service in the transaction of the college's daily business. Doctor Paine and Miss Stevenson aided in the demonstration. Two of the three machines used in dictation were given to the college by the Senior class, but the third, which is for the purpose of shaving the impressions from the wax cylinders after they have been used, was presented by an unknown donor. He is not known to most of the faculty or students although he has given several gifts to the college previously.

Harlan Tuthill, the Senior president, briefly explained the operation of the three machines. The dictaphone, into which the operator speaks, records the speaker's voice on a wax cylinder, which has room for at least six letters. If desired the machine may be run in such a way that the operator may hear his voice repeated from the mouthpiece after his speech

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Debate Conference Being Entertained On Cornell Campus

**Prof. Hazlett, Four Others,
Represent Houghton**

Four Houghton debaters accompanied by Dean Hazlett will represent Houghton at the annual New York State debate conference held this year at Cornell university, April 28-29.

The conference, which is traditionally held in the form of a model legislature, will consider three topics in its committee and general sessions: extension of public education through the junior college, tax-revision, and socialized medicine.

A new feature of the conference this year is the preparation of all bills in triplicate to be presented at the registration desk upon arrival.

Lois Roughan and Margaret Smith both senior debaters cannot make the trip to the conference this year. Both Mr. Elliott and Mr. Willert are unable to go. Debaters going will include Walter Sheffer, Jesse De Right, Leon Wise, Norman Mead.

Fiddle's As Good As Its Bow Says Noted Artist Playing Here

A fiddle is as good as its bow, according to Efram Zimbalist, and who is a better authority than he? The famous violinist, who is playing here May 10 in the last of the current artist Series says that bows are almost as rare and nearly as necessary to the virtuoso as are fine old violins. Though little is ever said of their value, these simple articles are worth as much as \$1,000 and seldom can be bought—by such masters as Zimbalist at any rate—for less than \$500.

"A great deal goes into the making of a good bow beside the wood and the hair," the artist explains. "And without a good bow a violinist is helpless in a tonal sense and greatly handicapped in a technical way. No matter how good his violin is, this is still true."

While in the mood for confessing, Zimbalist related how he ran away from his home in Rostov, Russia, when he was nine years old. He took his fiddle with him, and as luck would have it got the job of first violinist with an Italian opera company, which was playing in a nearby town during the summer months. It was a glorious lark while it lasted, but after two weeks it ended abruptly with his deportation back home again, having been discovered by his worried family.

The repertoire of the company was entirely Italian, and though it fascinated him, Efram found that he simply could not stay awake after the first act, unaccustomed as he was to a working day beginning at ten p. m. The conductor frequently had to beat something else besides time with his baton, the something else being the small, dozing violinist's head!

Mr. Zimbalist was reluctant to tell (Continued on page four)

FROSH WILL PUT OUT NEXT WEEK'S STAR

With this issue, Number 24, the *Star* staff as a unit completes its work for the year 1938-39.

As in the past the succeeding four issues under the editor's direction will be edited by staff's selected from each of the college classes. Class editors are chosen by popular vote by each class and pick their own assisting staff.

Next week will see the freshmen taking over the copy-editing for a week as John Haynes and his staff inaugurate proceedings. Their publication will be dated May 3, and will be succeeded on successive weeks by sophomore, junior, and senior staffs.

**HoDge --
--podGe**
BY THE EDITOR

Unobserving coeds and campus males have paid little attention from week to week as columnists have figuratively moped in type across the printed page of the weekly *Scallion*, attempting to cull from the mass of this and that the intriguing morsels of thought or interest. To the more sympathetic, who remember with what avidness they attacked Freshman Comp themes or composed novels, short stories, poems, essays, under the blanket authority of that intangible known as the English Department, there has been recognition of some "method in the madness" of these weekly *Brisbanettes*.

For the uninstructed we say: Be more observing next year. To the sympathizers who managed to get at least this far every week, we chortle: "Thanks anyway, pal, for being kindly inclined toward those semi-monthly splurges of other-campus happenings, and those equally frequent retrospections of Houghton 'history' in the making."

With the last staff issue in view there was the usual scramble this week to see who would not write this eagerly coveted quota of verbal hash. The coin which was finally flipped turned out to be heads on both sides, and thus a compromise had to be effected.

To make a long story longer resources and research material were pooled and the result is aptly designed (Continued on page two)

GRADE SYSTEM CHANGED

Confirming unofficial reports is the description in the new 1939-1940 catalog of the revised valuation of grade ratings in terms of semester hours, allowing B-plus and C-plus averages to count toward a higher index rating.

The following scale is to be employed in determining the rating of each credit hour: A, 3; B-plus, 2.5; B, 2; C-plus, 1.5; C, 1; D or below 0.

The new system already has provoked favorable comment from the student body, since it insures that the effort required to raise a grade from a C to a C-plus and a B to a B-plus will not go unrewarded. It will go into effect next year.

Annual Boulder Program Friday Evening Feature

**Masteller and Looman
Present "School Days"**

MUSIC, READING GIVEN

The annual *Boulder* program was presented on Friday, April 22, at 8:15 p. m. before a well-filled chapel.

With the dimming of the lights at the beginning of the evening, the spotlight was focused on Carl Vanderburg. His interpretation of Debussy in two vastly different types of music showed Mr. Vanderburg's versatility.

Along with the classical music the program included tragedy and humor. The single touch of tragedy was produced by Jesse DeRight in his recitation of an unhappy romance. The humorous side was in a skit, "School Days", performed by Marie Looman and Lenoir Masteller in which the unique costuming was an integral part of the comedy. The heads of the girls protruded through a canvas background above some little children's clothing. Artificial legs completed the illusion of puerility.

The musical comedy interpretation of the evening included "Little Sir Echo" sung by Laura Ferchen aided by Mr. Echo, Himself.

The serious part of the entertainment contained Handel's song, "Total Eclipse", sung by Halward Homan; "I Heard a Forest Praying" by DeRose, interpreted by Earle Sauerwine; and a "Prayer of Thanksgiving" and the "Jolly Roger Boys" as choral numbers sung by a male chorus under Professor Schram.

The program, as a whole, was well balanced between the humorous and the serious parts in spite of the disruption of some of the plans caused by the illness of some who were to have been in the performance.

Changes in Faculty And Administration Named for 1939-40

There will be few changes in the college faculty for the year 1939-40, according to the new catalog edition of the college bulletin.

Mr. Robert Homan, who will receive his B. S. of Music this year will return to take up his duties as instructor in brass and woodwind instruments, it is understood. Mr. Homan, who has had an unusually active musical career, will replace Mr. Whybrew who goes to Lockport and Barker high schools.

Two changes will occur also in the administration division of the college. Miss Lena Stevenson will become official college registrar, while Miss Grace Fitch will replace Miss Stevenson as secretary to the president.

It is rumored that there will also be a possible change in the art department, but as yet this is not definite, according to some reports. Also undisclosed as yet is the choice to fill (Continued on page four)

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EDITORIAL

HERE TODAY — WHERE TOMORROW?

That few staff members of Houghton Star history have ever chosen the journalistic field for their scope of accomplishment in later life has never been attested by official survey, but the truth of the statement is generally recognized. Could the present avocation of former journalists of the local environs be collected in aggregate it would still fail to answer the *why* of their college interest.

Neither do we guarantee to have the reason — unless it could be the wish to see said student publication continue. Too altruistic? Yes, Perhaps it is. Who knows?

As another staff calls *adieu*, not again to assemble thus as a working unit, and their experiences of 24 issues past merge into retrospect, they too are facing the query: "Too altruistic?" They do not answer "Yes."

An affirmative answer would not have been unexpected. Much as a publication office may appeal to some as a convenient place for editorial bigwigs to hang hat and coat prior to a daily lounge, the novelty soon is gone. Routine settles down in shrouding intensity. The surplus of assistants who crowded the rosters of reportorial candidates falls by the wayside. Even the faithful become weary — or is it Spring?

Then it is over. Those who remained to the end, as a reward for diligent plugging, chalk up their own satisfaction at a job done well — they hope. Nothing more, *decidedly less*, when there are included in the balance sheet the often hasty criticisms, the derogatory remarks, the unthinking comments which are incidental to the publishing of news which may often become acrid to individual tastes, or which by virtue of the known fallibility of its preparers succeeds in displeasing *some* of the public *much* of the time.

In trite phraseology, it was but yesterday we said, "Where will the Star be in another few years." Today, it is here. Where tomorrow? *There is the challenge.*

E. J. W.

FULL VALUE RECEIVED?

Do you eagerly anticipate the arrival of prominent persons on the campus? Or is it just another occasion for a special chapel during which you can sleep? Or a concert, giving you an opportunity for a date?

Perhaps there is no greater individual value in a college education than personal contact — contact with one's fellow students which satisfies an innate gregariousness and develops balanced personality; contact with professors with superior intellectual attainments which stimulate and inspire our own endeavors in that realm; and contact with well-informed persons of an outer world as they visit our campus from time to time.

Because of our somewhat unusual situation as a school, it is not at all difficult for us as a group to become rather self-satisfied as a unit. Unless we take time to read of current world affairs, we soon grow stagnant as to the general state of things.

May we remind you that as those accomplished in various fields come before us, there is a real opportunity to receive much needed stimulation and benefit.

Are you getting as much value as you may?

L. C. W.

Dr Paine Speaks Before Canadians

A week of "busy-ness" seems to characterize the activities of Houghton's A-1 super salesman, Dr. Paine, as he has been representing the college in various places recently.

After speaking at the 72nd National Holiness Convention at Asbury college, President Paine hurried northward Saturday, April 15 to address the Lockport Conference of the Wesleyan Church at East Aurora, N. Y.

Only two days after this conference closed, Dr. Paine left for Canada where he represented Houghton college at a convention of the Wesleyan churches of Ontario and Quebec.

He returned to Houghton Thursday night in time to participate in the Friday morning chapel.

Saturday, April 22, he left to speak before the League of Fundamental youth of Rochester at Elba and Sunday night was the guest speaker at the Corfu Wesleyan church.

Nazareth Debate Is Season's Last

The office of the college dean became the scene of a verbal combat, Friday, April 21, as the Houghton debaters met the team from Nazareth College at Rochester on the question "Resolved: That the Federal government should cease to use public funds for the stimulation of business."

The debaters from Nazareth who upheld the affirmative were Miss Dorothy Craig and Miss Mary Beamish. Those from Houghton who upheld the negative were Miss Margaret Smith and Leon Wise.

The affirmative stressed the ever-increasing debt and the lack of accomplishment of the present administration. The necessity of drastic action and the keeping of the country from a possibly serious situation were the important issues put forth by the negative.

HODGE-PODGE —

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nated by the distinctive cognomen above.

Announcement was made in April 1937 of the acceptance of Rev. E. W. Black of the position of college pastor. This coming August will mark the second anniversary of his ministry in the college church.

Baseball was on the up and up just a year ago. The Star for April 30, 1938 reports that the battery of Burns and Crandall, functioning behind the smooth hitting of the Purple squad, swamped the Gold contingent in the season's opener. This year's inaugural may and may not tell a different story. After reading "Al" Russell's caustic comments on the coming spring sport in Houghton and noticing the confident statements of managers Hilgeman and Densmore we still don't know whom to believe.

According to the *Fiat Lux* of Alfred next year a 5 year teaching plan will be inaugurated. In most cases this will mean a master's degree or the equivalent.

According to the *Lamron* 30 members of the Freshman class turned out for the newly organized journalism class. Those in the class will be given practice in collecting data looking for news stories, writing the material in suitable form for publication not only in the *Lamron* but in other papers in the vicinity. Why is it that journalism has never appealed to Houghton freshmen?

LHEVINNES —

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with the ear. In the Debussy *Fetes* the finished co-ordination of their rhythm was a thing of wonder and beauty. *The Afternoon of a Faun* also by Debussy was given with superb understanding of the languorous character of the composition. But it is difficult to enumerate a few high points when the entire recital attained such a peak.

Josef Lhevinne's solo group elicited great enthusiasm. The Liszt-Busoni arrangement of Paganini's *La Campanella* is one of the most difficult numbers in a virtuoso's repertoire, and Mr Lhevinne's amazing ability was nowhere better evidenced than in his splendid rendition of it.

The program was as follows:

I
Two Chorals Bach
"In Thee Is Joy (Arr by Vivian Langrish)
"Sheep May Safely Graze" (Arr by Mary Howe)
Sonata in D major Mozart
Allegro con spirito
Andante con moto
Allegro molto

ROSINA AND JOSEF LHEVINNE

II

Impromptu in F sharp major
Mazurka, Op. 50, No. 3 Chopin
Scherzo in C sharp minor
Valse Oubliee in F sharp major
Gnomesreigen

La Campanella Liszt-Busoni
JOSEF LHEVINNE

III

Impromptu, Op. 66 Reinecke
(from Schumann's "Manfred")
L'Après midi d'un Faune Debussy
Fetes (trans. Ravel) Schulz-
The Blue Danube Waltz Eyler
(Adapted for two pianos by Chasins)
ROSINA AND JOSEF LHEVINNE

Sonyea Colony Is Included in Trips Taken by Classes

Eighteen of professor Shea's Criminology class visited Sonyea, home for epileptics on Friday, April 22. The group was shown through the women's division of the colony, called the "Villa Flora." The village contains children as well as adults and many activities are carried on by the inmates; such as repairing their own shoes, basket weaving, and band work.

The class was instructed by Dr. Doolittle, as to the causes for epilepsy. There is no cure according to the Doctor and only about one-fourth of the patients can be aided in any way. Case histories were given of several patients and then these patients themselves appeared before the group. Among the apparent causes seemed to be syphilis, hardening of the arteries, and spinal meningitis in children.

Protestants and Catholics are represented in the colony, with the chapel being divided between these two groups.

World Fair To Have College Unit

As a result of a flood of letters asking the authorities of the New York World's Fair for a college unit Grover A. Whalen has kindly consented to turn over to the colleges a special Communications Building, which space should prove to be ample for the college needs.

This motion for college representation at the Fair came about after an ominous situation had been pointed out, namely, that despite the immensity of the coming exposition, the colleges were not being favored with any sort of participation.

Providing undergraduate America gives this embryonic department mor-



Hi
Toots!

by "Hi TOOTHILL"

Dear reader: (you see I am assuming that I still have one reader left) I come to the sad realization that this is my last "do or die" for the old weekly tabloid. So all youse guys and gels that have been the targets of barbed epithets, invectives, and other missiles can sit back and relax, for no more will your good names be dragged in the mud on my account.

There doesn't seem to be much to write about this week, except to say that the weather is good, and how are you? I saw alumnus John Hopkins his past week-end, and he took advantage of my good humor to drop one of his notoriously bad puns—bad enough to repeat here. "What German needs," says John, "is fewer, not *Feuhrer* Hitler." Gnutz!

Ho-hum! Look at the poor guys running out there on the cinder track. I'll just bet they wish they could be here in the library studying. Did you ever have a secret passion to be somebody else and do the things someone else does? Ah me, how fine a thing is the imagination. What brought all this on? Why, I just saw Husky Herb Loomis out jumping over the hurdles with all the grace of the Ballet Russe.

I understand that "Jesse" James is taking over this column next week for the Frosh edition. That's bad. I've given him so much questionable publicity this year that I think I'll leave town for a few days, so that any scandal he might stir up will have time to effervesce.

Isn't it disgusting the way we think of snappy comebacks just too late to use them. Last Friday morning, I was telling at large how in one evening Dr. Paine filled twelve cylinders on the Dictaphone with dictated letters, and the number of cylinders was steadily going up when he corrected me, saying the number was not twelve but eight—in other words, he made a four-cylinder liar out of me.

You can't blame the Junior fellows for having a good idea, even if they didn't take advantage of a couple of weeks of Senior inactivity to carry it out. I suppose several nifty little plans for disposing of our jackets presented themselves, but the one that seemed to catch their fancy especially was the idea that the whole bundle might be shipped down to the home of Dan Fox in Clinton, New Jersey, to be kept in storage until such time as we should get around to call for them. Imagine the long wait—the class might not be in northern Jersey until sometime next week—that little matter of a skip day.

al support, the colleges will enjoy World's Fair representation from the very date of initiation of the Exposition, April 30th. This prospective college feature is to serve a number of important purposes. Perhaps its major function is to represent the colleges at the Exposition, the colleges being encouraged to exhibit interesting and educational features.

A guide service is to be included at the college department. This "Reception Committee" will supply the undergraduate visitor with information regarding other college guests at the Fair or some other department

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Theolog Group To Go Varied Ways For Next Year

Several of Houghton's theological students have already signed up for positions for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Dayton are both under contract to teach at Westington Springs college in Westington Springs, South Dakota. Mr. Dayton will teach in the field of religious education, while Mrs. Dayton will supervise the teacher training department.

Mr. Arthur Osgood has taken over the pastorate of the Wellsville, N.Y. Wesleyan Mission. His brother, Chester Osgood, plans to continue in graduate work toward his doctorate.

As has been previously recorded in these pages, Everett Elliott is now in charge of the Wesleyan pastorate at Higgins, N. Y., beginning his duties last Sunday.

Sunday Services

"A Choice Young Man"

"A Choice Young Man" was the topic of the Rev. E. W. Black's sermon Sunday morning, April 23. This was the first of a series of messages on Bible characters which the pastor will deliver in the Sunday morning services.

Using I Sam. 9:1-10 for the basis of the character study of Saul, the Rev. Mr. Black said that the morning of Saul's life is a glorious story for he possessed many admirable characteristics which Christians could well emulate.

Saul was not only beautiful without, but beautiful within as well, the pastor asserted, for Saul was changed by the grace of God.

A male quartet from Faith seminary of Wilmington, Delaware was present and sang one number.

"God's Guidance"

"God's guidance" was the theme of the W. Y. P. S. service April 23, as it was conducted by the Bible School. Solos, duets, readings, and short messages were brought by various members of the department.

"Daily guidance is necessary to enable us to witness for God rightly in our daily contacts," said Mrs. Gerald Wright who acted as leader.

Mrs. Edwin Holley speaking on "The Value of Guidance" said, "Divine guidance brings security in our daily life and unity in the work of the kingdom."

Dorothy Prutsman and Ruth Hendricks brought readings and Dorothy Falkins led the singing.

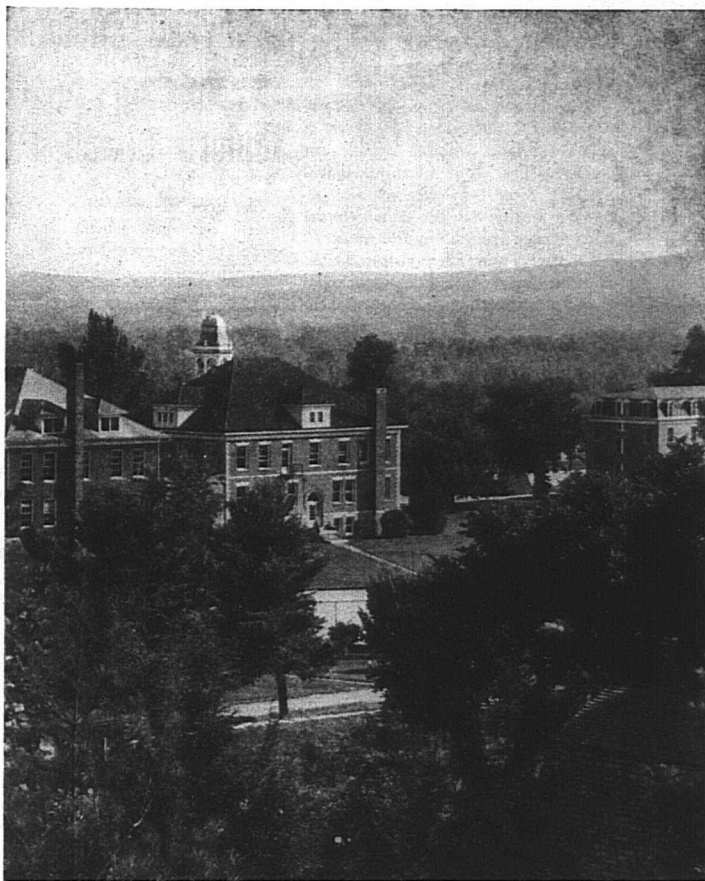
Rejection

"The promise that Christ will sit upon the throne of David is very clearly stated in the New Testament," said Rev. E. W. Black Sunday evening. His subject was "Why Did the Jews Reject Christ?"

Pointing out that the Jews rejected Christ because He did not come in the way that they were expecting he continued, "In the Day of Christ, Judah and Israel are going to be saved."

There are two lines of prophesy concerning the coming of Christ. The Jew rejected one. The church is rejecting the other. The Jew missed the Messiah. I fear the church will miss her King."

Olson Clark brought a message in song.



Bible School Who's Who Claimants

Mrs. Edwin Holley

An outstanding career has been the achievement of Mrs. Edwin Holley thus far.

Born in Pulteney, New York, she completed the eight grades of district school in six years and divided her high school accomplishments between Pulteney high school and Franklin academy. In high school Winifred was first lieutenant of Girl Scouts, sang in chorus, received a good citizenship award, and graduated in 1930 as valedictorian of her class.

She was married to Edwin Holley, Houghton college senior this year, in 1932 and entered Bible school in the fall of 1934. The couple's pastorates have been Bliss and Eagle. Mrs. Holley taught Daily Vacation Bible school for six or eight years before coming to Houghton, having complete charge of it for the past two years.

Edward Gitchel

The male member of the present Bible school seniors was born July 28, 1917, in Wellsville, Ohio. He lived in Buffalo for five years.

Edward attended Woodlawn school of Buffalo, Perham vocational high school, and Ebenezer high school. During his high school career he took a commercial course and was secretary to the principal, head of the student council, assistant editor of the school paper, and assistant patrol leader of Boy Scouts in Buffalo during his senior year.

Having been saved when a junior in high school, Edward entered Houghton Bible school in the fall of 1936.

Dorothea Prutsman

Troupsburg, N. Y. was the birthplace of Dorothea Prutsman. Spending the first twelve years of her scholastic activities in Troupsburg, Dorothea took part in high school basketball, junior and senior plays, and Sunday school and church work. She was Sunday school pianist and president of the Young People's Society.

Moving to Houghton in March of

Choir Presents 3 Programs Sunday

The unusual sight of the sun shining brightly greeted the choir members Sunday morning at the beginning of the first choir trip since the spring tour.

The Greyhound headed first toward Sheridan where the morning concert was sung. A cafeteria-style dinner was served afterward and the choir was liberally rewarded for their singing.

Jamestown was the scene of one of the most successful concerts of the year. The choir sang at the vesper service of Zion Mission church. The solemn strains of *Pomp and Circumstance* played by "Ted" Hollenbach led the choir's processional into the church. A capacity audience received the various numbers with apparent appreciation.

Living up to the reputation for good Swedish cooking, chicken noodles and other items gave the choir a good send-off to Forrestville where the evening concert was sung in the high school.

Feeling that the Forrestville concert was likewise of good calibre the choir headed for Houghton well satisfied with the concerts and the trip.

SCHOOL QUARTET SING AT FORRESTVILLE

Tuesday evening, April 18, the college quartet journeyed to Forrestville, N. Y. where they sang several numbers for the men of the North Chataqua Methodist Brotherhood who met at the Grange Hall for their monthly meeting.

Following the meeting, the boys sang for the Men's Bible Class which had gathered at the Baptist Church.

1937, she took three semesters each of college and Bible school work. During summers she is active in young people's work.

Her expression of appreciation of Houghton is representative of the sentiments of the other Bible school seniors. It is: "I shall never be able to tell how much Houghton Bible school has meant to me. I have received much benefit and inspiration through the careful instruction of its teachers."

Chugger Is To Work

With a rash of leaf buds beginning to burst forth on the bare arms of local arboreal species and green blades from the turf demanding a weekly haircut from the familiar one-lung chugger (mower to you), knowing ceds and men about campus are beginning to suspect that soon the landscape will take on a garb such as this.



Ourselves As God Sees Us

by ROBERT LYTLE

HEARERS ONLY

James, the practicalist, in writing his epistle of applied Christianity, enjoins, "Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only." And then he continued by illustrating this rather abstract command. The one who listens to God's Word, James says, is like the man who beholds himself in the mirror, sees and recognizes his imperfections, perhaps even determines to better these blemishes of comeliness, but as soon as his eyes no longer rest in the reflection in the glass he forgets his resolve. There is no change. The Christian, however, whose profession is really "pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father" not only gives attentive diligence in listening to the Word of God, but he also goes forth to do God's Word, to make his life conform to the Father's spoken will. Like the Gentiles of Antioch who after having been ministered to by the Apostle Paul "glorified the Word of the Lord," so the true Christian magnifies God's Word in his life.

Paul was at one time given the opportunity to present Jehovah, "The Unknown God," to the most erudite scholars of cultural Athens—those who "spent their time at nothing else, but wither to tell, or to hear some new thing." There on Mars Hill the great Apostle delivered the Word of God to those of the Areopagus. But what was the result? "And when they heard"—all there heard the Word—"some mocked, and others said, 'We will hear thee again of this matter.'" Only a few seem to have believed unto repentance. Many were hearers; few were doers.

Jesus himself in speaking of those who heard his sayings and did them not asserted, "He that heareth and doeth not is like a man that without a foundation built a house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great." On what better authority than on these words of Christ could James command, "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only."

What a good example of Word-doing Christians were the Ephesians. Paul on his third missionary journey spent two years proclaiming the Gospel to the people of Ephesus. With what results? Were the people merely attentive hearers? Listen to the words of St. Luke as he recounts the story: "And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds. Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together and burned them before all men. So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed." The Ephesians heard the Word and were prompted to action. They did the Word of God.

But James says, "Be YE doers of the word." He is speaking, among others, to us here at Houghton, us who so often have the privilege of being hearers of the Word. He would have all of us to be doers of God's teachings as well. During the past one, two, three, or four years all of us have been seeing our moral and spiritual selves reflected in the stainless, piercing mirror of God's Holy Writ. We all are hearers. Many of us by the Spirit's help have, upon seeing our need, conformed to the Word. We are doers also. But alas, some of us have beheld ourselves in the Word of God and turned away to do nothing. Hearers only.

PEARL CRAPO SPEAKS ON THEME "REJOICE"

Pearl Crapo, leading the students' prayer meeting, April 18, gave a Bible study on rejoicing.

"There is one admonition throughout the Bible," she said, "which we often forget—rejoice." We have much for which to be glad, God's gift of salvation through Christ, daily victory through Christ, and all spiritual blessings.

She was assisted by a male quartet composed of R. Carpenter, C. Foster, L. Paul, and K. Sackett.

Bible School Club Meets

At the regular meeting of the Bible School club on Monday evening, April 17, the class in Christian Evidences debated on the following question: "Resolved that fulfilled prophesy is the best proof that the Bible is the Word of God." The affirmative was upheld by Harriet Kalla and Edward Gitchel, the negative by Dorothy Prutsman and Claude Scott. The judges, Miss Belle Moses, Mrs. Edith Lee, and Prof. Frank Wright rendered a decision of 2 to 1 in favor of the affirmative. Dorothy Falkins acted as chairman of the debate.

The musical numbers consisted of a vocal solo by Mary Foster and a vocal trio by Anna Ross, Marjean Bennett, and Elizabeth Carlson.

Seminary Quartet are In Chapel on Monday

A quartet from Faith Theological seminary, Wilmington, Del. conducted the chapel service, Monday, April 24.

Members of the group included Mr. Alvin Paine, brother of President Stephen Paine, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lytle and Mr. Lipscomb; the latter being the speaker of the quartet who brought the morning message.

Basing his remarks on the phrase "We preach Christ crucified" Mr. Lipscomb pointed out that the preaching of Christ is foolishness both to our nation and to many of our churches. In conclusion he cited three reasons why we should preach Christ: the record in the Scriptures; the only hope of salvation; the Christian's source of victory.

Tennis Due To Take Its Share Of the Spotlight During Spring

FROSH DARKHORSES

Many have been the longing glances cast out of the back windows at those two wire enclosed, clay-topped rendezvous of the addicts of out-of-door sports during the last few days, but now their desires seem to be materializing for with a bit of sunshine, valiant scraping and rolling the courts show promises that the days of tennis are at hand.

No one knows what the Freshman class may produce in the line of tennis players, but there is to be given a chance for everyone, who so desires, to test his skill as a racket wielder. Trial and error will be the rule of the day when competition gets under way and proud should be the ones who are fortunate to reach the finals or semi-finals, for from the ranks of these will be picked the respective Purple and Gold teams which will play the 3 doubles and 3 singles matches which characterize their competition.

The material from which the girls teams will be picked includes, Tish Higgins, Veazie, Wright, Moody, and Montgomery for the Gold with a promise of aid from Myra Thomas the fast-moving Freshman flash. On the Purple side Billie and Gerry Paine will form the nucleus around which a team may be built including such players as the veteran, Millie Schaner.

Undoubtedly the king-pin position on the men's team this year will be clinched by Jack Crandall who will find his stiffest competition in Ellsworth Rupp, prominent Gold gut-wielder. The remaining spots of importance will likely find Walt Sheffer, Marve Eyer, Bill Crandall, Justice Prentice and George Hilgeman in occupancy for the purple and Vic Murphy, Miles Weaver, Dave Paine and Red Ellis as their opposers.

Such ratings are leased only on last seasons performances, but what a difference a year makes. Those who are familiar with the grip of the racket ought to be able to find many weak spots in these players ability, and in so doing make a place for themselves on this spring's tennis team and open the opportunity of earning one of those few and much coveted letters of honor which are awarded to the players of merit.

FACULTY CHANGE

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the position of Dean of Women, replacing Miss Driscoll, who leaves this year preparatory to returning to the African field.

ZIMBALIST

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how he got the job in the first place. "Oh, I just got it," he said.

"Do you mean to say you applied for it?"—the picture of a serious nine year old offering his services as occupant of the most important position in an orchestra of grown men being irresistibly amusing.

"Well, yes. In a way. But not exactly, either. You see, the company needed a violinist, and having heard that there was a boy in the next town who could play, they came and asked me if I would. Besides, they could get me at a low salary," he added with a smile.

The Zimbalist concert was originally scheduled for last fall but was postponed due to the death of Mrs. Zimbalist (Alma Gluck).

CALENDAR

Thursday, April 27
7:00 Robert Homan, Trumpet Recital
Friday, April 28
Second Purple-Gold Baseball game
Thursday, May 4
Senior Skip Day
Friday, May 5
Freshmen entertain Juniors
High School Junior Senior Banquet
Mixed Recital
Saturday, May 6
Inter-class Track and Field
Monday, May 8
Lecture Course Number
Wednesday, May 10
Zimbalist Concert

Houghton Debaters In Exhibition Match

Thursday evening, April 20, Dean Hazlett, Edward Willett, Everett Elliott, Walter Sheffer, and Jesse De Right went to Richburg, N.Y. to put on an exhibition debate before the Richburg Men's Club. They debated the varisty pump priming question. Dean Hazlett was chairman of the debate. Mr. Willett and Mr. Elliott upheld the affirmative side of the question and Mr. Sheffer and Mr. DeRight the negative.

The debate was a bit out of the ordinary in that the debaters delivered their constructive speeches, after which, in place of rebuttals, the audience asked the questions and the debaters answered them.

Of course a detail of not less importance was the "sumptuous" supper served to the Houghtonites by the men's club, a supper at which Dean Hazlett and Walt Sheffer are said to have literally "shown."

The debaters returned to Houghton at 10 o'clock and just in time to hear the last two numbers of the Lhevinnes' concert.

Richburg is the home of one of our freshmen, Frances Wightman.

Professor Ries Speaks On "Be of Good Cheer"

In a chapel talk on Thursday, April 20, Professor Claude Ries spoke about the three depressing factors in life and the sure cure found for them in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The three adversities were sin, disappointment, and death. The text, "be of good cheer", was from the words of Jesus when He ministered to a person suffering from sin, or from disappointment, or from the proximity of death.

Jesus cured the infirm sinner with the words, "Son be of good cheer, thy sins are forgiven"; He quieted the struggling disciples as they toiled to cross the storm-swept sea of Galilee with the words, "be of good cheer"; and when threatened by the shadow of the cross, He muttered this, "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer for I have overcome the world." Even death the last enemy, is superseded by life promised in the Gospel of Christ.

WORLD FAIR

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or function of the Fair concerning which the guest wishes information.

Lastly the department is to serve as a rendezvous for undergraduate America at which the undergraduate guest should feel free to meet and enjoy meeting his college friends at any time during his visit.

GIFT GIVEN

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has been recorded.

The transcriber is used by the secretary to hear the recorded letter at any speed and volume suitable for typing. The third machine shaves the used recordings from the wax cylinder. In this way the same cylinder may be used from 85 to 100 times.

Doctor Paine demonstrated the machine by dictating a letter and then permitting the audience to hear it as recorded by the dictaphone through an amplifier. Miss Stevenson used the transcriber to type the letter he had dictated. Dan Fox then shaved the used cylinder on the third machine.

One advantage of the equipment is its portability. This was illustrated when the scene became a hotel room and Dr. Paine called for a dictating unit from the dictaphone company's agency in the city. With the presentation of a courtesy card the machine is delivered to the room and called for after use with no charge. These cards are obtained with the purchase of the equipment and Houghton has secured three, one for the President, the Dean of the college and the publicity department. Mailing cartons are also supplied so the cylinders can be mailed back to the secretary to have the letters typed and sent while President Paine is away. This is a distinct advantage since it is necessary for the president to be away so much of the time.

The recording of the presentation speech was heard through the amplifier and Doctor Paine replied on behalf of the college pointing out how much time had been saved already by being able to do so much dictation when it wasn't always possible to have the secretary's and his time coincide.

Margaret Smith led the devotions which opened the chapel program.

READING CONTEST IS HELD AT EXPRESSION CLUB MEETING

The Expression Club, that meeting-place of Houghton talent, aired its genius in a new way the 24th of April. The program sponsored by Houghton's W. C. T. U. women, was a speaking contest, the reward of which was a silver medal.

Participating in the contest were Jesse DeRight, Robert Burns, Howard Barnett, Tom Gardiner, and George Hilgeman. Each of the speeches was presented in an extremely vivid narrative style, picturing the ruined and lost lives of those who have come under the dark shadow of liquor.

For a contest where the battle was a keen one, George Hilgeman came out winner adorned with a silver medal by Professor Stanley Wright. In his speech proving his ability and poise as a public speaker, Mr. Hilgeman lived the horrified scene imagined by a dying brewer, Mr. Shultz.

As winner of the contest, Mr. Hilgeman is in line for a series of contests the ultimate reward of which is a scholarship in a Boston school of speech.

French Club Entertained By Its Faculty Members

Three faculty members of Le Cercle Francais, Dr. Woolsey, Prof. Stockin, and Miss Pool entertained at the meeting held Friday, April 21. For an hour the members of the club listened to L'Heure de Pandre from station W. W. W. in the Eiffel tower. Mlle. L'Etang (Miss Pool) read questions which had been sent in strangely enough by members of Houghton's French club. These questions were capably answered by M. Sainvois and M. Le Bas (Dr. Woolsey and Prof. Stockin) who

Volleyball Succumbs To Outdoor Sports; Seniors Clinch Title

The door slammed shut on indoor sports last week when the Senior squad eked out by a 2 out of 3 margin in interclass volleyball championship for the year on Wednesday April 19, and the Gold men proved superior over their Purple opponents Friday evening with games tallying 21-17 and 21-11 points.

In the earlier clash the seniors, overconfident with a victory in the first game, found themselves being taken over in the second encounter, and hard pressed in the final game, though it finally ended with them on top. By using their time-outs to advantage the juniors were able to find the working arrangement that stopped the maroon tide for a while. It was the brilliant spiking ability of Harlan Tuthill which piled up the needed points for the winners when the two teams seemed to have reached an equilibrium. Since the most demoralizing effects to a volleyball team come from the boys being pulled out of position, it may be said of the seniors that they were able to play the waiting game and keep plugged the vulnerable spots which are the cause of many a lost game.

When the talent united into their respective color teams, the result seemed to show a superior ability at volleyball arising in the Gold camp. The ability of Mix, Evans, and Weaver to set 'em up to those famous spikers Dave Paine and Red Ellis formed a strong combination which was able to "produce the goods". Bill Olcott and Jack Crandall were responsible for some of the most outstanding efforts for the losers, but the team was not able to cope with the offence produced across the net.

With this the volleyball took leave of the court for another year, and the boys hung up their togs with memories of many hard fought indoor contests, and anticipation of continued competition in the good old out-of-doors.

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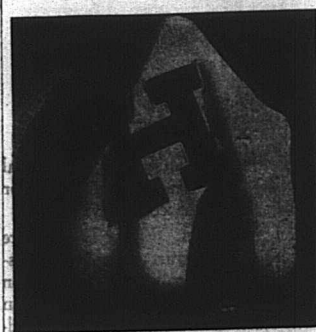
know all the answers.

Next the entertainers presented a scene from Moliere's play *Don Juan*. The characters were:

Don Juan Mr. Stockin
Violette Miss Pool
D'Image Dr. Woolsey

In addition to this program Thelma Havill led devotions, and French songs were sung.

IN THE



SPORTLIGHT

by VICTOR MURPHY

Have you noticed all the dragging, raking, sprinkling and rolling going on around the school recently? Coach McNeese has been putting his classes to work in an effort to get everything in shape for the opening in spring baseball and tennis. Both the courts and the diamond have received the necessary smoothing out process which followed by just enough rain and a good packing down have got them into excellent shape as early in the year as has ever been possible. Baseball started Wednesday, tennis practice is scheduled to commence this Friday or Monday at the latest if the good weather holds out, and the track season is well under way with the newly raked track already hard enough to stand considerable pounding each day.

Have you seen those girls out afternoons tossing the baseball around? They are already getting in training for the new innovation this spring—girls Purple and Gold softball. Although games have not been scheduled as yet, the near future is certain to unfold late afternoon or twilight contests in which if the games are well supported and prove successful from the standpoint of competition of the Purple-Gold caliber, the formation of a varsity team may mean the innovation of a fourth sport for the girls.

Have you seen those Purple and Gold clad warriors out matching skill on the diamond recently? Prognosticators are not too much in vogue but there are definite trends which can already be seen from the practice session of the teams which might point in certain general direction. In pitching power the Purple seem to have a slight advantage in numbers for both Crandall and Whybrew have been warming up quite consistently. In the infield there may be found perhaps almost a balance of power with the edge again perhaps to the Purple who have a quite efficient Bill Olcott to strengthen the team. The outfield do not get too much work in Houghton for as is the case in batting ability, neither team is outstanding. If this balance were true, and only time will tell, it might look at the outset as if the Purple squad would repeat its victory of last season. It might also be said that if the series does happen this way it will not be easy as it sounds, and the victory either way will probably take place by the skin of their teeth.

Keep Watch of the *Star* to follow and the sports column which will be included, for the newness which will arise from the remarks of the class editors should cast new light, give new ideas, make different predictions, and in all be well worth while the time given to read them.

In the *Echo* of Taylor a small article on the second page says that due to prevalence of low grades among the seniors their senior privileges would be repealed. Must have been a jolt to some unsuspecting ones.