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### Three of Group Give Testimonies over WBNY

Fifteen Houghton students and graduates got together in New York City last weekend for a gala college reunion that lasted from Friday afternoon until Sunday night. Included on the program of this vacationing group were the hearing of La Traviata, a visit to Radio City, attendance at a number of broadcasts, including the City Service Concert (oldest program on the air), worship at Calvary Baptist Church and meals at some of New Yorks finest restaurants

The Saturday night broadcast of Jack Wyrtzen's Word of Life Hour and Sunday dinner were the occasions for the largest gathering of Houghtonians. Sunday evening three of the number, Frank Houser, Helen Baker, and Edwin Mehne had opportunity to give their testimonies over statioin WBNY during the weekly broadcast of the Belluose Baptist Church on Long Island while that same afternoon the whole "mob" heard the Rev. H. Park Tucker, renowned Houghton graduate of the class of '40, give his life testimony in Calvary Baptist Church.

Those participating in part or all of the weekend activities were Alvin Ramsley, James Hughes, Edwin Mehne, Frank Houser, Leola Avery, Helen Baker, Jean Scott, Glenda Fridfelt, Jane Harrison, Allyn Russell, Robert Oehrig, "Gerry" Mc-Kinley, Jack Haynes, Tom Hannan, and Evelyn Geer McCartney.

## A Senior and a Junior Lead 2nd Semester Grade Points

The registrar announces the following list of high grade points for the second semester of this year.

Among the seniors, Arnold Cook with a 3.000 grade led the diploma seekers. Mar tha Woolsey's 3 point was high junior index, and the two year class was paced by Ina Jackson who carried off a 2.750. In the frosh class there was a close race for first place with Mary Dukeshire taking the honors with 2.941, closely followed by Jean Christianson and Gwen Charles with 2.900 gradepoints.

## Students Have Gala Convocation Will Open the Regular Reunion In New York Summer Session; Dr. Tripp, Speaker

SPEAKER



DR. MYRON L. TRIPP

## **Lockport Conference Convenes** At Houghton Campground

The yearly convention of the Lockport Y. M. W. B. Conference was held Wednesday morning and afternoon in the Houghton College chapel, under the direction of Rev. Everett Elliot.

Several speakers were heard during the day including Miss Roma Lapham from California, Mrs. Alton Liddick recently of India and Mrs. E. E. Edling late of Angola, Portuguese West Africa.

At 7 o'clock Wednesday evening the Annual Lockport Conference was convened on Houghton Camp grounds. It was called to order by the President, Rev. A. J. Taylor, pastor of the Olean church. The Conference Sermon was delivered at 8 o'clock by Rev. George Osgood of Levant.

On Friday afternoon the Convention address was delivered by Rev. Reisdorph, the Conventional S. S. Secretary, following the annual business meeting and election of officers. Officers elected for the coming year are: David Anderson, President and J. R. Pitt, Vice-president.

Friday evening was missionary night. The first part of the program was presented by the Houghton Y. M. W. B. under the direction of Mrs. Hugh Paine, assisted by Miss Ruth Ortlip, and included songs and

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### Registration Will Begin At 8 a.m. Monday, June 21

The Summer Session Convocation will feature an address by Dr. Myron L. Tripp, visiting Professor of Political Science and Economics. Dr. Tripp, who has studied in several European universities and took his doctorate at the University of Zurich, will speak on the topic: "Christianity in Europe". The convocation will meet at 1:30 p.m. in the college chapel on Monday, June 21.

Dr. George E. Moreland will preside at the convocation and will make several important announcements which are of vital interest to the summer session student body. Professors John M. Andrews and Alton M. Cronk will furnish special music.

Summer Session registration begins at 8 a.m. on Monday, June 21. Students should endeavor to complete their registration during the morning so that they will be completed by the time of the convocation. Following the convocation there will be fifteen-minute sessions of the classes.

## **Encouraging News From** Convalescents Among Faculty

Prof. R. W. Hazlett underwent an operation for the relieving of high blood pressure at the Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester on June 3. A second operation to be performed ths week, it is hoped will completely relieve the trouble from which Professor Hazlett has suffered for the past four years. His stay in the hospital will probably be about three weeks.

Mrs. Caro M. Carapetyan, who underwent an operation in the Woman's Hospital, New York on June 4, is gradually regaining her strength. It is expected that she will be able to return home in about two weeks.

Mrs. Philinda Bowen, who has been suffering from a heart ailment, is steadily improving. Since the closing of the infirmary she has been in her home and is being cared for by her sister, Mrs. Ruby Clough.

Dr. Robert Luckey, who is suffering from a broken leg, is now able to walk in the house and yard, and hopes to be able to conduct a laboratory at school sometime this week.

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#### "Cela ne me chaut pas".

Have you ever felt a little envious of the person who, as you put it "never gets excited about anything"? If so, it was probably just after getting yourself into "hot water" because you "got all steamed up" over something.

It is true that some people always maintain an even keel because of a constant and masterful self-control. May their number grow! However, one should not lose sight of the fact that there is a type of individual, by no means to be envied, who never "gets up steam" for the simple reason that he has no fire under the boiler. He has so schooled himself to the idea that every expression of emotion is a sign of weakness or immaturity that his sensibilities have been caloused, and he will not be shaken from his stolid apathy.

These are indeed days when one should not allow himself to be carried away by wild enthusiasms. On the other hand, it is no time to assume a namby-pamby, "who cares?" attitude, that used to find expression in the old

"ishkabible".

The person who can, unmoved, listen to the band play The Star Spangled Banner while "old glory" is being unfurled to the breeze, who doesn't feel a thrill of patriotic pride when he sees our boys marching away to give their best for the country; the student who never thrills over the beauties of a mathematical demonstration, over a passage of great literature, or a piece of lofty music; the Christian whose soul doesn't sometimes surge with the vastness and glories of the spiritual realities -

Well, may God mercifully lead such individuals out of their soul-paralysing non-chalance into the depths of a richer, fuller, more effective life. - P.E.W.

## Summer Activities of Some Of the Faculty Members

Dean Philip Ashton is teaching psychology in Wheaton College.

Miss Frieda Gillette is at Cornell continuing work on her doctoral dissertation, which consists of an analysis of the last New York State constitutional convention.

Miss Crystal Rork is also at Cornell continuing research on the cellular structure of the numerous species of the gention.

A number of the regular staff are teaching in the summer semester and still others will be added during the eight weeks summer session. A few are taking a much-needed rest after a strenuous and almost vacationless year. Still others are adding patriotic duties to school work. For instance, Professor Alton Cronk is broadcasting recorded concerts from a loud speaker in the music building, and sponsoring an Artist Series to maintain morale and musical taste; he is raising victory pigs, victory rabbits and victory cabbages and turnips to help maintain a certain portion of a nation at war.

Miss Bess Fancher and Mrs. Zola Fancher are planning to attend the General Conference of the Houghton W. M.

Church in Fairmount, Indiana.

#### Wedding of Glenda Burgess Held in Houghton Church

Sunday afternoon the wedding of Miss Glenda Burgess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Burgess of Houghton and Buffalo, and Mr. John Golden took place in the Houghton W. M. Church. The church was beautifully decorated with pink and white peonies. Reverend Noah Shaffer, pastor of the W. M. Church of Cattaraugus performed the ceremony. Miss Margaret Hamilton was organist and Miss Doris Anderson, soloist, sang "I Love You" by Grieg and "I Love Thee" by Beethoven. The bride was given away by her father. Mr. Golden is serving his internship as a dentist in New York City.

Following the ceremony there was a reception at the bride's home.

#### Lockport Conference . . .

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recitations and missionary map study. Marilyn Tucker played the piano and Leon Carapetyan sang, accompanied by a junior

A short missionary drama on India was presented by a group of Houghtonians.

Sunday morning at the church services held on the camp grounds, Miss Roma Lapham, '34, who has been at a mission for mexicans in Carlsbad California and Gordon Wolfe, a former Bible School student, were ordained elders. Rev. Rufus Reisdorph preached the ordination sermon.

## College Barn Is Destroyed By Fire from Lightning

A barn on the section of the college farm known as the Wilson place was struck by lightning and was completely destroyed by fire on June 4. A quantity of bailed hay and some farm machinery were also burned. The Caneadea Fire company was able to save other buildings, but the Houghton fire truck was unable to reach the scene of the fire because of a tree uprooted by the storm and blown across the road near the milk plant in Houghton. The loss of \$4,000 was partly covered by insurance.

## They Did It!

Billie Waaser '41, and Frederick Schlafer '39, at Randall Memorial Church, Williamsville June 12. Miss Waaser has been teaching at Forestville and Mr. Schlafer has been attending Southern Baptist Theological Seminary where he has been granted the B. D. degree.

Marion Schoff '43 and Philip Chase '44, at Barton, Vermont. Mr. Chase plans to complete his college work next year in preparation for entering the ministry.

Harriett Kalla '43 and Bert Hall '43 at East Aurora, N. Y., June 1. Mr. Hall plans to attend Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Chicago next year.

Thelma Fuller '43 and Jesse De Right '41 at Rochester, N. Y. on May 29.

## FUZZ!

When asked "What do you like best about Houghton summer school?", the following cross section of students on the campus gave these answers.

Mary Nocera, soph, replied: Houghton is gorgeous and I love it, but I miss all the noise and stuff. However, the Christian atmosphere and the fellowship is something I cherish.

Burdette Curtis, senior, says: I like the good friends and fellowship with students, the prayer meetings, talks, and hard work I'm supposed to do. I don't like climbing those horrible steps to physics class. It's really a beeautiful place. You get to have better friendships. I don't know where I'd rather be.

Ruth McCamman, sophomore, thinks its "neat, if you have nothing to do."

Jean Marble, ornithology student says: I enjoy raising little birds.

#### Birth

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Charles Foster on May 24, a son, Stephen Arthur. Mrs. Foster was Leona Strickland '39. Mr. Foster is pastor of the Wesleyan Church at Tallmadge, Michigan.

## Reminiscence

BY MARY JANE LARSON

There was a long, long trail a winding Into the land of my dreams Where a sheep skin was unrolling With my name in letters bold. There was a long, long trail a winding Until my dreams all came true, And I really reached the portal And graduation came in view.

To the wearer of a green and yellow cap it seemed like a long and pleasant trail up an enchanted mountain, but now with even the mortar board put away, the distance covered seems rather short, the mountain of knowledge looms larger than before and the trail goes ever onward and upward.

Now as with diploma in hand, I begin to walk down my own little path, I recall happily my four year journey with the class of '43. Of course there were always other classes traveling with us and that naturally made the climbing more interesting.

Freshman days were happy and relatively carefree—we quickly made friends with all our fellow travelers—dates were numerous and we decided we liked this company—we wore our clothes insideout, fought with the sophs, pulled them through the river—we didn't know how to study

but experience was a good teacher.

As sophomores we tried to impress the frosh with our importance—we settled down to really study and do some honest to goodness thinking—we decided what to major in and what our life work would be—we planned house parties, went all out for "Sadie Hawkins Day"—bonds of friendship were made stronger—love and loyalty to Houghton became a part of us.

The Junior year was full of challenge—we mustered the best within us and met it squarely—the advanced courses, the publication of a Boulder, the responsibilities of campus leadership, and the Junior-Senior banquet—we watched and listened tensely as our country went to war—classmates left our ranks to serve their country—we witnessed a great revival—we built on a sure foundation.

As Seniors we raced up the trail. Days were busier than ever before—practice teaching—lab assisting—parties—breakfasts—banquets—midnight oil—bull sessions—hikes—lectures—concerts—basketball—bandage rolling—war courses. We felt we couldn't miss a thing. Our classmates were called one by one and our correspondence increased. The final stretch through the graduation activities was all too short and the cross roads reached so quickly.

We learned a great deal about traveling on life's highway — let's hope our paths in days to come will often cross those of other Houghton hikers.

## Voice Instructor Married in Houghton W. M. Church

At noon, Saturday, June 5, Edith M. Stearns, daughter of Mrs. Minnie Stearns of Hougthon, and Russell S. Livenspire, of Spartansburg, Pa., were united in marriage in the Houghton Church by Prof. Stanley W. Wright. The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Glenn Stearns, wore a dress of white marquisette and carried a wedding corsage of white roses, gardenias and lilies of the valley.

The matron of honor was Velma Harbeck Moses, a former classmate of the bride at Houghton College. Paul Stearns, brother of the bride, acted as best man and ushers were Worth Cott and Alton Cronk.

Margaret Hamilton played the wedding march and also accompanied Mrs. Robert Homan, soloist, in "Through the Years," and "The Lord's Prayer." The church was simply decorated for the ceremony in spirea and pink roses.

Following the ceremony was a reception with thirty guests at Gaoyadeo Hall on the college campus, Those present were the attendants and immediate families of the bride and the groom.

Mrs. Livenspire has been for two years an instructor in voice in Houghton College, and Mr. Livenspire has been employed by the Baldwin Construction Co. of Erie, Pa. Since he is now called into the armed forces, Mrs. Livenspire will remain in Houghton with her mother.

## Treasure Hunt Stumps Summer Semester Students

Saturday evening, a group of summer school students took time off for some fun of a type different from the usual diversions. Two teams were chosen and set out after a treasure concealed in the rec hall with clues hidden all over the campus and village, and even at the college farm and the cemetary. One group ended up in Barnett's chicken yard, however, and was rescued only when the call to mess sounded from the rec hall. The second group was stumped with one romantic clue, dealing, so the rumor goes, with a holy kiss. They never did fligure out what it really was.

Earlier in the week a hot dog roast and scavenger hunt was given for the quartet by Ruth McCamman at her home.

#### Marion Birch Engaged

The engagement of Marion Birch and Miss Marjorie Trout was recently announced. Miss Trout is from Philadelphia where she is taking nurses' training. Marion and Miss Trout have been visiting with Alden Gannett at Border City and have been spending some time on Lake Cayuga. Miss Trout's parents are missionaries in the Belgian Congo where they have been eight years without furlough.

## Prep School Seniors Skip To Letchworth State Park

On Thursday morning, June 10, thirteen seniors of Houghton high school and 2 faculty members laid aside their cloaks of dignity and boarded the bus for Letchworth Park, laden with baskets, boxes, kettles, and cans. A peppy bunch they were, anticipating a day of fun together.

The morning was occupied with a softball game in which Miss Pool (Alice, for the day) and Dick Hazlett brought their side to a lead of 11 to 1. When "Big Wave" Broad knocked the cover off the ball, all consented that it was dinner time anyway.

Chicken was heartily eaten with fingers at dinner, and noodles were guzzled with evident delight, along with raw carrots, pickles, lemonade, cookies, and oranges. After dinner the group dispersed for the afternoon and went by twos, threes, and fours in different directions.

By supper time many interesting tales were told of the many adventures. It seemed that Miss Pool had had quite an escapade climbing over a certain high fence and embracing Mary Jemison. Prof. Stockin (Gordon, for the day) came back with an enormous appetite. Lucille Barnett, Peg Fancher, Wavel Broad, and Fred Preston reathed Wolfe Creek by thumbing a ride, and came bouncing back at 30 m. p. h. on the put-put machine that cuts the grass along the road. They had a hilarious conversation with the mower, who said he was rejected by a Houghton girl named Alice 25 years ago.

Supper consisted of macaroni salad, thousands of sandwiches, more drinks, a few leftovers and birthday cake for Dorothy "Pocohontas" Preston.

At 7:30, the gang dragged their weary feet up the steps to the road and out to the corner to await the bus. Ice cream cones gotten by Lucy and Peg in Portageville helped pass the time until the sagging vehicle rounded the corner and flung its doors for a bunch of silly seniors and fatigued faculty members, who stood in the aisle and entertained passengers with "Come Back to Dear Old Houghton".

For further information about skip day, ask Max Fancher if he drinks root beer; ask Lloyd Tuttle where he lost his Cameo ring; ask any senior if he knows anything about "fatstuff."

#### Willard Heck Takes Pastorate

Rev Willard Heck has been called to the pastorate of the Rushford Baptist Church. Mr. Heck will move his family to Rushford sometime during the summer. He plans to continue his college work when school opens in September.

## FACTS ABOUT



## Our Servicemen

Ensign John Will '42, is supervising installation of sounding apparatus and direction finders.

Pvt. Gerald Smith is in the Signal Training Regiment, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He has just finished basic training and is now in school in Message Center. Miles Weaver and Robert (Buster) Burns are with him. Gerry says: "You'd be surprised what a satisfaction it is to be able to talk to some fellows of like background and interest, and believe, me, I have found few."

Pvt. Irwin Tuthill was on furlough last week and visited his home in Fillmore. He is in Medical Detachment at Ft. Dix, New Jersey.

John Miller is in N.P.E.G. Center, Camp Shelby, Miss. and was among 10 of his company who were permitted to make application for specialized training. He says, "The regular chaplain at the chapel I attend is a fine preacher giving you something to think about and a blessing for the week.

Leslie Wilcox has been accepted for specialized training in engineering, and is in University of New Hampshire.

Lieut. Elton Kahler '38 was recently moved from officers training school at Orlando, Florida to Philadelphia, where he is an intercept officer.

Philip Anderson '33 and Winton Halstead '37 have recently become army chaplains. Mr. Anderson has finished his chaplain's course at Harvard and is being tem porarily stationed in Colorado.

Earle C. Bowen '36 was recently graduated from the Radio Technician Training course at the University of Buffalo as an honor student with all grades over 90 per cent. He took the work at night while employed for the Curtis Airplane Co. He is enlisted in the U. S. Army Signal Corps.

Lt. Clyde Meneely is an instructor in Automotive Section of Anti-Aircraft Artillery School, Camp Dans, North Carolina. He writes—"The thermometer has been constantly around the 100 mark. You can imagine how it feels in a one-story building with a complete absence of trees. It is a little difficult to present the lectures with some variation. We have a 10 minute break after the hour of lecture. To bridge the gap, I have discovered that one or 2 minutes of news works very well. I feel it is an

#### RECORDED CONCERT FOR NEXT MONDAY EVENING

The third of the weekly outdoor recorded summer concerts will be given this Monday evening, June 21, on the lawn beside the music hall. The tentative program includes Overture to Oberon by Weber, Symphony No. 5 by Shostakovitch and La Valse by Ravel. This program of modern music which will be given on the opening day of the Summer Session is very appreciated by everyone.

### News from Graduates

Martha Neighbor '41, who is now teaching at Cohocton has accepted a position at Mt. Morris, New York, for 1943-44. Adeline Van Antwerp '40 will move from Davenport to Ludlowville, New York for the next year, and Ardith Brandes '39 from Chautauqua to Rushford.

Esther Fancher '37 is taking her second summer's work at the Pioneer Mission Agency's Summer' School of Linguistics held at Bacone College, located at Bacone, Okla. Miss Fancher is preparing herself for work in Africa under the Sudan Interior Mission. Since being graduated, she has taught at Montrose Pa., and Sardinia, N. Y., has attended Albany Bible School, and has worked at Curtis-Wright in Buffalo for the past several months.

Donald Kauffman '41 is employed by the Farrel-Birmingham Co. in Buffalo this summer. He plans to return to Westminster Seminary in Philadelphia for his second year when school opens in September.

#### Miss Gillette Gets Assistants

Miss Hazel Atwood, who with her father has recently moved to the Clark house from Cornish, N. H., is working in the dormitory kitchen this summer. Mrs. Ruth Flood of Penn Yan, N. Y. plans to move here soon to assist in the kitchen. Her two sons will be in high school.

important service since the candidates never have time or opportunity to look at a newspaper or listen to the radio. Fortunately, much of the recent news has been good news."

Cpl. Arthur Meneely, ASTU, class of '42 is studying Chemical Engineering at University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla.

According to reports Warren Dayton and "Soupy" Campbell are overseeas.

Tommy Groome (ex '44) was promoted to the rank of 2nd lieutenant in the Army Air Corps at Yale University on June 3, 1943.

Thelma Van Houte Will is working on government research at Columbia University in field of Mass Spectrograph.

## Undergrads at Work

Martha Woolsey, Vera Clocksin, and Bonny and Betty Stratton have summer jobs at Eastman Kodak in Rochester.

Lucile Hoag is working as junior technician at the Agfa Film Co. in Binghamton.

Marily Birch is working as a chemist in government Ordinance Works at Niagara Falls.

Oliver Karker and Percy Stratton are working for the Carborundum Company at Niagara Falls.

Margaret Bally is nursing at the West Jersey Hospital at Camden, N. J. for the summer. Miss Bally was graduated from West Jersey in May, 1941.

#### VILLAGE NEWS

Mr. Orrell Atwood and daughter Hazel from Cornish, New Hampshire, Miss Buelah Atwood from Cincinnati Ohio and Mr. Wm. Schribner from West Chazy, New York have moved to the house owned by Mrs. Mary Clarke.

Professor and Mrs. McNeese are living at North Chili this summer. He is working in Rochester. Mrs. Mary Neighbor and daughter, Martha, will occupy their home during their absence.

#### Dorm Gets New Rugs

When students return to Houghton in September, the bare floors of Gaoyadeo reception hall will have been covered by beautiful new rugs. Two hundred dollars, left in the treasury of 1943 graduates has been turned over to Miss Gillette to pay for them.

#### Correction

The quartet engagement for July 13-16 at the Boardwalk Bible Conference, Atlantic City, New Jersey, has been cancelled. The date is open at present.

#### Death

Irene Stephens '44 suffered the loss of her mother, who died of a heart ailment on June 11. The students and faculty wish to extend sympathy to her and her family.

#### Extra

Jack Phillips has assumed the duties of Physics Lab. Assistant. He is majoring in General Science, with a concentration in Physics.

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