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## Clyde Taylor will be Missionary Speaker At Commencement

The annual commencement-week missionary address this year will be delivered by a man well authorized to speak on the present-day outlook for missions. He is Rev. Clyde W. Taylor, Secretary for Missions of the National Association of Evangelicals and was formerly a missionary in China. He recently left the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church in Quincy, Mass., to go to Washington for the N. A. E. He was for several years a missionary to South America. He has spoken at Rumney, N. H., the New England Fellowship Conference center.

Since becoming secretary for Missions of the N. A. E. last spring, Rev. Taylor, aside from regular duties, conducts a unique program of aggressive, one-man legislation in the interest of all missionary and other Christian work. To this end he makes it his business to read all legislation pending or passed by Congress which has a bearing on Christian ministry and he then attempts to gain correction of all such measures which hinder the evangelical work of Christ.

In connection with this I remind you of the ruling passed last year prohibiting all conventions of fifty or more delegates. This, of course, ruled out our Christian summer conventions. It was Rev. Taylor who took the case of our summer conventions to the authorities in Washington on the grounds that since Congress was allowing various summer resorts to remain open as vacation places they ought also to allow the camp meetings and conventions to continue because they were the only form of vacation used by many Christian people. The authorities promised to consider the matter if Rev. Taylor would present a brief for his cause. He did, and this year we have the right to conduct our summer conferences as usual.

It is undoubtedly certain that the missionary address this year, being delivered as it is by a man of such initiative

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## Hill, Hamilton to Wed Soon

Rev. and Mrs. Charlie R. Hamilton announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Josephine, to Mr. Harland Hill on Wednesday, June 13, at the First Baptist Church, Fort Plain, New York.

Miss Hamilton, a member of the college music faculty, was an active member of the class of '44. Mr. Hill, also active in the '44 graduating class, has been manager of the Houghton College Print Shop this year. The newlyweds will make their home in East Aurora, where Mr. Hill assumes the pastorate of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

## Oratorical Contest Heads Pre-Commencement Events

Heading the list of the many activities of Commencement week is the Annual Oratorical Contest which is to be held on Thursday evening, May 31st. The participants, who are under the direction of Mrs. Edna C. Lennox, Instructor in Speech, are Virginia Swauger, Evelyn Moffet, Betty Anne Keenan, Ethel Kidman, Wayne Teachout, Donald Lugtig and William Smalley.

## Annual Spring War Program Ends Drive

Houghton college War Council's presentation of the Spring War Program on Friday evening, May 18, provided a fitting climax for Houghton's share in the Seventh War Loan Drive. From the opening strains of "The Star Spangled Banner" to the final notes of the chorus' moving version of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic", the audience was carried along from tears to laughter and back again with those who took part in *Peace or Pendulum*.

The program, written by William Smalley, presented scenes in the life of one family, the Grants, from 1918 to 1943, depicting the joys and sorrows and the everyday events incurred by two wars and the interim called peace. The background music provided between the scenes by the chorus augmented the effectiveness of the performance.

In introducing the program, Dr. Luckey, its director, announcing that according to the returns from the War Bond Auction, Houghton students had bought more than \$4,000 worth of bonds

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## Senior Class to be Graduated June 4; Outstanding Speakers for Services

### Auction Is Colorful Event in Seventh Drive

Last Friday afternoon at 2:30, the strains of band music summoned Houghton students to the Seventh War Loan parade and auction. Behind the band was a float, patriotically decorated by the presence of the War Bond Queen, Ruth Donley, with her attendants, Chiyoko Maeda, Roy Takaya, Dr. R. R. R. (Handlebars) Luckey, Chef Willard G. Smith, and Mr. Persuasive Auctioneer of Pantry fame. The auction was held in front of the Bedford gymnasium. Items "for sale" included Dean of Women and President of the College for a day, a long-awaited opportunity to spank Don Lugtig, "Dr. Bob" as valet, principalship of the high school, a luscious chocolate cake (baked by the Morelands) Miss Burnell's and Prof. Smith's famous pies and—a date with the lovely queen, won, incidentally, by Ed Sakowski.

## Harry Walker Has a Son

Lt. and Mrs. Harry Walker (ex'45) have announced the birth of a son, Norman Stuart, on April 20, 1945. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 6 ozs. at birth.

"Big Har" Walker was Vice President of his Freshman class, but was best known for his ability to handle the ball on the basketball court.

Our best wishes go to him, as he has started a team of his own.

### Activities Begin On Class Night

Dr. Walter Maier and Dr. Leslie Marston, respectively, will deliver the Commencement and Baccalaureate addresses to the class of 1945 and its guests on the third and fourth of June. Both men are noted in religious and educational circles, Dr. Maier being the speaker of the "Lutheran Hour", a national broadcast, and a professor of Semetic languages and Old Testament at Concordia University, and Dr. Marston presiding as a bishop in the Free Methodist church as well as being a noted child psychologist.

In addition to the Commencement and Baccalaureate services, Commencement weekend will feature Senior Class Night when the Senior Valedictorian, Ina Jackson, and Salutatorian, Ruth Brooks, will make their addresses. In addition to these speeches, there will be ones by Leola Avery, who will pass the mantle down to the shoulders of the junior class, and William Smalley, who will make the class oration.

## Theological Students will Have Class Night June 1

The Senior Theological students will present their Class Night Program at the Houghton Church on June first.

"To know Him and make Him known" is to be the theme of the program which will be under the direction of Wesley Potter. Donald Phillips and John Derr will deliver the main speeches on the topics "To know Him" and "To make Him known", respectively.

The musical portions of the program will consist of a duet by Jane Canfield and James Shoe, a tenor solo by Clifton Little, and a piano solo by Jesse Dove. The class will sing its class song.

In addition to the regular program, a part of the time will be devoted to the Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest which will be conducted by the Dean of Theology, F. H. Wright.

The Theologs have chosen blue and gold for their class colors. Hazel Johnson and Robert Hammond of the class of '46, have been selected as marshals. Donald Phillips, Marilyn Cregue, and James Shoe have been in charge of the planning of the program.

## New Student Body Officers

In an election held Monday after short chapel, Paul Tropp, transfer from The Missionary Training Institute at Nyack, became Student Body President for next year. Working with him will be Myron Bromley, Vice-President, and Jane Adams, Secretary-Treasurer.

## Commencement Events Schedule

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

8:00 p. m. Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest and Class

THURSDAY, MAY 31

8:00 p. m. Annual Oratorical Contest (in the Chapel).

Exercises of the Division of Theology and of the Christian Worker's Course (in the Church).

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

10:00 a. m. Class Day Exercises of Houghton Preparatory (in the Chapel).

6:00 p. m. Dinner in honor of the graduating classes of 1945.

8:00 p. m. College Class Exercises (in the Chapel).

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

10:30 a. m. Baccalaureate Service; address by Dr. Leslie Ray Marston, Bishop of the Free

Methodist Church and President of the National Association of Evangelicals (in the Church).

4:00 p. m. Campus Concert by Houghton College Choir (in front of Old Administration Building).

6:30 p. m. Young People's Vespers Service on the Campus.

7:30 p. m. Missionary Service: Message by Rev. Clyde W. Taylor, Secretary for Missions of the National Association of Evangelicals (in the Church).

MONDAY, JUNE 4

10:00 a. m. Commencement Exercises of the College and Preparatory; address by Dr. Walter A. Maier, internationally famous radio preacher of the "Lutheran Hour".

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## Lets Keep Morning Watch Togther

These last few weeks, those in charge of Morning Watch have graciously decided to dedicate it to the Seniors. Let's show our appreciation by making a special effort to attend every morning.

—M. S. P.

## Memories

Four years . . . it's a long time, they say. It is, we admit, and a lot can happen!

September, 1941 . . . just a bunch of bewildered newcomers, lining up for registration. In those days, it was in the old "Ad" building. Everything was so confusing, but we suavely pretended we knew what it was all about. The New Students' Reception . . . hundreds of signatures, unfamiliar faces, dignified faculty. And so it went—we were in the process of "adjusting" to college life.

Before we knew it—or were we too aware?—we were Sophs. That unforgettable Soph-Senior party, with the overabundance of "hairy" language . . . the reception we gave the Seniors on Skip Day . . . the spring, and the couples strolling on the campus. Summer vacation came all too soon!

Then we were Juniors, and things began to take on a new significance. We were even more conscious of God's presence in all our activities—the Boulder, which came too late, in spite of our efforts . . . the Junior-Senior Banquet at Rushford, where we did everything from making rock gardens to transplanting towering trees. We came to appreciate the faculty more . . . "Doc" Ashton made a deep impression on our lives. We were diminishing in number, for even at Houghton, the war was subtly making itself evident. More than ever, the fellows were in the minority.

September, 1944 . . . We were veterans, this time, and Registration Day was just routine. Engagement rings . . . wedding bands, . . . the realization that these revivals were our last in Houghton. Our sister class, and the parties we shared together . . . the delightful banquet at Silver Springs . . . the snowy, but enjoyable Skip Day at Silver Lake. Class prayer meetings . . . "Doc" Paine's Tuesday chapel talks . . . our godly advisors. All these things have meant so much . . . no one knows how we hate to leave them behind.

Four years . . . it's a short time, we say . . . all too short, but we've loved every minute of it.

—M. S. P.

## Prophecies and Gift Tendered by Seniors

We took a view into the future with the seniors in their chapel program Wednesday. As grads, Vivien Anderson, Dave Ostrander, and Jack Derr met to reminisce and discuss fulfilled prophecies concerning their former classmates. We were delighted to hear that Phil Voorhees is now growing "flower" and Jim Shoe has succumbed to the age-old task of pushing a baby carriage. When her pupils become "bored of education", Ina Jackson amuses them with her clowning ability. Mr. Booth finds time to pull in a few unsuspecting fish in his spare moments.

Finally, we are glad to hear that the "Brooks" which run through Houghton are "Luckey"—for they will be bridged by the Senior Class. Ruth Brooks, president of the Senior class, presented to Prof. Le Roy Fancher, Vice President of the college, a model of that bridge, and an envelope containing \$250 for its construction as a gift of the class of '45. This is the second feature of the Campus Improvement project initiated by the class of '44, which pledged the construction of the steps down the hill in front of the campus.

The seniors concluded their program by singing their spirited class song, written and composed by Ruth McCamman, who, according to the program, is destined to "Come Back to Dear Old Houghton" as teacher of harmony.

## MISSIONARY SPEAKS . . .

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and stamps, thus exceeding the goal set at \$2,500.

Following the performance, the cast and supporting committees presented Dr. Luckey with a gift in recognition and appreciation for his part in directing the program.

William Smalley, Elisabeth Ditchfield, David Ostrander, Robert Hammond, Donald Lugtig, Barbara Douglas, and Jesse Dove took part in the scenes. The chorus, directed by Miss Hamilton, and accompanied by Jeanette Fortran, was made up of Lois Hardy, Ruth Hoffman, Gerry Harris, Betty Warren, Harland Hill, Paul Tropf, David Diller, and Hazen Brittin. The properties committee, Gloria Wentzell, Beulah Smalley, and Irving Cook, in addition to Miss Beck, who was in charge of costumes, Ellsworth Edling, who engineered the lighting, and Marcia Pierce, who acted as prompter, deserve recognition for their cooperation and assistance in making the program possible.

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## Four More Seniors Sign for Positions

—At least four seniors have signed contracts since the last STAR publication of the list, and several others have offers for positions but have not definitely decided what they will do.

Betty Abbott has a position as music supervisor in the school system at Treadwell, New York. Miss Abbott has been a member of the A Cappella choir for four years, and has served on the Boulder and STAR staffs.

Vivien Anderson, who has majored in both Social Science and English, will teach Social Studies 3 and 4 in Lakewood High School. She has been active in the literary publications of the college and served as Associate Editor of the 1945 LITERARY STAR.

Helen Bowers will have charge of the glee club and elementary school music in the Cassadaga Valley School System at Sinclairville, New York. Helen has been a member of A Cappella Choir and has served as president of the Music club.

Glenda Weaver, Social Science major with a concentration in Sociology, will serve as a social case worker under the Family Service Bureau of the Salvation Army in Brooklyn. Miss Weaver has been active in athletics, and has been a reporter on the STAR staff.

## Anna Houghton Daughters Give Reception to Seniors

On Wednesday evening at 8:00 p. m., the reception room of the girl's dormitory was the scene of the annual Anna Houghton Daughter's Reception, given in honor of the senior class.

Punch and wafers were served, and the graduates, in formal attire, had another opportunity to discuss Houghton memories and class activities, with a background of special music.

## Annual Alumni Banquet in Honor of Graduating Class

Helping to round out the weekend of programs, banquets and get-togethers which are typical of commencement festivities will be the annual Alumni Banquet which traditionally includes the graduates of any year along with the newest crop of potentials. Saturday eve will find the dining hall filled with memory-fraught laughter and the good fellowship of Houghton grads mixing in what is expected to be a very good representation of the "old boys." The dinner will be at six o'clock and the seniors, as usual, are asked to be the guests of the Alumni Association; however, they may make reservations for friends or relatives at eighty-five cents each.

Miss Gillette and her staff offer a tempting menu, including, as the main course, chicken and biscuits especially designed for the departing seniors.

A brief business meeting, as usual, will constitute an important part of the program that has been planned of special interest to the alumni.





News



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REVELATIONS...

by the Roaring Crique



VIVIEN ANDERSON

Although V-E day has come and our hearts are overflowing with thanksgiving, we must not forget those who still fight for the four freedoms. They may not be with us for some time yet, but through our letters (don't stop writing during the vacation) we can cheer the lonesome fellows "over there."



Pvt. Richard Avery, U. S. M. C., spent a few days on our campus visiting his sister, Miss Leola Avery. He has just completed "boot training" and will report to Camp Le Jeune, N. Carolina, this week.

Pfc. Rumsey Reynolds, U.S.M.C., appeared in Houghton. He would have graduated with the senior class this year if Uncle Sam had not desired his presence. He will not report back to Jacksonville, Fla., but will proceed to San Diego, Cal., where he will probably be shipped overseas.

We were pleased to see Pfc. Norman Walker, ex-'47, on our campus again. He is stationed at Turner Field, Albany, Georgia, where he is a control tower operator. After his sixteen days furlough, he will report back on June 2.



Ensign George Wells, ex-'44, now somewhere in the South Pacific, gives a spiritual message to all of us. In a letter to the *Boulder* staff he says, "Living out here thousands of miles from civilization has brought many of us very close to the living God. True, I've seen combat only twice, but it's only by the grace of God I'm still alive. He carried me through. There is nothing that will compare with our Jesus, and I want my life to tell for Him."

To remind us here at home that the war is far from over, Sgt. Ezra Gearhart writes, "G. I.'s are glad the European war is over. The main reason being

that it is concrete evidence that something has been accomplished. However, most of us here in the States have yet to face combat—and soon."

—H C—

## Advisers Testify

The "mercies of God" are the greatest factors in my life. These mercies have not only brought me to repentance but also have been guiding and directing forces. They have taught me faith and obedience and have led me into and along the path of victory. They brought me to desire to know the Word of God and in that knowledge the crucified, resurrected Christ was revealed as sufficient for every need. "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness."

—Miss Bess Fancher

I have a friend whose friendship I continuously cultivate; I have a Lord whose Spirit gives direction to my every energy; I have a King who sits enthroned within and at whose feet I humbly lay every trophy of His grace. Know Him? Yes! And have Him, too!

—Dr. George Moreland

—H C—

## High School Seniors

Commencement! All the glory of graduation is here at last! We have worked for this moment for a long time. Some are happy, some are sorry. Isn't that always the way?

Some of the events of the next few weeks will be Class Day exercises, June 2, at ten o'clock a. m. in the college chapel.

Wednesday, June 6th, is the annual Junior-Senior banquet at the Recreation Hall.

We urge all members of the Preparatory to make a special effort to attend. Class Day this year. Who knows you may be an heir! We will be reading our Class Will and Prophecy on Class Day this year. Come and get an inheritance.

—H C—

## College Makes Purchase of More Dictaphone Equipment

Willard G. Smith, business manager of Houghton College, announced that the school has purchased dictaphone equipment for the college offices. There are two recorders and one transcriber.

The dictaphones are rebuilt machines and have been added to the equipment of the offices to facilitate secretarial work in the Luckey Memorial Building. By having one of the recorders in Mr. Smith's office and another for the use of the Dean and of the Registrar, the handling of correspondence will be greatly facilitated.

At last spring has come to Houghton campus. I can see students strolling nonchalantly through the woods, enjoying the freshness and beauty of Houghton scenery. Speaking of Houghton scenery—I, the mighty, roaring creek, am considered an important part of it. At least, that's what the seniors tell me. Perhaps that's why, the other day, two of them ambled toward me, stood watching my steady, rushing stream for a while,—then sat down on my banks to reminisce. As I rolled by I heard lots of things which caused me to realize that it wouldn't be long after graduation before these students would be feeling a certain nostalgia for Houghton and the good times shared here. It was the fun and frolic of Senior Skip Day which enveloped most of their conversation. If they had known that I would ripple their story right on to you I'm sure they would never have allowed me to share their confidences. Be that as it may—I heard all, I saw all (in my subterranean imagination, of course), and now I proceed to tell all: numerous difficulties made it impossible for the senior class of '45 to wander far from "dear old Houghton" on skip day. Despite all attempted hindrances (here someone's conscience should prick sharply), everyone arrived at Silver Lake in fine spirits. The clean-up, fix-up crew would have sadly failed had good old Charlie not discovered the absence of a necessary article. I won't tell you what it was but if you are overcome with curiosity—ask him. I'm sure he won't tell you!

Any appearance of "Mort" Homme on Skip Day was purely accidental, but

## Course in Marriage Proposed For Students in Boston U.

Boston, Mass. (I. P.) Ever conscious of the day when they will exchange "I do's" with a suitable mate, Boston University students are expressing sentiments towards a more general all-University course on marriage (although discussion of the subject is included as parts of other courses of study in the Universities various departments) and they are enlisting the aid of faculty members and even of President Daniel L. Marsh.

Now the only factor that stands in the way of the introduction of such a field of study to prepare students for the day they march down the aisle is the faculty—all of them. For, University officials said, in order to introduce new courses, such courses must be voted on by the faculty and adopted by each department.

Meanwhile President Marsh came out strongly for marriage education, or rather, education for marriage, in saying: "I think that in the very nature of things a course in marriage is entirely proper in the curriculum of a progressive and well-organized college like Boston University."

He went on to emphasize that the proposed course should be a University subject and not extra-curricular.

accidents will happen and must happen to the seniors!

I laughed 'til my banks nearly split when I heard about Ellsworth trying to rescue the grapefruit from under Peg's chin. The game was called "necking" and it must have appeared hard for poor Ellsworth to keep from doing just that.

They said that an impressive devotional service, culminating in a round of sentence prayers, would be long remembered by everyone in the class of '45.

"Rub-a-dub-dub, three men in a tub"—oh no—three men or women in a bed. It was fun and incidentally—warm.

Seems these seniors always manage to be unique in what they do. For Skip Day they ordered a snowstorm—just to be different. I was wondering who caused me to almost freeze in my bed. I was so cold I could hardly flow along as usual. I couldn't think of being selfish, though, because they needed the snow just for one day so they could stay inside—and roller skate. I guess Don was their star performer. At least I surmise that, because while speaking of his antics one of my senior friends laughed so heartily that she almost rolled down the bank into my cool, rushing waters. If only Don hadn't tried to skate with Phyllis—and again—if only Phyllis had known how to skate. But then—where else would the rest of the class have found such a logical alibi for their awkwardness, if they couldn't blame it on an insatiable desire to watch the couple?

Incidentally, Don received a bad gash in his head because he bumped into—no, not a door this time—a bed spring.

Quoting his wife, "Well! All I can say is—'Well!'"

Wearily, dirty and worn, all the slack-clad seniors trooped to the Genesee Falls Hotel in Portageville for dinner. A banquet in slacks—what next? Then came the "after-dinner speeches"—impromptu this time. Mr. Booth waxed eloquent on the topic "Why up is up and not down". Cliff's vocal rendition of "Red Sails in the Sunset," followed by Glenda's embarrassed remarks on the subject will be remembered by all—especially Glenda.

Well, I guess this is all I heard which would be of interest to you. Students pass in and out of the portals of Houghton College but I roll on forever—watching, listening, waiting for an opportunity like this to disclose some of the secrets I share.

—H C—

## In Appreciation

We extend our thanks to Myron and Connie

For a *Boulder* so "sharp", so pleasing and bonny.

We know it was work, but it must have been fun,

And the Seniors appreciate all you have done!

—The Seniors

## Class of '44 in Reunion

Extensive efforts have been made this year to bring the entire class of '44 back to Houghton for another good gab fest before the tang of college memories dims into the mellow half-tone that time and new experiences brings to the sharpest of mental pictures. The response has been unusually good to date making a high percentage of the class who plan to be here.

Letters have come in from the servicemen giving their cheerful greetings as well as their notes of regret at finding impossible barriers. And a few of the civilian mob can see no way of making the trip or taking the time out, but "the committee" has a promise of a healthy handful and more to bring their experiences along and tell them "first hand".

The College Inn is expected to be the meeting place as the class gathers on Saturday noon, June 4. A program is being planned and old acquaintances for once are to be given time enough to talk.

## Gold Team Defeated As Aarum Changes To the Purple Team

Last Saturday afternoon, the Gold lent their star battery of Aarum and Troup to the Purple in exchange for Carlson and were defeated 7-5.

The Gold took a lead in the first inning when Sakowski got on base on an error and after stealing second, proceeded home on Purple errors. They added three more runs on no hits in the third.

The Purple took the game in the sixth when three hits, three walks, and two costly errors contributed six runs to the team. The Gold rally fell short in the last inning when Potter bunted safely, stole second, and came in on Sakowski's single.

Heroes of the day were Aarum, who allowed only four hits, and Flower, who allowed only five hits.

### GOLD

	AB	R	H
Potter lf.	4	1	1
Sakowski lb	4	1	1
Flower p.	3	1	0
Northey ss	4	1	1
Lennox 2b.	4	0	0
Matson cf.	3	0	0
Robertson rf.	4	1	0
Carlson c.	4	0	1
Walker 3b.	2	0	0
	32	5	4

### PURPLE

	AB	R	H
Knowlton 2b.	4	1	1
Troup c.	1	0	1
Little ss	3	1	1
Knotts 3b.	2	1	1
Hayes lb.	2	1	0
Reed cf.	4	0	0
Cherry lf.	3	1	1
Hamilton rf.	3	0	0
Aarum p.	1	2	0
	23	7	5

### SCORES BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Purple	0	0	0	0	1	6	—7
Gold	1	0	3	0	0	0	1—5

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## Kauffman in Mission Work

Donald Kauffman, '41, left Monday for Colorado, where he will be engaged in home mission work for the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Kauffman was graduated from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia on May 9 with the degrees of Th.B. and Th.M.

While an undergraduate here, Mr. Kauffman received a prize of \$150 from the David C. Cook Publishing Company and sold a feature article written as a class project. In 1937 he received first place in the literary contest in both essay and story.

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## WAR PROGRAM . . .

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ative and ability who has also personally engaged in missionary work, will be of great value and one to be long remembered.

## Meal Schedule

Friday, June 1—Breakfast, 7:30 a. m.; lunch, 12:30 p. m.; dinner, 5:30 p. m.

Saturday, June 2—Breakfast, 7:30 a. m.; lunch, 12:30 p. m.; dinner for students and those not attending the banquet, 5:00 p. m.; dinner in honor of graduating classes, 6:00 p. m.

Sunday, June 3—Breakfast, 8:00 a. m.; dinner, 12:15 p. m.; (first serving); 1:00 p. m. (second serving); lunch, 5:15 p. m. (first serving), 6:00 p. m. (second serving).

Monday, June 4—Breakfast, 7:30 a. m.; dinner, served immediately following morning program.

Prices of meals during commencement: Breakfast, 25 cents; lunch, 35 cents; dinner, 50 cents; dinner in honor of graduates, 85 cents (all members of graduating class admitted free).

## Letters Awarded at Banquet

Saturday night about 50 athletes of the college held their annual banquet at Hare Homestead. After a chicken dinner, Dave Flower, master of ceremonies, conducted a quiz program between the Purple and Gold, which was won by the Purple. Following that was a debate between the Purple, represented by Dave Ostrander and Glenda Weaver, and the Gold, represented by Ruth Brooks and Wesley Potter. The question under debate was: Resolved: That Houghton College should participate in intercollegiate athletics. The Purple, which upheld the negative, won.

Coach McNeese gave out the letters to the women's hockey and basketball varsities, and the men's football, basketball, and baseball varsities. The baseball varsity this year has three of last year's lettermen—Dave Flower, Cliff Little, and Charles Priebe. The first year men are "Herb" Troup, Wesley

## Time-Consuming Changes

FAITH WINGER

V-E day has come and gone; the shouting is over. Now begins a series of time-consuming changes: discharging servicemen—a few have returned to their families; there are two million more. Redeployment to the Pacific—the Philippines as an attack base have poor shipping facilities in comparison with England; it will take six months to get ground forces to the Pacific. Reconversion has begun on a small scale. The Germans maneuvered their surrender. Their efforts at a separate peace achieved only a separate surrender. One regiment expected to join the American lines after its surrender, in the march against the Russians. Nazi bigwigs still pronounced the Reich "unbeaten", "undying". . . . Next on the list is "Plan Eclipse", formulated and headed by "Ike" to set in motion the military government of Germany, then the gradual transition to an Allied Civilian Government. It will take in its stride every phase of German life: propaganda, rationing, diplomatic affairs, censorship, to mention a few. Lt. General Leonard T. Gerow, commander of the U. S. Fifteenth Army, will head the occupation force when the fifteenth is swelled to an estimated 400,000. . . . All this means that the Japs are in for all they can take. Jimmy Doolittle looks forward to the day when 2,000 or more U. S. planes can hit Japan in a single attack.

Major Gen. Curtis E. Le May has sent as many as 500 B-29's to kill the action of Jap fueling stations, synthetic oil plants, airfields, and aircraft factories. He is also paralyzing Jap shipping by choking the home waters with

Aarum, and Wesley Potter.

The final awards were given to the outstanding fellow and girl athletes. Leola Avery, senior, received the girl's sweater for her work in hockey, basketball, and volleyball. The other sweater went to Dave Flower, our all-around athlete. This was a special tribute to Dave for it is the first time a sophomore has ever been awarded this prize.

magnetic mines furnished by the Navy and parachuted down at night. . . . The battle for Okinawa still raged fiercely last week with heavy losses on both sides. Many Jap plane losses were due to suicide attacks on ships protecting their Tenth Army. Twenty-five of our light ships have been sunk, others damaged.

Then there is the San Francisco conference. The original plan for the occupation of Germany called for four spheres, one each to be held by Britain, Russia, France, and the U. S. A commission of the four Allied powers would in theory constitute one government. But Germany is a scene of contest for world power as well as a country to be governed. France was found to be using her sphere as a bargaining factor with strained Britain and Russia. This world contest is evident around the tables of the San Francisco Conference as well. The lesser powers have succeeded but feebly in gaining authority. The Big Three simply do not want to be hampered. An additional big problem is whether the World Security Conference shall control the Latin American situation under the Monroe Doctrine.

### HITLER

While liberating kings were returning to their thrones after V-E day, the story of Adolf Hitler's last hours came out of Germany. It was on April 22 the Reichsfuehrer changed his "fight to the finish" attitude to "I must die here in Berlin". His faith in the Wehrmacht was gone. But he maintained a more even calmness than the aides, Keitel, Bormann, and Jodle. The three of them begged Hitler to leave the chancellery and Berlin. He refused and ordered them to leave. Before meeting the death which no one saw, he named Goering as his successor over a government to be formed in southern Germany. When the artillery fire on the chancellery grew hotter, the aides left, not knowing the fate of *der fuehrer*.

### RADIO

The major networks are sponsoring programs to assist veterans in rehabilitation and adjustment. "Theme" song of one: "My Legs Are Getting Shorter All the Time". They are characterized by variety, questions, drama, and helpful talks.

### EVANGELICAL WORLD

Pastor Martin Niemuehler was liberated by the Fifth Army after four years in a Nazi concentration camp. He was allowed books and semi-monthly visits from his wife. Reason: Hitler was afraid to kill him; he was a good German and a former U-boat commander.

### MEDICINE

Casualties with severed spinal cords (which cannot be mended), most of whom formerly faced death or permanent paralysis, have new hope. After complete rest, organs can be trained to function automatically and the victim can learn to stand and walk with steel braces. Treatment is followed by training for a suitable position.

A Brooklyn dentist wired in two knocked-out teeth of a boy, left them for two months and removed the wires. He says they appear to be "firmly anchored".

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