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Member of Byrd Expedition Will Give Next Lecture High Point To Be Rescue of Commander

Mr. Amory H. Waite, Jr., radio operator and electrician of the "Ice" party at Little America, will give an illustrated lecture in the college chapel on Tuesday, October 31, at 2:30 p. m. His topic is "With Admiral Byrd at Little America."

A high point of the lecture will be an account of the thrilling rescue of Admiral Byrd. Mr. Waite was one of the three men who eventually arrived at Admiral Byrd's tiny isolated shack, 123 miles south of the base at Little America. Furthermore, Mr. Waite acted as radio operator on all major tractor trips but two. He was also cook during that critical two months when four men were confined to the limits of a nine by thirteen shack under the snow.

The lecture will be illustrated by 120 stereopticon views. Mr. Waite also brings with him some actual furs and equipment used in the Antarctic explorations.

There will be the story of the Admiral's exploratory flights which added 200,000 square miles to hitherto unknown territory of the Pacific Quadrant of the Antarctic Circle. There will be tales of the breaking ice, the hazards to thin steel ships by crushing bergs, the unloading of 600 tons of materials. All of this will be interspersed with personal touches, humorous and serious.

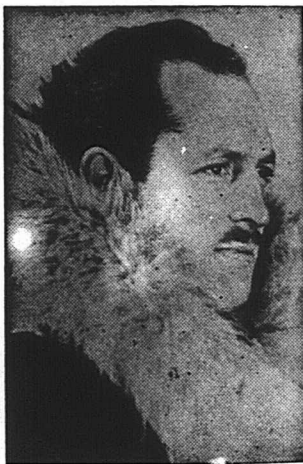
As First Debate Meeting Is Held 22 Hear Reports

The wheels of this year's forensic machine were cranked into rapid motion Thursday evening, Oct. 19, when an ambitious debate squad of twenty-two met in Dean Hazlett's office.

Although a "dark" reception greeted Coach Hazlett (a debater in a witty moment had turned off the light), the squad soon found he was ready to shed a great deal of light on the subject of debating. This year the freshmen will debate the question: "Resolved: That the government should own and operate the railroads." And varsity debaters will fight to the death over the affirmative and negative of: "Resolved: That the United States should follow a policy of strict economic and military isolation toward all nations outside the western hemisphere engaged in armed international or civic conflict."

The varsity program planned for this year is a most ambitious one. Although there will be innumerable other debates, the varsity team will major in attending the following tournaments: Westminster, Slippery Rock, Manchester, Rock Hill in South Carolina, and perhaps Shippenburg. A larger program than ever before is being planned for the freshmen, also. From all appearances, Houghton's one intercollegiate sport has a big year ahead!

AMORY H. WAITE, Jr.



... with Byrd at Little America

Discipleship Is Topic of Sermon By Dr. W. McConn

President William McConn of Marion college preached Sunday evening in the Houghton church concerning the significance of discipleship, using Matthew 16:24 as a text. In a day when we wonder how foundations and institutions of Christian character, such as church, home, or school, can carry on, we should make clear the objectives which brought the faith of our fathers through a glorious history to us. When many churches without an aim are closed, the church should today remember the Great Commission in the need to restate objectives and to restate purpose. These needs are as definite as they were two thousand years ago at the time of Christ's birth—or at the time He went to Calvary. The uncertainty in thinking obscures the purpose of the church. A life of consecration to the service of the Saviour is demanded of the disciple. The life so consecrated

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HOME COMING BANQUET AT DORM; 140 ALUMNI ATTEND

The annual Homecoming alumni dinner Saturday evening, October 21, provided the opportunity for approximately 140 alumni to exchange greetings and renew friendships. Deserving especial compliment was the chamber music presented during the meal by the college ensemble.

Following the welcome by Toastmaster Hugh Thomas, President McConn, of Marion college and Dr. Marston, the speaker at the Convocation, were called on for a few remarks. Dr. Paine explained briefly the status of the Luckey Memorial Fund and urged further alumni cooperation. Bob Luckey, alumni president for the year 1938-39, announced the results of the election for 1939-40 to be as follows: president, Hugh Thomas; vice president, Howard Andrus; secretary, Lena Stevenson; new members on board of directors, Willard Smith, Robert Luckey, Edward Willett.

Hal Homan contributed the musical portion of the after-dinner program with two vocal selections.

Of special interest was Dr. Paine's report on the Luckey Memorial Fund.

Custodianship

School spirit needs to be defined more clearly in the minds of some students. It is not much different from school pride. Pride shows itself both in testimony and in guardianship. Very probably the student who advertises his school also does everything in his power to take care of school property. These combine to make the essence of School spirit. After feeling the need of signs pointing out the way to the College, the signs were erected. One already shows the marks of vandalism or thoughtlessness. No one destroys that which he holds in very high regard. Thus, such destruction is self-stigmatizing.

HITLER SEEN AS FANATICAL PATRIOT HERE

Does What Is Good for Germany but Fails To Heed Rights of Others

By Mary Tiffany

"Hitler is a fanatical patriot and not the insane man that many think he is," stated Mr. Howard Pierce Davis in his talk Friday night, October 20. "He does that which is expedient for his country, not taking into consideration the rights of other nations."

Mr. Davis' topic for the evening was "The Riddles of 1939" and he explained these riddles by giving simple problems of 1920 to 1939 and the complex problems of 1939.

"On the basis of cause and effect," he stated, "it is easy to explain the years 1920-39, for the Treaty of Versailles was based on hate, greed, revenge and international distrust. The simple problems were as follows: (1) The Versailles Treaty—regrettable but understandable. (2) The rise of Fascism in Italy—understandable in 1922 because of anarchy. (3) The rise of the Nazi party in Germany—Hitler has not been representative of the German people but he has been very useful to the country. (4) The Rome-Berlin axis. (5) The Munich Pact that chose to postpone the inevitable.

The complex problems of 1939, according to Mr. Davis, are as follows:

SUNDAY VESPERS INSPIRATION TO ALL

On Sunday afternoon at four o'clock Houghton residents and friends gathered at the church for a Vesper service. Barbara Cronk, at the organ, played old hymns of the church, followed by a Scripture lesson, read by Prof. Frank Wright. Then the choir—the combined church and college choirs—sang "The Ninety and Nine," with Michael Sheldon as soloist. Mr. Black, the pastor, then read another selection from the Scriptures. Prof. Andrews offered a violin solo, playing "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." The choir then sang "Lead Me, Lord" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." This brief hour of meditation and inspiration was brought to a close by a few words from the Rev. Mr. Black.

Two Receive Degrees At 4th Annual Founder's Day Convocation, Saturday

Calendar

Thursday, October 26
7:00 — Junior music recital
Friday, October 27
8:15 — Dr. Armitage, "Dickens and His Queer Folk"
Saturday, October 28
7:15 — Senior and junior classes attend Alfred football game
Monday, October 30
7:30 — Halloween party
Tuesday, October 31
2:30 — Amory H. Waite, Jr., "With Admiral Byrd at Little America"
7:00 — Student prayer meeting
Wednesday, November 1
Chorus rehearsal

Color Movies, A Short History, Feature of Program

Technicolor movies of Houghton campus activities were the highlight of the alumni program which was held in the college chapel on Saturday evening, October 23.

After stating that the program was in the making, Prof. Stanley Wright introduced several short skits portraying some of the events in the founding of Houghton seminary and college. Between each skit slides were shown of documents, account books and letters having direct bearing on the founding of the school. Miss Gillette commented on the slides as they appeared.

In the first skit Prof. Shea and Dean Hazlett made their appearance as Mr. Kinney and Willard Houghton, respectively, discussing the need for educated men for the ministry and also the need for a school to provide such an education.

The next scene showed the building of Houghton seminary and the writing of the Alma Mater.

Pictures of President Luckey were shown, following which mention was made of the great work which Dr. Luckey had done for the college.

After some up-to-date pictures of campus and students, a choir made up of alumni and present choir members sang three numbers. The solo of Miss Doris Bain in "The Song of Mary" was enthusiastically received.

The program was concluded with the choir benediction.

Student Council Meets; Pres. Nussey Resigns

Lester Paul was selected as the new president of the Student Council at its last meeting on Thursday afternoon, October 19, following the resignation of Wesley Nussey.

Wilson Warboys was elected as vice president. Other business included the report of the chapel committee and the committee in charge of the Halloween party.

Opened With Colorful Academic Procession; Music by Orchestra

(For excerpts from Dr. Marston's Convocation address see next Star.)

The fourth annual Founder's Day Convocation of Houghton college, held Saturday, October 21, in the college chapel, opened as usual with a colorful academic procession. The faculty clad in black robes with multi-colored hoods marched in two by two to the music of Mendelssohn's "Festival March," furnished by an ensemble from the college orchestra, conducted by Prof. Alton M. Cronk.

The procession was headed by Pres. Stephen W. Paine and Pres. William F. McConn, of Marion college, Marion, Indiana, followed by our college pastor, the Rev. E. W. Black, and Dr. Leslie R. Marston, well-known educator and psychologist.

After the invocation had been given by President McConn, President Paine made a speech welcoming the alumni and announcing the purpose of the convocation,—"to commemorate not only the deeds of those ancient founders, but also those of the many others who have helped to make Houghton what it is." Next there was a violin solo, "Melodie," by Gluck-Kreisler, given by Prof. John M. Andrews.

Then Pres. Paine introduced Dr. Leslie R. Marston, Bishop of the Free Methodist church, who delivered the Founder's Day address, "The Christian College in a Pagan World." His text, taken from Jeremiah 2:9, was "the law is no more." This lament of Jeremiah, we were told, is very applicable to the present era. Pessimism is rapidly spreading through society. A short decade ago humanists believed man could work out his own salvation, but they have been disillusioned. The seeds of naturalism and materialism sown in the nineteenth century are being harvested today in literature, in philosophy, in ethics, in education, in the new adolescence of youth, and in religion.

The second part of Dr. Marston's address dealt with the Christian college in relation to this pagan world. He said, "Education's big problem today is youth adrift." The Christian college must channel youth's energy for God's glory and man's welfare.

Following Dr. Marston's address, Louella Fisk sang a vocal solo, "Bless This House" by May H. Brahe. Dean Ray W. Hazlett presented the candidates for honorary degrees. There was a moment of intense stillness as Dr. Douglas and Dr. Woolsey draped the cape of a Doctor of Divinity around the shoulders of President McConn, and that of a Doctor of Laws around Bishop Marston's. The Rev. E. W. Black pronounced the benediction and the

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EDITORIAL

Is Houghton 'in the Sticks'?

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Geographically, yes! Educationally, culturally, and spiritually, no!

Houghton is somewhat isolated from business centers. It is more than 25 miles to either Wellsville or Olean, not to mention the 60 or 70 miles we must travel to get to Buffalo or Rochester. Except one has friends who provide transportation to and from Houghton it almost means you "ride by thumb." It is to be hoped that at some future date Houghton students will be provided with adequate transportation facilities.

Educationally we are not "in the sticks." We have on our faculty those who have won national recognition. Dr. Small is given considerable space in *Who's Who in American Education*. Dr. Douglas and Miss Burnell find rating in *American Men of Science* pages 296 and 159, respectively. Miss Fancher's name appears in *Leaders in Education* page 300. Possibly there are others on our faculty who would rate if they were to give their permission. The late President Luckey and the late Dean Fancher were both mentioned in books of national circulation. In addition to these there are those, outstanding in the field of education, who address the student body from time to time.

Culturally we are not "in the sticks." It is true our social life has become Houghtonized. Sometimes we criticize our social life because it is peculiarly ours. We should not take exception to it for this reason, because every institution develops its own culture to some degree. The question that should be asked is, "Is our social life wholesome and adequate?" Furthermore, our cultural life is enriched by contacts with outstanding men such as Albert Spalding, violinist; Howard Pierce Davis, commentator; and Dr. Armitage, Dickens authority.

Spiritually we are not "in the sticks." In a time when college and university students have been led into the woods to wander without compass or guide, Houghton finds itself in the clearing. We have listened to some of the leading fundamentalists of America. Only this past weekend Bishop Marston of the Free Methodist church made his initial visit to Houghton. Last year his senior bishop, Bishop Pearce, spoke in chapel. Isaac Page, of the China Inland Mission has, more than once, addressed the students on missionary day. In short, Houghton has not discarded the Compass or Guide.

But to say that we have attained to the *summa bona*, educationally, culturally or spiritually would be to close every highway to progress and invite stagnation. There is yet something to be done before Houghton becomes metropolitan.

What Is Your Age?

Boys and girls go to high school. Perhaps kindergarten is populated by children. But as they toddle through the first grades, and get into their stride along about the sixth grade, they are definitely boys and girls. They think as boys and girls think; they move on impulse. Reason is only vaguely, in their vocabulary. The present is their strongest consideration.

Even in high school, the students are boys and girls. Perhaps by now they begin to regard themselves in more mature terms, but their manner of adjustment has not begun to take on adulthood. If it has begun, it is only in the indefinite gray between the dark confusion of childhood and the white light of adult interpretations.

High school students recognize that they are young. They know that there is something better for them in education. And

2nd Recital Given

The second recital of the sophomore music students was held Thursday night, October 19, in the chapel.

Opening the program was Liszt's *The Lorelei* sung by Laura Ferchen; followed by Chopin's *Valse in G Flat* played by Wilda Winters. Mark Armstrong sang *I'll Not Complain* by Schumann. Florence Barnett chose Bach's *Arioso* for her flute solo. *Night and the Curtains Drawn* by Ferata was sung by Doris Cater. Richard Sandle played *Thais* from *Meditation*. Other piano solos were *Sadness of Soul* by Mendelssohn, by June Spaulding and Ilbert's *The Little White Donkey* by Phyllis Greenwood.

'39 Boulder Has Banquet

Rushford's Stone Briar inn was the scene of an informal banquet given for and by the staff of the 1939 Boulder Wednesday evening, October 18. The banquet's purpose, to expend some of the profits made by Houghton's last yearbook and partially to repay the labors of the staff in publishing it, was accomplished.

Adding entertainment to the evening's program, chairmanned by '39 Boulder editor, Walter Sheffer, were informal speeches, songs and an exhaustive vocal workout by the famous Carlson-Clader duet. Miss Lucele Hatch, Prof. and Mrs. Willard Smith, and Mr. Howard Andrus, '38, were also present.

POEMS

Dr. Pierce E. Woolsey

Behind a heavy mask of foreign language, science or history there often lies a wealth of good thoughts. Seldom do we think of our professors outside the particular subjects in which they specialize. Dr. Woolsey in his poem *A Morning Prayer* touches on the religious phase of life. In *Friendship* it becomes evident autumn days have much the same effect on a French professor as has on Houghton students.

A MORNING PRAYER

Lord, help me live this present day
In such a self-forgetful way,
That everything I'm heard to say
Will show my love for others.

May every thought be right and true,
Each motive clean and fair to view,
Till all I hope and all I do
Reveals my love for others.

May Thy great passion and Thy love
So fill my bosom from above
That every act of mine shall prove
A blessing, Lord, to others.

FRIENDSHIP

When faded has become the western glow,
And, softly, treading close upon the heels of day,
The shades of night enfold the earth in peaceful rest,
While gently whispering breezes blow;
'Tis then, O dearest friend of mine, thy presence near,
Thy touch upon my hand inspires new hope
And strengthens faith, e'en making light the task
Which yester-moment seemed a giant's burden.

'Tis then, when only twinkling stars behold
The falling tear of friendly heartfelt sympathy,
And quick'ning pulse reveals to each the power of love
To bind in life-enriching fellowship two hearts
Which erstwhile were in grief and lonely sadness sighing.

And while the fleecy clouds bedeck
The golden moon, as, slowly mounting from the vale,
She rises all the earth to bless with awe-inspiring light,
All nature clothes herself in beauty,
And thy very heartbeats freighted seem with fervent
But unvoiced sentiment, which, even though unspoke
Are worth a jeweled diadem or more;
For to a lonely soul they bring new life,
And call to front the gentle fortitude of manly graces,
While to rear are pressed those craven shades
Of disappointment and distrust
That lurk within the quiet recess of a grieving heart.

To thee then, friend of mine, while speechless nature
Lies in slumber, come I bold,
As to a fount whence flow life-giving waters,
Trusting that to thee oft coming is not grievous,
And that when rewards by heaven are meted out,
The richest may to you be given.

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so, they go off to college. There they expect to be men and women among men and women. They believe that in college they will find the thought forms that will enable them to meet their individual problems with confidence and growing skill. They do learn that; but they are still in an atmosphere that suggests immaturity and dependence upon others. They come hoping to learn how to think, and they are taught how to think in the steps of those whose are thinking for them.

This inadequacy is not directly mentioned; it is a subtle influence. It is a part of the general feeling that prompts teachers to refer to *boys and girls*, rather than to *men and women*. It is a part of the psychology that causes students to think of other students, not as adults, but as children.

We cannot hope to attain to the responsibilities of adulthood if we think we are not adults. We will not act grown-up if we think that we are not grown-up. College should be an organization of mature minds — or minds seeking maturity. It should be permeated with the psychology of maturity.

If we are men and women, we should act like it. First, let us convince ourselves that we are men and women. — K. L. W.

By

J. P. Q.

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PUISSANT PUNDITS

Attending Forensic union meeting for the first time last Monday night, Warren Woolsey was intrigued by the parliamentary drill. Said he, "Why is this just like a cold?"

"I don't know," said I, "unless it has something to do with the strong draft."

"No," he replied, "It's like a cold because sometimes the Aye's have it, and sometimes the No's."

If you don't get it, ask Warren to explain it to you.

"Say," remarked Mary Helen Moody recently, as she entered the Star office with dripping raincoat, "it's raining cats and dogs outside."

"Now, Mary Helen," said the hard-boiled editor, "you know it's not really raining cats and dogs. You should be more accurate. Don't you realize you're a newspaper woman?"

"But it is!" she insisted. "On the way over I stepped on a poodle!"

Dash: In a recent History of Ed. class, Prof Smith was holding forth upon the various types of discipline. Said he, "They advised corporal punishment only in moral breaches. That leaves most of these small kids out, because they don't usually wear long pants."

Hash: Extract from the notes of the last meeting of the Russell house: "Prof Stockin is to see the chairman of the program committee for an open date." Don't you think that's going a little too far?

And some Scotch freshman was caught in the hall just before chapel the other day with a slice of bread, waiting for the jam to go by.

Our new junior Scotchman, John McGregor, did some traveling in Canada this summer, it seems. At one station up in the woods, Johnnie alighted when the train stopped, and walked back toward the baggage car. The door was open, and inside lay a large animal unfamiliar to his eye. "Say, laddie," he said to a small boy nearby, "what kind of animal might that be?"

"Why, that's a moose, sir," replied the youngster.

"Sure, an' if that's a moose," Johnnie said in amazement, "I'd like to see one of your rats!"

"What do you mean by calling me a wild Indian?"

"Now don't get mad. I only called you an Indian with reservations."

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Discipleship ...

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can draw on the resources of the inspiration of Christian fellowship, the influence of human prayer, the certainty of Divine systems, and the investment of consecrated money.

Discipleship demands, first, the sacrifice of a consecrated life. "If a man will be my disciple, let him deny himself." Second, discipleship demands the activity of the individual. "Let Him take up his cross, and follow me." Finally, discipleship gives a reward. We have co-partnership with Divinity. This privilege of co-partnership is extended to each individual of us. "If any man be my disciple, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Matt. 16:24).

Music Notes

By Mark Armstrong

Some of the freshmen have felt that the last column, which was devoted to an unsympathetic study of their success in pursuing the passion of Orpheus, was utterly senseless. It was like a boomerang, they assert, which missed its mark and circled back to cut the nose off the thrower's spiteful face. The stories in it, they continue, were shining examples of the pointless joke and the witless *mot*. Furthermore, they declare, why insist on running an unillustrated comic strip at which no one laughs? They conclude in the words of a certain widow of Windsor, "We are not amused."

I beg the select and scattered number who are included in such a category to accept my gratitude and apology; gratitude because I am mightily pleased to know that the column is read by anyone other than its writer, who avidly reads each installment ten times over; my apology for having offended my circle of readers.

One should not be accused of seeking to slap the sophomores on the back when he declares that their recitals were superior to the freshmen's. This fact argues no great glory for the sophomores. The junior recital tonight will undoubtedly be better still, and the individual senior recitals throughout the year even a little nearer the finished product.

Four years of training have an inevitable influence on our various degrees of innate musical ability. How transforming the influence is may be determined by how conscientiously the inborn talent is conserved and improved. Each freshman holds within himself the answer to how well he will do his senior recital three years hence.

Year's Activities Viewed by Club

A novel program, planned to give a cross-section of the year's activities, was presented at the Expression club meeting Monday evening.

Jessie DeRight presented Portia's speech on mercy from Shakespeare. Laura Ferchen sang a solo. A selection from an original oration on alcohol was delivered by Al Russell, who, in conclusion, with reference to the imbibitor declared that "drinking does not drown his sorrows, it only irrigates them."

A skit entitled *Sisterly Confidences*, presented by Hilda Luther and Frances Pierce, strikingly portrayed the contrasting characters of two sisters. The elder had never been bothered by an admirer; the other was soliciting "big sister's" help in "jilting" her seventh suitor.

"Twisted Dials," a clever reading depicting the result of simultaneous radio reception of a cooking recipe and a setting-up exercise, was given by Ruth Cowles.

The business session followed in which the growing interest in the club was evidenced by the fact that about fifteen members were received.

Honor has three things in it: the vantage-ground to do good; the approach to kings and principal persons; and the raising of a man's own fortunes.—Bacon

The greater part of mankind may be divided into two classes; that of the shallow thinkers who fall short of the truth; and of abstruse thinkers who go beyond it.—Hume

Whether we force a man's property from him by pinching his stomach, or pinching his fingers, makes some difference anatomically; morally, none whatsoever.—Ruskin

The Siberian Singers endured admirably their inevitable comparison with the Don Cossack chorus which was here two years ago. Professor Cronk, whose word is to be taken as authority in all such matters, states that he doubts whether the former group has ever seen Siberia. Only four or five of the latter group have partaken of vodka and black caviar in Russia.

The members of the original ensemble have had to be replaced frequently, but the publicity agents continue harping on the homeless wanderers theme because the obvious sentimentality of this appeal reaches through the heart strings to the purse strings. One of the exposures which may be employed in stripping off the veneer of glamor attached to musicians with foreign *ton* and accent is their fluent use of our mother tongue in speaking to one another in private conversation. For instance, when the Don Cossacks were here, one of them was overheard to tell another that Houghton was the kind of place which is synonymous with an aperture. He elaborated by swearing in good round English, and ended by intimating that there exuded from our environment a fragrance redolent with the memory of an ancient Anglo-Saxon verb rhyming with "sink" and "tink."

Mozart was one of the most prodigious of child prodigies. He played the piano at three, and composed his first symphony at the tender age of eight. It so happened that one day little Wolfgang Awader's father took him to the barber shop for a haircut. The barber took down a tiny white bowl from a shelf, slipped it over the boy's head and began. Junior Mozart started to cry, bawl, and scream. The barber and Mr. Mozart immediately sensed, intuitively, that something was wrong. The prodigious child pointed to a more gaily colored bowl on the shelf, one all bright with green and red, and yelled, "Gimme dat bowl der." (Boulder adv.)

New Houghton Signs Greet Week-End Guests

Guests who arrived for Homecoming week end were greeted by two new signs, a much needed addition to the Houghton college campus and immediate vicinity.

The first guide-post is located on the highway at the intersection of campus drive and points the way up the drive to the college buildings. This sign has the advantage of reflecting material on the letters and arrow, which is visible at night as well as in the daytime. It is interesting to note that this material was obtained by the maker from Germany and was rather expensive.

The other sign is at the top of the hill at the immediate entrance to the campus. Investigation reveals two different wordings. On one side is a welcome to Houghton college; on the other side is depicted the boulder with the college seal, below which is written, "Founded on the Rock."

Both these signs are doubled faced, 40 x 30 inches heavy steel, highest grade weather-proof baked enamel coated, and purple and gold in color. A word of recognition is due Prof. Claude Ries who interested the college in obtaining these signs from Winona Lake, Indiana. They are a distinct improvement and reveal the progressiveness of a growing college.

A few words, well chosen and distinguished, will do work that a thousand cannot, when every one is acting, equivocally, in the function of another. Yes; and words, if they are not watched, will do deadly work sometimes.—Ruskin

Recent Outing Is Held By "Yorkwood" Co-eds

It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the Yorkwood picnic went over with a "pong." At any rate, about 4:30 Wednesday afternoon, October 18, one could have seen quite an exhibition on the right and wrong ways to play ping pong in the recreation room of the Yorkwood.

Shortly after that some of the Boy and Girl Scouts of Houghton demonstrated the correct way to build a fire with one match. (P.S. Gasoline comes in handy.) By the time the hot dogs, rolls, marshmallows, baked beans and other picnic fare had mysteriously disappeared, a glowing campfire set the right stage for a few of Casey Kahler's tall stories. It wasn't long until nearly everyone had told a story, except Eddie Danner who was too busy laughing to do much else.

To end a jolly evening certain Yorkwood co-eds waded through water which was much deeper than the crepe rubber soles on their shoes, but they all came through, not much the worse.

Mrs. Clark Reviews Wesleyan Mission Work

Mrs. Mary L. Clarke spoke to the students in their Tuesday evening prayer meeting on October 17. She brought us information concerning the three mission fields of the Wesleyan church, and concerning the nine Houghtonites. The youngest Wesleyan mission work—the work in Japan—was founded by former Houghton students, the Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Gibbs. In India there are now five former Houghton students, the Rev. and Mrs. Banker, the Rev. and Mrs. Liddick, and Miss Hazel Jones. In Africa the W.M. mission is celebrating this year the 50th anniversary of its founding. Three former deans of women of Houghton college are now working in Sierra Leone, West Africa. In all countries today, there are countless opportunities for winning souls. In India people are turning to Christianity by the thousands, and all around is hunger for the things of God. In northern Nigeria in Africa, there have been 600,000 Bibles sold in the last two years. Today it offers unparalleled opportunities for evangelism. In Japan all missionaries have to maintain a silent attitude toward the war, and their messages are all censored, but there is still much encouragement for Christian workers. Someone has said, "There are twenty-four hours of opportunity for Christian work in every day."

Shea Speaks in Chapel

In the devotional part of his talk in chapel on Thursday morning, Prof. Shea gave from the life of Ezra the assurance that we can, in our daily activities, have the hand of the Lord upon us.

"Counseling Others" was the topic upon which Prof. Shea spoke. Understanding the family or a group of interacting personalities helps the counselor to attack individual problems. The problems of youth may be approached in several ways. The primary goal is to instruct individuals to think and to answer their own questions in a way which obtains a wholesome, well-balanced, and ultimately mature outlook. Whatever method is used, whether authority, suggestion and persuasion, control, or direct pupil response, age and maturity as well as the previous experience of the pupil, are influences. Education does not, in its departmental set-up, rationally see the situation as it looks to the pupil. Our counseling can most wisely be directed to the greatest Counselor who lived two thousand years ago.

Sunday Services Sunday Morning

In the Sunday morning church service of Homecoming week end, the sermon was preached by the Rev. L. R. Marston, a bishop in the Free Methodist church. The topic of Bishop Marston's message was "The Conquering Christ," and the text was found in the sixteenth chapter of John and the thirty-third verse: "... be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." In this verse we have Jesus Christ presented as the conqueror of the world, whose message is not war but love. Jesus went the full distance of our humanity and overcame the world as a man. He is an example to us of perfect purity. He overcame the world by faith and obedience. The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness was not a sham battle. Satan knew the issue of that battle was world-conquering. Jesus met temptation with the sword of the spirit—the Word of God. Satan's chief approach to temptation was potential popularity—for One who was not honored in His own country or among His own people. But the wrong means will never accomplish the right ends. This is where Satan often appears as an angel of light. The Christian life is not a retreat, a seclusion, or an entrenchment—it is a challenge to go out into the "no man's land of sin." "Our Lord wills that we should be conquerors," Bishop Marston concluded. "We overcome by having within us the One who is greater than he that is in the world."

W. Y. P. S.

The speaker for the W.Y.P.S. service of October 22 was Arthur Gravlin. He spoke on a verse found in John 5:20, "For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." Some people, said the speaker put off their decision until a more convenient time; there are others who are afraid to come to God, or who are ashamed. But we all must come to God to be really happy. It is comparable to the forgiveness of our earthly fathers—this forgiveness of God which makes us happy.

Council Has Chapel

The Student Council, in charge of chapel Friday morning, October 20, presented a refreshingly "different" program. Devotions were led by Marian Smith, followed by the singing of school songs conducted by Charles Foster. Jesse DeRight, in an enthusiastic talk, succeeded in arousing interest in the history of Founder's Day, while Kenneth Wilson dealt with school spirit in an unusual and effective manner.

Cheers led by Ruth Luksch and Ruth Newhart were interspersed throughout the program, which was closed with the singing of the Alma Mater.

Extension Services Sunday

The morning, afternoon, and evening services in the Wesleyan Methodist church at Bath, N. Y., were in charge of a group from Houghton. George Huff and Bert Hall were the speakers, and music was furnished by a trio composed of Mildred Huff, Adeline Van Antwerp, and Joy Palmer.

The Extension Department sent another group to the Evangelical church of Nile, N. Y., for the afternoon service. Floyd Sovereign was the speaker, and a mixed quartet—Jane Woods, Oneita Sheffer, Lester Paul, and John Sheffer—sang several special numbers. The same group presented a program in the evening service of the Evangelical church of Orlean, N. Y.

STARS PRO-TEM...

By Ruth Shea

Have you ever felt really small? I don't mean the way when you see your exam paper or when someone blows into nothing your dream bubbles. I mean *really small*. But perhaps you've never slept on a cot under an open sky? Take time, some night, to get alone and look at the stars. As you look, you will get smaller and smaller, until you'll fit into the infinitesimal niche that is *really yours* in this world. Far above, the stars seem so remote, so pure, so unstained by human infirmities or sin—O God, if we could only be pure as they!

"When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained; What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that Thou visitest him?" (Psalm 8: 3, 4)

But listen to Jeremiah say, "The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore, with lovingkindness have I drawn thee." (Jeremiah 31:3)

"Was there ever a believer who did not experience mysterious visitations, wherein the presence of God is sensed? If at such times the heart happens to be wayward, we say with Jacob, 'How dreadful is this place!' But if we are walking humbly in His sight, 'the Sun of righteousness appeareth with healing in His wings.' It is indeed a wonder of wonders that the Father hath such a lively-interest in us; in us, who of all created things have given Him the greatest anguish (John 3:16.)

"The highways between heaven and earth have been constantly used by God the Father. He hath appeared of old; it is no unusual matter! As for God the Son—since the world began, he has rejoiced in the habitable part of God's earth having His delight in the sons of men (Proverbs 8:31). And as for God the Spirit, His abiding with us is so continuous that the Word has named Him 'the Paraclete'!

"Ah, no experience is so coveted by the believer as that in which he finds himself, in an unusual sense, a host to Jehovah. Following such luminous moments, the perfume of His holiness lies upon the whole face of life, like the scent of orange blossoms in the April nights of Riverside.

"Oh God, our God, we thank Thee that Thou dost honor us with Thy coming to our humble hearts and homes, even from of old! Behold, there is no other reason for Thy abiding with us excepting that Thou hast loved us with an everlasting love. Thou hast indeed drawn us to Thee in a thousand ways by lovingkindness.

"And, our lives are 'dated' by these times of unusual communion with Thee. Like Isaiah we cry, 'In the year that... I saw Thee, O God!'

—Richard Ellsworth Day
Yes, the contemplation of the heavens awes our hearts. We feel our helpless wretchedness so keenly! But—He has loved us with an everlasting love; yea, with lovingkindness has He drawn us! He drew—He gave!

"I gave my life for thee
My precious blood I shed
That thou might'st ransom me
And rescued from the dead!"
He Who made those stars, loves us and has redeemed us. He has ordained the stars and the moon—He has ordained us, too. For someday the little candles that we are down here are going to be substitutes for the stars! "We shall shine as the stars..."

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my appreciation for the many tokens of kindness and sympathy extended at the time of my deep sorrow.
Edith Bullock

Senior Sages Battle Through Water and Mud To 15-0 Victory Saturday

Game Terminates Year's Class Series With 3 Senior Wins

Piloting a crew of hard fighting seniors. Captain Bill Olcott steered his senior sages to a well earned 15-0 victory last Saturday p. m. over a gallant freshman squad on the college athletic field. The game, played in a regular downpour of rain, proved to be more of a nautical battle than a football contest, but this apparently made it all the more interesting, for there was the largest crowd of the season, many of whom were alumni anxious to see the newly inaugurated fall sport. In defeating the frosh team, the senior men clinched the championship with a record of three wins, one each over the juniors, high school and freshmen, and a 0-0 tie with the sophomores. For the freshmen this was their first defeat, although they too had played a 0-0 tie with the class '42.

As a running attack was practically out of the question due to the muddy condition of the gridiron, both teams resorted most of the afternoon to aerial play. Mid-way in the first quarter Bill Olcott grabbed a long heave from Cliff Blauvelt on his opponents' 40 yard line, dodged the yearling safety man and raced the remaining distance for the initial six counter. A pass from Olcott to long Frankie Taylor provided the extra point. From then on, the sages played heads up ball, and although the freshmen lived up to all advance notices by providing plenty of scrap, the sages' lead was never in serious danger. The winners scored again in the second period when Taylor intercepted a pass on his own 45 yard line. A pair of passes from Captain Olcott to Blauvelt and Taylor respectively, carried the ball to the 10 yard line where it was first down and goal to go. The frosh defense tightened on two running plays but again the sages resorted to the air. Torrey snared a short throw on the five, and on the last down he raced after and gathered in a heave from Olcott to raise the senior total to 13. A kick for the extra point was wide.

Shortly after the half the yearlings put on a valiant goal line stand holding the upper-classmen on the two yard line on two consecutive plays. However, in attempting to kick out of the danger, the frosh line weakened, Doug Shaffner and Taylor broke through to nail Stone for a safety and the final two points. The rest of the contest the two teams battled on even terms, although the frosh provided the winners a thrill in the last quarter. Frankie Houser intercepted a pass on his own 30 and raced to his opponents' 29, where back field man Blauvelt stopped what appeared for a moment to be a touchdown.

The yearlings received a pair of tough breaks in the first half when Bruce McCarty and Bert Hall were forced from the game because of injuries.

Easily the outstanding players for the seniors were Frankie Taylor and Cliff Blauvelt. Time and time again Cliff would intercept frosh passes and then Olcott would drop back and toss passes to Frankie who, with his long arms and height, brought them down at seemingly impossible angles. John Sheffer as full-back and Kennedy as quarter back played a heads up game for the yearlings.

Annual Alumni Court Tussle Is A Purple Victory

The basketball rivalry of court stars of yesteryears was rekindled last Saturday afternoon when a group of talented Purple and Gold alumni once more donned their respective colors and fought it out in an unusually fast court game on the Bedford gymnasium floor. A large Homecoming crowd screamed and shouted its approval of the matinee affair, and although the Purple men lead all the way, it was an exciting and well played game from the start. The final score read 46-28.

Boasting a talented line-up of such stars as Bob Luckey, Clair McCarty, Walt Schogoleff, Jack Crandall, and Bill Farnsworth, the Purple grads demonstrated that they had by no means forgotten the skill acquired in past annals on the same floor. And the Gold were not to be considered lightly. Led by a pair of last year's conquering gladiators, Hi Tuthill and Vic Murphy, they pushed the winners all the way, making the game a much tighter one than the score might indicate.

Although the Gold got the opening tip off, the Pharaohs of yesterday were first to score. Bob Luckey took a pass from Jack Crandall and swished the ball on a side court shot through the hoop for the first double-decker of the game. About 30 seconds later Vic Murphy matched Crandall's shot on a two point tuck in. This, however, was the last time that the teams were on even terms, for the Purple dashed into a lead which the Gold found hard to match. Led by Clair McCarty, who flicked in a trio of successful shots, the Pharaohs rolled up an early 18-8 lead at the first quarter. At this stage of the contest Dr. Paine, known as the "Wheaton wizard," inserted new life into the Gold outfit, but even with the president's help, the gladiators found it hard to match the Purple's passing attack and shooting eyes. The half time score showed the Purple possessing a 32-15 lead.

The final half began to tell on the old grads for both teams slowed down a bit. The Gold put on a threatening attack in the third session of play while the Pharaohs countered in the final stanza with Bill Farnsworth leading the way.

Farnsworth was high scorer for the game with seven double deckers for a total of fourteen points. Close behind him were his teammates Clair McCarty and Bob Luckey with twelve apiece. For the gladiators Vic Murphy and Hi Tuthill each sank four baskets. The game was especially cleanly played with only three fouls being called by the referees, and as might be said of all alumni contests and gatherings, "A good time was had by all!"

Following is a line-up of the game:

Gold	Purple
Andrus (2)	Luckey (12)
Murphy (8)	Schogoleff (12)
Hopkins (2)	McCarty (12)
Benjamin (4)	Farnsworth (14)
Tuthill (8)	Crandall (4)
White (4)	
Paine (0)	

Referees: Eyler and Olcott; time-keeper, Carlson; radio-listener, Frank Taylor, who kept Hi Tuthill informed of the Cornell-Penn. State score.

SENIORS AND SOPHS FIGHT TO SCORELESS TIE IN WED. BATTLE

The senior sages and sophomores stalwarts fought to a scoreless tie, the afternoon of Wednesday, October 18. A tie was almost as good as a victory for the seniors, since the sophs have been tied twice; the sages and yearlings only once each. Thus the winners of Saturday's game, the seniors, are football champions of 1939. Under the guidance of Bill Olcott, alias Wily Will, the Senior Whiz, the seniors played a heady game, remaining on the defensive most of the time, kicking often, waiting for that inevitable "break" that might enable them to score. That "break" did come, but it was too late, for there was not enough time remaining to take full advantage of it.

The seniors' defense formation was a little unusual. It was a three, three, two, one formation, which allowed the potential pass receivers to filter through, but they were completely covered by the alert secondary, which was also able to back up the line. The light senior line took a severe beating from the heavier, more experienced soph forward wall which often broke through to catch the ball carrier back of the line for heavy losses.

The sages made two valiant goal line stands. The sophs were able to advance into their territory, but each time the senior resistance stiffened and held. The mighty soph offensive, exhibited in previous games seemed to be of little avail, and they were unable to make consistent gains.

Olcott and Taylor starred for the seniors, Olcott passing and booting and Taylor snagging Olcott's passes and knocking down those of the sophs. The entire soph line was outstanding for the stalwarts.

The statistics of the game are rather interesting. The seniors gained 4 yards running and 42 yards by passing, while the sophs ran the ball 45 yards and passed 74. The seniors earned one first down; the sophs two. The seniors completed 3 out of 14 passes for an average gain of 14 yards; the sophs were successful 6 times out of 35 tries for an average gain of 12 yards.

Pastor Speaks At Missionary Club

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Student Foreign Missions Fellowship was held Monday evening, October 23. After prayer by Alan Gilmore, Henry Ortlip, the president, read Romans 1:1-17. Several songs were rendered by the Bible School trio, composed of Marjean Bennett, Anna Ross, and Elizabeth Carlson. Rev. E. W. Black spoke on the subject of missions. He said, "The spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ." Even Christ was a foreign missionary because He left heaven in order to come to earth to save a lost world. God has called us all to be missionaries. The speaker related that Philip preached Christ in Samaria and a revival resulted. The man in the tomb was instructed by Christ to go home and tell. The spirit of missions is the spirit of telling, "and he began to publish." Jesus said, "Ye are my witnesses." We are exhorted to look to the fields which are white unto harvest. Our missionary work should begin here at home. As we have opportunity we should tell others of what Christ has done for us. The responsibility rests on us until we tell someone else. Three ways in which we all can be missionaries are: pray, pay and go.

The meeting closed with a season of prayer.

PURPLE DOWNS GOLD IN FIRST GAME OF SERIES

The Purple Pharaohs emerged from the fray victorious over the Golden Gladiators to the tune of 14-0 in the initial touch tackle encounter of the current color series.

Throughout the entire game, the superiority of the darker hued team was evident though neither Olcott nor Taylor played. The Gold felt the loss of Bruce McCarty and Bert Hall, both unable to play because of injuries incurred in previous games.

The first score was the result of three passes. Blauvelt on the 25 threw one to Marshall on the 8 yard line. Then two short ones over the line to Sheffer produced a six-pointer. The try for the extra point failed.

The second touchdown was scored by Cliff Blauvelt when he caught a beautiful 40 yard pass from Marshall over his shoulder and stepped into the end zone. Again the try for the point after touchdown was unsuccessful.

The two points were the result of a safety, when ineffective blocking on the part of the Gold, permitted the Pharaohs to catch Kennedy behind his own goal line.

The line-up for the Purple found Eyler, Armstrong, Scrimshaw, Knapp and Sackett on the line and Marshall, Sheffer, Blauvelt, and Prentice in the backfield. The Gold backfield, Paine, Houser, Torrey and Kennedy were protected by the forward wall consisting of Will, Donelson, Gabrielson, Klotzback and Weaver.

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lows: (1) The dismissal of Livinoff. (2) The pledge that Great Britain gave to Poland. This was hypocritical for they knew they would not keep it. (3) The German non-aggression pact changed the policy because Britain gave Poland her pledge. This made up Hitler's mind as to what to do with Poland. If he had supposed they were equal in strength, he would never have fought, but because of the non-aggression pact, better relations were secured with Russia, giving him more strength. (4) Russia came into Poland and became the winner. Germany cannot be called the winner except in the military victory. She has really lost much to Russia. (5) Russia and Germany consulted. This was the last peace plan if it was rejected by the Allies, and (6) The sinking of the *Iroquois*.

Founder's Day...

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faculty marched out while the ensemble from the college orchestra played a recessional. Houghton's fourth Founder's Day Convocation had become history.

lost 32-12), Mr. Krentel declared to the campus press shortly after the contest that it was a novel experiment. Asked what kind of an experiment he was referring to, President Paul said in one bucket of H₂O was distilled water and in the other was regular tap water. By accurate count, the boys who gargled the distilled H₂O made one more tackle than did those who partook the ordinary tap water. Therefore, having written to the United States Patent office, Mr. Krentel expects to make a fortune on his recent discovery, the slogan of which reads, "Distilled Drink for Drousy Grid-ders."

BLEACHER GOSSIP



By Al Russell

Now the battle smoke is lifted
On the crisp October air,
And the college men have drifted
From the gridiron's lonely stare,
For the enemy is routed
They were fed the bitter pill
By the senior boys who clouted
As patriots did at Bunker Hill.

Now the audience has vanished,
And the clamour has been hushed
For the foe is nicely banished
And their hope is neatly crushed;
So victory followed fighting
As the daylight follows dawn,
While those senior boys were slugging
As Teddy did at old San Juan!

A novel experiment has recently been completed — that of touch tackle in Houghton. Last Saturday's crowd in a pouring rain speaks the popularity of the sport and just a glance at the final standings will show you that it has been an exciting sport for those participating. Some 250 students and friends were present as the seniors waded (literally) to a victory which climaxed their season's campaign. And on the northern side of the gridiron were approximately 35 car loads of fans, protected from the crying clouds. Not bad for a small college with no large town or city to draw from! The spirit of the fans was "tops" too. Groups of frosh and seniors huddled under groups of umbrellas — cheering their respective classes on. Humor also crept into last week's fray for according to an unofficial report, Paul Wolfgruber in an effort to keep his team from letting down after they had rolled up a pair of touchdowns in the first half said to the sages during the intermission: "Now remember fellas — we've gotta fight just so much harder this half for the tide's going to be against us!"

The final standings show the class of '40 in first place by one game. The seniors deserved to win — they played heads up ball and fought the hardest when the "chips were down." The sophs showed power but were held back by those two tie contests. The freshmen should be complimented for fighting in the championship game their initial year. The juniors and high school possessed two all-star players, Keith Sackett and Bill Crandall, but each lacked a well balanced team to back them up. A good season — a close one, next year's should be even better! Below is the final standing of the teams:

Class	W	L	T
Seniors	3	0	1
Sophomores	2	0	2
Freshmen	2	1	1
Juniors	1	3	0
High School	0	4	0

Headline of the week: Sophomore President turns Waterboy. Last Saturday evening "Duke" Sloan, prominent Buffalo sportscaster who referees several of Alfred's nocturnal contests, transported a trio of Houghton under-grads to the intercollegiate fray in the ceramic-minded town. Not the least of these was Paul Krentel who, probably through his scientific experience obtained here in the local labs, was unanimously chosen as official water boy by a committee of three Hofstra coaches. Although the H₂O which Mr. Krentel instilled into the boys failed to cheer them on to victory, (Hofstra