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## Southern Violin Team to Come For Duo Recital

### Well-known on National Broadcasting Music Guild Hour

Mary and Virginia Drane, duo violinists, who will appear in recital here, with Lois Bannerman, harpist, on Wednesday, February 17, at 8:15 o'clock, are the only two violin combination before the concert public today. They were born in the South and have the charm and the poise that one has come to expect of young ladies of that part of the country. They began their musical studies at an early age and finally won a duo scholarship at the Juilliard School of Music where they spent several years.

These talented young ladies have now become well known to metropolitan audiences because of their mature musicianship and the unusual and interesting music which they have found for this musical combination. Last season, they appeared with the Norfolk symphony, playing the rarely performed Vivaldi Natchez Concerto in A Minor, under the baton of Henry Cowles Whitehead.

These young ladies broadcast frequently over the Music Guild hour of the National Broadcasting network and have played several times with such outstanding organizations as the Bamberger Little Symphony under Phillip James, the National Broadcasting orchestra under the direction of Joseph Littau, and three times with the Toscanini Fund orchestra.

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## SENIORS AND POST-GRADS TAKE WORK

Two seniors and two graduates of last year are enrolled in the New York University extension courses being taught here this semester. The graduates, Harold Boon and Francis Pignato, have been enrolled since the inauguration of the courses. The seniors Merrit Queen and Wesley Thomas, are beginning work this semester.

Dr. Maurice Shafer is teaching the two courses offered, personnel problems of the public-school teaching staff and current economic and social problems. Miss Edith Dilks is secretary.

## Debate Season Will Open With LeMoyne As First Opponents

The Houghton College varsity debaters will oppose the LeMoyne College team of Memphis, Tennessee on Feb. 22 in the chapel. This will be the initial varsity debate of the season.

The thought provoking resolution to be debated is "that Congress should be empowered to fix minimum wages and maximum hours for industry."

The Houghton argumentators have been gleaming every essential source of information in anticipation of this coming contest, for LeMoyne's defenders will have participated in over twelve varsity college and university debates before appearing on the Houghton rostrum.

This debate will mark the first time that LeMoin College, an institution devoted to the development of the cultural aspirations of Southern Negro youth, has participated with Houghton in any collegiate contests.

The visiting team will defend the negative side of the question.

## Spring Schedule May Send Choir To Middle West

### Mr. Friend May Arrange Concerts in Chicago And Cleveland

The plans for the spring trip of the Houghton College A Cappella Choir are well under way. The choir will first travel east, singing the opening concert on Friday evening, April 2, in Endicott, New York, then proceed toward the Philadelphia area.

The Third Presbyterian Church of Chester, Pennsylvania, the scene of happy choir memories of last year, will entertain the choir for its primary concert in this section on Saturday evening, April 3. The First Presbyterian Church of Darby, Pennsylvania, will be host Sunday morning. In the afternoon there will be a concert in John Wannamaker's Church (Bethany Presbyterian Church) of Philadelphia and in the evening in the Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church. On Monday afternoon the choir members will have the privilege of singing in Temple University's large auditorium which seats 3,500 people.

The itinerary for the rest of the tour has not yet been completed. Mr. George C. Friend, through whom much of the itinerary has been planned, is leaving immediately to secure concerts at in the West.

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## Poems, Stories, Essays Are Sought for Entries To the Literary Contest

In this edition of the *Star* you will find a clever little essay, called "Or Earning Salt," written by Kathryn Anderson, for last year's literary contest. Miss Anderson also took third place in the story division with "Vagabond Song." Two of her classmates, freshmen, took first and second in story, and another classmate first in essay. The poetry contest was won by seniors, Ada Van Rensselaer who won first and Elsie Gibbs, second and third. Miss Van Rensselaer also took second in essay.

"Broken Dishes," may bring glory to God, as illustrated by the fact that the pottery of Bible lands have confirmed His Word. Just so broken lives may bring him glory. Such was the thesis of "Broken Dishes" which Willis Elliott won first in essay. "God's Gallery" in which God displays beautiful pictures of rain and autumn, took second place.

What about the story plots? They were nothing profound, but they were cleverly handled. A man, who successfully turns the evidence for a murder away from himself to an other, dies in an automobile crash trying to escape from what he thinks is the man he has so cruelly injured. Yet all the time he has been followed by a messenger bringing him the news that his enemy is safe in Sing Sing. That story written by Victor Murphy took first.

A football story, written by Jack Crandall, took second. Hammond

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## PROFESSOR SHEA RECENTLY GRANTED MASTER'S DEGREE FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY



### Educational Sociology Is Major Field in Work Which Was Completed Last August

Professor J. Whitney Shea, for two years instructor in economics and sociology at Houghton College, has received his master's degree from Columbia University.

The degree, with a major in educational sociology was received by mail on Feb. 2, 1937. Actual work for the degree was completed in August 1936.

Mr. Shea is now using his year's leave of absence, as instructor here, in resident work at Cornell University, where he is working toward a doctor's degree with a major in labor and industrial relations. Minors to be completed for his requirements are: economic theory and its history, and rural social organization.

Born in Canada, Prof. Shea relates that he was christened by Rev. J. R. Pitt, now pastor of Houghton church. The full appellation: John Gerald Whitney Shea.

Prof. Shea spent many of his younger school days in Houghton, where the family lived for several years. In 1932 he returned to Houghton to graduate with the class of '33. His A.B. was awarded with a major in economics.

On August 15, 1925, he married Phoebe Annetta Lusk, of Akron, O. For a time Mr. and Mrs. Shea made their home in Akron, where Prof. Shea attended night school for seven years.

Joining the faculty of Houghton College in 1934, Prof. Shea has succeeded in making himself one of the best liked professors on the campus. A member of several committees on

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## Students Urged to Attend Rehearsals Of Easter Oratorio

The Houghton College Oratorio Society will present the oratorio, *St. Matthew Passion*, this year on Good Friday evening, March 26. The first rehearsal called out only a small proportion of those who should really be interested in this fine musical and spiritual masterpiece.

Many colleges throughout the country have made the singing of this chorus a tradition, hiring outside soloists to participate. Likewise, some of the largest churches have incorporated the oratorio into their Lenten services. A splendid opportunity is presented to Houghton students to make the *St. Matthew Passion* part of their musical experience. Those who wish to increase their own experience and in turn help be of assistance to others through singing the message of the oratorio should avail themselves of the privilege.

## Library Issues A Partial List of Purchased Books

The Willard Houghton Memorial Library has recently purchased a number of new books, some of which are just off the press. They are, for the most part, current non-fiction books. A partial list follows:

Prophet of America—Newton Dillaway  
London—Sidney Dark  
The Foundations of Civilization—Will Durant  
The Book of Table Setting—Biddle Bloom  
The Honourable Company—Douglas MacKay  
Texas the Marvellous—Nevin Winter  
Cabins in the Laurel—Sheppard  
The Book of Old Ships—Calver Grant

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## Revival Has Brought Much Blessing; Present Series Conclude This Sunday

Continuing for the past week, the winter revival series under the ministry of Rev. E. W. Tokely, has been a great blessing and inspiration. Following is a brief resumé of each service.

### Work of the Spirit

Saturday evening, February 6, the Rev. Mr. Tokely spoke from John 16:8, "When he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness and judgment."

"The work of the Holy Spirit," he said, "is to convict men of sin. If God brings us the light and we fail to walk in it, it is sin. The climax of all sin is the rejection of Jesus Christ and failing to believe on Him as the only begotten of the Father and the only Saviour. The Spirit also convicts of righteousness, showing that it is provided, is possible, and is ready to be imparted. Finally, he speaks with us about the judgment to come and the defeat of Satan that has been made possible for us."

### Peace and Holiness

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord," was the Rev. Mr. Tokely's text Monday evening, February 8.

"God commands us to pursue holiness," he said. "We must have an objective or we will go around in circles. In this pursuit there must be the Bethel where we get the vision of God. We must then follow through the Jordan of 'death to self', pride and the body of sin in order that we may come into the Canaan of holiness and perfect love."

The experience is not a stopping place however, but an ushering into a country where there is much land to be possessed. As we keep pursuing holiness, it increases ceaselessly. The purpose is that we may see the Lord with unclouded vision and have a full enjoyment of him."

### Your Life

In chapel Tuesday, February 9 the Rev. Mr. Tokely used as his text for his short daily message the word "your life" found in James 4:14. Preceding his talk, Dr. I. F. McLeister, editor of the *Wesleyan Methodist* offered prayer.

"People are failing to give God proper consideration in their plan and lives," said the evangelist. Then he showed how the people, mentioned by James in his epistle, were proud failing to give God consideration. "Life," he said, "is short. It is likened to a vapour. Life's lost opportunity."

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## Editorial

### TAKE YOUR MEDICINE!

It has been observed that a few of those recently suspended from classes took their discipline quite lightly. The majority, however, were willing to admit that their offense was one of actual carelessness.

For those who sincerely acknowledge their mistake and the justice of the punishment, there is some commendation. For those who are attempting to laugh it off . . .

It is hard to think that students who have been a part of Houghton would so far lay aside their respect for the school as to become cases for major discipline.

The act in itself was not a social offense; in many places it would have been looked upon as an ordinary thing to do. Yet, when one comes to Houghton, it should be with a complete understanding of her principles, and registration involves a mental assent to conform to her rules.

That rules were made for a purpose is an accepted fact. And while some may consider the punishment harsh, it still remains that there was a deliberate violation of rules. Leniency now would inevitably lead to an even more general disregard of college standards.

A. W. L.

### THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF MEDICINE

In the recent disciplinary decision, the faculty, of course, acted for a purpose—to frighten the remaining "old offenders", if any, and possible new ones from participating in further Sunday evening excursions. The decree was indefinite because the administration did not possess sufficient information to affect all whom they suspected were there.

Everyone who was admittedly there failed to conform to the rules of their *Alma Mater*; hence, deserved some form of punishment. However, some of the unfortunates were first offenders. In the eyes of the law this creates a distinction in the severity of the punishment. In this case there was none. Since suspension from college, no matter what the cause, is usually a black mark on one's record, the writer believes some distinction should have been made.

H. G. A.

### AVERAGE INDICES FOR MEN'S HOUSES

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1.813	2	F. H. Wright
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### Marvin Goldberg Is Teaching for Miss Burnell

Due to the illness of Miss Burnell and the timely mid-semester vacation enjoyed by Cornell graduate students, the classes in general chemistry, and quantitative analysis are now being instructed by Marvin Goldberg.

Graduate of the class of '36, deliverer of the salutatory address at graduation, recipient of graduation honors and the only *Magna Cum Laude* man of his class, Mr. Goldberg is now taking graduate work in chemistry at Cornell University.

While at Houghton Mr. Goldberg majored in chemistry and was practice teacher in science and chemistry.

Miss Armeda Bullock returned home Monday after spending six weeks in Philadelphia as the guest of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bullock.

## KAMPA...



## ...SNOOZE

The following paragraph was submitted for use in this column. No responsibility will be accepted for any statement printed.

It seems that one of our young men students, Arthur Wilson Lynip became the "Arthur" of a dangerous throat germ, and after a few days became quite ill. Now it also came to our knowledge that one of our girls not willing that he should "Foster" such a germ, got the "Lynip" on it. As a result of her "Art", his fever became "Lora" and he "Wilson" be up to par again.

### Scenes Enacted from News of the Week

All right, let's hurry. Everybody up on the platform right away. Officers on the front row, shortest girls next, tallest men on the back row. Cut the fooling, fellows. We're way behind schedule already. Is this club larger than the one we just shot (with the camera)? "Dutch," pull the gray curtain over to the left a little. No we want some ruffles there. That's it. "Dick", turn on the lights. All right, everyone, look this way. You up there, lower your glasses so the light won't shine on them. That's too far, you look like grandpa. Okay! Down here on the left, pull your knees together. (Thompson, muttering under his breath, "Can't. They were never built that way.") Everybody on the front row, line your feet up along this crack. Now, is everybody ready? Watch this plate above the camera. Don't smile too broadly. It makes you look asinine. Ready now, don't move. One-two-three. Once more. Ready again. One-two-three. That's fine, thank you. Next group, quickly, please!

We understand that some of those taking music appreciation for their music requirement are bored beyond description. One of Prof. Cronk's most ardent students is "Tom" Ellis who during class sits enthralled with the love of Bach surging thru his veins. Perhaps you will understand more of his devotion to this field of art from a conversation overheard at the General Store than from anything else that might be said. The professor: "Tom, I'll make a musician out of you before you know it." "If you do," drawled Tom, "It will be before I know it."

We hope you read the editorials. You would be surprised the amount of work that the boys put into them to make the lesson digestible. In last week's issue we got a glimpse of Muir as he pondered over his subject. "I got the idea from the *Saturday Evening Post* and the style from last week's *Literati*," muttered Bill. "There must be a lesson in here some place." We realize that, Mr. Muir but just where is it?

We always supposed that Gordon Srockin, the language wizard, was a rather conservative sort of chap. However, we were surprised to discover that we had been disillusioned. Monday morning he and Lois York were working over a translation in *Caullus*. Gordon had just explained a difficult section when Lois suddenly asked, "Why! Does that mean 'more than my eyes'?" Our eavesdropper couldn't quite catch the answer. Please, Gordon, speak a little louder next time.

## PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

### Mary Paine

Mary Elizabeth (Mickey) Paine was born in Battle Creek, Michigan. She attended grade school in Grand Rapids, Mich. and high school in the various towns of Brighton, Mich. Wheaton, Ill., and Grand Rapids Mich.

During her high school days "Mickey" was a member of more clubs than she could recollect for the interviewers writeup, but she did remember these facts: she once belonged to the Epinean Literary Society and played basketball in all of her four years of high school. She was graduated at Grand Rapids, Mich.

In college "Mickey" has been a member of the clubs: Social Science Expression, and German. For the last three years she has been poster chairman and corresponding secretary of the Forensic Union. In her freshman year she was vice president of her class.

In athletics "Mickey" is one of Houghton's outstanding seniors. She has played basketball in the Purple-Gold and class series and on the varsity team. This year she is secretary-treasurer of the Athletic Association Purple Captain and cheer leader. Incidentally, she has led cheers for the Purple each of the past four years. A member of the Track Team (having won the 220 yard dash in her freshman year), the Tennis Team and last summer swimming instructor at a camp near Mt. Holyoke College she has shown exceptional ability in athletics throughout her college career.

"Mickey" has done practice teaching here in English IV and economic geography, and after her graduation plans to teach English and social science.

Her statement: "I will always cherish the many fine friendships I have made at Houghton College."

### Elizabeth Ratcliff

Miss Elizabeth (Betty) Louise Ratcliffe was born in Scriba, N. Y., on the eighth day of November, 1915. Her father is a minister and so her place of residence has often been changed. She attended grade school in the towns of Gowanda, and Addison, in New York, and Harrison Valley, Pa.

Betty went to high school in Naples, N. Y., and engaged in all the activities possible. She was vice president of the senior class, treasurer of the junior class, news reporter on the school paper, and a member of the band and glee club. She was active also in basketball, dramatics, and a school speaking contest. She was graduated as class valedictorian, with an alumni prize for excellence in English.

Since coming to college, Betty has been a member of the Forensic Union, Social Science, Expression, and

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## LITERATI



### On Earning Salt

BY KATHRYN ANDERSON

"On Earning Salt," by Kathryn Anderson took the third prize in the 1936 Literary Contest, essay division. Miss Anderson, a member of Section A class in composition, also took third place in the story contest.

"That young Latin is worth his salt. He's going to make good here." It was Max Schultz, my jovial grocer friend. Beaming approval glowed on his broad, ruddy face as he surveyed a youthful clerk he had hired rather recently. Lain was waiting on Cora Clark, the fussiest old lady in Greenville, yet preserving a perfectly unruffled mein and a cheerfully courteous manner.

While Schultz rumbled contentedly on in praise of his promising acquisition, I merely nodded and smiled acquiescence without hearing another word. My thoughts had drifted far from the sunny country store with its familiar mingled scents of soap and coffee and with the neat rows of bright-labeled canned goods that lined the walls. Silently I took my parcels and started home, still musing. The innocent cause of my brown study was Schultz' use of the familiar expression, "worth his salt." The evening before, while I had been leafing through an old book of word derivations, I happened upon the information that salary in the days of the Roman Empire was "a pittance doled to soldiers for the purchase of salt." "Hence," the author deduced, "came our expression, 'worth his salt'."

This scrap of information came floating back to my recollection and started my conjecturing rather confusedly about soldiers, salt, and salary. What does the average American use his salt-allowance for, anyway? I queried. What about this clean, intelligent, alert, young clerk? Schultz says he's "worth his salt," but just what makes him worth it? Furthermore, what kind of salt will he buy with his "salarium"?

The Roman soldier undoubtedly earned his salt by a practical demonstration of loyalty, courage, and obedience. Harsh punishment was meted out to the coward, the shirker, and the traitor, but native pride kept most of the soldiery true to the military ideals of the day. Each rugged trooper must have felt a keen, honest pride in the knowledge that he had earned the right to purchase himself some seasoning for his rough daily fare.

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## Indiana State Teachers College Evolves Chemistry Analysis of Common Object

An analysis of a common element in everyday life has been advanced by a chemist at Indiana State Teachers College.

Element: Woman.

Occurrence: Found wherever man exists. Seldom found in free state; with few exceptions, the combined state is preferred.

Physical Properties: Has great amount of crust. Has no definite size or color. Usually discovered in disguised condition unless happened upon unexpectedly. The face is covered with a film of composite material. Boils at nothing and may freeze at a moment's notice. However,

melts when properly treated. Very bitter if not well used.

Chemical properties: Very active. Possesses great affinity for gold, silver, platinum, and precious stones. Violent reaction when left alone. Able to absorb expensive foods at any time. Sometimes yields to pressure. Turns green when placed beside a better looking specimen. Fresh variety has very great magnetic attraction.

Caution: Explosive under certain conditions. Sometimes dangerous when handled by inexperienced persons.



## ALUMNI CORNER

Hodgins and Eyler  
United February 6

Miss Elsie Hodgins (ex '38) was married to Mr. Kenneth Eyler (ex '37) Saturday evening, February 6 at the bride's home in Brighton Michigan. The ceremony was performed by her father, the Rev. Daniel Hodgins, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Porter of Ypsilanti and the Rev. Mr. Lefeler of Brighton.

The parlor, in which the ceremony took place, was beautifully decorated in white. White candles, sweet peas, smilex, and carnations were set off by a background of ferns.

The bride was gown in white satin and carried a bouquet of lilies baby's breath, and smilex. The maid of honor, Miss Elizabeth Eyler, sister of the bridegroom, wore a royal blue gown trimmed with silver crepe. Mr. Mendal Hodgins, brother of the bride, stood up with Mr. Eyler. Magene Hodgins, niece of the bride, was flower girl.

A duet by Mr. Kenneth Allen and Mrs. De Vol, sister of the bride, was the opening feature of the wedding.

Over fifty guests witnessed the ceremony, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eyler, parents of the bridegroom. The couple received many splendid gifts from these friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Eyler are now at home in Ypsilanti, Mich. Through his parents they wish to be remembered to all their friends in Houghton.

Annual Founder's Week  
Held at Bible Institute

During the week, January 31 to February 7, the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago sponsored its thirty-first annual Founder's Week Conference. This period commemorated the centenary of the life and work of that great evangelist, Dwight L. Moody. With the exception of one night, all evening services were held in the Moody Memorial Church. On Friday evening, however, the mammoth Coliseum was used as the convention hall. Over 15,000 persons crowded the buildings to capacity, and according to police reports, between four and five thousand were turned away.

The Coliseum is the same hall that housed the 1932 Republican National Convention, and that the thousands of delegates who attended failed to fill the auditorium. Nevertheless, Chicago papers barely gave notice to the fact that anything out of the ordinary was taking place, for the write-up, less than a half column in length, was placed on the fifth page of one of the city's leading papers.

Dr. Will H. Houghton, President of the Moody Bible Institute and a former visitor to Houghton College presided over the services.

## CHOIR PLANS

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According to tentative arrangements, the bus will take the choir directly west, stopping possibly in western Pennsylvania, near Pittsburgh. There may be concerts in Cleveland and Toledo, in Ohio and in Indiana. Chicago will be the most western city touched. A concert has been secured in the Moody church in Chicago.

The return path will lead through Detroit, Lansing, and Grand Rapids Michigan, and other cities en route to Buffalo, New York, where the A Cappella Choir will appear before the Eastern Music Supervisor's Conference on April 14.

## News Flashes

Born Jan. 20 in the North Country Community Hospital at Glen Cove Long Island, a daughter, Carol Joanne, to Prof. and Mrs. R. W. Hazlett.

The Alumni Campaign is now in progress in the Buffalo Chapter. Harold Boon, Assistant Treasurer for the Luckey Memorial Building Fund, reports a generous response by the alumni in that section. Almost without exception everyone is making some contribution to the fund.

Lynn Russell Wins Great  
Success as Poet, Writer

The Houghton College Press recently completed the printing of the second book of poems by Lynn Russell. The book is entitled, *The Little Spanish Princess and Other Florida Poems*. His first book, *Hills of Gold* was also published in Houghton.

Lynn, the son of Mrs. G. A. Russell of Houghton, began his career as a poet in the Houghton High School by winning first place in the annual poetry contest at the age of sixteen. Because of his poor health, Lynn was forced to terminate his college education at the sophomore year. His first book, *Hills of Gold*, was written before his twenty-first birthday, and at twenty-four he wrote feature stories for the *Albany Evening News*. Since then his stories and poems have found their way into many journals and anthologies including *Davis Anthology of Newspaper Verse*.

His brother, William Russell, who was killed in the war, was also a writer, and Lynn feels that he is carrying on where "Bill" left off.

At present he is suffering from paralysis in his right side, but sickness does not prevent him from working on another collection, *Songs of the Open Skies*, which will be his third publication. Lynn was a good friend of Thomas Edison and is acquainted with Henry Ford. Mr. Russell has made probably the most outstanding literary success of any Houghton student.

## LITERARY CONTEST

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who had thrown over a football game for money, returns to his alma mater after three years. He locks his twin brother up to keep him from playing, enters the game himself, decides to throw it again, but refrains for conscience sake and wins the game for the university.

Here's another plot. A fellow who didn't want to be forced to be a musician fled from home, met an old tramo who loved his fiddle, and was induced to return to the life planned for him by his proud father.

Thousands of such plots are awaiting development by resourceful minds. Multitudes of things are struggling to be said, in essays and in poems. The time of opportunity has arrived—for freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

The literary contest is on.

## Rules of Contest

1. All productions entered in the contest must be wholly original.
2. Essays and stories must not exceed 2500 words in length.
3. Each contestant may submit as many different stories, essays, and poems as he may choose.
4. To insure the placing of a name on the cup for excellence in a particular division, there must be at least six contestants for that honor.
5. Each contestant shall pay a fee of ten cents to cover the expenses of the contest.

## LITERATI

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Salt was then a luxury, a valued condiment that lent a gratifying flavor to the flat, tasteless food staples portioned out to the soldiers. It ranked among the best things money could buy, for it was costly and rare. There was no substitute possessed of its distinctive property of transforming the ordinary necessary articles of fare into tasty, appetizing food.

Then I pondered, "What is the inference applicable to salaries today?" Is there any parallel between the Roman soldier's salt-allowance and the working man's salary?

In casting about in my recollection for specific examples, I found that there are all too few of whom their employers would say with any spontaneous enthusiasm, "He is worth his salt." Upon further search, I found fewer still who really purchased anything "salty" with their salt-allowance, for salt is a "seasoning" and a "preservative." Many of my acquaintances await pay day as a time for "making whoopee." Perhaps that's seasoning of a sort—but where are its preservative qualities? I seriously doubt that any Roman soldier upon receipt of his "salarium" dashed to the market, bought a few pounds of salt, and ate it all on the way back to the barracks. Neither did he sprinkle it all on one meal. He used it as a seasoning to be mingled sparingly with a great many meals.

Then, too, it is highly improbable that any one of them hoarded his salt-money with the hazy plan of buying a whole cargo for his old age. By that time his sense of taste would have left him. "Better to mingle the daily salt with the daily ration," he probably would explain.

The average American working man seems to have the idea that he should surfeit himself on life's seasoning for a day even if he must scrimp for a month to make up for it. And at that much of the chosen seasoning leaves a bad taste afterwards. After all, doesn't it seem plausible to suppose that the only real value in a seasoning is its ability to make the usual pleasing to the taste? If that is true, then the amusements we buy with our salt-allowance are defeating their intended purpose when they are made the prime objective. Why not put first things first and keep condiments where they belong?

6. The contest shall close on April 1.

7. On or before the date specified for closing the contest, each contestant shall submit to the head of the English Department three typewritten copies of each story, essay, or poem he wishes to enter in the contest. These copies must bear no mark which would identify the author.

8. A committee of three members shall be chosen by the faculty contest committee to select from the productions submitted the ten ranking highest in each department. These shall be sent to the final judges.

9. All productions submitted in this contest shall become the property of the English Department.

10. Each production submitted shall bear some pseudonym placed beneath its title and be accompanied by a sealed envelope bearing on its outside only this pseudonym, but containing the pseudonym associated with the real name of the author and a statement that his production is original. Absence of this statement will disqualify the production. Contestants who submit several manuscripts should assume a different sign or pseudonym for each manuscript submitted.

11. No production shall contain anything that will reflect upon the atonement, the divinity of Christ, or any other principle held by the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

## RELIGIOUS WEEK

Our Sunday  
Services

## Willing and Obedient

"If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land," was the Rev. Mr. Tokely's text Sunday morning, February 7.

He said, "It is still true that God reigns, but the reason we don't experience more of his power is that we are not willing and obedient. Sometimes we even make our religion a substitute for obedience. God demands unquestionable obedience and won't accept profession, sacrifice, or anything else as a substitute.

"God doesn't ask if it is possible for you to be whole. He asks if you are willing, as he said to the impotent man at Bethesda, 'Wilt thou be made whole.' That man began to give the reasons why it wasn't possible, but Jesus showed him that it was a matter of willingness instead of possibility. This willingness was shown by obedience."

## Burden

Gwendolyn Blauvelt had charge of the Young People's service Sunday evening, February 7. In a brief exhortation she emphasized the need of a greater burden for the unsaved and a closer walk with God, so that God can really work through our lives. The rest of the time was spent in prayer for the next service.

## What Shall I Do?

Sunday evening, February 7, the Rev. Mr. Tokely brought a challenging message on "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called the Christ?"

"Christ," he said, "is up before each one of us for a decision. We must do something with him. We may betray him for a few paltry things of this life as Judas did. We may declare our allegiance to Christ without asking for his strength and miserably fail in the hour of test as Peter did. We may forsake him and flee as the other disciples did. We may refuse to acknowledge his deity as the chief priests did. We may follow the crowd and cry 'away with him'. All of these things are common practices, but God's plea is to identify ourselves with the Christ of the cross and the cross of the Christ. That is the attitude we will never regret."

## LIBRARY BOOKS

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The Story of Architecture from Ramesses to Rockefeller—C. H. Whitaker

The History of American Painting—Isam Cortisox

Chinese Art—By 12 patrons of the arts

Sherman, Fighting Prophet—Lloyd Lewis

God's Gold—Flynn

The Green Pastures—Bradford

A Guide to the Wild Flower—Taylor

A Guide to Trees—Curtis

Ireland Beautiful—Wallace Nutting

Great Works of Music—Philip Goepf

The Mississippi Bubble—Emerson Hough

Monsieur Beaucaire—Booth Tarkington

Made in America (Fiction)—Martin

The Foolscap Rose (Fiction)—Joseph Hergesheimer

## BIBLE CLASS

The Bible Class, taught by the Rev. Mr. Pitt, will begin the study of I John on Sunday, Feb. 14. During the last quarter this class has been taking up the book of Hebrews.

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## THE BOOK OF BOOKS

A colporteur in Roumania sold a Bible to a man who had never before heard of the Book. Taking it home, he began to read it, and after a time remarked:

"Wife, if this book be true, we are wandering along a false road."

Reading further, he said:

"Wife, if this Book be true, we are lost."

He still read on, and at last called out: "Wife, if this book be true, we can be saved."

—Dnyanodaya

## AS GOOD AS OTHERS THINK

Saint Francis of Assisi one day met a peasant who asked him, "Art thou Francis?" And Francis acknowledged his name, a name far-famed for piety and good deeds. But the peasant uttered this warning: "Take heed that thou be as good as men believe thee." It was a startling admonition and might have seemed superfluous for Francis was a saint, and he who warned him was a peasant. But Francis was good enough and sensible enough to know that a wise word had been spoken. He took the warning to his heart. It would be well for every man, reputed to be good, if someone would thus admonish him. He to whom men look up has a great need of humility. For if he fall many will be caused to stumble by his fall.

—Youth's Evangelist

## INTERPRETATION OF LOVE

Patience is love on the anvil bearing blow after blow of suffering.

Zeal is Love in the harvest field, never tiring of toil.

Meekness is Love in company when it vaunteth not itself.

Perseverance is Love on a journey pressing on with unflagging step toward the end.

Joy is Love making its own sunshine where other see nothing but gloom.

Power is Love driving the soul's chariot wheels over all opposition.

Gentleness is nothing but Love in her own sweet voice and manner.

—Selected

## DOING GOD'S WILL

Most of us need to cease judging God by our standards and begin Who are we, anyhow, that we should presume to tell God what to do and how to do it? Who are we that we should presume to pass judgment on the wisdom of divine providence! Man's highest task is to find what God's will is for him and then do it. Prayer at its best is not a pleading with God to do our will, but a seeking before God of His will for us.

Russell F. Auman

"Psychology may describe you, if that is all that you need; but that will never satisfy you. What we need about ourselves is not a body of facts, but the meaning of those facts. Where will you find that meaning except in the Bible?"

—Bible Society Record

From every stormy wind that blows, From every swelling tide of woes, There is a calm, a sure retreat, 'Tis found beneath the Mercy Seat.

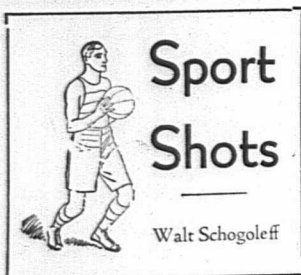
## VERSE OF THE WEEK

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil."

—HC

Do you intend to let the revival end with the last service?





## Sport Shots

Walt Schogoleff

The sudden, hair-raising finale of the Purple-Gold series seems to have disappointed many rabid fans who desired to see the series continue for the full seven games. It seems that their main objection was that basketball was dethroned for the remainder of the year. But they are mistaken in this, for there are a couple of "bucket" games in the offing that would gladden the heart of any basketball fan. These games are the varsity-frosh tilt and the varsity-alumni encounter.

The varsity-frosh battle, prior to this year, used to occur at the season as the first basketball game. This game always arouses much interest as it is a real test of the frosh in athletic ability and sportsmanship. Because of the usually poor brand of basketball found in the beginning of the season, however, Tex Leonard decided that the game should occur after the completion of the Purple-Gold series. The freshmen have a first-rate quintet, shown by their victory in the class series, and the outcome of the clash is beyond prediction.

With the final exams over and the indices posted, flocks of athletes gather around the board with worried expressions. Most of the anxiety was relieved, however, for the results are quite favorable. It seems that the athletes numbered among the low indices hit the exams a bit harder at the last skirmish, for they now stand with the favored band. The frosh especially seem to have profited by the first lesson. They now have their complete basketball team once more. The ten week's war had eliminated half of them, but now they are back in line, rarin' to go. Look out varsity!

The varsity-alumni clash is slated for the Saturday night of the week following the varsity-frosh battle. Without a doubt, this will prove to be one of the hardest fought games of the season. Last year the varsity won in the last second by one goal, alumni vanquished the college boys by the same margin. You can make your own predictions of this year's classic. Considering the grad's performances in the Purple-Gold battle staged during homecoming, we believe that there will be no overwhelming odds in favor of the varsity. As far as this commentator is concerned the dope bucket is empty.

After the conclusion of basketball the Houghton sports program will next present the interclass volley ball series. From some people this announcement will bring groans of disgust, and from others chirps of delight. Nevertheless, volley ball will soon be in full swing.

The main objection to the game is that it is too tame, and slow (sissified). If, however, the sport is played correctly and skillfully, it gives a fine exhibition and becomes truly enjoyable. To be sure, it is not as fast or as strenuous as basketball, but it does have carry-over values. It must be remembered that basketball days end shortly after school days, and if the athlete can learn a sport that he may use later in life, it will be of advantage to him.

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## Court, Football Stars Will Hold Athletic Dinner

It has always been a custom in the past to have an athletic banquet at the end of every year when the awards earned during the year were given out. This year, due to the efforts of Tex Leonard, the old system has been discarded for a more logical one. Tex believes that awards should come at the close of every sportseason. In this manner those who receive athletic honors will not have to wait until the following year to be given recognition.

To carry out this plan, a basketball banquet to take place in a few weeks has been proposed. Anyone interested in athletics is invited to attend the feasting, speaking, and awarding. The awards to be presented at this time are the touch football trophies to the Black Sheep, the class basketball medals to the frosh fellows and junior girls, and the varsity basketball letters and medals. Let everyone concerned keep this in mind and be at hand for an enjoyable time. The date will be announced later.

### PROFESSOR SHEA

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student affairs Prof. Shea has been most interested in student life. In the spring of 1935 in cooperation with Miss Frieda Gillette, he organized the Social Science Club, now one of the largest and most popular student organizations in the school.

Last year when evening extension courses were offered for the first time, Prof. Shea was a strong supporter of the project, and taught courses in economics, and school administration.

Along with his other outstanding activities, Prof. Shea also found opportunity to act as local manager for last year's financial campaign, and to render service as church steward.

In between he found time to devote to his family, augmented on Oct. 10, 1935 by the arrival of Sally Annetta Shea, who, according to the professor, was minus both teeth and hair. And as for his abilities as a fireman—the boys upstairs rarely complained of being chilly.

Having a keen interest in sociology Prof. Shea says that he thoroughly enjoyed his three summers at Columbia. With the additional training symbolized by this advanced degree Prof. Shea upon his return to Houghton in September 1937 will be equipped to teach advanced courses in the field of social studies, courses which will be introduced gradually into the regular curriculum.

For the past week Prof. Shea has been in Houghton, but will return to Cornell University soon to begin the second semester's work.

Queried concerning his present residence work at Cornell, Prof. Shea stated that he was having the time of his life, just studying. "I usually plan to get to the library at eight o'clock in the morning," he said, "and sometimes do not leave until it closes at ten-twenty in the evening."

For the past semester Prof. Shea has been carrying five courses in an effort to work off certain requirements. His schedule this semester he said, will be somewhat lighter.

According to present plans, he will take his prelims or oral examination late this summer which will qualify him to write a thesis as the final step toward his Ph. D. degree.

The Star staff is sure that student and faculty alike join in wishing Prof. Shea "the best of luck," and "we'll be seeing you next semester."

### SPORTS MEMO

Wednesday Night—Feb. 24—  
Varsity vs. Freshmen  
Friday Night—Feb. 26—Var-  
sity vs. Alumni  
Volley Ball Season — Opens  
soon

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opportunities are like water spilled on the ground, never to be regained again. In conclusion he remarked that, "The purpose of life is to do God's will completely."

### Isaiah's Vision

Isaiah's vision furnished the background for the sermon Tuesday evening.

"A crisis," said Mr. Tokely, "namely, the death of King Uzziah, placed Isaiah in the place where he could receive a new vision of God as his king and as the One on whom he could depend. This revelation included God's power and his standard for the church, holiness and prayerfulness. The vision showed him his own heart as he had never seen it before and caused him to cry out in confession of his uncleanness. God purged him. Finally, seeing the great need of the world, he followed God's call to service."

### First Psalm

In chapel on Wednesday morning, February 10, Mr. Tokely chose the first psalm as the text of his daily message to the student body.

As a first thought, Rev. Tokely drew from this familiar passage that the blessed contained in the first verse meant holy and most happy, and that this state is obtainable by all. He then gave a fuller meaning of the term as associated with man.

The man who is blessed, he said, "is one whose sins are forgiven and on whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, in whose heart there is no guile."

A man gets this blessed experience by shunning the counsel of the ungodly and establishing a separateness in his daily walk.

As a result of this blessedness, the man delights in the law of the Lord which has become a day and night business with him. It prepares him for eternity and the judgment.

### Part of the Price

Keeping back part of the price was the subject of the Rev. Mr. Tokely's sermon Wednesday evening, January 10.

He said, "Although God has made provision for all of our spiritual needs, there is a price to be paid if we are to receive the benefits. That price is obedience to God, whatever he demands. Failure in this respect keeps back the blessing from our individual lives and hinders God's mighty working in a revival. It also keeps the soul from salvation as it kept the rich young ruler from satisfaction. Finally, it holds back the soul from sanctification, because God will not sanctify the heart that is not yielded utterly to him. There is truly a price of being blessed, but the price of not being blessed is greater."

### The Fig Tree

The Rev. Mr. Tokely spoke Thursday evening, February 11, from the incident of Christ's cursing the fig tree.

"In this and in other parables," he said, "we see Christ's desire, disappointment and decision. Christ's looks to us for fruit of the lips, repentance, holiness, and service. He is disappointed often by finding only leaves or some counterfeit. Sometimes we seek power as a substitute for purity but God says that purity comes first. If Christ is hopelessly disappointed then the fatal decision is passed against the soul."

## Hayseeds Drop a Close Game to Downtowners

### Purple Team Has Party For Captain Schogoleff

Wednesday evening, February 10 the members of the Purple Basketball Squad, winners of the annual Purple-Gold series, held a celebration at the home of Professor and Mrs. Frank Wright in honor of Captain Schogoleff.

The party was a complete surprise to Mr. Schogoleff, who was lured to the scene by a summons delivered by Wesley Churchill from Prof. Wright himself. Said Walt, "I have n't done anything this time."

But he decided he had done something when a hilarious bunch of purple team-mates pounced on him with congratulations for a successful season.

Following a steak dinner at which the boys really broke training rules, the squad attended church in a body.

### DRANE SISTERS

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Twice they have played before Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt at the Todhunter School graduation exercise and have given three recitals at the Barbizon Plaza in New York City. Throughout the East they have concertized extensively and are outstanding for the number of return engagements which they play each season.

They will be assisted by Miss Lois Bannerman, a very excellent harpist. She is a pupil of the renowned harp virtuoso Carlos Salzedo. She has won a number of the outstanding musical awards in New York within the last two or three years.

Attired in velvet and lace, the ensemble will play some of the fascinating music written for this delightful combination of instruments. This music is rarely heard now. Yet it is as subtly and delicately beautiful as the dancing shadows of the candle light musicals at which much of it was first played at the time of its composition many years ago.

### Program

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| I                           |                 |
| Sonata No. 2                | Loeillet        |
| Largo                       |                 |
| Allegro con fuoco           |                 |
| Grave                       |                 |
| Allegro con brio            |                 |
| Violins and Harp            |                 |
| II                          |                 |
| Passacaille                 | Haendel         |
| La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin | Debussy         |
| Pattuglia Spagnuola         | Tedeschi        |
| Impromptu Caprice           | Pierne          |
| Harp Solo                   | Miss Bannerman  |
| III                         |                 |
| Suite Op. 6                 | Eugene Goossens |
| Impromptu                   |                 |
| Serenade                    |                 |
| Divertissement              |                 |
| Violins and Harp            |                 |
| IV                          |                 |
| Waltz                       | Brahms          |
| On Wings of Song            | Mendelssohn     |
| Ballet Music ("Rosamunde")  | Schubert        |
| Perpetual Motion            | Ries            |
| Violins and Harp            |                 |

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| 1.351 | 3 | Stuart       |
| 1.229 | 5 | Lindquist    |
| 1.219 | 3 | Fox          |
| 1.155 | 3 | S. W. Wright |
| 1.089 | 5 | College Inn  |
| .982  | 2 | Estabrook    |
| .980  | 3 | Lucas        |
| .521  | 3 | Cagwin       |

\*Index not complete due to illness of students in the house.

In the weekly Saturday cage matinee the down town quintet managed to rub off the highly-touted Hayseeds 35-32.

Starting out in the manner of a quiet, nerve soothing game, the contest deteriorated into a wild rough and tumble you-trip-me-I'll push-you skirmish with the referees (there were two of them) were unable to restrain.

The first quarter seemed respectable enough, with both clans displaying strong and comparatively fair defensive tactics. "Deacon" Paine, precision-like Downtown pivotman and the irrepressible Dunkel, Hayseed ace, registered a pair of double-deckers to keep the fray on even terms. Coach Leonard, Hayseed leader, shoved his mates out in front with a sensational long shot.

The combat continued through the second period featuring a fair brand of ball although the lack of fast cutting and spirited playing was markedly conspicuous. The scoreboard reported a two-point lead for the aggressive Hayseeds.

At the opening of the final cantos it became apparent that the spectators were not witnessing a peace conference. Clinches, hard body contacts, and pushing were profuse, a condition which sorely irked the hard-working and conscientious officials. Inside basketball tricks were attempted and successfully executed.

In the early part of the last period the Hayseeds sat on their opponents long enough to gain a narrow lead. But thoroughly aroused to a fierce fighting pitch, the city slickers, led by Dave Paine and Dick Wright, brushed off the pestiferous Hayseeds and forced the ball down the basket's throat, giving the Hayseeds a smell of defeat.

### PERSONNEL

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French Clubs, the WYPS, Chorus Band, Orchestra, track and tennis teams, the Purple and Class Basketball teams.

Betty has taught music at the local school since last Easter. During the past ten weeks she has been practicing teaching in high school English.

Upon being asked what Houghton's biggest contribution has been to her, she replied: "Appreciation of values."

### Isabelle Riggs

Isabelle Riggs was born at Brookdale, N. Y., on September 19, 1914. Part of her younger days were spent in Mooers, the home town of so many well-known Houghtonites. It was at Plattsburg, however, that she was graduated from high school in 1932. During her high school career she was a member of the glee club for three years, sophomore president, junior secretary and treasurer, and a member of the Science Club when a senior.

During her four years at Houghton, Isabelle has been active in the extension work and the Mission Study Club. She has been a member of the Chorus and the Student Ministerial Association during herentire college course, acting as secretary of the latter during her junior year. For one season she participated in class basketball. As a sophomore she was secretary of the Theological Department. For the last two years she has sung in the Chapel Choir.

Following her graduation, Isabelle intends to enter the ministry under the auspices of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. She says, "I would not dare to think of going out into the Lord's work without the training which I have received in Houghton."