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Candidates Chosen for '35 Boulder

Shea, Donelson selected for Editor; Anderson, Boon for Business Manager

The Literary Board in its annual meeting, selected Alton Shea and Glen Donelson as candidates for the editorship of the 1935 Boulder. Either Lawrence (Steve) Anderson or Harold Boon will be Business Manager.

The position of editor requires great organizing ability, initiative, considerable optimism, and no little born qualities of leadership. From the point of all these qualities, the candidates are, in the opinion of the Executive Literary Board, most nearly fitted for the position, of all eligible students.

Alton Shea, who hails from Jersey City, New Jersey, is one of the best known figures on the campus. Standing over six feet, besides his own two very adequate ones, he is easily discernable and needs no introduction. In his Freshman year, he was president of his class, a member of the A Cappella Choir, and had a very active part in Christian work. This year, he is a member of the Student Council, has played a trumpet in many quartets, and is one of the Chem lab assistants.

Glen Donelson has been fairly active in the school life. Last year he was a member of the orchestra. Both last year and this year he has been a member of the Mission Study Class and this year he played a good deal on his class team, and also in the Purple-Gold Series. He plays a trumpet and is active in W.Y.P.S. work. It is interesting to note that both Glen and Alton are members of the same Gospel Team.

A good business manager must have characteristics, which into the same as those of the editor, are none the less necessary. Personality, a good business sense and acumen are among the most important qualities.

Lawrence Anderson, better known as Steve, is a tenor. He swings a mean foot on the cinder track, and was one of the high point men of last year's track meet. He has been a member of the A Cappella Choir for the last two years, and has sung in the chorus for two years. Steve played baseball for the Purple team last fall, and piloted his Sophomore basketball team to virtually a tie for championship honors. He hails from Falconer.

Harold Boon, otherwise, "Dan'l", is assistant manager of the Book Store. He is the man who owns the big Buick touring car that is always parked under the big pine tree. Dan'l transferred to Houghton from Nyack Bible School, Nyack, N.Y.,

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Boulder Photographer Here Monday and Tuesday

The Boulder Photographer will be here next week Monday and Tuesday to finish taking pictures for the Boulder. Watch the bulletin board for time schedules for all pictures.

Helen Estelle Addresses Chapel

Treasurer Speaks on Evils of Liquor Traffic

On Friday morning, March 15, we were privileged to have as our chapel speaker, Miss Helen Estelle, treasurer of the New York State Women's Christian Temperance Union. In introduction, Professor Stanley Wright spoke of the W.C.T.U. as a pioneer organization endeavoring to meet one of the outstanding problems of American civilization. The organization has been active for sixty years. Miss Estelle said, in part:

Youth is an age of problems. The young people of the nation must be prepared to solve the amazing problems which have confronted and are beginning to confront us. One of the greatest of these situations now facing us is the return of legalized liquor traffic. We are challenged to take a definite stand in the matter. Christian people have decided that liquor causes a great deterioration in human standards. There are four basic reasons why alcohol is wrong, said Miss Estelle. Briefly stated, they are: 1. Alcohol belongs to a family of poisons, although somewhat different from other poisons. 2. Alcohol is a habit-forming, narcotic drug. 3. The effect of alcohol is in direct proportion to the amount consumed. 4. Where there is drink there is danger; alcohol has an affinity for the

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Calendar of Events

Friday:—
4:00 Student Council Class Parties
Saturday:—
6:00 Group Sing
Sunday:—
9:50 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Service
3:30 Light Bearers
4:30 Hymn Sing
6:30 W.Y.P.S. William Foster will begin the new unit on "Fellowship."
7:15 Evening Service
Monday:—
10:00 Chapel, S. Wright
6:30 Music Club
7:30 Chorus Rehearsal
Tuesday 10:00 Chapel, M. Belle Moses
7:00 Student's Prayer Service, Miss Edna Robert will continue the discussion of "Fellowship."
Wednesday:—
10:00 Latin Club Chapel
6:30 Boulder Staff meets
Thursday:—
6:30 Church Choir Rehearsal
7:30 Church prayer meeting.
7:30 Owls Club
Friday:—
10:00 Dr. Hamilton to speak in chapel.
Stabat Mater
Saturday:—
Varsity-Alumni Basketball games.

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin Speaks on Prohibition

Thursday night, March 15, Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, President of the New York State W.C.T.U., and Miss Helen G. H. Estelle, Treasurer of that organization, spoke to a small congregation in the church. After having been introduced by Mrs. Stanley Wright, President of the local union, Miss Estelle spoke a few words followed by Mrs. Colvin.

The W.C.T.U., said Miss Estelle, was begun in Fredonia, N.Y., by a group of women who started a crusade against the saloons of that place. In 1873-74 over 200 saloons were closed by this crusade. Now a new crusade against the liquor traffic is being launched. "Where there is drink, there is danger."

Mrs. Colvin told that she had been born in a Wesleyan parsonage. Her father was closely associated with Aaron Worth, one of the founders of the church. In Wheaton she was acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Paine.

What is the difference between temperance and prohibition? The wets believe, they say, in "true temperance," which according to them means moderation. Prohibition deals with the liquor traffic, while temperance deals with habits of individuals.

Dr. Benjamin Rus of Philadelphia soon after the Revolution, wrote a treatise upon the detriment of alcohol to a society like ours. 120 years ago the first temperance organization was formed against "hard liquor." In 1830 one quarter of the people belonged to temperance organizations. In 1836 they had a tee-total pledge, and ever since that time temperance has meant total abstinence. Legally, today, it means that.

At first the liquor question was dealt with by local laws. Finally the people found that modern commerce and advertising made the 18th amendment necessary.

An experiment, financed by Biglow was made in Ohio Wesleyan. A class of 46 was taught on the subject of prohibition by "wets" and drys. In the discussion a statistician, hired by

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Dr. Hamilton of Buffalo Will Speak in Chapel

Dr. H. G. Hamilton, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Buffalo will make his first visit to Houghton on Friday, March 30, when he will speak in chapel.

For this occasion, the service will be on special schedule, beginning at 9:45. Mr. Hamilton will bring with him a group of business men with whom the college will have the privilege of making contact.

The Houghton A Cappella choir was given a splendid reception at Dr. Hamilton's church on February 25.

Debate Team Tours in Pennsylvania

Houghton Team Meets Seton Hill and California Teachers

Pre-Medic Club Holds Student Chapel

The Pre-Medics, represented as the most active club on the campus, gave us Wednesday in chapel a demonstration of an informal discussion meeting. Lena Hunt led the devotions from Luke, chapter seventeen. Kenneth Wright, president of the club, introduced the history of the club and its organization. Its purpose, he said, was to unite students preparing for professions in medicine, dentistry, and surgery. The club gets its name from Pasteur, the great French experimenter in vaccination. The Pre-Medic club was first organized in November, 1927, by the students interested in medicine, including Arthur Doty and Hollis Stevenson, but it has been inactive until this year. It meets bi-monthly on Monday nights and has enlisted the services of Doctors Lyman and Blaisdel.

The members brought articles of current interest on medicine, hygiene and disease. Harold Elliott read of advances in surgery involving the removal of a lung in one case, and a stomach in another, both of which subjects seem hale. Kenneth Wright showed what to do if one leg is shorter than the other and reminded us that one's appendix is not safe, even in Antarctica.

Mable Norton seemed interested in Hay Fever, Hives, and Asthma, related difficulties caused by sensitivity to certain foods, plant pollens and such substances as fur, feathers, rabbit hair, etc. Hay fever, rumored to be affecting the faculty, runs in families, and the treatment lies in desensitization of the individual through an extract of pollen injected into the body.

Wilfred Gibbins reported on an article entitled "Are You Sober?", basely suggesting we were not. He said large and small doses of alcohol increase the amount of lactic acid in the blood.

William Joslyn was worried about cancer—affecting one out of ten people.

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"Stabat Mater" To Be Given Friday, March 30

Good Friday night, March 30, the Houghton College Oratorio Society with orchestra accompaniment will sing the Stabat Mater. The oratorio is based on an old Latin hymn of 10 verses and is made up of duets, quartets, solos, and choruses. It is a very standard work and is sung a great deal. This past week it has been given twice in New York City.

The solo parts will be taken by Mr. Hess, Miss Hawn, Miss Crowell, Mr. Smith, and Miss Stewart.

All those interested are urged to come and worship through listening to the musical representation of Christ on the cross.

Three of the varsity debaters, accompanied by coach and coachman, dragged into town last Friday evening, returning from a three day tour which took them to Pittsburgh and adjacent points for a total distance of some five hundred miles. The debaters who made the trip were Paul Allen, Bob Kotz, and Barney Howe. Aubrey Arlin went along in the role of chauffeur. A rather nasty snowstorm and slippery pavements made for a rather inauspicious start on Tuesday morning, but later on in the day the sun appeared on the scene, and the weather was ideal throughout the remainder of the trip.

The boys reached Greensburg as about five o'clock Tuesday afternoon, having come through Bradford, Warren, New Bethlehem, etc., and having had several good opportunities to visit the New Jerusalem. The report has it that on one occasion the slipperiness of the highway induced them to look for better going in a nearby field which had not been plowed, up until this time.

The debaters could not have wished for finer hospitality than that to which they were treated at Seton Hill College. From the start they were made to feel at home. In the debate of the evening, Barnard Howe and Paul Allen composed the Houghton team, upholding the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, that governmental economic planning is a sound public policy." Their case centered in the contention that we manifestly need some change in our present economic set-up, and that governmental planning with its close supervision of competition in industry and in our financial system is the only effective answer to this need.

The Misses Daughtery and Cokely, arguing for Seton Hill on the opposite side of the question, dwelt upon the failures of planned economy throughout the course of past history, together with the dangerous trend toward a dictatorship which such a plan would involve. The debate was closely contested, and was perhaps as interesting as a non-decision debate could be.

Traveling to California State Teachers College on Thursday, the Houghton Team of Kotz, Howe, Allen upheld the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, that the essential features of the NRA should be made a part of our permanent policy." Messrs. Coleman, Martin and Hutter were the California debaters. This was the first time either team had debated this question; and it was consequently a rather more ragged affair than the debate of the preceding evening, with a comparatively poor clash of opinion. Because of a conflict between the debate and another campus activity, the customers stayed away in large numbers. Following the fireworks, Dr. Keller, the California mentor, took the debaters over to a nearby confectionery where the friendly discussion was continued in a more informal way.

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Editorial

IF I WERE TWENTY-ONE AGAIN

I would give twenty minutes a day to special physical exercise.

I would study and strive to be an original thinker.

I would begin life with a clear conviction concerning the sovereign value of my soul in the presence of God.

I would put quality into every thought, word, and deed.

I would try to achieve one splendid success in some worthy realm of human effort.

I would crowd at least one kind act into every twenty-four hours.

I would live in the light of every grand experience.

I would have two or three choice friends among the older people.

I would read the four gospels once every twelve months.

I would identify myself with some great unpopular cause.

I would spend a little time each day in the realm of the Beautiful.

I would give the flower of my life to Jesus Christ.

Selected, from the *Star of Hope*

Who's Who in The Senior Class

Mable E. Farwell, inimitable sister of the inimitable "John", was born October 25, 1914. "I haven't been around a lot nor done much," she says, "but I've had a good time doing it. I've learned quite a few things since being in Houghton—which, after all, is the reason I came here. I'm thoroughly sold on the teaching profession, and I'm glad I got a start in Houghton." Mable is one of those persons everybody likes. She is a Math major with music as a sideline.

Floyd Burns was born in Porterville on February, 1913. He made grade school in seven years and high school at East Aurora in five years. Following that he came to Houghton with the idea of later studying engineering, so he took a major in Physics and a minor in Mathematics. However, he plans to study theology next year at Capital University in Colum

brought about by student organization, Ohio. He says that he does not regret having taken much work outside of this field but appreciates the broadening influence.

"Burnsie" has taken quite an active part in the life about school and agrees with President Luckey that extra-curricular work is half of a college education. He believes that there is something to that often too-flippantly stated rule: "Don't let your studies interfere with your College education."

In his own words he says: "I believe that the greatest contribution of any school to lives of students is the instilling of initiative, co-operation and confidence that comes only by living and doing. The duty of the school is to guide and encourage towards these ends. Much of this is attained by student activity and organization. As Professor Woolsey said in chapel, I think we are living in preparing for life. In a couple of years I expect to see a completely changed Houghton. It will be

tion."

William Farnsworth was born in Fillmore, where he has lived all his life. There he attended grammar and high school, and there he became the mighty athlete that he is. In High School he played baseball and basketball and participated to some extent in track. Entering Houghton in the fall of 1930, he immediately became captain of his basketball team, and has continued as captain all four years. His team this year won the class championship. In the Purple squad he was high scorer in both his Freshman and Junior years in the latter year having made 93 points in six games. He has chances of gaining the same distinguished record this year. He was Purple captain in his Junior year and Varsity captain this year. Besides this he has pitched for the Purple nine, has been a member of the Boulder Staff and Student Council, and has been looked to as one of the outstanding members of the student body. "After graduating from Houghton," he says, "I hope to secure a position teaching science and coaching athletics."

Georgina Eileen Hawn, born December 27, 1914, at Middleport, N. Y., is one of the outstanding members of the school of music. In High School at Middleport she spent a considerable part of her time in the Principal's office or else doing something that would cause her to spend some more time there. She directed her Senior play "Come out of the Kitchen." She graduated third highest in her class. In college she has been a member of the Music Club, Music Editor of the 1933 Boulder Chorus, Choir, and a Student Body officer. This year Eileen has been very influential in the Senior Class having run a close second to Barnard Howe for President.

Beatrice Swetland comes from Rochester. She was born at New Hudson on April 21, 1911, soon afterward moving with her parents to Rochester. In Rochester, she attended grammar school No. 28, East High School and Monroe High School. She entered Houghton in the fall of 1930. In college "Bea" has been a member of the German Club, Vice President of the Athletic Association, Student Body officer, Varsity captain, Class and Gold Basketball for the last three years, and track. Her major is History, minoring in German, English and Education.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

The Sunday morning hour of worship was characterized by a deep spirit of reverence, perhaps more especially because of the observance of the Lord's Supper.

Rev. Pitt spoke briefly about "Communion." He said that the first Lord's Supper was celebrated more as a ceremonial than as an observance. It is really the receiving of a person. Christ says to each one, "I am offering myself—as you receive the bread and wine it becomes life to you, so when I come in I will be life to you." Whatever a person lacks he lacks because he needs Jesus Christ. All ministries teach the need of Him, and as these ministries are performed the need is more fully realized. He is needed in all His ministries and if a person has Him he has all things necessary. The challenge is to each one. "Is Jesus Christ living in me so that He is getting Himself expressed in me?"

Evangelical Student

"I am the way, the truth, and the life."
—Jesus

A great many comparisons are being made of man's mental age in relation to his physical age. We are told that ordinarily the former is much less than the latter and that man's religious age, too, is very slight. We can only assume that life teaches an individual very little about real religion. Life teaches a man that living is more than existence, that he has overrated his capabilities, and that even his moral strength is in need of an outside help. This latter fact may so impress a man that he sees his need of Christ, but such cases must be rare, else why do we know of very few conversions in middle life or old age?

We feel that life ought not to be so. It is the gift of God, and why does it not reveal Him? Some men tell us that it does. They mean that careful study and appreciation of life reveals a Great Force; or they may mean that some very intelligent people can develop from their years of living a wholesome philosophy. Few can say that life reveals more than that.

After all, we count our age from the time of our birth, and it is natural enough that religious age should date from a religious awakening, a spiritual birth. We cannot grow or develop in a life which we do not live. That sententious old phrase, "the school of life," has worlds of significance to one who wishes to learn, but before we ask Life to show us God, let us ask God to show us Life.

DID YOU NOTICE THAT—

Il Duce Mussolini said on Sunday, March 18, to the quinquennial assembly in the Rome opera house. "I want to lay before you a plan not for five years, or ten years, but for sixty years, carrying on to the twenty-first century, at which time Italy will have the primacy of the world."

That statement is highly suggestive in connection with Daniel 2:40-43 and Revelation 17.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Revival services being held in the M.E. Church at North Tonawanda, Pennsylvania.

Evening services being sponsored by the young people of the Prattsburg, New York, M.E. Church.

An awakening in Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania.

A revival in the M.E. Church at Dayton, New York.

The Podonque Sunday School.

I HAVE FAILED, BUT—

Jesus said (concerning Peter, who had denied Him,) "Go tell my disciples, and Peter." The Psalmist sang, "Though he fall, yet is he not utterly cast down, but the Lord upholdeth him with His hand." John sent the message "These things write I unto you that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous." And again, the Revelator wrote, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Bernard of Clairvaux exclaimed, "To those who fall how kind Thou art,

How good to those who seek."
I say, "I have matriculated in the school of Christ. I expect when the course is done to graduate into

heaven, and one flunked test, no, nor ten, shall make me quit. I am going to arrive.

A SINNER'S PRAYER

Oh, Thou who hear'st a sinner's pray'r
And know'st Thy children's every care—
Come—take me now, I plead with Thee,
From this black hell—with Thee to be.

I once was Thine, but now am lost;
Come, help me here what'er the cost.

I cannot stand to be from Thee,
Oh, Loving Father,—come to me.

I feel myself from Thee, apart;
Oh, Father, show me where Thou art.

I see Thy light less brightly glow;
Oh, please, dear God, don't let me go.

—Jack Reed.

Pre-Medic Chapel

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sons so he figured he was not exempt, and showed that the malignant disease is not due to macroorganisms nor is it contagious but is caused by a group of cells.

Henry Halstead, reason unknown, discussed mentally defectives, warning us that mental patients are on the increase and that 6,000,000 of us are destined to end up in an insane asylum.

While we consider smallpox conquered, he told us that only India exceeds the United States in the number of smallpox cases in a year, the reason being that our country alone refuses to make vaccination compulsory. As a matter of student interest, Halsted reported a cure for athlete's foot discovered in the tropics.

Kenneth Wright announced the next meeting of the club and dismissal was informal.

Candidates for Boulder

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where he had attended for three years. He has been a member of the Expression Club and the College orchestra. This year he is Extension Secretary of the W.Y.P.S. and has been actively engaged in preaching. His home is in Scranton, Pa.

Election will be held Monday, April 2, after chapel. Only the Sophomore and Junior classes will be eligible to vote. Voting will be by secret ballot.

Miss Helen Estelle Speaks

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higher powers of man. Miss Estelle illustrated her points by the use of statistics on accidents and laboratory equipment. She called our attention to the fact that the greater part of today's accidents are caused by alcoholism.

Total abstinence, Miss Estelle said in closing, is necessary for right living. We, as a people, cannot attain the highest standard until we have solved this, the greatest problem of our civilization.

BOULDER BOULDER

You are looking forward to the appearance of the *Boulder*. But we must know just how many to order, so that you may be assured of getting your copy. Please inform me right away as to how many copies you desire. Thank you for your kindness and cooperation.

Carl Stamp,
Subscription Manager.



ALUMNI WRITE FORM 'THE UTTERMOST PARTS'

JAPAN

Tokyo, Japan, February 8, 1934.
Dear Houghton Star:

If you could have been here last Sunday afternoon and gone with us to a real Japanese Christian wedding, I'm sure you'd have been surprised, amused and edified—all three. Even the tiny entrance hall in our Nagasaki church would have seemed novel enough with its concrete floor on the level with the street and one entire side given over to shelves. Grace and I were late enough to find these well filled with footwear,—shoes, slippers, boots, rubbers, and clogs of every weight and description. We added to the list, put on house-slippers and negotiated the single two-foot step up into the house.

The lattice doors were slid back and there sat the waiting congregation, each an immovable Miss Muffet on his own square tuft,—gentlemen to the left, ladies to the right. Those who wore native garments appeared very stiff and proper in the formal black over-kimono with the family crest staring like the white eye of an octopus from the back and shoulders.

We made our bowing way down the center aisle which had been spread with a white cloth, and awaited the opening signal. Someone slipped upstairs to see if the dramatic personae were ready, and soon I was bidden to begin the march.

Down they came, our pastor and wife in their best bib and tucker, the tall groom with his poor crumpled hand, and the plump little bride. The men of this quartet wore foreign clothes, the same as would any groom and best man in America—striped trousers, black cutaway coat, white shirt. But of course they were shoeless and the groom's white bow tie was upside down. (This last was remedied before the photograph-taking.) The bride, a common poor work-girl, wore a rose-tan silk kimono and the usual gold-and-white brocade sash, which was borrowed probably for the occasion. On her feet were new white foot mittens, and her waved hair shone blackly behind the lemon-yellow of a big cloth gardenia that was her only ornament.

The Senior missionary of course performs the ceremony, and it brings the tears to hear once again the beautiful vows and responses,—“According to the law of God, I, Tsunemitsu, take thee, Chizue, as my wedded wife from henceforth; in blessing, in trouble; in riches, in poverty; in health, in sickness; to love and protect until death.”

Some of the relatives present had never before been in a Christian service, never heard a hymn sung nor an earnest prayer offered to the living God. These sat (one should say “knele”) wide-eyed and wondering as the missionary went on with the wedding sermon from the precious text, “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

During this time the newly mar-

ried couple rested with their attendants on a long seat by the wee organ, far above the floor-squatting audience. But this was not unusual, nor was the fact that several accidents happened during the service. A gentleman went outside for a moment and on his return, he knocked down a vase of flowers which hung from the post near the front. Several ladies were deluged with water and there was quite a scurry of wiping up and putting to rights. Another unfortunate person hit against one of the lattice parts of the front door which promptly fell out inside and had to be adjusted again.

When the sermon had reached its interesting and honorable finish, telegrams were read aloud, and bowing congratulations were offered by representative members of our church here and the one in Ikebukuro. Also everyone present was requested to sign, with a broad and slippery native brush, the scroll certificate which hung across a table at the front. I neglected to say that the same two hymns were sung which are always chosen for Christian weddings,—“O Happy Day that Fixed My Choice” and “In All Good Things United.” The Japanese abhor variety, especially on ceremonial occasions.

Everything else being accomplished, the photographer posed the pair with infinite pains, and flashed them twice. This is always done at weddings, directly after the ceremony, for borrowed things must be returned as soon as possible, particularly anything so valuable as a half-century old brocade sash.

By this time most of the audience had departed, and the favored few remaining were softly invited to take “August rest” upstairs. Here we found little low tables placed end to end, with cushions all around them on the floor. We took possession of these, then foreign tea was brought in real cups—those with handles on—and two lumps to a saucer! Earliest prayer was offered here, for the Japanese Christian has no liking for the hurry-up blessing which the Westerner asks on his food. And then appeared the one other refreshment—foreign cake topped with whipped cream and two half-ripe strawberries to every slice. Delicious! Don't think for a moment that Tokyo isn't a city of progress! Toothpicks were passed with which to worry apart and convey to the mouth this unusual treat, but I used my tiny teaspoon and soon the others followed suit.

Before and during the little repeat the three preachers present strongly recommended the good grace of God to the unbelieving relatives present, rejoicing for this opportunity of seed-sowing. And all of us held a heart full of praise for the one more truly Christian home which our beloved church has produced in this idolatrous and heathen land. God grant that the new couple, Mr. and Mrs. Kumagura, shall live happily ever after, in this world and the

world to come.

Yours for Japan's great need,
Opal Leonore Gibbs

AFRICA AS SEEN

BY FORMER DEAN

The heathen darkness is intense. I was calling in the town the other day. I asked one woman if she prayed. She told me ‘no’ and seemed very unconcerned. I asked her what she would do when it came her time to die. She said she only went to dirt then so what did it matter. It is difficult to get their minds off the superstitious trend of the past generations. We must give them a concern about the future before we can get them interested in preparing for it.

The people of our town are divided. Some are Mohammedans and the rest are devil worshippers. They pray to the devil, sacrifice to the devil, and fear the devil. The Lord is unknown to them in a personal sense.

It is nothing short of great to have Helen, Price and Ione out here all together. We certainly enjoy them also the other workers. In many ways this has been the best year we have known in Africa. The Lord is blessing the work and there is a splendid spirit among the missionaries.

Last evening we went to Kamalu nine miles from here, to visit Helen and Price who are holding meetings there. We carried part of our supper and they furnished part and we had a good time eating together, sitting on boxes, steamer chairs and what the place afforded.

They came up last week and were almost blown out of the house during a tornado. The grass left the roof in a hurry and they made haste to scuttle their belongings into a tin trunk and throw a tarpaulin over their beds. They had to sleep in the chief's house that night. The chief had their house repaired again and they were cozy when we visited them.

Saturday we are going to a very unusual celebration in Africa, a wedding. No, it is not one of our force. One of the traders has a bride coming from Germany and we have been invited to the feast as he calls it. I wish we might have some like excitement among our force of good looking ladies at the present. Cannot you exhort some nice eligible gentleman to come this way?

Ansu is writing you a note to enclose in this. It is rather a depressing epistle but it is his own version of our affairs. He, you may remember, is our youngest pickin.

Alice Jean Hampe McMillen

Ansu's letter follows:

Dear Friends:

I am very much glad to draw you this few lines of mine which I hope will meet you in a good state of health. Just to tell you how our country is, there are many people dying. Some of them fall in a pail and spoil their neck and some of them carry boards in their head. Broke their neck and the Doctor have lot of work to do, but some of them die. And the other one he broke his leg and so they carry him to the Doctor and that man is living in the Hospital and that man is getting better.

The man's name is Scio.

This is the news that I have to drop on you. your

Ansu Gisay

Answer me please.

APPRECIATIONS

“I think of Houghton many, many times and was very sorry indeed that I could not attend the Homecoming the last of November. In the twenty years that have elapsed since I was a student there, the college has grown almost by leaps and bounds and yet I know full well that it has been due to the steady, indefatigable labors of the faithful and devoted faculty members and particularly of President Luckey.”
Paul H. Fall, Hiram College, Ohio.

“Sunday I went in to New York to Dr. Houghton's church. They're the friendliest people in all New York, I do believe. The Young People's Meeting was an open meeting and newcomers were asked to speak; so I told of Houghton and what it had meant to me. When I think now what my college life might have been!”

A student living in Akron, Ohio, says:

“We have searched the city for such a man as Mr. Pitt. Having moved from Houghton, we note the loss of such superiority of preaching.”

Dr. Blaisdel Speaks on Pernicious Anemia

Monday evening, Dr. Blaisdel, of the Fillmore Hospital spoke to a large group on the subject, “Pernicious Anemia and the Liver.” This is the second time the Club has had the services of a medical man, the first being Dr. Lyman, who spoke upon the subject of “Diabetes and Insulin.”

In the introduction to his lecture he complimented the club upon the manner of opening with prayer. Then he recounted a few of his experiences as an “embryo doctor.”

Pernicious Anemia was for long a mysterious disease. A great deal of research has been done upon the subject, but up until 1925 it was a fatal disease. Anemia means the loss of the vital part of the blood. Combs of Scotland and Channing of England were early workers. In 1840 Addison, an interne in Guy's Hospital in London observed the symptoms of the disease, published data from 40 cases, and observed in each case that the fat content of the body did not decrease. 20 years later Flint and others developed the use of stains by means of which a study of the blood was made possible. By this means the identity of pernicious anemia was made possible.

Everyone is familiar with the symptoms of the disease—weakness, no appetite, numbness of limbs, staggering gait, bronze color of skin, etc. The bone marrow is affected, causing a deficiency of haemoglobin and corpuscle content of the blood. “Blood Count” is the only sure means of diagnosis. Minent of Massachusetts General Hospital in 1925 accidentally prescribed meat as a diet. After about ten of these “accidents”, he concluded that liver is a cure; and as long as the patient eats liver he is free from the symptoms. An associate of Minent was Murphy. Murphy and Castle added ground pig's stomach, “ventrillon,” to the diet. Liver extract is also prepared and given subcutaneously.

The cause of this disease is still unknown. Perhaps it remains for some of the Pre-Meds to discover that.

Miss Remington Undergoes Serious Operation

The friends of Miss Harriet Remington will regret to learn that she recently underwent an operation in St. Mary's Hospital at Rochester, N.Y., on Saturday morning, March 17. No doubt she would appreciate any messages that friends might send to her there.

“Remmie”, as she is more commonly called, played a very leading part in bringing about the success of the Alumni Concert given in the Chapel at the past Home Coming, in December, 1933.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Star Staff learned recently that a son, Victor Eugene, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodard on January 9, 1934. Both Mr. and Mrs. Woodard are former students of Houghton College. Mrs. Woodard will be remembered as Miss Mary Lytle. They are living at Wellsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Wing announce the birth of a son, Richard Davis, Jr., on March 12. Alumni will remember that Mr. Wing, or just “Dick”, was a member of the graduating class of '29. He is now principal of Dayton High School.

Special Evening Service Conducted by W.Y.P.S.

The second formal meeting of the Wesleyan Young People's Society was held at 6:30 last Sunday evening and was under the leadership of Miss Marian Taylor. There were many young people at the service, although a large number were out of town conducting services.

Miss Taylor gave a summary of the talks of three previous services of which Faith had been the main topic. The first of these talks was given by Marian Whitbeck who gave the different phases of life to which faith is applied. Kenneth Wright, in his talk, took up the definition of faith and belief. Verne Dunham, in the Tuesday evening prayer service, March 13, talked about “the just living by faith.”

As a very fitting conclusion to these talks Miss Taylor spoke about the “Faith of the Saints of God.” As examples of this faith she referred to Noah, Job, Caleb, and Moses. In each instance the speaker cited facts from the lives of these saints, proving that they had faith. She then made a personal application showing that the young people may be helped by the examples of these saints of God.

Debate Tour

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Leaving California Friday morning, the boys made their way homeward via Pittsburgh and Warren.

This debate trip—the first to be taken by a Houghton team in several years—has, in the opinion of the coach, been highly satisfactory. It has served the purpose of breaking the ice and placing the school again on the intercollegiate map as far as forensics are concerned, and it has also opened the way for a more extensive effort along the same line in the future. Both Seton Hill and California have invited Houghton to repeat debates next year, and indications are that the contacts made during this trip will prove useful in gaining other openings in case we should again send a team into this territory.

Squirrel Food

CRACKED BY TWO NUTS

Miss Estelle has assured us that in many instances, alcohol causes very serious death.

We weren't so much aroused then as when she said she was sure we knew nothing about liquor, but that there was a group which did and she waved her hands in the direction of the platform.

John and Clair spent Wed. night in Rochester. They must have had "ducky" weather in which to hitch hike. John admits that one must be almost a goose to hike in such weather. Wall, I swan!

Dr. Woods says that people like red shirts in Russia, brown shirts in Germany, black shirts in Italy, yes, and even blue shirts. But here in the good old U.S.A. we just like white collars.

Maybe that's because we have all the Chinese laundries over here. If you haven't a clean shirt, a black one is the best you can buy.

Our good friend Osgood, is melancholy, because the faculty makes him write all he knows, and then doesn't give him credit for it.

ETIQUETTE HINT

In the days of old, when knights were bold,

And silverware hadn't been invented

They split their peas on the edge of their swords,

And ate away contented.

It is rumored that there is a new club being formed around school under the cognomen of "The Black Creek Boys."

H. S. FACULTY ENTERTAIN JUNIOR AND SENIOR CLASSES

The Houghton High School faculty entertained their Junior and Senior Classes last Friday evening in the Music Hall Auditorium. Due to the kind consideration of the faculty the students were able to attend both the basketball game and the party.

As the various persons arrived at the auditorium, each was adorned with a green crepe-paper band and a white shamrock.

The entertainment committee started things by giving the boys and girls questions to match and thus each found his or her partner for the evening. The obsequious games were unusually interesting, especially a music game in which the actors were supposed to do two acts, proposed by the rest of the crowd. Mrs. Steese by playing loud or soft on the piano, gave them clues as to what they should do.

After several such games the faculty gave a program by illustrating certain traits of St. Patrick with incidents of their lives. Pres. Luckey told of some of the incidents of his school life and Mrs. Bowen truly showed herself to be a woman of action rather than words.

Next came the event of the evening to which all had been eagerly looking forward. Mrs. Bowen presented the honors of the class to Margaret Wright and Dorothy Krause who are valedictorian and salutatorian for the Class of '34. Lois York was given honorable mention because her average was within a point of the salutatorian's.

Refreshments, green and white ice-cream and white cake with green icing, were then served. The colors, green and white, are the Senior colors.

Mrs. Colvin Speaks

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the wets said that prohibition reduced drinking 35% while a government statistician said 60%.

We have had a great campaign to break down national prohibition. Propaganda in books, on the stage, all has been bought. Today conditions in New York City, according to Mrs. Colvin's observations are much worse than they have been for 14

years.

Alcohol affects the part of the brain that makes us different from the other animals. It dissolves fats, of which nerves are composed, and slows up the thought process 25 seconds. In this time a car may go 15 or 20 feet. "I don't believe repeal is going to stay."

P—D—E—N

At present the Student Council is working on a revision of the rules in the Students' Handbook. There seems to be a little question about the necessity of it. There are very few rules they haven't broken are the ones about women's apparel. Incidentally the Rochester University school paper carried an article not long ago very definitely commenting on the profuseness of Houghton's rules. . . . Basketball seems to be still an active activity. Purple-Gold series just decided in favor of Purple. A Senior-All Star series hoped for. Varsity squads still to be chosen and the games to be played with the Alumni. . . . Practice teachers have one advantage. They remember how a student goes about to polish apples. . . . The Banquet of the Ministerial Association last Friday seemed quite successful in serving its purpose. If the rest of us would follow their example in social activities and organization we might eliminate the general criticism of lack of culture. Unquestionably the religious activity of Houghton is well organized. . . . The Choir made a very successful trip Sunday. . . . One of the choir members contributes this from Emily Post: "There is no greater test of a man's—or a woman's—(or a tenor's) "wearing" qualities than traveling with him. He who is always keen and ready for anything (yea, 'tis so,) delighted with every amusing incident (Brockett Hale slipping up on the tile floor,) willing to overlook shortcomings, (the trailing robe of the man ahead,) and apparently oblivious to discomfort (risky committee and be on time), is needless to say, the one first included on the next trip."—(the parenthetical phrases are ours). . . . The Extension service of the W.Y.P.S. is doing very valuable work and they paying its own expenses. . . . We noted from the Bulletin Board that the

PRES. LUCKEY SPEAKS ON EDUCATION

On Thursday, March 15, President Luckey continued his series of lectures by presenting some of his ideas on a person's education. Dr. Luckey stated that after getting right with God through Christ, which is the most essential need, an individual should recognize three important factors that tremendously influence life: home, church, and school. He considered the last factor, which appears to be the strongest at present, as it is related more closely to Houghton students, namely, in the form of the under-graduate college.

Speaking of the importance of a college education, the President said, "The intrinsic value of a college education is beyond estimation." It is one to live the abundant life, which is above a mere bread-and-butter existence, and students should encourage others to aim toward such training.

Continuing, Dr. Luckey urged upon the student body the necessity of planning one's undergraduate work well. Every course of study should include a foreign language and mathematics, for success in these subjects usually indicate general fitness to cope with any problem. Besides, much diversification enables one to appreciate his environment more fully, so one should carefully choose his curriculum with the advice of upperclassmen.

After chapel several favorable comments were heard, most of which contained the comment, "That's what I've always thought."

GOSPEL TEAM NOTES

On Sunday evening, March 18, a Gospel Team composed of Shea, Donelson, Foster, and Cronk and accompanied by Professor Alton Cronk went to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Eldred, Pa. Under God's direction they were able to conduct a very inspirational evangelistic service composed of quartet, numbers, selections by the trumpet trio, personal testimonies, and the preaching of the Word. The message on the text "What is man that thou art mindful of him," was brought by Glen Donelson.

OWLS CLUB MEETS

The weekly meeting of the Owl Club was held on Thursday evening, March 15, but the usual business meeting was postponed and the hour was spent in a general discussion of the *Lanthorn*, the Club publication and the possibilities of the student body cooperating in this project.

GREENBURG GIRLS ENTERTAIN AT TEA

Mrs. Luckey and the women members of the faculty were guests of the girls of the Greenburg Cottage at Tea Tuesday afternoon. Tea was served from a daintily spread table at which Miss Jean Trout, house president, presided. This will be greatly remembered by the guests as one of the pleasant occasions of the year.

ANNA HOUGHTON DAUGHTERS MEET

The Anna Houghton Daughters will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. M.J. Pryor.

The program on Easter will be in charge of Miss Moxie.

Sophomores are holding re-exams, at least they have a relexam schedule.

SECTION "C" LOOKS AT HOUGHTON

If you imagine you can improve on these descriptions of Houghton, try it. Probably you can. The description has not yet been written, in spite of Basil Wells' most excellent one in the *Lanthorn* of 1932. These chosen for this issue of the *Star*, have some distinctive features.

A golden oriole swung on the top-most branch of an oak tree watching the world below with something akin to disdain. He saw cluttered clumps of buildings sheltered by occasional groups of trees. It seemed to him just a tiny village nestled in a bend of the Genesee with sleepy stores, dusty streets, and scattered homes. His beady eyes saw a lazy road winding up a steep incline to what is known as the Plateau of Learning. He could see throngs of students plying their way back and forth between the various box-like buildings. He wondered if they were all in search of that elusive thing called knowledge. The brightly feathered songster spread his wings and drifted off to the woods. What did he care for houses, stores, colleges, and knowledge? Maybe Mrs. Oriole has a juicy worm for supper!

—Ruth Mc Mahon

Red brick college buildings, serenely standing on a plateau, overlooking a cozy valley with homes nestling on either side of its uneven highway, seemingly unaware of its distinctive location on the winding Genesee. The entire picture convinces one that Grace Livingston Hill's "Sabbath Valley" continues to live as Houghton.

Following a winding road we came around a curve and there quietly residing in a small fertile valley we saw a village apparently at peace with the world. To the right we caught sight of a railroad track beside the winding Genesee River. On either side of the main highway stood a neat row of dwelling places with a few trees scattered among them. Looking about we saw houses tucked away in the heart of the hills. On the summit of one hill a house perched high; on the brow, another; nestled back in a peaceful corner still another. More noticeable than this hill was another overlooking the village on whose stately brow proudly sat a group of large brick buildings—this, we were informed, was Houghton College. Behind this, rising gradually were still other hills covered with maples and pine trees and among these more homes. This peaceful village was the college town of Houghton.

SPORTS

Another Purple-Gold Series has drawn to a close with the Purple boys captained by Bob Rork but managed mostly by Bill Farnsworth, coming out on top. Six games were played with the Purple victorious in the first 49-23. The Gold evened it up with a 40-34 victory and took the lead to the tune of 33-28. Where were the Purple? No one knows exactly, but they certainly were not clicking just then. Just as they slumped they also regained their poise and the last games of the series were perfect slaughters. The Gold lost Gannon and gained Frank, but the Purple machine rolled on to victory. The

scores of the last three games were 59-24, 51-24, 59-28, all in favor of the Purple squad. Although he started off rather slowly, Bill Farnsworth walked off with the scoring laurels amassing a total of 97 points in the six games. Charlie Benjamin was high scorer for the Gold with 63 points and played good ball during the entire season.

The girls' series hasn't been decided yet and is so jumbled up that we dare not pass judgement upon its possible outcome.

HIGH LIGHTS OF THE SERIES

High Scorer of the Series—

Bill Farnsworth

Best Gold Guard—

Capt. Burns

Best Purple Guard—

Dick Farnsworth

Best Center—

Orrell York

Total Points Scored by Purple—280

Total Points Scored by Gold—172

Captain Bob Rork's Purple aggregation copped the basketball series with a 59-28 win over the Gold in a final game, winning the series 4-2. The game last Friday night, started out to be a real thriller, but at the end of the half the Purple were out in front with a 26-13 lead, and were never headed after that.

The game opened with the Gold showing a fine defense and a dangerous offense. Scoring started with a basket by Dick Farnsworth and continued regularly, with the Gold having decidedly the better of the fray. A short rally brought the Purple up to within one basket of them, but was stopped by the time-keeper's whistle. The Gold were leading 10-8 at the quarter.

At the whistle the Purple came out and put on a scoring spree which sent them so far ahead that they could not be headed or even tied, from then on. The Gold were sadly routed after the first few minutes, and scoring was wild, with many easy shots being wasted by both teams. Donelson replaced Benjamin but the substitution did not stop the barrage of shots and points which their opponents piled up. The score at half time was 26-13, with the Purple in front.

Acting Capt. Frank's proteges grabbed three baskets in as many minutes, at the beginning of the 2nd half. A hurried time out by the Purple ended it, however, for Bill Farnsworth began sinking a bunch of long shots, some of them from the center line.

Benjamin and Frank starred for the losers, who felt keenly the loss of Captain Burns. The Purple were not sufficiently aroused to have any outstanding stars, since after the first quarter they were so far ahead that they could afford to coast along, taking advantage of the breaks and their own superior team work. Bill Farnsworth was high scorer with 28 points to his credit.

LINEUP

PURPLE	GOLD
F. 10 Rork (Capt)	Moon 2
F. 28 W. Farnsth	Benjamin 9
C. 8 York	Stamp 6
C. 1 Morrison	
G. 4 R. Farnsth	Frank 8
G. 6 Mc Carty	Mountjoy 3
G. 2 Nelson	Donelson 0
G. 0 Mein	
59	28

If a man smiles at home somebody is sure to ask him for money.