

He who endeavors to please  
every one pleases no one.

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## GOLD SQUELCH PURPLE---Thrice This Season!

### Add Win in Track and Field To Basket-ball and Baseball

Purple Girls Overwhelm Gold  
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#### Morse and Armstrong Again High Pointers

The annual Field and Track meet of Houghton College held last Tuesday was, on the whole, a series of extraordinary events surrounded by extraordinary circumstances. Extraordinary is the only word by which it could be explained. The whole affair exceeded the common degree, from the first remarkable circumstance which placed the recordholding Farner in the announcer's box and the invincible "Pete" on the sidelines, to the finish of the boys' relay, run by poorly practiced men. Farner and "Pete" as well as a host of other valuable athletes were unable to enter on account of rigid qualifications, making it practically impossible to establish new records, and creating the necessity of substituting raw recruits. On account of the negligence of the officials in determining the distance of the runs, a few of the longer contests were not the correct distance. This should be taken into consideration when reading the report below.

Weather conditions were, on the whole, favorable for the athletes despite the misty rain which arrived in the afternoon. It was neither too warm, or too frigid for the comfort of the contestants which was a great aid in the accomplishment of their duty.

It cannot be said, however, that the day was not an interesting one, neither can any of the athletes who took part be censured for their actions. Each did their best and each deserves due credit. Nevertheless, we cannot refrain from expressing regret that some of the best representatives on both sides were unable to participate.

The campus was decorated with purple and gold, gold being pre-eminent, occasioned by the fact that a band of Gold supporters had arisen early in the morning and adorned the campus and buildings with their favorite color. An announcer's stand had been manufactured for the occasion, fitted out with an original speaking tube and all other necessary equipment. This was placed close to the running track, and promptly at 10 o'clock Announcer Keith Farner took his position and called forth the entries for the half mile race.

The Gold side was started on her way to victory by her four point captain Eddie Williams who carried off the honors in the half mile by capturing first place. His time was two minutes, thirteen and two-fifths seconds. Scott of the Purple placed second, while Fawcett, also of the Purple took third.

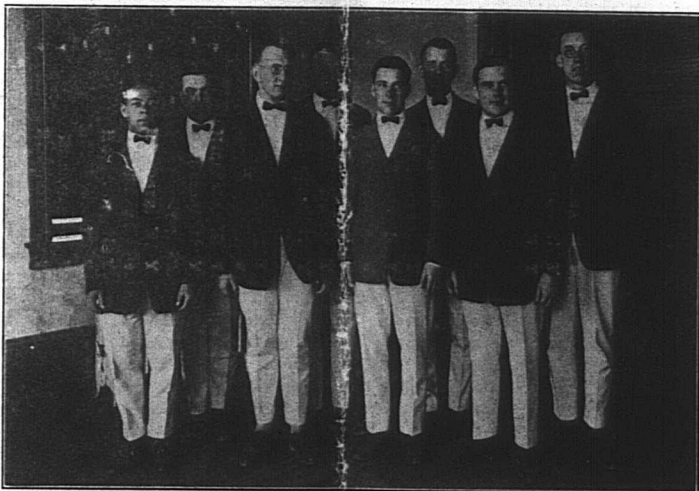
The following is a report of the remainder of the events without comment:

Girls' 220 yd. dash. Won by Baker of the Gold. Time--34 4-5 seconds. Second--V. Ackerman, P. Third--A. Folger, G.

Girls' shot put: First--Driscoll P. distance--30 feet and 7 inches. Second Williams, G. Third--Lewis, G.

Mile run: First--Howland, G. Time--5 minutes, 41 3-5 seconds. Second--K. Williams, G. Third--Carey, P.

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Houghton College Double Male Quartet--From left to right: Irwin Fenty, Frank Henshaw, Walter McMurtry, Harry Kitterman, Edward Williams, Mark Bedford, Richard Davies, and Matthew Gosbee.

#### Judges Name Literary Winners

Hampe and Richards Win Poem and Essay. Meredith Ties With Tierney in Story Contest

The final results of the Houghton Literary Contest were announced by Professor Hazlett in chapel last week.

Miss Alice Jean Hampe, member of the College Junior class and Dean of Women, emerged first in the poem branch of the contest with a fine production which she had appropriately entitled, "Faith".

In the essay department, the logic of Miss Bertha M. Richards in her production, "The Importance of Self Conquest", won for her first place. Miss Richards is a member of our Theological Department.

Results in the short story department show a unique case. Clyde Meredith, member of the Freshman class, and Earl Tierney, College Junior, had submitted productions which seemed to the judges equally good, and consequently, for perhaps the first time in history of the contest, there is a tie. Mr. Meredith's production was named "The Wrong Mary", and Mr. Tierney's, "The Quitter".

In the poem Mr. Herbert J. Lennox won second place with his "The Silent Plea". Mr. Matthew Gosbee took second in the essay with "A Visit to the Tower of London". Mr. Arnold Harris won second place in the story contest.

Both the poem and the essay will appear in the "Boulder", but on account of the tie in the story department, it will be absolutely impossible for either of them to appear. Editor Bedford is extremely sorry that the stories must be excluded but inasmuch as he did not plan enough space to print both, it was thought best that neither should appear.

However, the STAR intends to publish, for the benefit of her subscribers who will not receive the "Boulder", the winning poem, the winning essay, and both stories. These will appear in the last two enlarged issues.

The material this year was, on the whole, very credible due perhaps to the enlarged number of entries, especially in the essay and story departments. However, let no student forget that with the assumption of the duties and privileges of a full-fledged college, that this must be the case each year. If students are to be a credit to their instructors as well as to their school, they must turn out better material of an ever-growing quantity for the contests.

The names of the winners will be the eleventh set to be engraved on the beautiful loving cup, our Literary Contest Trophy.

#### Commencement Calendar

June 8-11, 1924

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

10:30 a. m.

Baccalaureate Service

Sermon by Rev. Dean Bedford

7:00 p. m.

Vesper Service

8:00 p. m.

Annual Missionary Address

By Mrs. Robert Morris

MONDAY, JUNE 9

10:30 a. m.

Class Day on Campus

8:00 p. m.

Oratorical Contest

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

10:00 a. m.

Theological Commencement

Address by Rev. W. H. Marvin

8:00 p. m.

Concert by Houghton Harmonizers

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

10:00 a. m.

Commencement, Preparatory Dept.

12:00 m.

Alumni Dinner

8:15 p. m.

President's Reception

#### Seniors Enjoy Formal Tea

The newly organized, "Anna Houghton Daughters" a society which is composed of all the lady members of the faculty and all the wives of young married students here, gave a very formal tea in honor of the High School and Theological Seniors on the afternoon of May 23.

The original plan was to hold the function out of doors on the so-called "Point" but on account of weather conditions that afternoon, it was held in the reception room at the girls' dormitory.

The seniors of both departments arrived in a group at about four o'clock and were given a royal welcome by their hostesses. After the greetings, plans for the coming commencement were discussed. As usual the seniors are somewhat disconsolate and distressed as to the outcome of their new innovations during commencement week, but according to the usual custom the week should be better than ever.

At about four-thirty tea was served by Mrs. LaVay Fancher, presiding over the very daintily arranged tea table, while the remaining hostesses served.

The Seniors considered themselves highly honored in being the first class which has been entertained by the "Anna Houghton Daughters", but in behalf of future senior classes they hope that the "Daughters" will be a permanent organization. The party disbanded about five-fifteen declaring the first tea of the season a success.

#### Harmonizers Score Big Success at Warsaw

The audience which greeted the Houghton Harmonizers upon their appearance in the Congregational Church at Warsaw on the evening of May 23rd, was by far the largest and most appreciative of any before whom our boys have appeared, thus far. The people began coming early, and before the time scheduled for the opening number on the program, the auditorium was filled and seats were being placed in the gallery in order to accommodate the ones who could not secure seats below. By the time the program was started, the gallery too was about full.

Our "melody makers" did credit to the institution. Every number was well rendered and brought forth much applause. Although both the orchestra and quartet were greatly appreciated, the numbers which pleased most were Prof. Hazlett's violin solo, "A Meditation from Thais", and Mr. Henshaw's tenor solo, "Till the Stars Have Ceased to Shine". In response to the applause which greeted his first effort, Prof. Hazlett rendered a wonderfully pleasing selection and Mr. Henshaw gave a sweet, simple little ballad, "Duna".

The reader, Mr. Mark Bedford, was at his best and merited the hearty applause accorded him.

The Harmonizers have a full schedule for this week. They appear at Friendship on Wednesday and at East Aurora on Thursday evening. On Friday they are to assist in the Memorial Day observances both at Houghton and Hume.

#### Ackerman Victor in Girls' Tennis Singles

The extremely wet weather has prevented the fans from enjoying their favorite sport as much as they have wished, and also made it impossible to play but one of the Purple-Gold finals which were scheduled. This event occurred Thursday May 22.

Vila Ackerman represented the Purple side while Erma Anderson held high the standard of the Gold. The two contestants were very evenly matched and the outcome could not be determined with any degree of accuracy until the final moments of the contest. Miss Ackerman has an extremely wicked serve while Miss Anderson is exceptionally good on the return.

The first set was won by the Purple by the score of 8 to 6. The second set went to the Gold 7 to 5, while Miss Ackerman coped the third for the Purple 6 to 3.

The remainder of the tennis finals will be played off in the near future.

#### Sophomores Again Show Life

If anyone thinks the Sophs are slow, he should have seen them bustling around Wednesday, preparing eats, assembling cars and in other ways getting ready for an impromptu picnic. Fellow-students, teachers, and even the eccentric, bleary-eyed weather man cooperated to give the Sophs a pleasant outing.

As soon as possible after Sophomore English the class piled into the cars of Prof. Hazlett, Flint, Hudson and Henshaw, gayly decorated with class colors, and started for Portage. Because part of the road between Portage and Letchworth Park was being improved the cars were parked at the Erie depot on this side of the falls, the class tumbled out of them, gathered together the eats and then laughing and joking paraded across Portage Bridge, down scores of little steps, by murmuring waterfalls, until the arrived at the middle falls of Letchworth Park.

For a little while the party, divided into interesting little groups, wandered at will, each seeking the features which especially attracted them. At five forty-five the company reassembled in order to satisfy the pangs of hunger which their unusual exercise had aroused. The Juniors and Seniors of Perry High School were also having supper at the falls, and during the meal cheers were exchanged between the two parties. Perry cheering Houghton and Houghton cheering Perry.

After supper the class set out to inspect the remaining places of interest in the park. What with flower-gathering, star-gazing, nature study, and also the more thrilling pastimes of hanging with the hands from bridges and balancing on bridge railing, the evening quickly passed and the time for departure arrived.

#### A Visit to the Tower of London

The average American has little use for that which is aged. The spirit of commercialism which holds our land so completely under its spell, has dulled his senses to all except that which can be represented in dollars and cents, with the result that he is usually blind or deaf to the finer things of life.

Although I have always been proud of the fact that I am an American, I have never been able to share in this attitude which the majority of my fellow countrymen take toward ancient matters. From my earliest childhood, anything that suggested a by-gone age has been an object of interest--yes, even of reverence to me. When I was but a little fellow, any story which dealt with men and events of former days, held me spell-bound; and even today, my keenest delight is found in following the fortunes of those who lived and labored in ages past.

When it became my privilege, therefore, while in England during the recent war, to visit the Tower of London, my delight was unbounded. I had ever longed to see this famous shrine of history students, but I had never entertained even the faintest hopes of realizing my ambition. Consequently, it was with a feeling akin to awe that I viewed the noble structure for the first time.

As I gazed upon the massive grey walls which surround the group of buildings that comprise the tower, and saw, rising in irregular outline against the sky of a dull winter day, the many huge stone turrets that have figured so prominently in his-

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## Weekly Food for Thought

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and I will give you a heart of flesh.

And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. Ezekiel 36:26, 27.

## Editorial

The deans of any college have perhaps the most thankless job that is thrust upon any of the officials of any school and Houghton College is no exception.

They are handed the blame from both ends. They act as buffers between the student body and the faculty. How they take the days work as calmly as they do is a mystery.

Try to assume their view point. If you had as many things "put over" on you in a day as they do; would your faith in human nature be just a little shaken? Would you not feel just a little inclined to keep a sharp eye open in an endeavor to see to it that you were fooled fewer times on the next day?

Many seem to entertain the nonsensical idea that the deans are personally responsible for every rule that may seem to be unjust. "Prof would not let us go, what does he think that we are anyway", "Why do I have to get permission to go to Fillmore, Prof must think that I am a ten year old". Remember however that it is the faculty, not the deans, who are responsible for the enactment of all rules. The deans, in order to keep their position must endeavor to execute them, even if sometimes they may be personally opposed. Be a sport and don't censure a person for doing their duty.

Another foolish idea in the minds of many students is that the deans are eternally spying on them, that they are endeavoring always to catch them in the act of breaking a rule; that just because the deans are deans they are employed, because of their sharp eyes, for the sole and express purpose of continually endeavoring to catch some one. To these students we would say, "Use some sense if you have any". (Which is doubtful). These same students seem to think that the deans find their supreme delight in disciplinary committee meetings, in one way tickets home, in reprimands, and in all other possible punishment. Don't think it for a minute. The more violations they see, the more heart aches and sleepless nights it means for them. Even deans are only humane and would be foolish to invite these feelings. However, when a violation is reported to them or they accidentally see one it is only another case of their duty to report it. If some of the same students who knock the deans and their work so much only knew of the almost numberless times that their questionable acts have been suppressed, they would forget the really few times when they have been punished.

Why can we not be as true sports-

men with our deans, who are really giving years of their lives to us, as we are on the track or ball diamond. One is a poor sport if he cannot take just punishment without "crabbing". So few stop to think of the number of times that they "got away with it" in proportion to the times they have been punished. Be a sport and take your medicine like a man.

At the close of four years work in Houghton, we are just beginning to know something of what a hard worked, thankless job the position of dean is. Surely they make mistakes and big ones but that seems to be the natural bent of most humans. However, if you are honest with yourself, you will admit that they have been square; yes often more than square and that you owe them much. You better tell them about it before school closes, it will do you both good and you might never have the privilege again.

Someone has said that a commonplace man has a most wonderful and remarkable memory. He remembers all the good things he has done, all the bad things others have done, all his good points, and all the faults of other people. Are you a commonplace man?

Once more we hear them say it. "Oh, this old place." "You couldn't hire me to come back here." But it is all old stuff. You think that you mean what you say but we have heard students talk that way too many times and have then noticed that most of them were back in the autumn. You can't stay away. You can talk all you like, but as the vacation nears its end, you will feel that indefinable pull, the school friends you long to see and the old school herself are calling. Houghton has your heart. In some mysterious way she is calling, calling, calling, and slowly, resistingly at first, you find yourself drifting back into her arms. Say what you wish but you must honestly admit that the old school has done something for you; that you owe her a debt that you can never repay. It matters not how much a student may do for his school he will find that the more he does, the greater amount she will repay him. The fellow or girl who work continually for their school owe her much more and love her much more than those who simply pay their tuition and slip easily in and out again without making any impression on the general trend of school life.

Yes, most of you will be back, even though you are saying that you won't. You will be longing to return long before school opens next fall and you will find Houghton welcoming you with open arms.

## A Visit to the Tower of London

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tory and romance, I was overcome to such an extent by the spirit of the scene that I could have easily imagined myself back in the days "when knighthood was in flower". Had there come charging upon me, from some one of the gates which pierced the wall, a knight clad in gleaming armor and mounted upon a prancing charger, I do not believe that I would have been greatly surprised. The scene would have fitted perfectly into the picture.

As a result of these musings, I was well prepared for my tour of inspection of the tower and its courtyard. Had I not been well prepared, the spectacle which met my gaze upon entering the tower enclosure—namely, that of two men arrayed in doublet and hose and carrying long, slender lances—would have been the occasion of great surprise for me. As it was, these men did not seem to be at all out of place. These brightly clad figures were members of the yeoman guard, or as they are more frequently called, "beef-eaters". They are all ex-soldiers of the royal army, who have distinguished themselves by some deed of valor while defending their country's honor on the field of battle. Their sixteenth-century uniforms and ancient weap-

ons lend an air of antiquity which is delightfully in keeping with the general atmosphere of their surroundings.

After I had entered the great courtyard through the only entrance now in use, the first object of interest which attracted my attention was a low, arched gateway in the wall which faces the River Thames. This is Traitor's Gate, one of the most historic places in the mammoth fortress; for it was through Traitor's Gate that many of the victims of medieval barbarism passed, when going to Westminster for trial, or when returning to the castle to await execution. As I viewed the aged gate I could almost see the venerable Cranmer as he passed through this portico on his way to the stake, there to give his life for the cause he held dear. Again, it almost seemed as if the dashing Raleigh were going once more to the "block" to receive the "bitter medicine" which was also "a cure for every disease".

Almost opposite the Traitor's Gate is Bloody Tower. This tower received its gruesome name from the murder of the two princes at the hand of their uncle, the Duke of Gloucester, afterward Richard I. For many years, it was believed that the villainous uncle had smothered the boy king and his brother, in one of the upper rooms of Bloody Tower. This structure dates back to Edward III's time, and is part of the group which forms the inner line of battlements. Upon the roof of one of its turrets there is a garden in which Raleigh was permitted to take daily exercise while he was awaiting execution at the hands of the arrogant Scotchman, James I.

Passing through an arched passageway which pierces Bloody Tower, I found myself upon Tower Green a place used in olden days as a burial ground. In the center of the "green" is a sign marking the spot where stood the scaffold used for private executions. On this spot many famous persons met death in the delightfully simple way so much in vogue during the Dark Ages—the "block". Among these illustrious persons were two wives of the much-married Henry VIII. Anne Boleyn and Katherine Howard; and Lady Jane Grey, a figure that is probably the most pathetic in history. Who can read about this youthful tool of political intrigue and of her tempestuous rule of a few short months followed by her tragic end, without a feeling of compassion for her? The block and axe which were used are still in existence, and are on exhibition in the White Tower.

The White Tower, which is the oldest structure of the entire group, faces the "green". The "Conqueror" began work on this tower almost as soon as he had gained possession of the country; but it remained for his son, William Rufus, to finish the work. This building figured prominently in the political history of the English people. It was held at one time, by the barons as a pledge until the "Magna Charta" had been granted. The White Tower was, no doubt, used as a place of residence by the earlier kings; although it became a place of imprisonment very soon after its completion.

Within the White Tower are located the "armouries", wherein are kept great collections of armor and of weapons. These collections have taken centuries to assemble, comprising as they do, all types of warlike implements. Here are to be seen guns of every description. Guns for sea-fighting and guns for land engagements; guns absolutely free from decorations and guns lavishly decorated; guns from the Orient and guns from the Occident; guns taken as prizes from some great battlefield and guns which have been salvaged from a royal frigate or sloop that had gone down in some storm—all these and many more as well, are crowded into the spacious rooms. The armor, too, is as widely varied in type and material as are the guns. There are the heavy steel-plated suits of mail, the beautifully wrought chain mail, steel corselets, helmets, and many other pieces of war apparel.

In the south-east corner of the

lower floor of the White Tower, is the Chapel of St. John. This beautiful chapel was built in 1080, a fact which one hardly believes when he sees the perfect condition of the masonry. Before the altar in this sacred place, the aspirants to knighthood were wont to kneel in the long night vigils which always preceded the ceremony attendant upon the dubbing of a knight by the king. Around the galleries, which are supported by massive stone columns, the monks would keep constant watch of the candidates for knighthood, in order that they might note any sign of weakness on the part of the kneeling knight-to-be. This custom furnished an artist with a theme for a painting. The picture, The Vigil, has become world-famous.

It was with great reluctance that I left the old fortress—this massive monument to a by-gone age; this bridge which spans the gulf that separates the dead past from the living present—but since all pleasures are transitory, much as one may delight in them at the time, I was forced to leave this treasure chamber of historic interest and return to the realm of every-day life. However, I shall not soon forget the occasion of my visit to the Tower of London.

## Student Vacation Plans

Many Houghton students seem to be trusting to their lucky star, to chance, or else to Providence to direct their course during the summer. They do not know where they will land nor what they will do when they land. Some have a hazy idea, but a very slight wind of adverse circumstance would suffice to turn their direction.

Cecil Huntsman is going home to Clifton Springs, New York. There he will work both day and night—by day, as caretaker for a retired Methodist minister, by night—in a telephone exchange. When asked if he planned any trips he admitted one to Falconer and Ashville.

Eudora Fero thinks she will have to return to her position as piano teacher, in her home town, Dixonville, Pa., since nothing more interesting has turned up. She is not overly enthusiastic at the prospects.

Ernest Crocker will continue his printing in the True Blue Press at Hillsdale, Michigan. He confessed plans for a trip to Niagara Falls.

Harry and Almeda Kitterman with their son, Eugene, will visit with Mrs. Kitterman's family in Dayton, New York, until July 1. Then they will go to Fairmount Indiana, to the old home farm.

Mr. Beck expects to work in some shop in Erie.

Esther Haynes stated emphatically that nothing could drag her from home.

Matthew Gosbee will pass a very important epoch in his life this summer. Immediately after school he will drive in his Ford to Willow, New York where he will stay two days. Then on to Boston on a very necessary trip. The rest of the summer he will spend on his charge at Willow perhaps doing some manual labor on the side.

If all goes well, Chautauqua will receive quite a representation from Houghton, Elizabeth Davies, Laura Steese, Viola Lewis and Ruth Foster have planned to go. They will work in the Cory Hotel.

Mr. Lennox will hold down his position as Methodist minister at Cananda. He and Mr. Hudson are field managers for the Hertel book company. Under them, Mr. Davies and Irwin Enty will work. It is expected that

Mr. Enty will sing his way into the hearts and pocket books of prospective buyers.

Mr. Williams will return to farming in Rushford, he will not be prosaic how-ever for he will undertake the exciting operation of drilling for oil.

Ivah and Leah Benning expect to work in Buffalo.

Maurice Enty has no definite plans but eventually expects to turn up in a brick yard in Templeton Pa.

Ione Driscoll will return to her home in Grand Rapids Mich. where she will care for her small brothers and sister.

Virgil Hussey and Peter Steese, are going to set out for Akron. Just what they intend to do, to bum or to work in a rubber factory, is a mystery, but they will come back in the fall with much of filthy lucre in their pockets.

## HOUGHTON LOCALS

Little Hilda Parker is spending a few weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hill.

Pearl Russell went to Genesee on Sunday to see her sister, Alora, who is attending school there.

Fred Howland of Venice Center spent a few days here, visiting his brother, Charles.

Elmira Allen of Fillmore visited at Carroll Hill's Sunday.

Irene Fladd, Dorothy Brooks, Diana Ferns, and Cecil Huntsman went to East Rushford Sunday afternoon to assist in the church service there.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Calkins entertained relatives from Warsaw, N. Y., over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Plumb and child of Almond, N. Y., visited Miss Hildreth Monday.

Florence Crandall and three friends of Coudersport, Pa., called at C. J. Crandall's Sunday.

Lamont LaVere has purchased the entire stock of Dr. Sayman's products from John Mann and is now the authorized agent for said products in this locality.

On Saturday, May 24, a group of twenty friends held a party for Mrs. Huntsman in honor of her fifty-fifth birthday. It was to be in the form of a picnic but on account of the inclement weather it was held on the camp ground.

John Johnson and three friends spent Sunday at Charles Thayer's.

One auto load of the Harmonizers lost their way in the suburbs of Houghton while returning from Warsaw Friday night and another load was nearly shipwrecked between a telephone pole, a water hydrant, and a bank. However, through the bravery and heroism of Richard Davies and Edward Williams saved the day for both cars.

Richard Davies was badly cut and bruised when he was thrown off Joe Kemp's motorcycle Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Clark and daughter, Mrs. H. Bergen, went after Mr. Clark's father, Albert Clark, Sunday.

Ernest Crocker was called home by telegram Monday afternoon on account of his brother being in an automobile accident.

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**H. S. Junior Hike**

Another one of those delightful hikes was enjoyed by the High School Juniors on Friday evening, May 23rd. A pleasant nook among the pines in the ravine above the district school, was selected for the camp. Supper consisted of hamburg a la campfire with that delicious woodsy flavor, together with coffee, sandwiches and cake. The evening was spent in telling stories and playing games. The walk home over unknown ground, slipping on the pine needles or falling into gullies added to rather than detracted from the enjoyment.

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When the beaming, smiling sun  
would peep  
Just o'er the wooded hills and far  
below,  
The little vale would rise from  
sleep.  
When the sparkling, gushing mountain stream,  
Leaping and jumping beside the  
old mill,  
Reechoed the voice of the messenger  
beam,  
And sang for our home just over  
the hill.  
We were happy then, in the good  
old past,  
While reaping and planting in  
God's own land;  
Or nip and tuck with the big black  
bass  
We learned to love nature - and  
God - and man -

The dying sun and the silent, lurid  
light  
Brings darkness o'er the lonely,  
waiting vale,  
While far away in the dismal, rushing  
night  
Dark, crushing worlds destroy the  
faithful dale.

**Alumni Notes**

After an illness of several years Rev Samuel E. Graves died on March 16 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Parke Nicol, at Conneautville, Pa. Mr. Graves is well-known to many former students of Houghton, for several of his family have been enrolled as members of the student body. Marie, now Mrs. George H. Strachan, lives at Huntington Beach, Calif. Gertrude is a member of the Rutherford High School faculty of Rutherford, New Jersey. Frances has entered upon her second year of training at St. Luke's Hospital, New York City. Raymond and his family are in West Virginia of which state his wife is a native. Gordon is in Erie, Pa., and plans to enter Ohio Wesleyan in September. John, whose wife was June Keeler, has made his home in Scranton for several years.

On Feb. 23 Mrs. Henry F. Meeker died at her home in Succasunna, New Jersey. The Rev. Harold C. McKinney of Philadelphia had charge of the services, assisted by the Rev. Ralph Davy and the Rev. O. C. Nelson of Succasunna, and the Rev. G. Beverly Schultz of Mt. Olive.

With the exception of the Rev. Nelson, all these men are former students of Houghton, and two of them were in school with Mrs. Meeker's younger son who died in service. Besides her husband, Mrs. Meeker is survived by two daughters: Harriet 15 who is a member of the Fort See High School faculty, Fort See, New Jersey, and Olive 22 who is an assistant physician in South Orange, New Jersey.

About the best way to punish some persons would be to lock them up with their own dispositions. Ex.

Back in the old days when there were no domestic science courses, the wash tub served as a board of education. Ex.

Two classes of folks do not worry: those who are intelligent enough to know that everything will turn out all right, and those who have not sense enough to realize that anything is wrong.

**Kitterman's Column**

Around the table in the Star office sat Willie, Earl, Mark and Edith. On looking out of the window they observed Henshaw.

Mark, speaking to the crowd, said, "There goes Mr. MUSTASH."

Edith in reply: "There goes Mr. Mush but I don't know about the Tash."

At the dining hall during the supper, which consisted of soup, Miss Grange, looking out the window, remarked: "It looks like rain."

Gerald replied: "And it tastes like dish water."

Paul Steese. "Why is there so much electricity in my hair?"

Donald Schumann. "Because its attached to a dry cell."

On one of Miss Montgomery's zoology tests, she asked: What is anatomy.

The following is the reply that she read on Mr. Blanchard's paper:

"Anatomy is a human body. It is divided into three parts, the head, the chest and the stummich. The head holds the skull and the brains, if there is any; the chest holds the liver; and the stummich holds the entrails and vowels which are: a, e, i, o, u, and sometimes w and y."

Cross-eyed Judge (to first cross-eyed prisoner) "What are you here for?"

Second cross-eyed prisoner: "Nothing."

Judge: "I was not talking to you." Third cross-eyed prisoner: "I didn't say anything."

How to tie a bow tie on a Tuxedo collar. Hold the tie in the left hand and the collar in the right. Slip your neck in the collar and run the left hand end of the tie over the right with the left hand, steadying the right end with the other hand. Then drop both ends, catching the left end with the right hand and the right end with the left hand. Reverse the hands and pick up the loose end with the nearest hand. Pull this end through the loop with the unengaged hand and squeeze. This ties the bow. As a finishing touch, disentangle the hands.

**Kan You Imagine?**

Joe Kemp riding his wild poney any where except on the campus.

Mathew Gosbee stopping his car before he hits the side of the barn.

Fred Belford opening the chapel partitions quietly.

Dougherty and Ruth getting in at five thirty instead of seven thirty. McMurtry being sensible.

David Reese getting to Latin on time.

Barber: "Shave, sir?" Professor Whitaker: "No, a haircut."

Barber: "You don't need a haircut, sir. You need a shine!"

Miss Waldberr: "Why so sad?" Laver: "I just happened to think, dear, this is the last evening we can be together until tomorrow."

"Why do the leaves turn red in the fall?"

"Blushing to think how green they were all summer?" Something like a "Freshie" ain't they?

**Oratory Recital**

The Oratory Department, both class and private, gives a recital at the end of each semester. The recital this June shows a great improvement over the one held in January. The first was held Friday, the twenty-third; the second, Monday, twenty-sixth and Wednesday, the twenty-eighth will complete the recital.

Edgar A. Guest seems to be the most popular author. There were several selections given which were written by him. Besides, there were two selections given in honor of Memorial Day Wordworth was also favored by some.

There were quite a few comic selection among which was one in Italian dialect which was very much enjoyed. There are still many others who will give theirs on Wednesday. All are looking forward to another hour's enjoyment.

**ATHLETICS**

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Discus throw: First—Burnham, G., distance—13 feet 8½ inches. Second—V. Ackerman, P. Third—J. Eldridge, P. 440 yd. dash: First—E. Williams, G., Time—53 1-5 seconds. Second—Enty, P. Third—Howland, G.

Boys' shot put: First—Burnham, G., distance—37 feet 9 inches. Second—Bernhoft, G. There was no third place taken in this event on account of disqualifications.

Girls' 100 yd. dash: First—Armstrong, P. Time—13 3-5 seconds. Second—V. Ackerman, P. Third—L. Eldridge, G.

Boys' 100 yd. dash: First—Morse, P. Time—11 2-5 seconds. Second—Daugherty, G. Third—Jassimides, P.

Girls' high jump: First—J. Eldridge, P., height—4 feet 4 inches. Second—A. Folger, P. Third—L. Steese, G.

Boys' high jump: First—A tie between W. Williams, P. and E. Williams, G., height—5 feet 4 inches. Third—Hussey, G.

Boys' 220 yd. dash, First—Daugherty, G. Time—26 4-5 seconds. Second—Morse, P. Third—Jassimides, P.

Girls' 75 yd. dash: First—Armstrong, P. Time—10 3-5 seconds. Second—J. Eldridge, P. Third—A tie between Higbee, P. and L. Eldridge, G.

Pole vault: First—Daugherty, G., height—8 feet 5 inches. Second—Molyneux, P. Third—Fox, P.

Boys' broad jump: First—Morse, P., distance—16 feet 8½ inches. Second—Enty, P. Third—Hussey, G.

Girls' relay: Won by the Purple. Time—1 minute and 1-5 seconds.

Boys' relay: Won by the Gold. Time—1 minute 54 and 4-5 seconds.

The boys' relay was the last event of the day. Everyone felt repaid for their time and efforts to see the meet although it came far from equalling others which have been held here in the past. Only a few records were broken. In the boys' shot put, Burnham broke the former record held by Charles White, by 6 and ½ inches. Mable Armstrong broke her own record in the 100 yd. dash by 2-5 of a second. Jean Eldridge broke the former record held by Mabel Armstrong and Lois Eldridge in the girls' high jump, by ½ inch. Mabel Armstrong broke the former record held by Lois Eldridge in the 75 yd. dash, by 1-5 of a second.

Harry E. Kitterman, physical director, Prof. Frank Wright, and Donald Schumann acted as judges of the contests, while Prof. LaVay Fancher served as starter.

E. Williams of the Gold and Morse of the Purple were the two highest point men of their respective sides. Williams is a runner, of exceptional abilities and seemed to be in rare form—Morse, the Purple's best bet, was a little off form on account of a lack of practice. Nevertheless he gained the honor of becoming high point man, emerging from the meet with 16 points to his credit. E. Williams followed close behind with 15 ½ points. Daugherty G. came next with 14 and ½; Burnham, G. took fourth place with 10 points, and Howland, G. fifth with 7 and ½ points.

On the list of high point women the Purple aggregation claim five places. Their order is as follows: First—Armstrong, P. 16½. Second—J. Eldridge, P. 10½. Third—V. Ackerman, P. 10½. Fourth—A. Folger, P. 5½. Fifth—Driscoll, P. 5. Sixth—Baker, G. 5.

The running score for both the boys' and girls is: Boys—Gold, 57 and Purple, 36. Girls—Gold, 11½ and Purple, 47½.

It is hoped that a much better and larger meet will be presented next year.

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### Schedule for Final Examinations, College Department June 3-7, 1924

CLASS	FINALS
8:30 M. W. F.—Tues. a. m. 9:00-12:00	
9:30 T. T. S.—Tues. p. m. 1:00-4:00	
9:30 M. W. F.—Wed. a. m. 9:00-12:00	
9:30 T. T. S.—Wed. p. m. 1:00-4:00	
10:30 M. W. F.—Thurs. a. m. 9:00-12:00	
10:30 T. T. S.—Thurs. p. m. 1:00-4:00	
1:30 M. W. F.—Fri. a. m. 9:00-12:00	
2:30 M. W. F.—Fri. p. m. 1:00-4:00	
1:30 T. T. S.—Sat. a. m. 9:00-12:00	
	and special exams.

The examination in Surveying will be given Friday 1:00-4:00 p. m.

### Houghton Student Propagates Principles Learned Here

OTTAWA LAKE, Mich., May 17. —Attempts of Rev. Flannigan, of the Roman Catholic church, to stop the reading of the Bible in the public school resulted in a fist fight between the teacher, Rev. F. E. Densmore, and two men who were said to have been sent by the priest to stop the reading by force if necessary.

It is said that the priest called upon Rev. Densmore one day last week and demanded that he stop reading the Bible, and that he and Felix Labun who accompanied Rev. Flannigan to the school, were very bitter towards the Rev. Densmore for the "higher education" he was endeavoring to give to the school children.

According to reports, the argument grew rather heated and the priest told the school teacher that he would "read something worth while, and not that thing he had been reading." But the tirade had no effect upon the Rev. Densmore, and the two men left, still

threatening to stop the Bible reading in one way or another.

Last Monday morning, it is said, Labun and another member of the Catholic parish went to the school to prevent the reading of the Bible, and as they could not persuade Rev. Densmore from performing his duty, they invited him out of the school room, evidently wishing to use physical violence, as is generally the case when the political-ecclesiastical machine wishes to gain a point.

Frank Iott, who is said to have been the man with Labun, was evidently surprised when his invitation was quickly taken up and the Rev. Densmore walked outside with the two of them, who showed, it is said, that they meant to harm him physically.

The result was that Iott was knocked down twice, the second time evidently being enough, for he ran for his automobile after this. Labun, it is said, seeing himself left alone with the minister-teacher, quickly followed Iott, and the two pulled away from the scene immediately.

It is thought by many of those interested that the two were sent by Priest Flannigan, but this report has not verified. Labun and Iott were arrested and Rev. Densmore went to Monroe to find out if it was against the law to read the Bible in school. He found that he had not been violating the law in any way and will continue it is said, to read from the Holy Book so long as he is in charge.

### Service Extended to Neighbor- ing Town

We cannot limit our Christian service to our own locality, but we should help send the gospel message to those who are less fortunate than we. This is what some of our young people did last Sunday when the mixed quartet, consisting of Miss Steves, Miss Schroeder, Mr. Clark, and Mr. Gosbee, together with Miss Sartwell, went to Black Creek where Mr. Gosbee preaches. After a delay caused by car trouble and by taking the wrong road, they reached the church about 11:45 a. m. There they found a good congregation assembled, although some had become tired waiting and had gone home. They had a very good, but brief service.

The young people were entertained for dinner in some of the homes. They then started out to sing to the shut-ins. How pleased these dear people were as they heard the old-time hymns sung for them once more. Several homes were thus visited, and surely the time was not wasted.

The young people reached Houghton again about 9:00 p. m., feeling that they had spent one of the happiest days of their lives: happy because they had been helping others.

### EXCHANGES

We gratefully acknowledge the following exchanges:  
The Keokukian, Keuka Park, N. Y.  
College Denitor, Miltonvale, Kan.  
The Echo, Taylor University, Upland, Ind.  
The Walking Leaf, Montour Falls, N. Y.  
The College World, Adrian, Mich.  
Flat Lux, Alfred, N. Y.  
The Papyrus, Greenville, Ill.  
The University Hatchet, Washington, D. C.  
The Augustana Mirror, Sioux Falls, S. D.  
The Red and White, Kittanning, Pa.  
The Magnet, Butler, Pa.  
Marion College Journal, Marion, Ind.  
The Hemlock, Red Wing, Minn.  
The Blast, Warsaw, N. Y.  
Wesleyan Methodist, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.  
The Clarion, Belmont, N. C.  
The Pharos, Aurora, Ill.  
The Maroon and Gold, Elon, N. C.  
Inkspot, Cromwell, Ind.  
Oak Leaves, North Manchester, Ind.

The Plead, Albion, Mich.  
The Optimist, East Aurora, N. Y.  
The Record, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Dickinson Union, Williamsport, Penna.  
Rushford Spectator, Rushford, N. Y.  
The M. H. S. Life, Montrose, Pa.  
The Shorewood Ripples, Milwaukee, Wis.  
The Blue and White, Knoxville, Tenn.  
The Picayune, Batavia, N. Y.  
Tattler, Lakewood, N. Y.  
The Black and Red, Watertown, Wis.

### HOUGHTON LOCALS

The Misses Hildreth and Warburton spent Sunday in Fillmore. The congregation of the W. M. church were favored with a vocal solo by Miss Hildreth in the evening.

Mr. Austin visited his aunt, Mrs. Lockwood, at Fillmore Sunday.

Irwin Enty has charge of the singing at Canadea every Sunday afternoon.

Archibald King, Lamont LaVere, Irwin Enty, Bevil Thayer and Walter Waters went to Dutch Hill Sunday morning to hold S. School. On their way back they attended the W. M. church at Fillmore.

Miss Rork's Physical Geography class went on a hike to Canadea Gorge Thursday afternoon and evening.

A select few had a party at the spring Friday evening.

Clyde Daugherty has been entertaining his mother and sister, Mrs. Thomas Daugherty, and daughter, Mae, of Erie, Pa.; and his two aunts, Miss Edna Thomas of Driftwood, Pa. and Mrs. James Nolan of New Bethlehem, Pa.

Mrs. Esther Johnson and son, Billy, and Mr. Rockwell went to Kane, Pa., last Wednesday to pack up Mrs. Johnson's goods. Stewart Hill went after the goods with a truck and brought them here Saturday. Mrs. Johnson and son will remain for a few days.

Mark Bedford, Earl Tierney, Edward Williams, Kenneth Gibbin, and Donald Schumann motored to East Aurora last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Eliza Spalding of Toledo, O., is visiting her niece, Mrs. W. H. Lapham.

Triplets, two boys and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Northrup of Hess Roads, May 25.

Professor and Mrs. E. E. Barrett, of Central, S. C. announce the birth of a daughter, Evelyn Mary, on May 18. John Eyler was run over by an auto in front of Cronk's store Monday evening. He suffered a broken shoulder, and injuries about the face.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Castner of Dover, N. J. are visiting in town.

Alice Davis spent the week end at her home in Bliss.

The meeting of the Home Bureau will be held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Lapham Tuesday afternoon.

Dr. A. H. Lyman spoke at the Parent Teachers meeting Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. S. Luckey went to Mooers, N. Y. Wednesday morning to attend her mother, Mrs. Curtis' funeral.

Arnold Harris had a wreck Tuesday evening.

### Neosophic Society

The Neosophic Society ended up the work for this year with a French program on Monday May 26. Roll call was answered by French proverbs after which several vocal and literary numbers were given in French and translated into English.

The work for the year has been very satisfactory; greater interest being shown than in any previous year. With increased enrollment, next year it is hoped to make the society still better. "Every H. S. student a Neosophic" is our slogan.

### Report of Business Mgr. of the STAR

The school year 1923-4 is almost completed. There will be one more issue of THE HOUGHTON STAR printed this year. As was suggested in last week's paper this year has been a successful one from a financial standpoint. Subscribers, advertisers, and business staff have co-operated in attaining this success. Especially do we wish to thank the advertising manager and the subscription manager and their assistants, for their efficient and untiring efforts, without which it would not be possible for us to make the good report which will follow. In years gone by the June STAR has the greatest factor in draining the treasury, but this year "The Boulder" replaces that number, thus allowing us to concentrate on the regular issues of our paper, trying to make them better and more nearly what we want them to be.

The following is an itemized report of the finances for this school year to May 23:

Cash on hand at beginning of year—None.

Cash received	
Subscriptions	\$234.50
Advertisements	326.62
Miscellaneous	41.23
Total cash rec'd	602.35

Cash paid out	
Printing	\$496.50
Miscellaneous	51.85
Total disbursements	548.35

Balance on hand, May 23 54.00

It is estimated that when all money is in our hands and all bills are paid for the year that the balance on hand will be about twenty dollars.

We solicit your patronage and co-operation for next year and again thank you for your faithfulness this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Harold Douglass,  
Bus. Mgr.

### Financial Report of Lecture Course

ASSETS	
Season Tickets Sold	
62 Special Reserves at 2.50	\$155.00
89 Reserves at 2.00	178.00
68 Regular Season at 1.75	119.00
11 Admit One, Nov. 20, '23	8.25
Other Admit One Tickets, 50	75.65
Balance rec'd from Bedford	42.50
Total	570.61

LIABILITIES	
Musical Number, White Bureau	150.00
Lecture Numbers	
Dec. 14, Royal Lyceum	60.00
Jan. 25, White Bureau	75.00
Feb. 4, Royal Lyceum	100.00
Mar. 24, A. M. Hauser	25.00
April, Harold R. Peat	105.00
Printing	15.10
Postage and Advertising	6.80
Miscellaneous	.60
Total	537.00
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