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## Student Council Resumes Duties

They Plan to Continue Last Year's Duties with the Aim to Strengthen the Possibilities of Student Government

With Paul Allen as president, the Student Council has resumed its work, after a stimulating summer vacation. As co-workers, the vice-president, Roscoe Fancher, and the secretary, Loraine Brownell, compose the Administration Staff.

Fourteen members comprise this representative student group, including six Seniors, four Juniors, two Sophomores, and two Freshmen, the latter yet to be chosen. The two Deans, Prof. Stanley Wright and Miss Kartevold, act as advisors to the Council, and attend most of its meetings.

For the enlightenment of the new students, a few of the standards and aims of the Council are here mentioned. The group aims to uphold the honor, dignity, and spirit of Houghton College, and, in so doing, its most important function is to act as mediator between the student body and the faculty. Consequently, any problems or suggestions which cannot go directly to the faculty may be presented to the Student Council and due consideration will be given them.

The Council plans to continue the work started last year, leading up to student government in Houghton. A committee to take charge of student chapels and one for the library have already been appointed. Our first student chapel was conducted last Wednesday by the Student Council itself.

Would that all the students could visualize what could be accomplished through the help of the Student Council, to improve our own college! Without the cooperation of every student, the Council will not be able to organize student government in Houghton. Let us pledge our loyal support to help bring this about and to make our own college a bigger and better school.

## Dr. Will Houghton Heads Moody Bible Institute

Dr. Will H. Houghton who for the past four years has held the pastorate of the Calvary Baptist Church in New York City, and who is an eminent fundamentalist, has been appointed head of the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Dr. Houghton will take the place of Dr. James M. Gray who has been president of the Institute for thirty years and is retiring at the age of eighty-one. He will take over his duties in November.

We of Houghton College are very much interested in Dr. Houghton for several reasons. He preaches Christ crucified, risen, and coming again and is a firm backer of youth. He is also a benefactor of Houghton College. In February, 1933, he held a series of evangelistic services here. In May of the same year he returned with three business men from New York and Philadelphia who are likewise interested in Christian education. By this means Houghton College has become more widely known in fundamentalist circles.

We of Houghton College extend our congratulations to Dr. Houghton and wish him the blessing of our common Lord in his new undertaking.

## Orchestra Begins Year With Smaller Number

With Better Musicianship and Balance of Players a Good Year Is Expected

Tuesday afternoon found the college orchestra assembled in the auditorium of the music hall for its first practice. The orchestra is again under the direction of Prof. Alton M. Cronk, head of the Public School Music Department.

Although the number of players in the orchestra has diminished (there are about 20 members) it is expected that the appearances this year will show no decrease in quality.

This year the orchestra is organized on the plan of a little symphony and for this reason maintains better balance of instruments than formerly. Both the brass and woodwind sections have been slashed to form a proper proportion with the string section.

Among the several works being studied this year are: *Symphony in C Major* Haydn, *Carnival of Animals* Saint Saens, *Finlandia* Sibelius.

Present plans include at least two home concerts and perhaps three. A diminished personnel will make possible also several out-of-town concerts in nearby high schools.

## Program by Freshmen Ends Initiation Week

After a week of shoe shining, cleaning of rooms and what not, the remains of the Frosh entertained Houghton College in the Chapel on September 22. Mr. Daniels delivered the invocation, and a piano duet was played by Miss Beatrice Busch and Wilson Kopler. Again Wilson Kopler contributed a song, *The Garden of Tomorrow*. A humorous poem about a well informed but slightly mixed Italian was read by Miss McMahon. Then the audience was given a chance to lean back and dream of their one and only during the two delightful guitar numbers. An excellent reading from the last chapter of the Tale of Two Cities was given by Miss Ellen Donley, followed by a viola solo by the master of ceremonies, Paul McIntyre, and an acapella choir, cleverly introduced by Miss Rowena Peterson, ended the program. After Mr. Bain, portrayed by Wilson Kopler, almost suffered a nervous breakdown because of the scared and fainting Sophomores in the choir, Miss Doris Bain, representing the courageous and forever loyal Freshman, sang a lovely solo, *St. Joseph's Tomb*.

Many pleasing comments have been made about this program, and although the Frosh had a chance to get even with the Sophs, they were very good sports about it.

The spirit of friendliness was shown when the Sophomores invited the Freshmen to a party after the program. A few speeches were made, and punch and cookies were served.

## Chapel Conducted by Library Committee

Uses and Abuses of Library Explained by Speakers

Friday morning's chapel was in charge of the Library Committee. After the invocation by Purla Bates, Glenn Donelson led the singing, accompanied by Alden VanOrnum at the piano and a trumpet trio composed of Shea, Donelson, and Foster. Lowell Crapo led the devotions, reading Psalm 121 for the Scripture selection.

The speakers of the morning were Purla Bates, Marion Whitbeck, Harriet Sartwell, and Harold Boon. Miss Bates enumerated the activities of the Library Committee and touched upon its plans for the future. She said that all disciplinary matters concerning the library are to be brought before the Committee and its recommendations are to be made to the Student Council, which in turn advises the Faculty. Further, she declared that it is the purpose of the Committee to formulate new rules.

Miss Whitbeck spoke concerning conduct in the library. She listed the number of things that might come to one's mind at the mention of the word "library," and among them was Lowell Crapo. She also intimated that such highly intellectual practices as sleeping and removing wings from flies should be carried on elsewhere, and stated further that a courtship could be made successful outside the walls of a library.

After a trumpet trio selection, "Lord God Omnipotent," Miss Sartwell spoke of the use of the library, explaining the method of borrowing books properly and illustrating the need of rules governing this with actual incidents resulting from the infraction of these rules.

Mr. Boon, as a regular preacher should, took a text from Ecclesiastes: "Of making books there is no end." He attempted to convince his hearers that they should read more books. Among the reasons he presented were the stimulating of one's thinking and the developing of one's mind. He quoted Dr. Shaw, a teacher under whom he had received instruction, as saying, "A minister should read books or get out of the ministry." Mr. Boon asserted that the statement was applicable to the teacher as well.

## President Luckey Gives Advice to Student Body

In the chapel service Thursday morning, September 20, President Luckey talked to the students, especially to the Freshmen, on the subject of "Work." The four years you spend in college are the most important years of your entire life. How much you get out of those years depends on how you spend your time. Your main purpose while here is to secure adequate preparation for your life's work. In order to realize that end you must be prompt in getting down to work, and you must work hard. To do your best it is necessary to form the habit of studying alone. The President also reminded us that "early to rise makes a man wise." What d'ye say? Let's go!

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## Frosh Nine Hopes for Victory

Although the Varsity Has Lost Some Mainstays, It Has a Strong Line-up to Meet the Formidable Frosh

## Experiment Tried by Council of Gaoyadeo

Candle Light Service and the Assigning of Big Sisters Featured in Evening

A spectacular feature of the Freshman welcome was sponsored by the dormitory council of Gaoyadeo Hall when through a Recognition Candlelight Service their Big Sisters became known to the Freshmen Girls. The Juniors had previously acted in the capacity of hostesses, but not until the occasion of the recognition as the Freshman group at Gaoyadeo were the Big Sisters made known.

The girls, dressed in light dresses gathered in the reception room where they received candles and formed a double line of march. As the strains of Holy, Holy, Holy played by Gwen Blauvelt and Ivone Wright rose from the recreation room below the Sophomores, bearing lighted candles, led the procession downstairs. They entered a room lighted only by candlelight and formed a lighted aisle through which upper classmen and freshmen with unlighted candles marched to their seats. A period of silent prayer preceded brief remarks made by Miss Kartevold. The simple strains of *Altogether Lovely* as it was sung by Eileen Hawn prepared the way for lighting of candles and the presentation of scripture verses showing what is to be expected in Christian lives. Grace Smith, the president, and Harriet Sartwell, the religious chairman, standing each side of the single lighted candle typifying Christ, the Light of the World, read passages with Philippians 4:8 as the theme while two upperclassmen followed by their two little sisters obtained their light from The Light and passed on to form a lighted circle about those who were still waiting.

## Tug o' War after Two Pulls Ends in Draw

At 4:30 Thursday afternoon, all attention was centered on the tug-o-war held on McCarty's lot—eight Frosh huskies against eight Soph bruisers. Excitement ran high as suggestions and speculations were made as to which would win. As the tug started it seemed about even; the tie on the rope waved first to the left and then to the right. Neither side gave an inch until suddenly the Soph team weakened a little, gave an inch, another, and finally let five inches of rope slide to the other side.

Freshman shrieks testified their excitement as at the close of the three minutes, the decision was given to the Frosh. Still, neither team had bit the dust—or the water, and the audience was disappointed. Another tug was decided. This time, the husky Sophs gave all they had, and pulled the decision to their side. Still, neither side had won and the final decision seems to be in mid-air.

Sophs and her sister class believe they won; Frosh and her sister class still believe that they won. We leave it to the faculty to decide.

The baseball game between the Freshman and varsity teams, originally planned for last week, will be played Friday afternoon at three o'clock on the college athletic field. The Freshman team, under the guidance of Kingsbury and Wright, has been practicing diligently and hopes to provide an upset by taking the Varsity into camp. Though many of the Varsity mainstays of last season will be missing, several experienced players will be on hand for duty including "Lefty" Pignato, southpaw twirling ace, "Dick" Farnsworth, slugging catcher and "Wahoo" Vogel who is slated to hold down the first base post. The Frosh will pin their hopes upon the ability of Kingsbury, who is expected to hurl for the "rookie" class, also "Kirk" Hampton, "Dick" Wright and several other promising players.

This contest will mark the inauguration of "Dick" Farnsworth as varsity captain. At the Athletic Association meeting, held after last Friday's chapel, Farnsworth was the popular choice of the students to succeed Robert Rork in leading the Varsity teams for the year 1934-35. Rork failed to return to school this year after being elected captain last spring. Farnsworth has been active in athletics for the past two years and his choice to lead the Varsity is a worthy tribute to his ability in athletic realms. Dick is confident that his team will again take the decision over the Frosh nine.

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## Frosh Show Sportsmanship in Annual Parade

Faculty and townspeople, High School classes and even lab workers turned out to see the final humiliation of the Frosh, in the magnificent Zoological Exhibition—the climaxing Freshman Parade, held Thursday afternoon. About 125 Frosh, decked out in mercurochrome and grease paint, shoe polish and wave set, with trousers on backward and dresses on inside out, with hair in pigtails and parted across the middle, grotesque faces under green caps, paraded ignominiously across the college campus. What a mob! Past the main buildings where a speech of welcome and several miscellaneous musical numbers were rendered (literally) amidst jeers and clicking cameras, down the road in backward style, the Frosh were led.

Various punishments were meted out along the way, and finally the gang assembled on Cronk's side lawn. Cronks did a rush business in camera films as the Boulder staff made a "snap section while the sun shines".

The details of punishment in order are still vividly remembered as Queenic led the Frosh through a long line of barrels, a cappella choirs, Zoological Exhibition, pencil rolling races, Prohibition speeches, and the final break—"What I would do if I were a Sophomore." Among the shining stars were "Burch", "Alex", "Lineup", and Kopler. In fact, we predict quite a notorious and successful year for such a good class.

Congratulations! Frosh, You came through like good sports. We like you a lot and sincerely look forward to a successful year together.

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## Editorial

From the vigor with which the Student Council has attacked its first project, we may well prophecy another successful year. And if all its projects are as worth while as the present plan to provide the college with a Recreation room, the authorities cannot but admit that student government is a real asset.

For years there has been something definitely lacking in Houghton's social status and this is the first organized attempt on any sizeable scale to remedy it. At last there will be some definite place for students to spend their leisure hours without running the risk of losing library privileges, getting locked in various class rooms, or suffering the uncomfortable atmosphere of the reception room. Each of the above mentioned places has a definite use, which is not recreation, but until now they must needs have served that purpose for want of the real thing.

Plans are not nearly completed but arrangements are being made for several game tables, plenty of space for other amusements and a reading corner. But the equipment to our mind will be largely secondary, for the essential value of such a place will be *some place to go*—out of the library, and classrooms, and halls; a place out of the rush to and from classes, a place to which we can take our visiting friends, and above all a place for campus friends to get together for those hours which will make our best memories of college.

As yet this Recreation room is nothing more than an imaginary place and many things may yet hinder its being made a reality. It is up to us to back to the limit our representatives, the Student Council, until at the soonest possible date we can formally open and begin to enjoy the fruit of their labors.—K. J. B.

Last year one of the most prominent clubs on the campus was the Forensic Union. This "year old" organization functions mainly in the directing of the debate activities of our college.

Interclass debates are held in chapel under the direction of this Union. Engraved on a silver loving cup, the interclass trophy, are the names of the winners of the tournament and the date. Any class winning the debate for three consecutive years is given the privilege of retaining the cup.

As a member of the New York State Debate Conference, Houghton College debates with the members of this league. Also from this conference our College receives topics for inter-collegiate debates. This is our only inter-collegiate activity. Last year our team won every intercollegiate decision debate. This year the Forensic Union plans to carry on a more extensive program than last year. Those partici-

pating on varsity teams in two winning debates or the equivalent, practice debates or non-decision debates may obtain a debate pin. The stone of the pin varies with the number of debates entered and won. These stones are ruby, emerald, pearl, and diamond. The diamond is the honor pin.

It is through the efforts and assistance of Dr. Paine that the Forensic Union has attained such success.

College students interested in this work may become members of the Forensic Union by application and acceptance. The application must be made through members of the Union. Valuable debate training is received here. Since last year's senior members have graduated there are opportunities for others. Especially to the new students who have had debate work in high school, who are interested and have talent in debating, this invitation should be gladly welcomed.

In the near future the Union will hold its first meeting. Think it over between now and then. There are the varsity and interclass debate teams. Why not be ready to make your application at the first meeting?—P. B.

## Alumni News

### Faculty Committee Express Appreciation

At the beginning of the year 1933-1934, the Alumni committee of the faculty, believing that they were in closer contact with the alumni—especially those who were with us several years ago—than the STAR staff could possibly be, requested the staff to grant them the privilege of securing copy for this department. The staff very kindly granted the permission. Each issue of last year's STAR ran on an average about two columns of alumni news. Contributions by many old students and alumni appeared. Nearly every individual who was requested to furnish material did so willingly. For their hearty cooperation we express sincere thanks.

The STAR staff of 1934-1935 have requested that the plan be continued. Our alumni committee has been increased to five members which should make our department stronger than last year's. Alumni! We solicit your continued interest and cooperation and we hope to hear from many of you during the year. Now, who will be first?

### Recent Alumni News

*Correction of error:* Later reports seem to discredit the announcement of the marriage of Mable Norton and Robert Kotz.

Marjorie Ackerman (ex '32) and Joseph Rounds were married August 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Rounds are living at Odessa where he is employed.

Dorothy Miller and Dick Ayer (ex '33) were married July 14th, and are residing at Fillmore.

A son, James Thomas, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Luckey of Allentown, Penn., July 2nd. The alumni extend congratulations to President and Mrs. Luckey, as well as to the parents.

John Higgins visited in Houghton the latter part of August. Since his graduation in 1926, Mr. Higgins has been principal of Cadyville High School. This summer he attended Albany State Teachers' College.

Gladys Davison, Edna Stratton, Eleanor Tappin, and Lovina Mullen attended summer school at Geneseo.

Alta Albro (ex '28) is teaching French and Latin at Chautauqua this year.

Lovina Mullen (ex '31) is librarian and director of the high school study hall at Celeron.

### Smiling Though Camping

A collector of material for the "funnies" would have thought himself lucky had he happened along by my home about ten o'clock in the evening of July twelfth. On the porch were piled the articles considered necessary to our comfort in camping, waiting to be packed away in a Ford which had been backed up to the steps for the purpose. There was a tent and poles, two cots with

blankets enough for a trip to Little America, a gasoline stove, three camp stools, a pancake griddle, ten quart pail, gallon water jug, a tin box for food and dishes, six bags ranging in size from a suit case to a brief case, three cushions, three coats, sweaters, umbrellas, rain coats—But time and space fail me in enumerating the odds and ends destined to go in that car. But the car did not fail; it received them all, and at five the next morning the caravan started with not one article left behind. Oh, how fervently we wished later that half of it had been. In fact we paid nearly three dollars to send back the heavy bath robes and other garments which we had been told were essential to our comfort. My advice to all those planning a similar trip is this: take your tooth brush and go.

Camping at night was easy; we stopped wherever night overtook us, but the morning take-off was a hectic matter. We would agree on retiring to get an early start and travel in the cool morning hours so as to rest in some idyllic spot through the noon-day heat. Sometimes we did, but as Shakespeare remarks, "There is no clock in the forest".

It was not understood in planning the trip that Miss Hillpot would give music lessons, but she did. Any night between midnight and morning she might be heard directing her class in piano, while from the next room Lowell discoursed on the relative merits of various makes of cars.

One always picks up new bits of information as we did when a lady told her husband in our hearing that the grasshoppers were turning into butterflies, that they had wings already. Then there was the man who told us to go down the road a mile and take the one going sideways, which advice we followed.

It was in Iowa that the writer was chatting with a fellow camper and chanced to remark that she had no near relatives. "Why," exclaimed the lady, "I thought that young man and woman were your son and daughter."

The unexpected has a way of happening. This is true when we found the weather delightfully warm in Glacier Park but cold and raw in "sunny" California. Again we were surprised, when, in the Bad Lands where for miles the land stretched in barren wastes, we came upon a bed of colorful, fragrant verbenas growing in the hot dry sand. In the desert, too, we found beautiful cacti in bloom, the plants covering acres, and we remembered the poor potted plants at home which we so tenderly nourish in the hope of a few blossoms yearly.

But isn't it the truth that the dreariest situations of life often hold unexpected beauty?

M. Belle Moses, '17

**Ruth Brandes Finds Work Awaiting Her at Alma Mater**  
Dear Friends,

It doesn't seem to be quite suffic-

## Student Council Presents Its Work in Assembly

On Sept. 19, the College was favored by a chapel program under the direction of the Student Council. After a brief prayer by Merritt Queen and the reading of the 103 Psalm, Glenn Donelson and Alton Shea offered a trumpet solo, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". Hazel Fox brought a vivid picture of man's everlasting life and God's all-gracious righteousness in the words of the poem, "No Sects in Heaven."

In behalf of the Student Council, Paul Allen explained to the new students the purpose of this governing body. He said that the council is composed of 12 members chosen from the four classes and assisted by the Dean of Women and the Dean of Men. Special attention was drawn to the council's accomplishments last year, the main one of which was the changing of several parts of the handbook. Mr. Allen urged that the students show a friendly spirit toward the members of the faculty, and that the faculty members be looked upon as friends to all the students. He also suggested that any students who have business with the faculty, should bring it to the student council. One of the anticipated projects for which this year's Student Council is working is a recreation room in the Dormitory where boys and girls may meet together during recreation hours.

Last year's council showed itself in a large measure capable of student government. However, this cannot be accomplished again without the fullest cooperation from every student. Therefore, students, though you be in the library, in chapel, or in classes, you are reminded that student government of your college depends on you.

ient to return to "dear old Houghton" and watch its budding Freshmen, bursting Sophs and Juniors, and blooming Seniors. No—because when you get there you receive an appointment at the hands of members of the Alumni Committee. Then you have to sit down for four or five odd moments and write a few lines to your alumni friends telling them all about how the world is or isn't treating you. That's exactly the truth! Moral: visiting your Alma Mater has its disadvantages. Therefore—Don't visit—too often.

There is some recompense, or shall I say advantage, in being able to say that I'm really enjoying my new position. As yet I haven't even been homesick! It's a real pleasure to hand over some of the many things which seemed to have accumulated in my brain—particularly along lines of French and Latin—during my three years at Houghton. I am not prepared to state whether or not the transferring of that knowledge will be a credit to the people who gave it to me. Just hope for the best! Remember what Johnson said: "The habit of looking at the bright side of things is worth more than a thousand a year."

In closing may I say that I'm glad I went to Houghton and have her ideals and precepts to carry along with me. May my motto always be that which Hale quotes and which Houghton teaches: "Look up and not down, forward and not back, out and not in—and lend a hand!"

Best regards,

Ruth M. Brandes ('33)

(The Alumni editor of this week extends thanks to Miss Brandes for this article and deplores the fact that her recent visit was marred by a request for Alumni news.)

## Gospel Team Spends Their Summer in Christian Work

On returning to school this fall, each member of the Houghton College Gospel Team made the following remark: "This has been the happiest summer of my life, and I am sure it has been so because I have been head over heels in the Lord's work."

Our College Gospel Team gave their summer to the Lord by way of the ministry of music and preaching. We can all be sure of the fact that wherever the team went, there was a testimony for Christ and a first-hand bit of advertising for Houghton College. The extent of their ministry was not bounded by New York State alone, but included several towns in the state of Vermont and also the provinces of Ontario and Quebec Canada.

Following the close of school, the team assisted in a two-week tent meeting in Corning, New York, where the preaching was done by the evangelist, Rev. C. I. Armstrong. The boys had the joy of contacting many young people in the interest of Houghton, but a still greater joy in pointing them to Christ.

During the last week of June, the team enjoyed the delightful privilege of sitting under the teaching ministry of Dr. J. A. Huffman, dean of theology in our sister school at Marion, Indiana. This week, spent in the Christian Layman's Bible Conference at Canisteo, New York, was one of inspiration and spiritual growth. Men and women were hungry for the gospel, and God did not turn away. Many young people gave their lives to Christ, and their glowing testimonies proved to others the reality of the transforming power of Christ.

The month of July was taken up in making scheduled contacts in the northern section of our state and Canada in the interest of our school. All along the way future prospects for Houghton appeared in many promising young people. Twenty-five hundred miles were covered during the month, since each evening's meeting was held in a different location. The beautiful scenery of God's great out-of-doors, such as the Finger Lakes, the Great Lakes, the Adirondack Mountains and the St. Lawrence River Valley passed by the window of a Henry Ford, 1931 edition, while the occupants took in as much as possible from the hypothetically comfortable quarters. The systematic arrangement of three trumpets, five suit-cases, etc. made for snugness but no particular discomfort.

Houghton was represented in four camp-meetings and twenty-two Wesleyan Churches in both the states and provinces. During this time the team sang and played and Prof. F. H. Wright spoke in the interest of the school. The services were not merely educational but evangelistic as well. Each one was brought to a close by a short message from God's Word. During the month, approximately twenty-five young people sought and found the Lord.

With a four day rest after the tour, the gospel team found themselves equipped with renewed fervor to enter into a revival campaign at Bentley Creek, Pa. This meeting was sponsored by the Wesleyan Church and was blessed mightily of the Lord. Contacts were made with many families who were "non-church-goers," and God greatly blessed these contacts to the edification of the Wesleyan Church as well as *The Church*. Malcolm Cronk did all the preaching; Glenn Donelson conducted the afternoon prayer meeting and Bible reading; and Alton Shea and William Foster worked together in conducting daily children's meetings which were attended regularly by thirty children. Foster and Shea al-

## Library

The genuine interest in library affairs manifested by the student committee augurs well for a successful year.

Perhaps some one has a different conception of what constitutes good library administration from that of the committee and librarian. If so, come and tell us about it. We are open to conviction and do not claim any monopoly on wisdom. The committee will soon undertake a full revision of library rules and the time for suggestions is before, not after, the rules are printed.

Does any one remember seeing the 1933 volume of *Monthly* lying about? The class in Missions needs it.

Did every one hear what Miss Whitbeck said in chapel about the injustice done to other students when one of a class removes a book or magazine from the library without the proper record being made?

Some of the new students may not know that the scientist, Dr. Bowen, whose name occurs frequently in the article "A chapter on accidents and how it affects the nebulae", in the October issue of the *Scientific American*, is the son of the principal of the Seminary, Mrs. Bowen, and an alumnus of the institution. Students in physics will want to read the article.

### Frosh-Varsity Line-up (Continued From Page One)

#### FROSH

Kahler	3rdB.
Hampton	1stB.
Bellows	2ndB.
Stevenson	R.F.
Spooner	L.F.
Vanderburg	C.F.
Reed	S.S.
Willert	C.
Kingsbury	P.
Kopler	P.
Wright	P.

#### VARSITY

Anderson	2ndB.
Pignato	P.
Haight	3rdB.
Vogel	1stB.
Farnsworth	C.
Foster	S.S.
Titus	C.F.
White	R.F.
Churchill	L.F.

so plodded o'er hill and vale every afternoon making calls and giving personal invitations to every one visited.

At the close of the meeting, the Lord made it possible for three of the boys to spend a four-day vacation at home. Beginning August 16, the boys played and sang and conducted the music through the ten days of Houghton camp. The Lord made the camp a time when spiritual refreshings were outpoured. The upright cups were filled to overflowing, sinners found Christ as their Savior, and Christians found Him as their sanctifier.

As the vacation period drew to a close, the boys felt led of God to assist in a meeting at Levant, New York. The preaching was done by the Rev. David Anderson of Bradford, Pa., while the musical end of the program was conducted by the team. The devil had all his forces arrayed and seemed to be using every inch of his battle ground, but finally God broke through and, for many nights, the altar was lined with penitent seekers.

The boys do not hesitate to report a very successful summer in the name of the Lord. However, they ascribe none of the glory unto themselves, for God was present in mighty power and greatly blessed their humble efforts to the advancement of His cause.

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## Special Services Began Tuesday

### Evangelist Forman Lincome Will Speak at Church and in Daily Chapel

The first service of the evangelistic campaign being conducted in Houghton from September 25 through October 7 with the Rev. Dr. Forman Lincome as the evangelist, began at seven o'clock on Tuesday evening with a rousing song service directed by Professor Kreckman and accompanied by Miss Magdalene Murphy. After the Rev. Mr. Pitt led in prayer, Miss Ivone Wright and Miss Fannie Hotchkiss sang "I Am Amazed."

Dr. Lincome commenced his sermon forthwith, and manifested an abundance of enthusiasm for his work, although, as Mr. Pitt had explained, he was under considerable physical strain during the day. Speaking on the promise in *Philippians 4:19*, "For my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus," he enumerated some of the spiritual needs of Houghton at this time. One of these needs is divine love, which he dealt with in three phases: love begun in supernatural regeneration by the Holy Spirit; love perfected, which divests an individual of the sinful elements of his nature, especially of carnal fear; and love abundant which includes the thought that love is not merely a crisis, but also a process. Another need is that of the power which was demonstrated at Pentecost, when the Christians prayed for ten days and there was but one sermon, the power which issues from God in answer to the persistent and expectant prayers of His people. Again, Houghton needs greater vision, and then those who will pursue that vision to its fulfillment. Of spreading the Gospel, Dr. Lincome said, "The Christian church must either go and grow, or stay and starve"; and "It isn't more tact that we need, but more contact." In concluding, he mentioned that the one profound need essential to a Heaven-sent revival is a greater soul-burden. Christians need to feel more as Jesus felt when He lamented over Jerusalem.

In closing the service, Dr. Lincome invited to join in prayer all who felt their dependence on God for meeting the needs which he had enumerated, and nearly everyone in the service tarried for a brief season of petition. After singing several verses of "Take the Name of Jesus with You," the congregation dismissed itself by repeating in unison the passage, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

Dr. Lincome will speak in the Houghton Church at seven, and in the college chapel on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:50 a. m. Everyone is cordially invited to all these services, and is especially requested to pray that God's Spirit may convict and convert many persons unto God.

### Evangelical Student

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy."—*The Psalmist*.

Abraham, the friend of God, was the most hospitable of men. It is said that he always kept a table set ready for any wayfarer who might need a meal and suit of clothes.

On one occasion, according to a legend, his charity seems momentarily to have failed. As he sat at the door of his tent, waiting to entertain strangers as his custom was, he

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## Sunday Services

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed last Sunday morning in the Houghton church. After the choir sang an arrangement of "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," the Rev. Mr. Pitt spoke very briefly, giving running comments on Gal. 6:1-15, especially verse 14. Of "the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ," he said that Paul meant not a mere cross of wood, but the point at which man sin and death lost their sting as they were met in Jesus by the holiness and purity of God. He further stated that the crucifixion mentioned by the Apostle was death unto all manner of self-sufficiency, and that the whole was not a theory, but a fact. In the communion service Mr. Pitt was assisted by the Reverend Messrs. Ries, Roth, and Clark.

The young people had charge of the evening worship. Alden Van Ornum led the singing, which was augmented by an orchestra of several college folk. Alton Shea conducted the testimony service, which was certainly inspiring.

Mr. Pitt spoke on the phrase, "the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ," as it appears in II Corinthians 4:6. While civilization is built on the principle of self-sufficiency, the vision of the Son of God constrains us to self-abasement. In making his second point, Mr. Pitt said, "Conversion has its beginning in informative vision to the heart." Then, as the new creature enters the Christian life, his vision becomes a transforming one. A very significant statement was, "Don't seek experiences with the hope that they will be a permanent satisfaction." Truly, one should press on in faith, although "no man's life will ever make another man a Christian," for a sinner has to see more than a man's good life for salvation; he must see "the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." In conclusion, Mr. Pitt encouraged each Christian to serve hopefully despite weaknesses or previous failures, for "when God works, no one will know you."

### Gaoyadeo Girls Elect Officers for Year

#### Form of Student Government on Trial under Supervision

We have heard of the attempt to further student government here at Houghton College. Perhaps one of the most notable experiments along that line now on trail is the project at Gaoyadeo Hall under the supervision of Miss Kartevold. This year's officers were elected by the girls themselves at their spring meeting, and so were already busy with hopes and plans at the opening of school. The officers include:

Grace Smith—President  
Marian Whitbeck—Vice President  
Elizabeth Sellman—Secretary and Treasurer  
Elizabeth Harmon—Senior Representative.

These girls felt the need of a larger executive group and so elected major chairmen to meet with them.

Marian Whitbeck, vice president, is now acting in the capacity of general dormitory manager. She has various responsibilities, including the appointment of student light and noise proctors. The student proctors working with Miss Whitbeck are Ivone Wright, Barbara Cole, Rinda Bartlett, Florence Clissold, and Katharine Schehl. One experiment in this department is that of the honor system relative to underclassmen's extinguishing their lights by 10:30 instead of the previous earlier hour.

Harriet Sartwell is in charge of religious activities in the dormitory Group prayer meetings and individual

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## W.Y.P.S. Cabinet Reviews Activities in Chapel

On Tuesday the chapel service was conducted by last year's cabinet of the W.Y.P.S. The invocation by Willard Smith was followed with a hymn led by Malcolm Cronk, with Miss Florence Smith as pianist. Miss Margaret Wright read from the sixth chapter of Ephesians, verses 11-18, after which she offered a brief prayer.

In an ensuing talk, Willard Smith presented the purpose of the W.Y.P.S. as being "To maintain a proper balance of student activities." He further stated that as we grow older we shall forget much of what we are now learning, but that certain principles which we adopt here will abide with us throughout our lives. Continuing, he said that the object of the devotional division of that society is to cultivate and exercise the spiritual side of our living that we may the better from principles and habits for our lives.

Harold Boon briefly outlined the activities of the extension department of the society. The records show that from November 1933, through June 1934, this department has sent out Gospel teams to hold thirty-eight meetings, among which were several services held in the C.C.C. camp near Portageville, and seven open-air services whose average attendance was about one hundred twenty-five. In all meetings there totaled sixty different active participants. He concluded with a word of appreciation to the faculty for their friendly cooperation in planning for those services, and a prophecy that we are now entering into what is going to be the Society's greatest year.

Following the chapel exercises was a meeting of all last year's members of the W.Y.P.S. for the purpose of electing new officers. The nominating committee submitted a tentative list of nominees consisting of one nominee for each office. The group accepted the suggestions as offered with the resulting cabinet for the new year:

Malcolm Cronk, President; Albert Fortune, Vice-President; Vera Hall, Secretary; Robert Luckey, Treasurer; James Bedford, Extension Secretary; Willard Smith, Devotional Secretary; Grace Smith, Social Secretary; Reba Fuller, Representative of Light Bearers.

### LIGHT BEARERS

The young people's meeting Sunday afternoon was opened with an inspirational song service led by Barbara Cronk, with Ruth Wright at the piano. James Hurd led the prayer and praise service and the Scripture reading was from the ninety-first Psalm.

Professor Stanley Wright brought the message, speaking from the text, "If ye be willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land." If we are willing and obedient, we have the best time because, logically, we get the most fun out of what we like to do. Willing obedience requires a rather high degree of confidence in our leader, but why shouldn't we trust God when He has never deceived us and never will? You may not want to go through certain trials, or you may not know why you are going through them; but if you are where you ought to be, there is a reason for it, so keep going. God is asking you to do it because it is for your highest good. If you are willingly obedient at all times, you will be spiritually fat. The New Testament does not say that you will have more to eat or better clothes to wear, but you will eat of better things than meat and potatoes.

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# EXTRA!

For this week's bed-time story we recall a masterpiece of Professor Bain's, directed against no other than the great Richard Brockett Hale, 2nd bass in the Houghton A-cappella choir. It seems that Brockett had a dream one night—a dream, not a nightmare, Oscar—that he was in a choir under Prof's direction which had a personnel of 5,000 sopranos, 5,000 altos, 5,000 tenors and he was the only bass. They had just started to boom out the opening chords of Bach, when the conductor signaled to Brockett to let up on the bass!

Campus Cut-up says: There are two kinds of married people—those who have scraps and those who lie about it.

We learned Friday that the library is apparently not essential to true romance. What troubles our profound mind is how all the fervid couples can bear up under the shock of all that valuable time wasted.

Mistress (to departing maid): Haven't we always treated you like one of the family?

Maid: Yes, and I'm not going to stand it any longer!

Seen in the advertising section of a weekly newspaper:

"Wanted: an antique table by an old lady with solid mahogany legs."

And then there was the insomnia victim who was such an ardent vegetarian that he counted parsnips jumping over a fence!

1st Frosh: I'm majoring in Latin, And you?

2 ditto: Greek.

No. 1: Well we'll have to get together and talk over old times!

Tony York's dog, apparently an upsetting influence around the campus is a unique type—it's a Belgian fish-hound. Tony didn't realize the value of his pet until he went fishing the other day, sitting around for two hours without a bite. Feeling the need of diversion he threw a silver half-dollar into the water to see if the dog would dive for it. And li'l Chum-mie came up out of the water with a five pound catfish and 15 cents in change.

Can any of you tell me what the plural of Plato (or the singular of plateaux as the case may be) is? Paging Mr. Moxey. And now, children, can anyone tell me anything about Columbus, the guy who crossed the Delaware in 1812 in order to make the world safe for democracy? (Tsk, no wonder the teachers all give us D's!)

Nobody asked Prof. Cronk if he was a Freshman. Proving, of course that even the old students can't always tell—thank you, roaring thousands!

## KIDDIES' KORNER

Ding dong bell  
Pussy's in the well.  
Who pulled her out?  
The C. W. A.

Hickory dickory dock,  
The mouse ran up the clock.  
The clock struck one—  
And all the rest escaped uninjured.

A crowd surrounded a Soph who was merrily whanging away at a guitar, mutilating the air with strains of popular music. Our good friend Betty Ratcliffe, came bursting thru the ranks, breathlessly demanding, "Do you know 'All I Do is Dream of You the Whole Day Through'?" Now, Betty.

Our good friend and companion Lynford J. Sicard (now don't misunderstand us; the "our" is collective) was contemplating the laborious process of makeup as demonstrated by one of the fair sex of the campus, finally announcing, "Well, I'm glad I don't have to fuss over my beauty like you girls do."

Well, we've heard of conceited people, but—

1st Frosh: What's all the argument down street?

2nd half-wit: Pignato, the barber, is shaving himself.

1st stude (?): Yeah, but why the commotion?

2nd nit-wit: He's trying to persuade himself to have a hair tonic and a shampoo.

How to end a bedtime story: "There was all that blood, running down the street, and all I had was a fork!"

## Experiment at Gaoyadeo

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ing to receive the Light. When all candles had been lighted, the Sophomores joined the group, and the final Friendship Circle was formed and its ceremonies carried through, concluding with *I Would Be True*. The re-cessional was accomplished as the girls left singing.

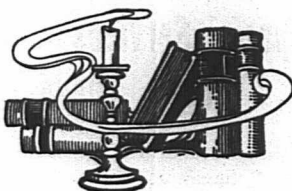
Altogether the initiation of this phase of Freshman orientation was somewhat different from what Houghton has usually experienced, but its development into one of the most impressive and beautiful experiences for all of our college women might well become a tradition.

The Big and Little Sister list for Gaoyadeo follows, but we would add "We're glad you're here, Little Sisters."

Ethel Doty—Eunice Kidder  
Dorothy Blake—Mary Madavid  
Magdalene Murphy—Esther Boh-layer  
Vera Hall—Alice Rose  
Elizabeth Harmon—Harriet Hansen  
Doris Lee—Jane Zook  
Mary Abbie Babbitt—Margaret Watson

Janet Donley—Margaret Clement  
Purla Bates—Arlenna Leanard  
Loraine Brownell—Elsie Hodgkin  
Crystal Crone—Elizabeth Hammond

Alma White—Marian Brown  
Ethel Barnett—Grace Mercereau  
Florence Lytle—Eunice Brown  
Florence Clissold—Beatrice Busch  
Eldred Record—Ellen Donley  
Marian Whitbeck—Iona Clark  
Harriet Sartwell—Jeanette Frost



## VARIORIUM

"Life," says Carl Jensen, "is a variorium"—a collection of the thought and thoughtlessness of various people. That is more or less what this column is to be, and we hereby dedicate it to the literary muses of Houghton College—whenever she is, for we never saw her!

We would like to gather articles from you who are interested in literary achievements, and preserve them for our fortunate (?) successors. You who read a great deal, every time you discover a new or unusual book, will you not write a review of it so that others may enjoy it too? And whenever you feel yourself laboring under an inspiration, why not share it with us? Perhaps we will devote succeeding issues to the freshman composition class or give those in Soph. Lit. opportunity for self expression. As a change from Wyatt's impassioned lyrics, even our own scribbling is refreshing! And Alumni—that vague, body-less collection ghost to most of us—won't you set aside a few of your busy moments to share the books, movements and inspirations of your lives with our more circumscribed ones? By so doing you will become personalities to us and, incidentally, renew some of the charms of your own collegiate life.

All this sounds like the frantic efforts of a circus advertiser or a salesman of scented soaps, but you get the idea—this column is yours—make of it what you will!

—H.C.—

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al help are included in her special responsibilities. The first major project in this particular field was the Recognition Candlelight service recently included in Freshman activities.

Magdalene Murphy has charge of the social activities in the dorm. A committee to work with her is to be appointed to care for teas, parties Friday night dinner music, etc.

Beth Harmon is in charge of special senior activities, of which there promises to be a variety.

Vera Hall is the new fire captain in charge of the organizing and drilling of dorm inhabitants in case of fire. Various responsibilities and activities will be given to those girls who are chosen to work with her.

These innovations in student government will continue in effect so long as satisfactory with subsequent changes and developments with growth. It is hoped that each girl will feel a definite responsibility in maintaining Houghton's standards, remembering that fair play brings fair play. Any suggestions for activities in the fields mentioned are asked to be brought to the chairman of the special committees, the president, or the dean of women.

—H.C.—

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Marian Burns—Elizabeth Halleck

Barbara Cole—Ruth VanLeuen  
Rinda Bartlett—Ruth Walton  
Ada VanRennsalaer—Margaret Brownlee

Mildred Ross—Bertice DeGroff  
Ivone Wright—Esther Hort  
Iola Tomlinson—Rowena Peterson

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espied an old man, a hundred years old, stooping and leaning on his staff, coming toward him.

He received him kindly, washed his feet, provided supper, caused him to sit down; but observing that the old man ate and prayed not, nor begged for a blessing on his meat and asked him why he did not worship God.

The old man told him that he worshipped the fire only, and acknowledged no other God, at which answer Abraham grew so zealously angry that he thrust the old man out of his tent.

When the old man was gone, God called to him and asked where the stranger was; he replied, "I thrust him away because he did not worship Thee." God answered, "I have suffered him these hundred years: couldst thou not endure him for one night?" Upon this, saith the story Abraham fetched him back again and gave him hospitable entertainment and instruction.

Under such guise was the lesson of tolerance taught, and that old legend, reminding us of the patient charity of God, may have its uses still.—*Christian Herald*.

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That prayer which does not succeed in moderating our wish, in changing the passionate desire into still submission or the anxious, tumultuous expectation into silent surrender, is no true prayer, and proves that we have not the spirit of true prayer. That life is most holy in which there is least of petition and desire, and most of waiting upon God; that in which petition most often passes into thanksgiving. Pray till prayer makes you forget your own wish, and leave it or merge it in God's will. The Divine wisdom has given us prayer, not as a means whereby to obtain the good things of earth, but as a means whereby we escape evil, or become strong to meet it.

—F. W. Robertson.

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A prayer of Thomas a Kempis, who lived from 1380 to 1471:

"Grant to me above all things that can be desired, to rest in Thee, and in Thee to have my heart at peace. Thou art the true peace of the heart, Thou its only rest; out of Thee all things are hard and restless. In this very peace, that is, in Thee, the One Chiefest Eternal Good, I will sleep and rest. Amen."

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*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

Jesus, the very thought of Thee

With sweetness fills my breast;

But sweeter far Thy face to see,

And in Thy presence rest.

Oh, hope of ev'ry contrite heart!

Oh, joy of all the meek!

To those who fall, how kind Thou art!

How good to those who seek.

—H.C.—

## Exerpts from Freshman Unintelligence Test

The Freshmen distinguished and disgraced themselves in the annual quiz perpetrated by the Sophomores, venting their love and brotherly feelings for their taskmasters. It is surprising that their answers coincided greatly in respect to insanity and any other of the major virtues. After much deliberation we picked out those answers which seemed most indicative of the general trend of the Freshman class.

Q. If 2 cows can walk to Fillmore in ten minutes, how far is it to Canadea?

A. 5 minutes plus two cows

1 Soph

Q. How many Freshmen does it take to make a Soph?



## Sportorials

The baseball game between the Frosh and Varsity nines, despite lack of practice on the part of both teams, should provide plenty of interest for the students attending the game. Both teams boast of strong line-ups and there is an intense spirit of rivalry between the opposing players. Let us all be on hand Friday to support our respective teams and to help start the year's athletic program off on the right trend.

The sensational September pennant drive of the St. Louis Cardinals has made the Missouri city all agog with the pennant fever. With the New York Giants practically "in" as the 1934 championship is concerned, the Cards have staged such a winning spurt that at the present writing they trail the leading New Yorkers by but three full games. The hurling of the Dean brothers during the present drive has been nothing short of phenomenal. Paul Dean, the younger of the pair, climaxed a great season on Friday when he let the Brooklyn Dodgers down without a hit or run thereby entering the pitcher's hall of fame.

For the first time in several years England appears to have at least an even chance in the famous yacht races taking place off the coast of Newport, R.I. Not since 1850 has the trophy rested in Great Britain. At present, Thomas Sopwith's "Endeavor", England's hope for victory, has emerged victorious in two contests while America's "Rainbow," owned by Harold Vanderbilt, American sportsman, holds one victory over her blue challenger. As the series will not be decided until one boat has four victories, anything may happen before the conclusion of this colorful event.

As another football season gets under way along college gridirons this week, the question as to who are the outstanding contenders for the national championship this year, as usual comes up for discussion among the football fans of the country. In the East there are several 11's that promise to be among the strongest in their bids for 1934 fame. These include Army, Princeton, Columbia, Pittsburg, and Colgate. In the mid-west Elmer Layden begins his coaching duties at Notre Dame which of course must be reckoned as always an outstanding contender for the national title. Then there are Michigan, Ohio State, Northwestern, Nebraska, and Purdue who have high hopes of turning out formidable gird machines. In the far west, the University of Southern California will again be represented with a strong bid in her quest for football glory. The southern schools which look the most formidable at present are Georgia Tech, Tulane, and Vanderbilt. It should be a season of thrills and upsets when these powerful teams begin clashing within the next few weeks.

A. The number ranged anywhere from .33 to .0000000001.

Q. If a car goes 20 miles in 15 minutes, who is to blame?

A. Mr. Ford. (Every one else agreed that it was either the driver or a Soph—in some cases both).

Q. Complete this proportion: Soph: Frosh as \_\_\_\_\_: grass.

A. A surprising number completed the proportion thusly: Frosh:Soph as mud (or dirt):grass.

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