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## Chapel Filled On Occasion Of Oratorio

Soloists Are Bedford,  
Chamberlain, Homan

PROF. SCHRAM DIRECTS

BY MARK ARMSTRONG

The Oratorio society made its Lenten appearance in the college chapel, Friday evening, April 7th, in a presentation of "The Crucifixion," by Sir John Stainer, under the leadership of Prof. Eugene Schram, the chorus performed this commemorative passion music in a manner thoroughly in keeping with the tragical, solemn event it celebrates.

"The Crucifixion" is not cast largely into a narration of the familiar story of the Divine expiation; instead it is chiefly a tonal delineation of emotional stages—the fury of the rabble, the penitence of the thief, the anguish of the Christ, the adoration of the worshippers. The audience who filled the chapel will not soon forget the feeling of bitter grief expressed in the passage "I wept for the sorrows and pains of men" which culminates in the din of the mad shoutings, "Crucify! Crucify!"; nor the tenderness of the duet, "So Thou Lifest Thy Divine Petition"; nor the sad resignation in the closing measures of the oratorio.

The solo parts were sung by Halward Homan, tenor; Richard Chamberlain, baritone; and Wayne Bedford, bass.

## PROF. WHITNEY SHEA IS SELECTED CHAIRMAN OF COUNTY CITIZEN'S GROUP

A social committee of prominent citizens throughout Allegheny County has just been organized under the sponsorship of the non-political, independent State Charities Aid Association (this S. C. A. A. has been active in social work in New York State since 1872 and is financed by the Milbank and Russell Sage trusts). Committee chairman is Prof. Whitney Shea of Houghton College.

The work of this social committee is to interest the citizens in the administration of relief; to point out the good features of welfare administration for the benefit of other welfare organizations; and to make suggestions for improvement to the relief agency investigated.

This social committee is not controlled by any organization; for example, on April 10 the committee met to determine what aspects of relief administration it will investigate. The governmental welfare bureau has assured the committee that its suggestions will be considered.

On the committee are various outstanding individuals of this area—a among others Professor Shea, and Professor McGuire of Alfred University. Service on the committee gives an unequalled opportunity to study welfare administration.

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### CALENDAR

Friday, April 14  
Senior, Trombone Recital, Walter Whybrew  
Wednesday, April 19  
9:45 Helen Hiett  
Thursday, April 20  
Josef and Rosina Lhevinne, Duo  
Pianists—Artist Series  
Friday, April 21  
The Boulder Entertains

## Here, There, About

BY MARY HELEN MOODY

The week of April 23 a photographic exhibit is to be held in St. Lawrence university made up entirely of negatives exposed by student body or faculty of the college. Prizes will be given.

In the *Campus* of Allegheny college it is stated that the deans are checking up on chapel cuts. As in Houghton 5 cuts a semester are allowed and likewise there seems to be a temptation to exceed the number. It must be a common failing.

Another item on the front page describes a new machine which has the somewhat dubious honor of being an automatic grading machine. The machine weighs 700 pounds and resembles a modern desk. The papers of the students must be written with a special lead to which the machine is peculiarly sensitive. Comprehensive tests are the kind which can be graded by the machine. Six hundred papers can be graded an hour.

"The Collegiate Review" of the *Hill News* states that approximately 1/4th of the University of Vermont freshmen are scholarship holders. Either they have smarter freshmen or scholarships are easier to get.

In the *Fiat Lux* of Alfred mention is made of a model government run by Syracuse students. There is an executive branch headed by the president elected by the student body each spring; an administrative branch whose head is chosen on a civil service

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## LHEVINNE RECITAL LATER

The Lhevinne duo-piano concert, Artist Series number which was scheduled for April 14, will be postponed until April 20, Prof. Cronk has announced.

Mrs. Lhevinne, outstanding musician in her own right who has obtained life happiness by being content to subordinate her career to that of her husband's, has been seriously ill, the reason for the requested six-day postponement.

These two most distinguished exponents of the two-piano art are this season celebrating their 40th anniversary as joint careerists.

The New York *World-Telegram* in a musical criticism of a concert presented by the Lhevinnes this season stated: "Since the two artists are this year celebrating the fortieth anniversary of their playing, it is entirely fitting to focus attention on the extremely co-operative and united front element of their pianism."

## Age of Chemurgy On Its Way, Says Lecturer Johnson

Lecture Course Number  
Is Held during Chapel

As a bearer of glad tidings the college welcomed Mr. Frank Johnson in his challenging chapel lecture of April 6 on "New Wealth from Old Sources". To this economically shabby nation, the hopeful prospects which our basic industry, agriculture, offers are cause for real rejoicing. Mr. Johnson stated.

While disclaiming rank as a scientist, being a former news reporter, Mr. Johnson nevertheless, showed his talents as a public speaker in his highly effective and enjoyable presentation of how chemurgy (chemistry at work) will utilize surplus agricultural products which since the World War have been making prematurely old men of our farmers.

The chemurgy age will, unlike such eras as the coal and machine ages, be characterized by cooperative efforts of all industries, which will be greatly stimulated. This marvelous new field of opportunity, Mr. Johnson assures us, will be opened not by any new law recorded at Washington, so many of which have failed to give the sinking farmer a helping hand, but by economic law, by revolutionizing methods and discoveries in the scientific consumption of a surplus products.

In the future, where millions of tons of such products as corn and potatoes have been wasted or sold for a song, they will be used in the laboratory to produce cellulose, or motor oil, or any number of other synthetic products, Mr. Johnson said. In actuality the farmers may soon be raising automobiles since the auto industry is increasingly utilizing such things as soy beans, flax and corn.

Viewing the country's deepest needs, however, Mr. Johnson declares that this economic prosperity must be accompanied by a sense of true brotherhood, and by emphasized moral and spiritual values, if it is to be permanent and produce the "abundant life" for all.

## German Club Gives Views of Germany

Wurtemberg, scenic region of southern Germany, passed in swift review for the chapel audience, Wednesday, April 5, as the German club presented a travel film complete with explanatory comments by Prof. Leroy Fancher.

Many of the historic castles and intriguing old towns with their medieval architecture were visited by Professor Fancher in his last summer's trip to *Der Vaterland*.

Of especial beauty to the eye of even the untrained observer were the rolling hills and valleys, heavily wooded, of the mountain range known as the Swabian Alb.

A portion of a film on Bremen, large German seaport, concluded the morning's program. Ernest Hollenbach, club president, introduced the presentation. Myra Fuller led devotions.

## THOSE CONNECTED WITH THE STAR

Editorial members and reporters of the *Star* staff are required to be present at a meeting of the staff Friday afternoon, April 14, at 3:30 p.m. The room is A 25. An important announcement will be made concerning awards. Any members who cannot be present at this meeting should see either the editor or assistant editor before 1:30 Friday.

## Aunt Susy Of the Choir

Dearest Aunt Susabelle,

One more choir tour finished. Following exams Friday morning, we pulled up stakes and boarded Ferdinand and I for Scranton and all points east. Spaghetti and apple pie prepared by the pastor were consumed with gusto. The spaghetti took its toll, but after a hot bath and with a clean suit I was little the worse for wear.

Stopped in New York Saturday afternoon for a few hours. Saw a Czechoslovakian "Stop Hitler" parade down 8th Ave. Then on through the World's Fair grounds to Huntington, L. I. Messrs. George Friend and Allan Smith conducted the fellows down to Stony Brook School for Boys for the night. Taylor and Lamar took the honors for sleeping two on a cot for the simple reason that some well-meaning person "fixed" Frankie's for him and then took care of the fuses so that getting to bed was made a little easier—for everybody else. After the morning service, we weighed anchor for Moorestown, N. J. where we sang to a capacity audience.

Up at 4:30 a. m. Monday. While Ferdinand Sr. went on ahead to Pittsburgh, Ferdinand Jr. the Bull-ette stopped to get a window repaired. The passengers disembarked and set out to find a good way to waste an hour. Bedford got a shave and Fancher, not having anything to do, went into the barber shop with him. The tonsorialist glanced cautiously at them and coyly remarked, "Ah. On your honeymoon, I see."

At Pittsburgh the next morning we visited the Heinz plant and learned how to prepare a lunch with a can opener and a Heinz cook book. Very delicious. Adv. And then on to the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Plant. And finally on to Tarentum. By this time nearly everyone was sporting a new pair of shoes. Perhaps the most logical reason was that they were beginning to lose faith in both Ferdinands for the theme song became *Thumb*

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## HOUGHTON'S PRESS BUSY

35,000 Houghton College bulletins have been printed recently. 6,000 Houghton catalogs and 250,000 Gideon folders are also nearing completion.

The college bulletins, reports Professor Willard G. Smith, are especially designed to interest prospective students in Houghton. The 6,000 catalogs contain a number of changes over last year's edition.

## \$25,000 Grant College Share In Old Estate

Houghton's Benefactor Is  
Founder's Daughter

FUND IS FOR MEMORIAL

\$25,000 from the settlement of the Cudworth Estate has been added to the college exchequer, it was announced recently.

On Saturday, March 11, the college office received from the First Trust Company of Minneapolis, joint executor of the will of Mrs. Jennie M. Cudworth, a check representing full settlement of the interest of Houghton College in the Cudworth Estate. After incidental fees and taxes have been paid a net amount of approximately \$25,000 will be left for use by the college.

Mrs. Jennie Cudworth, was a daughter of Willard J. Houghton, the founder of Houghton College. Her brother, Leonard F. Houghton, was better known to the students and residents of Houghton village because for many years prior to his death he maintained a summer home here.

Mrs. Cudworth had a great deal of native ability in the investment and management of funds. At the death of her husband she was left with a few thousand dollars, and by careful investment and personal thrift she managed to increase this amount in such a manner that at her death on November 14, 1937, she left an estate valued at considerably over one hundred thousand dollars.

For the few years preceding her death Mrs. Cudworth lived with a sister.

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## Males Tackle Coeds As Houghton Team, Vermont U., Debate

Tangling over the familiar "pump-priming" issue in an evening encounter, Tuesday evening, April 4, at 8:30 p. m. were two co-ed debaters from the University of Vermont upholding the affirmative against the Houghton negative.

The debate, which was non-decision, was held in the Music Hall auditorium. Miss Burkewitz and Miss Brody of Vermont were the opponents of Mr. DeRight and Mr. Sheffer of Houghton.

The Houghton debate marked the last debate of an 800 mile tour for the New Englanders. Other schools met on the trip which began Thursday, March 30, included: Cornell, University of Buffalo, Canisius College, and Albany State Teachers college.

Members of the party making the trip from Vermont were Miss Margaret Wheeler, manager, Miss Bertha Burkewitz, Miss Eleanor Brody, and Mrs. Anna Bosworth, chaperon. The group traveled by private car with their chauffeur.



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## EDITORIAL

### IT HAS HAPENED HERE!

There is a philosophy of good feeling which states that "birds of a feather flock together". Often this can be said of communities, serving to prove the worth of co-operation between localities, regions, and groups.

Significant in this connection is the recent disclosure of information regarding the placing of Houghton teachers in nearby Fillmore. Contrary to an occasional rumor which has been prone to cast insidious reflection upon the status of Fillmore-Houghton relations, Houghton graduates comprise an unusually liberal percentage of the total personnel employed on the neighboring village teaching staff.

18% of the local staff and 26% of the staff supplying branch schools, an average of 22% of Houghtonites, are figures which effectively asseverate that in this instance there is such a thing as *honor within one's own borders*. Nor can this be attributed to any undue pressure. Several other colleges are reasonably represented and rightly so.

The Fillmore situation has both a local and more general importance. With respect to this immediate vicinity it has promoted and should continue to promote a spirit of friendliness between the two communities which will have its effect both upon the college, and local Houghton residents who are thus united in the Fillmore centralization. Broadly speaking, it demonstrates that inter-community co-operation is definitely able to be achieved.

### WHICH MEASURING STICK?

Most popular question last week: "Did you have a good time during vacation?"

We live in a world where everything has a measurement. Spring vacations, being no exception, seem to be measured by their length, and the amount of fun that can be squeezed into that brief period.

Farbeit from us to even imply that a good time and fun do not have their due share of importance in the life of any young college student, but if your vacation gave you nothing else, you were unfortunate.

If you traveled any distance at all, didn't the tumbled down farm buildings or the dingy city dwellings start your imagination? Has it never occurred to you that the people who live in such circumstances were once as young as we are? They, too, dreamed as all youth does, but ill fortune, and perhaps a hundred other things prevented the attainment of the goals to which they aspired.

Today they are following the same monotonous routine that they have followed for years and probably will until they die. Yes, that's probably pessimism in the extreme but the situation is self-evident.

You may wonder by now just what we are really trying to say and maybe you wonder if we really know ourselves. If you had the most fun during vacation that you ever had, that's fine. But if you didn't see plenty of people whose situation made you glad that you were still young, a student at a fine college, and generally pretty well off, you've missed something.

Have you considered? "Are you sure you used the right measuring stick?"

L. C. W.

## ENTRIES FOR CONTEST SENT TO THE JUDGES

Entries in the annual literary contest have gone to the final judges, according to the English department. The contest closed before spring recess.

A count of the number of manuscripts submitted included 78 poems, 36 essays, and 28 short stories. Of these Dean Hazlett's classes were understood to have furnished the larger share of short stories, Dr. Small's classes the balance of the essays turned in.

Final contest judges are in three separate parts of the state. The short stories have been sent to a group of English faculty members of Long Island university, while the essays will be considered by the Superintendent of Schools in Hornell, N. Y. Poems will be decided upon by the Cuba Poetry club.

Winners of the literary contest will be announced in the near future.

## Miss Jones, Skinner To Teach Near Here

Miss Marion Jones and Harold Skinner spent an unusually happy spring vacation this year by being assured of fall teaching positions during the ten day recess. Miss Jones will teach French and Latin in the Fillmore High School while Mr. Skinner will become head instructor of music at the Rushford Central School.

Miss Jones of Oramel, New York attended high school at Belfast where she majored in language, was valedictorian of her class, and upon graduating received a state scholarship. At Houghton Marion has majored in French and minored in Latin as well as being a prominent member of the French club. Besides her teaching duties at Fillmore she will be assistant librarian.

Mr. Skinner has had an extensive musical training, taking piano and flute lessons in high school under prominent instructors. Here at Houghton Harold has majored in public school music, and has been a member of the orchestra and chorus for four years.

Both of these seniors are well qualified for their respective positions and are to be congratulated by their

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## Students Enjoy Vacation in Houghton

BY ISABEL SESSIONS

Many of the students returning from vacation appeared to be very sympathetic with the dozen or so persons who chose to remain here for the 10 days of Easter recess. We heard queries of "Wasn't it dead?" or "What on earth did you do?" until it wasn't funny. For we who stayed never saw a dull moment, of a time when literally dozens of things weren't itching to get done.

This may seem mysterious to those who went away, but some mysteries have not been solved by those who remained. For instance:

Jack West would like to know who had the nerve to spirit his car from in front of the Ad building to the rear of the girls' dorm, at the respectable hour of 10 p. m.

Our guardian "angel" Miss Driscoll, has tried in vain to trace the wretch who sewed up her only pair of pajamas, just before she was ready to retire.

Prof. Stockin is wondering about the springs that once were in Claude Scott's Ford.

Bernice Bauer would be pleased to get her hands on the culprit who put

## New Fillmore School Opens Several Jobs To Houghton Alumni

With construction underway for the new Fillmore Central school the important matter of selecting teachers appears. Those to have jobs in the new building when it opens in the fall of 1940 have already been selected and it is found that a large percentage are Houghton alumni. The teaching staff will include a total number of 41 in all grades and departments. Of the 41 hired 9 will be Houghton grads making a percentage of 22.

The faculty has been chosen from the already present Fillmore school staff and those teaching in the district schools to be taken into the new school. From those now engaged in Fillmore have been selected the following Houghton Alumni: Elinor Carpenter, *Junior Grade Science*; Golda Farnsworth, *Junior Grade Social studies*; Thelma Pratt, *Grade 4*; and Marion Jones who has just recently received her contract for *French and Latin*. This list comprises 18% of the present staff.

Nine others are from Houghton or 26% of those teaching in the districts. They are as follows: Pauline Bently; Irene Blanchard; DeLaurus Brink; Harold Flint; and Francelia Wilday.

## New Practice Teachers

Seventeen practice teachers took over the reins for this last quarter to finish the year's work in the academy. Several of them have taught before this year. They are as follows:

Ancient History	Beverly Carlson
Economic Citizenship	Esther Fox
Economic Geography	Thomas Brown
Elementary English	Irene Edwards
Elementary Algebra	George Johnson
English III	Margaret Smith
English II	Dorothy Smith
English I	Mrs. Kenneth Eyer
Elementary U. S. History	Edward Willett
Trigonometry	Mabel Montgomery
General Science	Victor Murphy
French II	Ardith Brandes
Introduction to Algebra	Clyde Meneely
French I	Marion Jones
American History	Jack Crandall
Physics	Bernice Bauer

the prickly cactus in her bed. Furthermore, she has no particular love for the individual who short-sheeted her bed, when she was far-sighted enough to lock her door.

"Red" Ellis, Jerry McKinley, and Jack Haynes, hold in contempt the reprobate who turned out the dorm lights, rang the bells and fire siren at the unearthly hour of 2 a. m.

Miss Pool and Miss Grace Fitch don't feel especially friendly toward the intruder who loosened all the light bulbs in their room, and disconnected the lamp cords.

Mrs. Clocksin and Mrs. Reynolds failed to appreciate having the salt cellars filled with sugar, and the sugar bowls heaped with salt.

Mrs. Neighbor applied shewd tactics to apprehend the conscienceless crook who 'stacked' her room, but her efforts failed.

Miss Hillpot and Louise Baldur can't understand how they escaped the machinations of the wily tricksters.

Two things kept us all wondering: When Stanley Hall would complete his research on his precious Greek verb, and when Fritz Schlafer would return from Buffalo, or vicinity.



by "Hi TOOTHILL"

It seems to be rather hard to get back to the old meat-grinder after a ten-day furlough. Most of the seniors seem to be worried about the uncertainty of the future, particularly those who would park their feet on a classroom desk and tell the little tots all about it.

The juniors, on the other hand, seem to have nothing much to do, except play the cutest little games—who stole the senior jackets (some of them). Oh happy day, oh joy, oh tee hee.—Nuts! I don't get the object of the game. To think anyone should want to steal our jackets.

I understand Easter Sunday was a success—"clothingly speaking". Not more than three or four co-eds had Easter bonnets, suits or new shoesies alike. This would indicate a minimum of glares, "delicate" insults and all such rot.

Wanted—a pleasurable stimulus for keeping weary science students in labs now that the gentle zephyrs are here, the bird is on the wing, and the tender shoots do spring from Ma Nature. (In my four years of chemistry I have never learned to do a good job of watching a baseball game from the lab window while I was trying to convince the assistants that "My heart belongs to labby." Ouch!) Several alternatives present themselves. A master radio with headphones for each student might not be such a bad idea. Or some good fast music from a big R C A console would possibly make the solution filter faster.

Even then I imagine it will be hard work keeping the "general chemers" in line. The assistants will probably use the courtesy system that came in with the abolishment of corporal punishment in public schools. The correct technique is to walk up to the students, tap him gently on the shoulder and bring him back with a "Ah, pardon me, sir, but don't you find the game out there rather boring? It is so convenient to be able to overcome afternoon ennui with a round or two of qualitative analysis. Pip, pip—with a habeus corpus, a corpus collosum, a hey nonny, nonny (mis-quote Shakespeare) and a hot cha cha!

If any of the inmates should chance to disagree with us and insist that the ball game were not at all boring, but quite the contrary—as some healthy lad like Owen Fox could conceivably do) then technique number 38-A of Routine 14 would have to be invoked. In this procedure the assistants hold a rally, creep up on the thug from all quarters and pounce on him, uttering a villainous "Ah-h."

"He is then hither thrown out of lab, if he stands in good with us, or returned to his desk to heave a little more sulfur and brimstone on the furnaces of alchemy.

The conclusion of all this is to get your lab work done as quickly as possible so that when balmy days do arrive you can say with that great philosopher of old, Omar Khayyan "A banyan tree, a jug of 'stuff' and thou."

Things aren't what they seem again. In handling the assignments for the Star Make-up Editor Don Kauffman misread one of the captions. After a moment's scrutiny he decided that it wasn't "Willett's baby" after all, but rather "Willard's baby."

LATE NEWS FLASH: Paul Milton VanOrnum in a recent lower hall off-the-record statement admitted that he is on the last lap of his college career.



## Jeannette Frost Finds Teaching's Not Monotonous

Miss Jeannette Frost '38, who was in Houghton last week-end, recently favored the *Star* with a letter giving a personized view of her teaching work at Cleveland, New York.

Dear Editor:

It's been quite a while since your letter came asking me "to pass on to the underclassmen some things I have learned in the School of Tough Knocks". You haven't heard from me before because the order was a pretty big one. The only thing I can say is—just try it and see for yourself that school teaching is one of the best jobs there are.

My schedule consists of rudiments, typewriting, grade music, two glee clubs, an orchestra and a number of instrumental lessons. The orchestra looked most promising in September but I was doomed to disappointment. First a trumpet left school, then a saxophone and then a trombone transferred. Soon I was left with only a trumpet and two violins. Just at this point one of my two violinists indulged in a game of leap frog which resulted in two broken wrists.

Since then a piano and more instruments have been added. I hope that soon some who are beginning will be able to play with us so that by June the organization will be more worthy of its name.

Some say that school teaching is monotonous—but how can it be when one comes in contact with so many different personalities?

Very sincerely,  
Jeannette Frost

## HERS, THERE —

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basis and a representative assembly made up of 123 representatives elected from campus districts. It is designed not only to help students understand the function of government but to remedy three defects; lack of representative character, lack of continuity of personnel and lack of training for real government.

The *Lamron* of Geneseo Normal states that 12 seniors have been placed this year. Last year 80% were placed.

We find the *Campus* also proudly making mention of the fact that one of their alumna, Ida M. Tarbell, will return to Allegheny college as student adviser. Miss Tarbell is famous for her writings on Abraham Lincoln and will prove an invaluable addition to the personnel of the college.

## SENIOR JOBS —

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friends.

Since vacation, Lois Roughan and Velma Stroud have also accepted contracts for next year. Miss Stroud, who has majored in French and Latin while in college, will teach in Pike, N. Y. which is her home. She has been active since coming to Houghton in French, Latin, and Expression clubs and has played class basketball. Her secret ambition, she intimates, has always been to write plays.

Miss Roughan goes to Rushford for the ensuing year and will thus work on the same faculty with Mr. Skinner. Her position includes teaching third and fourth year English and having charge of the school library, which due to Rushford's recent centralization and new building is beautifully equipped. English, social science and library science have been Lois' educational majors while her extra-curricular activities have

## Evelyn Mae Is Name Of Smiths' New Baby

A young lady, making her first appearance on this planet and this specific portion of it, came to the family of Prof. and Mrs. Willard Smith just before the close of the spring recess. The exact date was Sunday, April 2, 1939.

Weighed in at Fillmore hospital, where Mrs. Smith is at present, the new arrival tipped the scales at 10 pounds. Her cognomen—name to you—will be, according to her parents Evelyn Mae Smith.

## NEWS FLASHES

Miss Norva Bassage ('38) spent part of her spring vacation visiting her mother who is one of the cooks at the college dining hall. Norva is teaching French at Savannah, N. Y.

Miss Esther Fancher ('37) who teaches languages at the Montrose School for Girls, Montrose, Penna. was a visitor at the college last week. Esther was spending her spring recess with her parents Professor and Mrs. Leroy Fancher.

Wednesday, April 5, found Rev. Robert Crosby ('38) visiting with friends in Houghton. Mr. Crosby is pastor of the Fyler Wesleyan Methodist church near Syracuse and his sister, Miss Pauline Crosby, is one of the college nurses.

Miss Grace Parker ('38) spent Thursday, April 6, in Houghton with friends. Miss Parker, one of the former college nurses, is now working with a doctor in Olcott, N. Y.

Miss Margaret Brownlee, a teacher at Cranberry lake, an alumna of the class of ('38), was a guest of former classmates last week at Houghton.

Miss Jeannette Frost ('38) stopped in Houghton, Saturday, April 8, while on her spring recess from teaching duties at Cleveland, N. Y. Miss Frost teaches in the music department and has received her contract for another year.

Elton Kahler ('38) was a visitor at his Alma Mater last Saturday, April 8. Elton is engaged as a sales man for the Otto Ulbrich Company of Buffalo.

Among other alumnae returning to Houghton last week was Howard Andrus, former *Star* editor and president of the class of '38. Mr. Andrus teaches at Rushford and plans to return another year.

Word has also been received that Miss Ruth Donahue has obtained a teaching position at Gainsville, N. Y. for the coming school year. She will teach English.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wolfe are the parents of a boy born during the spring recess of the college. Mrs. Wolfe is the former Miss June Gibbs. Mr. Wolfe has been pastor of the Allegany charge near Black Creek for the past year, after graduating from Houghton Bible School in 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden VanOrnum were week end guests at Houghton April 8 with college acquaintances. Mr. VanOrnum teaches in Corning, N. Y. and is a member of the class of '35. Mrs. VanOrnum (Betty Sellman) graduated in '37.

The former Miss Hazel Sartwell ('36) was married to Mr. Alfred Benson of Tomkins Cove, N. Y., on April 1. The couple plan to live next year at Tomkins Cove. Mrs. Benson will finish out the year as teacher at Sardinia, N. Y.

listed variety debate, college choir track, and volleyball, plus class offices.

Other seniors with definite teaching positions in mind include: Miss Ethel Cox who has been completing her college work this year and will return to Randolph to teach; Robert Homan, who will become an instructor on the local music faculty; and Walter Whybrew, who goes to Lockport.

## Rev. B. Bosworth Is Guest 'Good Friday'

"No king nor archangel could have died to redeem a fallen race; only a creator could die to save those created," said Rev. B. B. Bosworth, evangelist of the Christian Missionary Alliance in his Good Friday chapel address.

The Rev. Bosworth also pointed out that the value of Christ's sacrifice was adequate to pay the price of sin.

Mrs. Bosworth and Miss Beatrice Bush, pianist, assisted Rev. Bosworth in presenting an impressive service. The three guests sang a trio and Rev. Bosworth rendered a solo, "A Dream of Calvary".

Chapel was suitably opened with silent prayer, followed by prayer by Eldred Douglas. Dr. Paine presided.

The Bosworth party were in Houghton at the invitation of the chapel committee.

## COLLEGE REPRESENTED BY FIVE STUDENTS AT SERVICES IN VACATION

During the spring vacation Charles Foster, Bruce Densmore, and Wesley Nussey assisted Alton Shea '36 in special services at Gates, New York, (near Rochester). The boys, with Alton Shea formed a quartet. Mrs. Shea also assisted by illustrating some of the songs with her chalks. Each of the three boys took turns preaching. The attendance was good and the results were a success from a spiritual viewpoint.

Park Tucker also was busy doing the Lord's work during the spring vacation. Friday night, March 24, he spoke at the first Baptist church in Oneonta, N. Y. On the following Sunday evening, he appeared in Avon. Here Loran Taylor joined him and assisted in services throughout the rest of the tour. Monday they were in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where Park spoke in the Wesleyan Methodist church of which Malcolm Cronk is pastor, and also in the Salvation Army Hotel. The next stop was Wheaton College where Park had attended the academy for two years before entering Houghton. At Wheaton he gave his testimony before the student body in the chapel service. This closed the tour and they returned home feeling greatly blessed of the Lord.

## ROD AND REEL CALL TO PRESIDENT PAINE

At 4:00 A. M. Saturday, April 1, Dr. Paine and Prof. Tucker shut off their alarm clocks; took reassuring looks at their fishing licenses and started hopefully off toward Wiscovy Creek.

They threw in their lines with the greatest of confidence and expectance—and—sure enough—within about fifteen minutes "Prexy" pulled in a nice 13-inch trout. Perhaps we should stop here—but would like to add that they were just as successful as the little boy who grabbed into a cookie jar with just one cookie left—would also state that Dr. Paine topped Prof. Tucker's score by one, in spite of the fact that they stayed until 7:00 p. m.

Fishing was not Dr. Paine's only activity during vacation, as he had several speaking engagements.

On Tuesday, March 28, he was the guest speaker at the district men's banquet held at the M. E. church in Millville, where Rev. Carroll Halbert, a schoolmate of Dr. Paine's is pastor.

On Wednesday, March 29, he spoke at a pre-Easter service in the Methodist church at Dalton. Richard Chamberlain went along as guest soloist.

## Sunday Services

### "Our Pledge of Hope"

"A visit to the Tomb," as presented in Matthew 28:1-16, was the theme of Rev. Black's Easter message Sunday morning, April 9. He asserted that the resurrection of Christ is the very center and heart of the Christian religion. As we stand at this empty tomb, three facts stand out—1. The great humiliation of Jesus, 2. The sovereign power of Christ, 3. Christ is the first fruits. In closing he showed that the empty tomb is a pledge of hope to each one of us.

At this service thirteen were received into full membership of the church and six were received as associate members. Seven of these were also baptized.

### New Testament "Beholds"

Continuing the theme of Easter the W. Y. P. S. studied the "beholds" of the New Testament. Carl Fulkerson spoke on "Behold the Lamb of God and your King." Ronald Bowerman spoke on "Behold your Saviour" and "Behold the Man." Special music was furnished by the sunshine trio composed of Elizabeth Cheny, Ada Stocker, and Mary Foster.

### "Our Triumph in Christ"

"The Meaning of Redemption" as taken from Romans 8:32 was the topic of Rev. Black's message on Sunday evening, April 9. As he showed, God loved his Son and he loved us too. In his great love for us "God spared not his own Son but delivered him up for us all." As a result of this redemption, we are assured of four things: a clean record, victory over sin, victory over circumstances, and a hopeful future. In conclusion, he urged that we might have a fixed purpose to be true and faithful to the triumphant Christ by whom we also may triumph.

## Early Risers Greet Easter by Service

Easter worshippers were greeted very early Sunday morning with the clear tones of the Houghton "Trumpeters" as their music was broadcast over the quiet valley from the heights of the church tower.

A large number of people assembled at the church at 6:30 when the sunrise service was conducted by Bruce Densmore.

Everett Elliott brought an inspiring Easter message.

"This morning we would see Jesus," said Mr. Elliott. We would look inward to an indwelling Christ; and we would look upward to an interceding Lord.

With Paul we pray that we might know the power of His resurrection as we worship an indwelling Christ.

Easter music played an important part in bringing the season's message to the hearts of the people. In addition to the music of the "Trumpeters" a male octet rendered two special Easter numbers.

The service was closed with prayer by Rev. E. W. Black.

## Good Friday Meditations Are Held in Music Hall

Many students and faculty members gathered Friday afternoon, April 8, in the Music Hall auditorium at the Good Friday service to pray and meditate upon the sufferings and death of Jesus.

Between the brief meditations given by various students concerning the passion of Christ, sacred music was interspersed.

The auditorium, dimly lighted by candles, was simply but impressively decorated with a large wooden cross, plants, and candelabra.

## Ourselves As God Sees Us

by ROBERT LYTLE

He lives! Death could not hold him. He lives! The grave could not long contain the King of Kings and the Lord of lords. Oh, what a blessed thought—He was victor over death, over Satan, and over hell. Praise the Lord for a resurrected Christ who was raised on the third day, who later ascended unto the Father, there to receive the glory of the myriads of angelic hosts, of all the heavenly beings. And glory unto Him for He still lives today.

"He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today; He walks with me and talks with me Along life's pilgrim way. He lives! He lives! Salvation to impart. You ask me how I know he lives He lives within my heart."

Shall we not give thanks for such a Saviour, One who not only lives at the right hand of God the Father, but who dwells in our hearts if we are born with that life from above. "If a man love me," said the Master when he walked this earth, "he will keep my words, and my Father will love Him, and WE will come unto him and make our abode with him." Yes, truly the victorious Saviour lives in our hearts.

He is the conqueror over death. He is the victor over sin. He is the overcomer of hell itself. He is the Ruler of the universe. He is the King of kings, but is he the Lord of your heart, of my heart? Has he become the Ruler of my will? Is he the center of my life? Do I in all things give him the preeminence? Does he govern my actions, my thoughts, my speech? Am I allowing Him to mold and shape me as He sees fit? Do I always willingly and obediently do His will in my life? Truly, is He my all in all?

Yea, Christ wants not only to abide in each heart, but to live through each life as well, to be shown forth through each word, each action, each thought of our lives. He wants that we should be crucified with Christ that we might live holy unto the praise of his glory.

Shall we not then as His children pray, "Our loving Father, help us, we pray, not only to let our risen Lord live in our hearts, but to let him also by the power of the Holy Spirit rule and guide our lives. We would, our Holy Father, give to thee our all that Christ may be the center of our life. The whole of life, oh Master, take it to use for thy glory."

## Professor Dorah Burnell Visits as She Vacations

Speaking of vacations, Miss Burnell seems to have had a very interesting one. First she went to Wilmington, Delaware to visit a friend working as research chemist in the DuPont Company. Other friends visited were: Miss Dilks, Clayton, New Jersey; Lena and Mildred Hunt, Allentown, Pa.; Rena Potter Mosher at Warwick, N. Y.; Miss Rothermel, Hudson, N. Y. Miss Rothermel accompanied Miss Burnell to Solvay and Odessa, N. Y. to visit other alumni. Her last stop was a visit with Alden and Betty Van Ornum in Corning.

Miss Burnell added that she had a very nice time visiting former students and friends.



## Unpublicized Volleyballers Are Still Batting the White Sphere

### Various Class Teams Play Interesting Games

Without much publicity, but steadily, the class volleyball teams have been spending late afternoons and evenings valiantly knocking the white sphere back and forth in Bedford Gymnasium. Pre-vacation struggles included:

#### FRESH-HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN

In this game the Freshmen girls, though new at the game, proved their mettle on Monday afternoon, March 20, by clinching the laurels for the day in two successive games with scores of 21-18 and 21-16. Thomas and Driscoll proved to be the spark plugs of the Frosh in these games as was the case in their recent basketball team.

#### SENIOR FRESHMAN MEN

The most exciting tilt of the series was played Monday evening, March 20, between the upper and lower classes of the college in which the Seniors finally proved victorious with close scores of 22-20 and 21-15. The first game found a tie at the 20 mark which was broken by the Seniors in spite of a Paine, Eyler and Ellis combination. "Hi" Harlan Tuthill proved to be the outstanding point collector for the Senior team.

#### SOPH-HIGH SCHOOL MEN

Again height proved superior on Tuesday afternoon, March 21, with the Sophomore team downing the material lacking High School volleyball sextet 21-16 and 21-13. A lack of spikers for the seminary boys proved to be their disadvantage for their not too-hard deliveries were not too difficult for the Sophomore "hot-potato" handlers to recover. Frank Marsh at the net for the winners, and Bruce Mc Cartty covering the floor for the losers performed the outstanding feat of the day.

#### SENIOR-SOPH WOMEN

Since vacation the series has once more been guided on its way with the kick-off coming with a victory for the Sophomore girls who, on Wednesday, April 5, laid low the Senior squad with successive scores of 21-13 and 21-14. Consistency proved the Sophomores' stronghold coupled with an ability to find weaknesses in their opponents line-up.

#### SENIOR-HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN

Again the Senior girls were forced to bow Thursday afternoon, April 6, to a quite decisive beating at the hands of the efficient High School whose attack and spirit as a hold-over from a recent victorious basketball season enabled them to hold the scores to 21-3 and 21-12 in perhaps the most one-sided game of the series thus far.

#### JUNIOR-SOPH MEN

The first encounter of the series running into three games occurred Friday afternoon, April 7, when the Junior men turned a mighty tide in the form of a 21-9 score in favor of the Sophomore men in the first game, and took the next two games 21-10 and 21-13. Sophomore height found its match in the steadiness of the third year class which waited for their opponents to make the breaks.

#### JUNIOR-HIGH SCHOOL MEN

Spurred with one victory the Junior team added another victory for the day Friday April 7, by pushing over the High School 21-8; 14-21, and 21-8. The second game produced well placed, powerful spikes by Jim Fancher which pointed toward a recovery for the seminary boys, but their hopes were squelched in the third frame by outstanding work of Mix and Taylor along with efficient service aces banged over by Paul Wolfgruber.

### Remember May 20 Is Athletic Banquet

A glance down the calendar in the handbook shows the date Saturday, May 20, set for the old tradition of Houghton's athletic life, the Athletic Association Banquet. To you fellows and girls who have taken any part in athletics this year we hope that you will make a mental reservation of this date as the time when with the presentation of deserved awards Houghton will reach athletically a climax for the year 1939.

### EVERETT ELLIOTT WILL HAVE HIGGINS PASTORATE

Everett Elliott has accepted the call to the pastorate of the Wesleyan Methodist church in Higgins, New York. Mr. Elliott, who will be graduated from the religious education division in June *summa cum laude*, will assume the duties of the charge April 23, after the meeting of the Lockport Conference.

In anticipation of the work before him, he says, "I am encouraged to trust God for a victorious year at Higgins in the Lord's work. I know Houghton will be praying."

Among the twenty-five members of Higgins church are four Houghton alumni, Francis Hotchkiss, Ellen Stickle, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Saunders.

The Rev. Noah Shaffer, who has been pastor at Higgins for several years, is moving to Cattaraugus where he will be minister of the Wesleyan Methodist church.

### Pre-Med Seniors Receive Notices of Acceptance

Several Houghton "pre-med" students have recently received notice that they have been accepted as applicants for entrance into the medical school of Syracuse University.

Two of the students, Ray Marra and Paul VanOrnum will be graduated from Houghton this year. Waldemar "Doc" Schuner, a junior, is the other applicant. It is necessary that applicants have but three years of college work for acceptance in the medical school.

Ray made his application for admission last November and received word of his acceptance during the first week of January. He is making plans to enter Syracuse in September of this year. Paul applied in February and "Doc" sent his papers in March. Both of the boys were informed of their acceptance last week, but they are uncertain as to whether they will go to school in the fall.

About 800 students yearly apply for admission at Syracuse but only about fifty of them are accepted. The fact that a student is accepted as a possible candidate does not necessarily mean that he will enter the medical school. It is merely a notice that he may enter if he so desires.

### President, Quartette At Rochester Service

Dr. Paine, Thursday night April 6, addressed a meeting of the Monroe County Holiness Association at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Tabernacle at Rochester. Music was furnished by the Houghton College quartet. The Houghton group was obtained through the efforts of the Rev. Alton Shea '36. As Mr. Shea was formerly a member of the college quartet, he assumed his former place as anchor man and sang the final number with the boys.

### CHOIR'S AUNT SUSY —

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Back to Dear Old Houghton. A male quartet sang over the local station with a hook-up with a West Virginia station Wednesday morning on Rev. Clifton's program.

New Brighton was the next stop. An acquisition to the Blauvelt-Veazie combine was made in the person of "Angel", a baby chick. Threats of chicken salad sandwiches constantly menaced the new addition.

Arrived at Elkhart, Indiana, late Thursday afternoon in time to see advance agent Bedford blazing the trails with big banners on each side of the Bull-ette, advertising the evening concert. The Conn Instrument Factory took us on a tour through the plant. They told how it takes a full 8 hour day to polish the bell on a bog horn. We told how it takes us a full 4 years to polish only one professor. Our pilot, "Cuhly" Conners wanted to know if they gave out sample horns for Ferdinand to play with. We were the luncheon guests of Mr. Bontrager, a new-found friend, who had heard us the previous evening.

Earl "Sourpuss" Sauerwein was the genial host at Plymouth that night. What a lovely family he is of! Then the other red head couldn't be outdone so we were at his home church at Holland, Mich. on Saturday where a good many of the choirists got in "Dutch".

Three appearances Sunday in Grand Rapids as guests of Malcolm Cronk and family. At the Wesleyan Church in the morning. Sang to 1200 at Wealthy St. Baptist in the afternoon, and a capacity crowd at the Scribner Baptist in the evening. Everybody was down in the dumps because "Angel" had failed to revive sufficiently with the help of sour milk. We all waited for the fatal hour. News came the next morning that Angel was dead. Proper ceremonies were administered and she was buried in the Cronk garbage pail.

Lansing was the last appearance of the last tour for six seniors and a sniffing time was had by all. Then to bed and up early Tuesday. Homeward bound. In crossing from Detroit to Windsor, Ont., the customs officials didn't trust us and made us open all our baggage for inspection. Most of us wished that we hadn't been so hasty in throwing our clothes in at the last minute. But we felt better when we noticed the mess that everyone else's bag was in. Back at Houghton at 8:30 p. m. and plenty tired. Good night Aunt Susabelle. Give my regards to dear (?) little Elgar.

From your favorite nephew,  
Bilgewater

P. S. Wait till you see Prof. Schram's pictures.

### Reyburn Marra Is Called Home at Father's Death

Michael E. Marra, 54, died Wednesday, March 29, in his home on Cary Avenue, Oakfield, N. Y. Mr. Marra was born Sept. 26, 1884, in the town of Stowell Pa. He came to New York state 34 years ago and for the last thirty years has been employed by the U.S. Gypsum Company where he was superintendent of the warehouse at the time of his death.

Besides Mr. Marra and his mother, Mrs. Mary Marra, he is survived by a son Reyburn, a senior here in college, and six brothers and five sisters.

Funeral services were held in his late home at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, April 1. Rev. A. F. McClements of Rochester officiated and interment was made in the Cary Cemetery, Oakfield.

## Faculty Members Journey South In Days of Vacation

On Friday morning, March 24, Miss Rork, Miss Frieda Gillette, Miss Davison, and Miss Mildred Gillette left on a trip to Kentucky, where they visited Asbury College at Willmore, and Berea College.

At Berea they saw Dr. Ruby Paine, one of the college physicians, who is known to some Houghtonites as a former Wesleyan Methodist missionary to Africa. They were also the guests of Miss Mary Williams, who graduated from Houghton in 1925.

From Kentucky the four went to Washington, D. C. (in cherry-blossom time). Miss Frieda Gillette journeyed on to Philadelphia as the Houghton delegate to the annual meeting of the Academy of Social and Political Science the first time that Houghton has been officially represented. Miss Gillette attended the sessions a year ago.

Reporting that they had enjoyed themselves thoroughly, the quartette returned to Houghton on Saturday, April 1.

### \$25,000 LEGACY

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ter in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Previous to this time she had lived for several years in Rochester, New York. She was most frugal in her own manner of living, and permitted herself to enjoy but few things which could be called luxuries. She was always a firm friend of Houghton College and of President Luckey. While still living she sent several gifts to the school, and in her will she made the college the chief beneficiary.

Although final disposition has not yet been made of the funds coming to Houghton College, they will undoubtedly be invested, for the time being at least, in gilt edged securities so that they may be kept intact. By the terms of the will, they were designated for a fund to be used in constituting a memorial for Willard J. Houghton, Mrs. Cudworth's father.

### MAGAZINE QUOTES PAINE

*Youth Looks at Life*, a recent publication by the Good News Publishing Company of Minneapolis, Minnesota has recently been received by the college library. It is a large photographic, twenty page pamphlet containing brief testimonies of prominent Christian professors and college students throughout the United States.

Dr. Stephen Paine, President of Houghton College and Prof. C. N. Rix assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Michigan State College have brief words of praise in the first edition. Professor Rix is the father of Ralph Rix, and step father to Paul Krentel, both of whom are members of the Houghton 1942 class.

### SHEA COMMITTEE —

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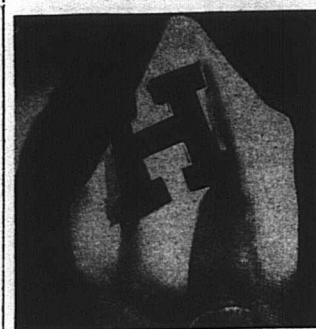
The committee may best be described by stating that it is a citizen's agency investigating — without the intention to incriminate — the activities of the political relief administration.

### "Intangible Possessions"

"Packing our Missionary's Trunk" was the theme of the Tuesday evening prayer service, April 4, in charge of the Y. M. W. B.

"Our missionary already has all the tangible things packed in the trunk", Everett Elliott, who led the service, explained, "but we tonight are going to pack in several intangible things."

## IN THE



## SPORTLIGHT

by VICTOR MURPHY

There has been little athletics in the spotlight, but in the background the filler-in in Houghton's sport life has taken the form of volleyball. The boys have been provided with the needed exercise, and in addition have been turning out games which contain considerable competition. The two upper classes in the men's series have their records as yet unsullied from the fray, although they find stiff competition in every contest. Their clash is scheduled to be the final one of the series, and ought to prove full of thrills with a Junior team aiming to make a third coup d'etat for this year's athletic record, and a Senior squad struggling to gain one victory athletically this year before leaving school.

In the girls games the High School has turned in the best performance thus far. From all indications in this case there is a definite transfer in athletic ability and teamwork from the basket to the volley ball in that the winning qualities of both the Junior men and High School girl basketballers are definitely cropping out again.

The hoped-for double feature volleyball series will probably not be realized, but in its place greater ability may be displayed in the joining of talent to match Purple and Gold forces for perhaps three sets of games. Good volleyball players are scarce in Houghton, but there can easily be found twelve from the five class teams that could match dexterity in handling the white sphere with enough thrills and spills to create games worthy of perhaps even a cheering section, a thing quite forgotten since the passing of basketball. Star spikers Tuthill and Taylor could match their talents backed by such consistent feeding and floor coverage as can be furnished by Mix Paine, and Evans for the Gold and Eyler, Crandall, and Olcott for the opposers, not to mention many of the outstanding and equally capable lads of the "set it up" variety.

Many are the longing glances thrown at OLD SOL these days among those whose muscles tingle at bat, the zing of the rack, and the prospects of the crack of ball on staccato of spiked feet on the cinders. With spring just around the corner already a few of the more venturesome have been warming up the arm and knocking off a few spare pounds around the track. According to coach McNeese, there will be the traditional Purple-Gold baseball, an attempt at the inauguration of a fourth major sport for the girls — softball which will take the form of a Purple-Gold series, an interclass plus a Purple-Gold tennis on the basis of merit determined through elimination.

Practical knowledge, a soul-saving message, an answered call, and sacrificial giving were then "packed in the trunk" in four short discussions by Robert Lytle, Hayes Minnick, Francis Whiting, and Leon Wise.