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Your Rovin' Reporter

Your inquiring reporter has been busy this week digging around to find out what the students think of Houghton as a whole in the summer as compared with winter session. The blanket question asked of the various people was:

Debotional Corner

by BURNETT THOMPSON

Charles G. Finney wrote, "It appears to me that we . . . should see that whatever else may be the occasion, our own spiritual state is certainly one, if not the primary and fundamental, reason for the decline in revivals."

About one and one half years ago, those who attended the Franklin Gospel Tabernacle, Franklin, Pa., began praying for three months of revival meetings. God had poured out His Spirit when Billy Sunday was there, why, then, could He not do the same today? On May 25 of last year, the evangelist arrived for two weeks of meetings, and today, more than thirteen months later, those services are still going on. What is the secret? There is usually no special music, no "nationally known song leader," none of the usual "splash" to attract a crowd; and yet the crowds come. Here is a revival that has been prayed down—not worked up.

Why have not other communities been blessed as this one has? Is God a respecter of persons? I believe the answer lies in John 15:7—"If ye abide in me and my word abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." The revival here at Houghton last spring did not begin with the arrival of the evangelist, but it began when professing Christians stopped saying "I am" and confessed, "I am not what God would have me to be." The only possible stipulation to the verse in John 15:7 is that it be God's will; and could anyone deny that God wills a genuine and widespread spiritual awakening?

We as Christians have a tendency to ask God for faith the size of a mountain to remove a mustard seed. Actually, we fail to use our faith the size of a grain of mustard seed simply because we never tackle any mountains. Is God a God of seasons that He can no longer work as He did in the time of the apostles? Only by our unbelief.

General MacArthur has said, "We have had our last chance." Winston Churchill adds this pessimistic statement. "We are in the most awful crisis of history." The word of God promised apostasy in the last days, and Satan is working furiously to fulfill that scripture. He does not need our help. God has also promised an outpouring of His Spirit, and He does need our help. If we are to have a spiritual revival, we must be spiritually aggressive. Shall we be apostles or apostates?

Let us spend less time holding the fort or, more tritely, holding out, and really storm the fort of the enemy of our souls.

by MIRIAM KING

Do you prefer Houghton in the summer or winter and why? Here are some of the typical answers:

Bill Duncan: "Summer school is wonderful! In fact, it's a honeymoon. Furthermore, there are fewer people so I hit less people with my broom."

Jim Strong: "I like it here in summer better because the girls can stay out later."

Pat Douglas: "Winter school is better, for there are enough things going on so that you can keep your mind off yourself."

Bill Calhoun: "I prefer summer school, naturally—less work."

Bob Cummings: "In the summer there are plenty of nice blossoms but none that distract me, so I like it better in the summer. Of course, you understand that is only because I can get more work done."

Isabelle Buchanan: "Winter is nicer because there are more people and more things to do."

Fred Kling: "Under the circumstances I like it better in winter. Why? That is hardly material for the *Star*."

Marian Mabuce: "I think in the summer kids are friendlier and it is easier to get acquainted. Also you get to know each other better."

Claude Wililams: "I like it better in the summer because there is less confusion and I like the scenery, the green foliage, that is."

Mary Lou Armstrong: "Summer school is better because the food is better."

Lucille O'Brien: "I like summer school better because we only have rain every fourth day instead of every other day."

Tom Hannon: "Summer school is better—longer weekends."

Earnest Kalapathy: I would fain make some comment that would be an immortal gem but find myself speechless having just read *The Iliad* and *Marcus Aurelius*."

PROF. CRONK PLANS CHAUTAUQUA TRIPS

Professor Alton Cronk has announced that two trips to hear concerts by the Chautauqua Symphony, conducted by France Autori, former conductor of the Buffalo Symphony, have been planned for students attending summer session at Houghton.

The first concert, an all Gershwin program, will be presented at Chautauqua, Tuesday, July 15. Grace Castagneta will be the piano soloist for this program which includes Gershwin's *Piano Concerto in F*. The second concert, scheduled for July 26, will be an all Brahms program with Leonard Shure as piano soloist.

Chautauqua is considered to be one of the primary summer musical festival centers of the United States.

Anyone interested in attending these concerts should see Prof. Cronk for further information.

CALENDAR

Friday, July 11
7:00 p.m. Roller Skating
Sunday, July 13
Services as announced
Tuesday, July 15
7:00 p.m. Student Prayer Meeting
Chautauqua Trip
Sunday, July 20
Services as announced
Tuesday, July 22
7:00 p.m. Student Prayer Meeting
Thursday, July 24
Next issue of *STAR*, we hope

Prof. Shea Explains G. I. Subsistence Delay

Subsistence allowances for the month of June will arrive in two checks, one for the first two days of the month, and the other to cover the intersession period, June 3-27. The checks will not total the complete subsistence for an entire month as school was not officially in session for the whole month. The days for which subsistence was not received during the month will not be deducted from the total allowed period of educational benefits.

Reminders: National Service Life Insurance deadline for reinstatement is August 1. No physical is required.

September 1 is the last day to apply for terminal leave pay.

Although there are no office hours for consultation with the veteran's advisor, Prof. Shea is available for those who need his help and assistance.

SUMMER REGISTRATION

According to a report received from Miss Davison, registrar, there are 170 students attending the summer session.

HEYDENBURK, LUCKEY ATTEND RADIO SCHOOL

Dr. and Mrs. Robert R. Luckey and Prof. David Heydenburk will leave Houghton to attend a two-weeks radio school which will be sponsored by the Providence Bible Institute, Providence, Rhode Island, beginning on July 14th.

Courses to be offered during this two-weeks period are: script writing, program direction, program production, program engineering, psychology of radio, and music arranging.

The representatives from Houghton college will familiarize themselves with the fundamentals of gospel broadcasting in order that the college may have an efficient radio program. Prof. David Heydenburk has been chosen as music coordinator of Houghton's radio ministry.

Clarence Jones, manager of radio station HCJV, Quito, Ecuador, is sponsoring the radio school.

Births . . .

A seven and one-half pound daughter, Sheryl Ruth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chester E. Barker of Houghton, July 2, at the Genesee Memorial Hospital, Fillmore, New York. Mr. Barker, the genial proprietor of Barker's Store at Houghton, reported that both baby and mother are "doing well."

The fourth of July will be cause for double celebration throughout the life of Sharon Lucille, patriotic daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Beach of Houghton. The seven pound baby girl was born at the Genesee Memorial Hospital, Fillmore, New York, as the glad parents "sent up a rocker", figuratively speaking. It's just what they ordered!

The Thriller

by Ernie



"He spake, and poised his far-shadowing spear, and hurled and smote Aias' dread shield of sevenfold hide upon the uttermost bronze. . ."

HOUGHTON STAR SPORTSVACUUM

by Dinky

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It's Up to You

The personality, or totality of action of any group is ultimately dependent upon the personality of the individuals comprising that group.

Houghton College does not have a personality which has been enacted by a group of trustees or by a faculty committee. Its personality springs from the lives of students and faculty who make up the liberal arts college known as Houghton.

The personality of Houghton is not forever fixed. On the contrary, we know that one irrevocable law of life is change. If change is toward the better, we class it progress, if otherwise, we term it retrogression or decay.

Inasmuch as the personality of Houghton is a reflection of the lives of individuals, and because the personality is changing, it should be a matter of personal pride with each of us to insure that this change should be of a progressive type.

How can we be assured of progressive change?

I advise a system of healthy, objective criticism.

I recommend that we mentally remove ourselves from the attitude of self-congratulation that we may take an objective view of our social group and environment.

Let us begin with the *Star*. What don't you like about the paper? What do you like? And the big question, what are you going to do to make it a better observer and reporter of student and faculty life?

Do you like to walk in mud after a rainstorm? No? What can be done about securing adequate roads and paths?

Do you feel that you cannot afford to pay for meals at the dorm which you do not attend? What can be done about securing the use of meal tickets during the regular school session? How can the kitchen know how much food to prepare?

Do you feel the pinch of inadequate housing facilities? What can be done to further aid housing? Should the registration be restricted to a smaller group? Should you make the best of things until the present conditions right themselves?

Are extra-curricular activities stimulating? Do they meet the demand for your social development? What can be done to help you develop proportionally in all things?

Students, faculty, these are your problems.

The manner in which you answer, evade, or ignore these and other pertinent questions will reveal your personality and help shape the personality of the school.

What kind of personality do you have? What kind of personality do you desire?

J.E.C.

Faculty Personals

Dr. and Mrs. Stephen W. Paine are representing the college at the Champlain Conference at West Chazy, New York.

This Friday, July 11, Prof. and Mrs. Frank H. Wright will leave for Chambers Camp-Ground, Chambers, N. Y.

Next week Dr. and Mrs. Claude Ries will represent Houghton college at the Canada Conference. Also, in the near future, both Dr. and Mrs. Claude Ries and Dr. and Mrs. S. I. McMillen will attend the Michigan Conference.

Prof. David Heydenburk is now back in Houghton after completing one year's work toward a master's degree at Oberlin college, Oberlin, Ohio.

Webster says that a vacuum is "a space entirely devoid of matter." That is precisely the sports situation at a glance. (You will probably apply that word to this column, too, by the time you have finished it.) As Hiram Hipswaddle, our eminent scholar from the Kentucky hills, would say in his best poetry:

"Roses air red, violets be blue —
 In the way of sports, thar ain't
 nothin' to do."

Thank you, Hiram, for those words of wisdom.

As you can probably tell by now, the lack of sports material has left me no alternative but to just rant and rave until my allotted amount of copy (assigned by Simon Legree Connors) is written. So, hi-ho and away we go... Da-da-da da-da. (Trumpet fanfare in the background.)

FLASH—Direct from the wires of Appreciated Soc (pronounced with a long 'o' and an 'sh') News Bureau. Houghton College—The purchasing of a croquet set, the outstanding athletic, social and financial endeavor of the summer, has, after undergoing due consideration been approved by the Committee on Financial Expenditures. (Please don't ask me to diagram that last sentence now, Miss Dukeshire.) Now this enterprise will be referred to the Committee on Committees. It is possible that in the near future our expectations may become realities. Who knows, perhaps by the time this sheet reaches your favorite news stand, you may be playing this "horseless lawn polo".

The outstanding question of the past week has undoubtedly been "Where's your quarter for the croquet set?" It really wasn't so hard to solicit the funds for this venture, in view of the great number of vets around who appear to be men of monetary means. (Hey, Mac, did you get your \$4.33 to live on for the rest of the month?)

All sports events (or lack of same) hereabouts have been overshadowed by the fancy diving of "Chief" Barnett. His fearless plunges into the depths of Rushford Lake have been nothing short of breathtaking. Swimming and tennis have been the major excuses for our not getting our school work done. Don

"The Expositor's Bible"

by Nicoll

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GEE'S MINNOW TRAPS

Strong has been showing good form of late. We like his modest attitude, also. We happened to overhear him say, "I don't think I'm the best tennis player in school, but what's my word against the whole student body?" Bob Harter has been working hard, too. What we want to know is, "Is it tennis that Bob has been working at or might there be ulterior motives?"

We have a big tennis tournament planned for the very near future. This will be for both boys and girls, natch, and we would like to see a lot of "court cuties" out there as well as the male of the species. Don't be afraid to come out just because you don't think you are an ace. You can gain experience while you play. That's why I'm going out, anyhow.

The other day a group of us were playing softball when I beheld a rather strange spectacle. I went over to Les Beach and asked him, "What on earth is that fellow doing over there? He just stands there and snaps his fingers!" Les replied with a knowing air, "He's a deaf mute with the hiccups!"

Don't shove, I'm going...

—HC—

LATE SPORT HEADLINES

Houghton defeats Fillmore 6-2 in seven inning twilight fray.

Social Committee secures croquet set.

NOTICE

Closed for the remainder of the summer.

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