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## Guest Soloists To Sing Here February 2nd

### Boulder Presents Two Recognized Concert Artists

When the Boulder staff or any other student group decides to sponsor a recital of highbrow music, that is news. When such an organization goes further than that, and imports high calibre artists from a considerable distance to furnish our local audience with said music — well, that is news worthy of being splashed across the front page in big type.

What was for long only a rumor has at length been confirmed as the truth, and the Boulder staff had announced that on Friday evening, February 2, it will present Joseph Lupkiewicz, bass-baritone, and Anna Yurkiw, mezzo-soprano, in a joint recital.

Both Mr. Lupkiewicz and Miss Yurkiw have been winners of voice scholarships. In 1936, at the great Music Educators' Conference held in New York City, Miss Yurkiw sang at one of the auditions given to singers of promise. The judges were so pleased with her work that she was awarded a national music scholarship. The following year marked the beginning, for both of them, of several seasons of intensive study with Arthur Kraft, the distinguished tenor, scholarly exponent of oratorio, and teacher of voice who heads the vocal department of the Eastman School of Music. Since that time they have been acclaimed for their fine work in oratorio, concert and opera, in addition to their appearances together on joint recitals. They have been popular in western New York through numerous concerts they have given in this section, as well as through presentation as guest soloist at many of the larger churches.

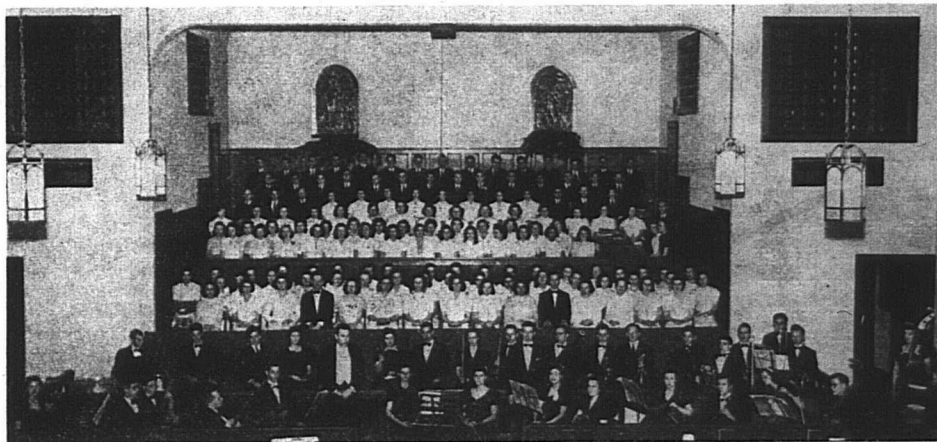
Everyone who has seen the program to be given here had been enthused over its high quality, and the few Houghton students who have been privileged to hear Mr. Lupkiewicz and Miss Yurkiw previously are looking forward to the concert two weeks hence with unwonted anticipation.

The Boulder staff of '39-'40 has by this large gesture offered a program which may be expected to cast into eclipse whatever refulgence is shed by the general run of student-group programs. It has, moreover, established a most welcome precedent and in doing so, has reaped for itself a sizeable harvest of encomiums. At the present writing it has not yet been announced whether the dress is to be informal or formal, but it is supposed that the decree will be made in favor of the latter.

### SENIOR GETS JOB

Miss Marjorie Roberts, graduating at the end of this semester, has been successful in securing social work. She is to commence February 4 doing colony work for Rome State School. Her specific duties have not been outlined as yet.

Miss Roberts is the first of the class of '40 to report the securing of employment.



## Jamestown Hears A Cappella Choir

### Evening Concert Is in Forestville

For several years Jamestown, N. Y., has been one of the warm friends of Houghton A Cappella Choir. Thus it was with some anticipation that choir members drove over icy roads to sing a vesper service on January 14, at Jamestown.

The concert was sung in the First Lutheran church where the long center aisle and impressive beauty of the architecture were admirably suited to the choir's processional.

The group which braved the weather formed a receptive audience and included several Houghton alumni who had been former choir members.

Following the concert, the choir left Jamestown for Forestville. Various restaurants were eyed with interest but Fredonia seemed to be the gathering place for several groups of hungry choir members.

Forestville was reached about 7:30. The evening concert was sung at 8:15 in the Forestville high school the scene of last year's concert.

After the concert, a lunch was served and then the journey back to Houghton was begun.

## FINLAND IS THEME AT FORENSIC CLUB

Last Monday's meeting of the Forensic Union was both profitable and informing. Richard Sandle played violin selections from Handel and Beethoven. Talks on the general theme "Finland" were given by Alan Gilmour, Hilda Luther and Jessie DeRight. These students traced the Finnish problem from its source to its present status.

The criterion of amusement was the parliamentary drill conducted by Herbert Loomis. Frank Taylor read a letter from Kenneth Wilson to Herbert Hoover asking for the establishment of a Student Dining Hall Relief Fund, in spite of the frequent interruptions. Casey Kahler, acting as his own stooge, followed this with a humorous picture of two typical Finns playing checkers in a village store in Finland. Park Tucker acquitted himself well as the evening critique.

True love is like ghosts, which everybody talks about and few have seen. — La Rochefoucauld

### NO STAR NEXT WEEK

Due to the semester examinations next week there will be no Star January 25.

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## Seniors Vanquish Juniors in Debate

### Lost Love Better Than None at All

Seniors Vance Carlson and Alan Gilmour defeated juniors Allan McCartney and Jane Cummings in the first debate of the 1940 interclass series on the question, "Resolved: That it is better to have loved and lost than not to have loved at all." The decision was two to one in favor of the seniors.

In upholding the affirmative of the question, Vance Carlson and Alan Gilmour, maintained that love is a beneficial experience even though the lover lose the object of his affections eventually. They said that the mark of a man was one who could sustain his loss with courage and who would try his hand at romance again as soon as possible.

The negative team, Allan McCartney and Jane Cummings, asserted that love destroys one's perspective and interferes with his reasoning processes. The experience of losing his beloved is apt to embitter one and color the whole of his future life.

Those in charge of debating this year have evolved a new policy intended to make the inter-class debating more interesting to the general student body. The questions are to be more philosophical in nature allowing more room for wit and for original thinking. These will supplant the old type of debates about topics of little or no interest to the students, involving statistics, politics, and other dull discussions such as were the inevitable characteristics of former questions.

Judging from the enthusiastic reception of the debate on the part of the students, the authorities were wise in altering the debate policy. This course will undoubtedly be maintained in the future, with the hope that in this way many more may be wooed and won for the cause of debate and logical argument.

## Stone Briar Host To Staff Banquet

### Kenneth Wilson Honored by Star

Ken Wilson, the originator of the Star's Wednesday evening news broadcast, and member of the editorial board of the Star was honored at a dinner held at Stone Briar Inn, Rushford on January 11. Members of the staff and two faculty members were present.

Three cars driven by Coach McNeese, Prof. Smith, and Mark Armstrong carried the 18 staff members to the inn. Here, soft lights and music contributed to the enjoyment of an excellent meal.

At a lull in the conversation at the end of the meal Walt Sheffer as toastmaster announced the purpose of the Star gathering at this particular time. He then asked the editor Mr. Nussey to say a few words. Mr. Nussey spoke of the fine work that Mr. Wilson had contributed to the Star and expressed the feeling of all when he said that it would be hard to fill the place of Mr. Wilson who is leaving at the end of the semester.

Ken then acknowledged Wesley's comments and expressed his appreciation.

The group gathered around the fireplace and the more witty of the staff were urged to contribute humor to the evening. Mr. Sheffer took some pictures for the Boulder and the group dispersed.

## Freshmen Victors In Chapel Debate

### Discuss Student Government Here

The freshman debate team, Warren Woolsey and Paul Stewart, defeated the sophomore team, Janice Crowley and Melvin James, in the second of the class debates series. The subject was: "Resolved that the student body of Houghton college should adopt a system of student government with absolute jurisdiction over student interests and affairs." The affirmative was upheld by the freshman; the negative by the sophomores.

As a result of their victory, the freshman team will meet the senior debaters for the honor of heading the list of winners on the new cup. The topic for the championship debate will be selected from suggestions submitted by members of the student body.

## Dr. Paul Fall To Be Hiram's New President

### Houghton Alumnus Chosen to Direct School in Mid-West

Dr. Paul Henry Fall, formerly both student and professor at Houghton, was elected president of Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio, Saturday, January 6.

Dr. Fall attended Houghton high school 1905-8, and Houghton college 1909-13. When a sophomore here he was assistant in science; after receiving his A.B. degree at Oberlin college, he was for a year professor of science at Houghton. He has taken advanced work at Oberlin, the University of Chicago, and Cornell university. At Cornell, where he received his doctorate, Dr. Fall won a Colgate scholarship. He has also taught at Hiram, Oberlin, Kent State university, and at Williams college when he was head of their chemistry department.

During his work as professor of chemistry at Williams, Dr. Fall received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Houghton college at Home-coming and Founder's Day convocation, November 27, 1937. He was a research chemist for du Pont Company before going to Hiram and was mayor of Hiram for three years.



Dr. Paul H. Fall

Hiram college is of interest educationally because of its unusual "Hiram Study Plan." A Hiram student spends four-fifths of his time on a single course for a nine-week quarter. At the end of the quarter he takes another course for a second nine weeks. The plan is suggested as a means of unifying study, eliminating the distractions of unrelated courses and instructors or "education by the clock," and challenging the student to superior efforts.

Said Mr. Hazlett when presenting Dr. Fall for the LL.D. degree in 1937: "Here is a son that Houghton delights to honor—a genuine scholar who is free from the affectations of pedantry, and who is ever patient and humble searcher after truth; a true scientist who has not disproved God by his formulas or in his test-tubes but has demonstrated His eternal presence in the laboratory of life; and above all a teacher whose virile manhood and Christian character is a daily example to his students."



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## EDITORIAL

### In Retrospect

About this time of year, as many students are facing the final stretch of their college career, their thoughts mellow and become strangely gentle. It is not so much the prospect of leaving the campus and the buildings that brings a spirit of solemnity, but the knowledge that friendships are to be broken; that comrades so inspiring here must be laid aside on the shelf of yesterday when new comrades take their places.

I do not doubt, my Friend, that we shall cease to enjoy the intimacy that we have now. As your form retreats into the passing years, some one else will take your place. And yet, if I shall look searchingly, you will be still there—closer than you were in college days. In school, we roamed the halls together; we visited around your study table into the wee hours; we ate cake and drank cocoa to the accompaniment of your radio.

Now, you are far distant somewhere, roaming the inviting, tree-overhung roads of life; sitting by the fireplace of your own home; listening to the winds outside rush past threateningly. We are far apart, you and I.

In my own home, a problem faces me. "This is the way my Friend would have faced it," I consider, almost automatically.

You by your fireplace, and I by mine? No, not all of you there, nor all of me here. We traded ideas back there in college; I became a little like you, and you a bit like me. Broken friendships? In the shelter of expanded personality, they cannot die. —K. L. W.

### Responsibility

The world of men may be divided into two great classes: the responsible, and the irresponsible. Concerning the irresponsible we have nothing much to say. Those in that class break into the world, find frivolous pleasure in an unburdened existence, expect the most of this brief life, and give to it the least. At least they go back to the dust from which they sprang, leaving but a shallow wound, shortly healed, and the world moves quickly onward, listing their accounts under "bad debts."

It is well that by far the greater number of men are in the class of the responsible. Some men are selected by nature to be responsible and are endowed with gifts accordingly. These are the natural leaders. Others, catching a glimpse of the weighty joy of being responsible, urge themselves onward, supplying by hard work that which nature has failed to give, and finally establish themselves in the ranks of "self-made" responsible men. Another class is that rare group which utilizes natural endowments toward responsibility empowered by the love for responsibility. This latter group may be called the "geniuses of responsibility." The business of life devolves upon men of responsibility—the greater the man, the greater the responsibility. Because life does center thus upon them, they are enabled the more clearly to unfold its mysteries, to lighten its dark corners, to interpret it to their fellowmen, and to develop great souls within themselves in the process.

But another advantage usually comes to the responsible man, in addition to the development of his character. The amount of remuneration for a position is generally determined by the degree of responsibility which it involves. The purpose of this editorial is to call attention to a position of particular responsibility within the student body: the position of editor of the *Star*. It is true that the editor receives an invaluable training in leadership and executive ability from his labors in this office, but he might be able to use something by way of monetary consideration also. We invite you to think upon this matter.

—L. E. P.

## HUFFMAN, WINONA'S NEXT PRESIDENT

Served as Dean,  
Teacher 13 Years

It will be of interest to the friends of Winona Lake School of Theology to know that Dr. J. A. Huffman has been recently elected president of that institution. A number of Houghton students have attended Winona. It was from this school that Professor Claude Ries received his B.D. degree last summer.

The *Star* reprints the following from *The Echo*, Taylor University school paper where Dr. Huffman now has a professorship:

"The members of the Board of Winona Lake School of Theology, a school which functions in summer sessions at Winona Lake, Ind., have just recently notified Dr. J. A. Huffman that he has been unanimously elected to the office of Presidency of the school. The vacancy was caused by the passing of Dr. William Edward Biederwolf, who had been President for a number of years. Dr. Huffman as Dean of Winona Lake School of Theology for 13 years has had the privilege of working with the highly esteemed former President, so he is well fitted to take up the duties and responsibilities that Dr. Biederwolf was forced to lay down. In fact, very little of the work will be actually new to him as he had been bearing the load of the administration of the school during the illness of Dr. Biederwolf."

## MUSIC STUDENTS HEARD IN RECITAL

In spite of the tiring duties always associated with the two weeks previous to examinations, the students who participated in the first of the new year's weekly recitals should be commended for their efforts to present real music to their audience. Varied degrees of progress and technical ability were evidenced, perhaps the most noteworthy of which was Phyllis Greenwood's, whose interpretation of the fine points of Mozart's *Sonata in F Major* was one of the outstanding features of the evening's performance. The program was as follows:

Scherzino	Schumann
Isabel Sessions	
Nur wer Sehnsucht kennt	P. Tchaikowsky
Janice Strong	
Night Winds	Gaiffes
Theodore Hollenbach	
Tu Lo Sai	Giuseppe Torelli
Margaret Fowler	
Accolay Concerto in A major	
Margaret Clawson	
Sonata in F major, 1st movement	Mozart
Phyllis Greenwood	
Nymphs and Shepherds	Russell
Virginia Black	

## HOUGHTON PROFS HEARD AT BANQUET

Wright, Kreckman,  
Andrews Are Present

Professor Frank Wright, together with professors Andrews and Kreckman, were guests at a banquet on Monday, January 8, at the Methodist Episcopal church in Portville, N. Y. The occasion was the monthly meeting of the Mens' Fellowship Class, a unique organization of about a hundred men, belonging to churches of all denominations, both Catholic and Protestant. Eighty five of the members who attended the banquet were fortunate to be entertained by Professor Andrews and his violin, Professor Kreckman at the piano, and to be addressed by Professor Frank Wright.

## Lytle Addresses Theologs Monday

Talks on Young  
Pastor's Problems

The Ministerial Association was opened by singing "Jesus the Very Thought of Thee" led by Charles Foster with Louella Patterson at the piano.

Edgar Danner led devotions, reading a portion of scripture from II Corinthians 2, emphasizing the fact that in Christ we are new creatures.

A short business meeting was conducted by the president, Lester Paul, during which the following officers were elected: president, A. Gilmour; vice-president, A. Wagner; secretary, Jane Cummings; treasurer, G. Huff; program committee, Ruth Cowles, N. Mead, Bert Hall; social committee, M. Bisgrove, E. Gilbert, K. Hill; courtesy committee, H. Huff; student representative, Louise Balduf.

After the business session, a number of speakers were presented. The first, Miss Marjorie Roberts, spoke on "Pastor's Problems," from her wealth of knowledge as assistant to her father. The next speaker, Miss Louise Balduf, told several interesting stories connected with some of Charles Wesley's well-known hymns. Harry Palmer then added more interesting information concerning another beloved hymn of the church.

The main speaker of the evening was then presented in the person of an alumnus, and present pastor at Nunda, Robert Lytle. He spoke on his views of the ministry as a student, and later as a full-time pastor. His talk was inspirational and should prove to be of the utmost benefit to ministerial student. He emphasized particularly the problems of the young pastor, the most serious of which is discouragement.

### Kenneth Wilson Preaches

Kenneth Wilson was the speaker of the evening in the service at the Glenwood Avenue Church of Christ in Buffalo on January 14. Special music for the service was played by a trumpet quartette—John Gabrielson, Norman Marshall, Raymond Alger and Michael Sheldon. Claude Scott, of the Bible school also participated.

## Doc. Paine Talks On Thirtieth Psalm

Dr. Paine gave the chapel talk Tuesday, January 9, on the thirtieth Psalm. He said that the psalm, originally called a Psalm of David, was used most likely at the dedication of the temple during the time of the Maccabees. The first four verses are a song of praise for deliverance from distress; the fifth verse tells that this punishment was from God; the sixth, that the cause of this punishment was self-contentment; verses seven to twelve give the history of the case.

Dwelling especially on the sixth verse, Dr. Paine spoke to us on the danger of self-contentment. We should be content with our surroundings but not with ourselves. "Progress ends where self-contentment begins." As Paul said, "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." Finally, Dr. Paine warned us not to be satisfied with our ten-weeks' grades lest we get lower ones for the semester.

Last night I saw upon the stair  
A little man who wasn't there.  
He wasn't there again today:  
What shall I do—join the Y. M. C. A.

Use your noodle and you won't get in the soup.

Spark Plugs  
Need  
Cleaning,  
Too



## PUISSANT PUNDITS

I was just sitting there in the *Star* office, minding my own business and not harming anyone, when Jesse DeRight came charging in and said, "Hey, Woolsey, how about writing the feature column this week?" Well, I laughed. I said to myself, "Now, here's Jess trying hard so why should I discourage him by not being courteous." But as I sat there rolling from side to side in my mirth, he said, "I mean it. Why don't you? I'm serious about it. I think my readers need a change of style once in a while." (Jesse realizes we have to breathe once in a while.) So here I am, guest offender of the week. If the other great columnists like Walter Winchell, Walter Lippman, Dorothy Thompson, Westbrook Pegler, Dorothy Dix and Al Russell can have substitutes, so can Jess DeRight. And so, I sit down at my trusty typewriter and here goes.

### College Humor-1847

Perhaps the most noticeable characteristic of this New Year so far is the number of corny jokes prevalent on the campus. The amount of corn is really shocking. Most of them at least comply with the Pure Food Laws in that they are pure, unadulterated corn. Perhaps you've heard such choice tidbits as the following:

Question: Why is Mrs. Cookie so lonesome?

Answer: Because her husband has been a wafer so long.

Question: Why were three little ink drops crying?

Answer: Because their father was in the pen.

Question: Have you heard about the engineer's daughter?

Answer: She's only an engineer's daughter, but "woowoo!" Better be careful, boys and girls the H.B.I. will get you if you don't watch out.

Last week, in this column Jess and John Smith alleged that women are biased. I am inclined to disagree with him. It seems to me that women are more like angels. They never have a single earthly thing to wear; they're always up in the air and they're always harping on something.

The trouble is, in the last analysis, that women are like cellophane—easy to see through but hard to remove, once you get wrapped up in them. The guy was right who said, "A smart man is one who hasn't let a woman pin anything on him since he was a baby." But then, they're only human, just like the rest of us. It isn't the girl that counts anyway; it's what she stands for. An intelligent girl is one who knows how to refuse a kiss without being deprived of it. We men aren't perfect by any means. In fact, we're so far from it I read this the other day: "He took his defeat like a man—blamed it on his wife."

Red Hill is getting very Hume-an. He was hitch-hiking home from there at 2:00 a. m. the other night. Is she one of these blondes with a bleaches-and-cream complexion Red?

Mike Sheldon was the guy who asked me, "What's a mirage?" I bit. He said, "A mirage is where 'the little man who wasn't there' parks his car."

I just thought of a corny one I forgot to put in the first part of this (Continued on Page Four, Col. 4)



## Watch 'Em Shave

By George Hamm\*

If asked, some men will say that a man's character can be told by his face, while another will say it can be seen from various actions and movements. I know a fellow who can tell your basic character by simply shaking hands with you. It is well known that a fortune teller will search your palm for character lines and then tell you nice things which he knows will please your particular character.

Now let us step down to the commoner things of life, and we can uncover many interesting things about a man's character simply by observing him shave.

I have made it a hobby to observe different men when they are shaving. Every motion, every grimace of the face is different and each has its own significance. A man with a strong predominating personality starts his shave with a good brushful of cream splattered over the best part of his anatomy extending above his shoulders, and then with strong vigorous strokes he proceeds to level the stubby growth on his face. What a difference we see in a man who is hiding something or who is conscious of an evil hanging over him! We see him start slowly, beginning each stroke of the shave with a deliberation, carefulness, and slyness that makes the observer want to throw his arms around him and comfort him.

Many traits of character can be uncovered by the condition in which the shaver leaves his tools. I have watched men who carefully washed their shaving brush and razor in warm water, shook it nearly dry, and put them away in a closet. Also, I am sorry to say, I have seen men, supposedly high in society, leave their brushes covered with lather where they last put them, leaving it to their wives to clean and put them away for them. There can be no comparison between these two men although they may look and act alike!

I remember going to a house I had been very desirous of visiting. The first thing I noticed was a razor covered with whiskers and dirty lather and a brush in the same condition nearby, just as they had been thrown down when the man finished. I thought nothing of this, but as I stayed for three days and the same thing was repeated every morning. I got disgusted and I have never been back there since. This man I knew to be a bit hasty and careless but he had a fine personality, and certainly his shaving utensils checked perfectly with this description.

When I come to a house for a visit, I try to watch the master of the house shave—if he washes his shaving brush and razor and carefully puts them away, I am satisfied and enjoy myself, secure in the fact that I have an excellent host.

The present and presumably the future use of the electric shaver may do away with this hobby of mine, but I am sure a new peculiarity will develop which will tell as much as the modern mode of shaving.

Some may watch a man's actions and some may read his palm, but for a quick check-up give me a chance to observe him shaving, when he thinks no one is noticing his movements, and I will give you a more precise outline of his character than you could give by hours and hours of watching and reading.

\* George is a member of high school, English three class, which Mr. Frank Taylor has taught for the past ten weeks.

### APPRECIATION

With sincere appreciation of your kind expression of sympathy in this time of sorrow.

The Failing Family

Truth stood on one side and Ease on the other; it has often been so.

—Theodore Parker

## A Word from Miss Driscoll

Nov. 18, 1939

My dear friends,

Letters are piling up again so I am going to send a general letter to the *Star*. My work is much heavier than last time or else I am getting old and cannot do so much. Perhaps the latter is true.

These are especially busy days with the plans for commencement, making plans for next year, exams which I have to make out and send to other places, etc. The girls are preparing the story of the birth of Jesus in pantomime using Christmas carols for the commencement program. We even have to teach them most of the carols. They are usually home at Christmas time, but this time school closes late, so we'll be here until Dec. 6, so we are using this. When I made a girl's angel costume she was so pleased. I got some cheese cloth at 20 yards for \$.50. We do not have any graduates this year for the 2 finishing standard 6 are returning for more work next year. We have rearranged our courses so we can keep them. Now they get much vocational work, sewing, cooking, nursing, housewifery, etc. We hope to have uniforms for them. They shall be made by the older girls in their sewing classes.

In January the teachers and I are going way inland to visit towns that have not heard of Christ. I shall set up in a town and stay there several days having services and visiting in the homes and leaving the Scriptures. I shall send the teachers out to the surrounding towns for services and for house to house visitation. Thus we can visit many people. Most of them have never heard the gospel for it is a large district with no witness. Will you pray that we may so present Jesus Christ that they will understand and some will be saved? This will be my first experience in a time like this and I shall need your prayers. I am praying and trusting Him to help. Also we are trusting Him to supply the funds for we have nothing for extra things like this. It takes all we have for general running expenses. This is in connection with the plans for celebrating our 50th anniversary. One goal is to visit every town and leave a portion of Scripture in every home. Many towns, nearly 1000, have been reached, but they are the ones nearby. The teachers are pleased with this chance to serve too.

Last night one of the older girls and I went to the town to get students for next year. We got five prospects. I had a long talk with the head man. He was telling me about the two times the people burned the devils. He says that all the younger men understand better. He is a man who used to teach in the mission then, and who became government vaccinator. He knows English, so I love to talk with him. We met other interesting characters too. Some of the little girls were afraid of us. I hope we can win them. I do wish we had more time to call in our own town. If I can get a woman to help me with the teaching next year, I hope to have more time.

We are enjoying our radio and refrigerator so much. I still marvel that we had money for both of them. It is because you, my friends, were so good to me. "Momo" in Temne: "Nwallie" in Limba. I have begun to study Limba. Pray that I may get it quickly, will you? I do want a small vocabulary when I go trekking. It will be in Limba territory. I plan to study it hard then. They say the time to learn it is when you are with the people.

I wish you could have seen Posseh. She said, "It is sweet to stand here". She could see herself in the mirror. The girls laughed but they all like it too. They delight in looking at themselves in our big one. In fact they like everything about our house and love to come to it.

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## Mrs. Schram Sings Sunday Services For Student Body

Last Thursday morning Houghton students were thrilled by a stirring message in song in chapel by Mrs. Grace C. Schram of the Houghton music faculty. The Scripture lesson was taken from Jeremiah 18:1-6, after the reading of which Mrs. Schram opened the exercises with prayer.

Then she defined her family tree by singing songs from the different nations which she represents. Ably accompanied by Professor Schram, she gave her best in singing the Scotch "Annie Laurie," the Irish "Kathleen Mauoreen," the French "Habernera" from *Carmen* and our own "Break, Break, Break." The latter song was written and dedicated to Mrs. Schram by M. T. Cousins, of North Carolina. For her closing number she chose the favorite, "A Lover and His Lass," by Frederic Austin.

Mrs. Schram's beautiful voice and her artistic interpretations brought delight to every listener.

## STUDENTS CONDUCT CHAPEL ON PRAYER

Chapel exercises for Friday morning were planned in keeping with the universal week of prayer. Eugene Donelson presided over the exercises. A brief meditation on "Prayer" was brought by Wesley Nussey. He read Matt. 6:5-13 for the Scripture lesson. Answering Job's inquiry, "And what profit shall we have if we pray unto God?" Mr. Nussey first defined prayer as the words of the supplicant. He reminded us that prayer centers our attention upon God; is a fortress against sin; has revealing value and changes conditions. He closed the meditation with the fitting supplication, "Lord, teach us how to pray."

A forceful message was brought to our hearts as Lenoir Masteller sang "Teach Me to Pray." A period of prayer followed with Joy Palmer, Stephen Ortlip, Thelma Havill and Burt Hall leading. "Take Your Burdens to the Lord and Leave Them There" sung by the girls' quartet closed this inspiring service.

## Firemen Discuss Efficiency Plans

The volunteer fire department of Houghton held its regular monthly meeting at the fire hall on Wednesday, January 10. President Marvin Pryor called the meeting to order to plan further means of fighting and preventing fire. Chief Stanley Wright appointed firemen to positions on the fire fighting squad, revising the former squad where necessary. Duties of the positions were explained, and plans were laid to increase the efficiency of Houghton's fire-fighting unit.

Notable progress has been made in the town's and college's protection against fire since the acquisition of a truck with pumping unit a few years ago. The truck now carries 1,000 feet of 2½ inch hose and 500 feet of 1½ inch hose. Any spot in town can be reached from such sources of water as the river, the pumping station at the Houghton milk plant, and the gymnasium's swimming pool. The two chemical carts owned by the fire department have been placed in the college building to aid in the quick extinguishing of fires at the college.

The Company wishes to warn those not members of the department against riding on the fire truck. It also wishes to appeal to those on the scene of a fire not to interfere with the work of the firemen.

## Sunday Services

### SUNDAY MORNING

On Sunday morning, Jan. 14, the Rev. Mr. Black preached on "Killing Lions", basing his sermon on the story of Samson as found in Judges 14:5. "Figuratively we have all met lions", said Mr. Black, "Some of these lions are the lion of doubt, of timidity, of discouragement and the lions of public opinion and of self. From Samson we learn that the best way to deal with our lions is to face them and kill them. The secret of Samson's success was that he had the spirit of God with him. Face your lion; you will be rewarded for it, and your life will make others want to be conquerors too."

### SUNDAY EVENING

"Achan and His Sin" was the subject of Rev. E. W. Black's sermon Sunday night January 14.

The main emphasis was placed on sin which Mr. Black described as first being fascinating, then once it has taken control it becomes progressive. Sin's deception, Mr. Black continued, has a false sense of security, but it is certain to be finally detected. The penalty of sin is terrible, having as a memorial a heap of stones as in Achan's case.

Mr. Olsen Clark led the singing and rendered a solo "There Is a Name to Me So Dear."

### W. Y. P. S.

"We would see Jesus," declared Dr. Woolsey in the W.Y.P.S. service, voicing the unspoken yet heartfelt cry of many here in Houghton. In view of the coming revival services, we should realize that before we can be effective personal workers, our lives must show Christ to others. Those who watch our lives have a right to expect to find a sinless, self-denying, forgiving, loving, humble, prayerful, obedient, courageous, zealous Christ manifested in us. How we should search our hearts and rededicate them to a more fruitful service of the Lord!

## Faculty Men Have Informal Meeting

### Newly Organized Club Successful

About eighteen male members of the faculty met on Monday evening, January 15, at the home of Professor LeRoy Fancher for their monthly meeting. These informal group meetings, which began this fall, are rapidly becoming a permanent institution in the college group-life.

Professor Fancher began the evening's program by a devotional reading from one of Pastor Niemoeller's sermons. Rev. E. W. Black offered prayer. The music of the evening was a French horn solo by Robert Homan, with Professor Alfred Kreckman at the piano. The composition was *Nocturne* by Mendelssohn. Mr. Harold McNeese exhorted the men to practice some of the basic rules of good health. His talk is a part of a series on hobbies and special interests by various members of the group. From the professional field of higher education, Mr. Willard G. Smith gave a description of the Hiram Study Plan.

The high point of the evening was a book review by Dean Ray W. Hazlett. He selected the drama, *Lust for Life*, by Stone. This book is based on the life of the famous Dutch artist, Vincent Van Gogh. Dean Hazlett's analysis treated the various aspects of this dramatic presentation of the artist's tragic life.

We hardly find any persons of good sense save those who agree with us.

—La Rochefoucauld

## THE RICH GO BAREFOOTED

by Ruth Shea

Mark Guy Pearse, a famous Wesleyan preacher in London, once wrote a short story called, "The Riddle of Ubique."

A stranger once came to a beautiful city called Ubique. There was one very unusual thing about this city, he found. Although the people were prosperous, they all went barefooted. No matter how richly dressed, no citizen ever wore shoes. Still more strange, the traveler found that Ubique was filled with shoe factories. He was very puzzled. Visiting one of the shoe factories on noon hour, he found the superintendent lecturing to the workers on "Is There Such a Thing as the Foot?" Curious, he was informed that shoes were not made in these factories but that these were just places where there were discussions on the subjects of shoes, feet, heels, and toes.

One day the stranger stumbled on an obscure cobbler who really made shoes. Bent on sharing this glad fact to the barefooted citizens of Ubique, he loudly proclaimed it everywhere. But his news, instead of being hailed with joy, became the object of ridicule and disfavor. Factory presidents were quoted as saying, "If ever people took to wearing shoes, they never could have any more wonderful meetings to talk about feet, leather, and shoes; all the romance would go out of it, and the result would be something prosaic, commonplace, ordinary."

Edgar DeWitt Jones, newspaper columnist, recently relating this story, commented thus: "You say this is an absurd tale. It never could have happened. Maybe. But religion has been talked about since humanity began, and Christianity has been preached, debated, discussed, argued, for nearly two thousand years! Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven... If I speak with the tongues of men and angels and have not love, I am become sounding brass and a clanging cymbal."

Yes, Christianity has been preached, debated, discussed, argued for centuries. But how many have really lived it? Are we barefooted Christians? Or have we experienced what we are talking about?

Those shoeless people could have done a lot of good if they had taken their constructive thoughts about feet and shoes and used them to give comfortable shoes to the world. What an industry they could have built up! Are we Christians like those people? Have we truly represented Christ and God to the world, following in His steps? "Jesus did not try to prove the existence of God—He brought Him. He did not argue, as Socrates, the immortality of the soul—He raised the dead. He did not argue that God answers prayer—He prayed and received power. He did not paint in glowing colors the beauties of friendship and the need for human sympathy—He wept at the grave of His friend. He did not teach in the schoolroom manner the necessity of humility—He girded Himself with a towel... He did not discourse on the beauty of love—He loved. Jesus was concrete and practical." — E. Stanley Jones.

The world needs some practical illustrations of the spirit of Christ. Mahatma Gandhi, asked by Dr. Jones what Christians could do to make an acceptable contribution to India, replied, "I would suggest, first, that all of you Christians, missionaries and all, must begin to live more like Jesus Christ."

Many a man fails to become a thinker for the sole reason that his memory is too good.

—Nietzsche



# Seniors Take Sophs; Frosh Beat Juniors in All-Fem Double-Header Friday Eve

## Seniors Win 6th Straight to Hold Lead Among Fems

Houghton's suffragettes need no longer cry for equal rights; their goal has been realized. Last Friday night, the black-sox battlers had the floor all to themselves. With Willie Olcott as arbiter and P. Wesley Scrimshaw as sergeant-at-arms, four girls' teams fought to share the 60-watt lemonlight.

Winners of the tilts were the current leaders of the class competition—the senior and frosh women. When the resin dust cleared away, the senior fems had retained their hold on first place and their untarnished record of six victories and no defeats, the last win a 34-17 verdict over the sophomores. The frosh amazons kept their second-place position secure by rubbing out the juniors, 23-15. While neither of the games was a nip-and-tuck affair, the action was sufficiently fast and thrill-packed to give the large crowd plenty to cheer about.

The first game got under motion very slowly, with neither team able to light the scoreboard during the first four minutes. At this point Jean Lovell banked in a lay-up shot to draw first blood for the juniors; and the frosh quickly counter-punched as Ruth Newhart took the throw-in pass, dribbled to the foul line, and tossed in a neat one-hand shot to balance the score. Each team dropped in two more field goals at sporadic intervals to make the score tied at the end of quarter, 6-6. From here on the frosh fems slowly drew ahead until they enjoyed a 15-9 lead at the close of the third period.

At the beginning of the fourth quarter, Fidinger cut the strings twice to slice the freshmen lead to two points; but the yearling lassies again spurred ahead, to hold a 23-15 margin at the end.

Both defenses performed excellently, with Wright and Burleigh of the Redwings and Gage and La Sorte of the first year forces playing outstanding games. The freshman defense was especially effective during the second period when the juniors were able to get only one attempt from the floor. French led the freshman fems with ten points, while Lovell racked up six for the Redwings.

Here are the statistics:

Freshman				
	FG	FT	T	PCT.
French	5	0	10	.277
Newhart	4	0	8	.174
Fancher	2	1	5	.600

Juniors				
	FG	FT	T	PCT.
Fidinger	2	0	4	.125
Richardson	2	1	5	.750
Lovell	3	0	6	.600
Luther	0	0	0	.000

Guards: Wright, Burleigh, Geer  
The senior girls' basketballers showed their championship caliber in trouncing a scrappy but inferior sophomore team. The winner's offense, headed by Gerry Paine and Millie Shaner, collected a grand total of thirty-four points as against the sophomores' seventeen.

These two sterling shot-makers, operating as "double wing-backs" with June Markey as a pivot, built up a lead of 10-5 at the end of the first quarter and maintained the advantage throughout the second period to hold a 15-9 count at the half. The sophomores found the senior defense of

## Sophomores Beat Academy Lads 23-12

### High School Zone Proves Effective

A fighting high school five met defeat Monday afternoon at the hands of a superior sophomore squad. Although they ended on the short side of a 22 to 12 score, it was the best game the academy lads have turned in to date. Lou Wakefield led the sophomore scoring attack, making 10 points. Prutsman was high scorer for the high school, accounting for 6 points.

As the game opened, there were eight high school girls in the stands. In this first period the excitement was furnished by both teams and the referee. Half of the high school team and the referee were of the opinion that the academy was going toward the east goal, while the rest of the players thought they should be going the other way. Several novel plays occurred because of this difficulty before all concerned were finally straightened out. There was no score until the quarter was one and one-half minutes from completion. Larkin made the only score. Though the entire period was marked by long dashes by Cummings and Wakefield, the score at quarter time was 2 to nothing with the sophomores ahead. This lead was never seriously threatened.

The second period saw an upturn in the scoring. Wakefield made three points and Ellis two. During the same period Norm Beach made a long shot to make the score 7 to 2 at half time. Repeatedly the sophs brought the ball down the floor, but nearly every time they lost it in the academy zone defense.

In the third phase the baskets were even on both sides. Three double deckers apiece were turned in. Wakefield accounted for two and Gardner one for the sophs. Prutsman made two and Turnball one for the high school. This made the score 13 to 8.

In the final period the soph offense began to click. This spurt netted them 10 points while the high school made four. The final score was 23 to 12.

Moody, Veazie, and Hampton hard to break through and could not strike a consistent scoring streak.

During the last half, the senior's offensive continued its smooth attack despite all the frantic efforts of the orange and black guards, who really have an excellent defense, to stop the flow of shots.

The seniors victory was due largely to more accurate shooting and better passwork. The high scorer of the contest was Gerry Paine who garnered nineteen points. Driscoll and Shaner shared runner-up honors with eleven points each.

Box Score:

Seniors				
	FG	FT	T	PCT.
Paine	9	1	19	.326
Shaner	5	1	11	.200
Markey	0	0	0	.000
Tiffany	2	0	4	1.000

Sophomores				
	FG	FT	T	PCT.
Driscoll	5	1	11	.176
Carlson	2	0	4	.153
Reynolds	1	0	2	.128

Guards: Veazie, Moody, Hampton  
Guards: Fulton, Murch, Lawrence.

## EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

January 22-26, 1940

### Examination

Hours	Monday, January 22	Tuesday, January 23	Wednesday, January 24	Thursday, January 25	Friday, January 26
10:00-12:00	Music Appreciation	Classes scheduled at 9:00 TTS (Gen. Sociology in Room S45)	Classes scheduled at 11:30 MWF	Classes scheduled at 11:30 TTS	Classes scheduled at 10:30 TTS
1:30-3:30	German I (Sec. A & B) Rooms S44, S46 Hygiene for Women Chalk Talk	Classes scheduled at 10:30 MWF (Math. Methods in Room A25) (American History in Rooms S45 & S46)	English Lit. (all sections) S44, S45, S46 English Methods (Sec. A & B) Room A25 Ele. Hebrew	Classes scheduled at 9:00 MWF Voice Methods (French Methods in Room S45)	Classes scheduled at 8:00 MWF
3:30-5:30	Art Appreciation Mechanical Drawing Trees and Shrubs	English (all sections) Rooms S44, S45, S46, S33 and new classrooms on 4th floor Psychology (Sec. A & B) Rooms A25, A31 and S11	Freshman Bible (Sec. A & B) A25, S44, S45, S46 New Test. Greek Seminar Orchestration	Classes scheduled at 8:00 TTS (History of Educ. in S45 & S46) (Inter. N. T. Greek in Room A25)	2:00-4:00 General Zoology (Sec. A & B) A25 & S30 Instrumental Methods Public Speaking (all sections) S44 History of Ornament

### Miss Driscoll Writes . . .

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I asked some of you to pray for Robert Kamara, Daniel Sisay, and my little girl, Fatu. Daniel is well again and going to school in Freetown next year. I hope to have him as assistant superintendent of education in 1941. Robert is still at the mines and away from God. Continue to pray God may bring him back. He used to preach so well. Dear little Fatu. She still has some fever and a swollen neck. I fear she has T. B. of the glands. She is so dear and helps me so much. I love her heaps and hate to see her suffer. Just now she is standing by my desk looking at a scrap book. She loves to be around and this term I have let her be more than I did last time. I like it too.

I still go to the school at Rog-gane 22 miles away and like it a lot. I wish I could live there. Miss Davis who had it before I came wished the same thing. I don't know why we all like that place so much unless it is because it is a growing project. We are hoping in another year to have it entirely self-supporting. For some time only the teachers' salaries have come from the mission. We are putting our best teachers there to raise the standard. We are also building a new carpenter shop and having a carpenter as a full-time teacher.

Council begins Dec 8 and conference Dec 12. At the last missionary day of fasting and prayer the Lord met us and we feel a revival has begun in the hearts of the missionaries and we hope it will in those of the natives. We hope to do more towards self support at that time too.

Do pray for us. Miss Wiley, the nurse with me, teaches the girls their nursing, baby craft, etc. She and I get along very well together.

As your representative, I am depending on your prayers.

Your representative in Africa,  
Ione Driscoll

### Puissant Pundits . . .

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column. Have you heard the latest war news? The Russians have decided to fight to the Finnish. After a corny one like that I half expected to hear some Englishman among my readers, if either one of you two who read this far is English, to object with a very British, "ear, ear." That reminds me. There was an Englishman in the country for a brief visit. As he was checking out of the Waldorf-Astoria, the desk clerk asked him a riddle. "It's my mother's child and it's not my brother and it's not my sister. Who is it?" After he had thought for some time, the Englishman gave up and was told that it was the clerk himself. This man was not as slow as the traditional Englishman and after a minute or so he laughed long and heartily. As he got on the boat that afternoon, he met a compatriot whom he had known in school and said to him, "I say, Algernon, old boy, I just heard the jolliest riddle this morning. You give it a try, eh what, old boy?" "It's my mother's child and it's not my brother and it's not my sister. Who is it?" Algernon was unable to think of the answer and so he was told, "Why, it's really very simple. It's the reception clerk at the Waldorf-Astoria."

With exams coming on and all that sort of thing, here's a choice bit of advice from Confucius or Lin Yutang or someone:

The more you study the more you know. The more you know the more you forget. The more you forget the less you know. Why study?

The less you study the less you know. The less you know the less you forget. The less you forget the more you know. Why study?

"Don't act like a baby."  
"I can't help it; I was born that way."

## BLEACHER



## GOSSIP

by Allyn Russell

One more week of this torrid basketball campaign with the men's finale between the sophomores and senior Sages expected to be the big blowoff of an unusually successful season. Perchance the juniors knock off the current leaders the final battle will decide the championship. If, however, the sophs eke out another victory over the yellowjackets a senior victory would cause a tie in the final standings and thereby necessitate a play off. So you see the soph-senior tilt will doubtless be the season's best whichever way you look at it . . . Ought to be a good five hundred on hand for the curtain closer . . . Those senior women are still holding on to their one game lead over the frosh. Spurred on by Mary Tiffany's last minute baskets and Cliffy Blauvelt's sarcastic (not really) coaching they walloped the hopeless sophs who now have lost six straight. The frosh continued their mathematical possibilities by conquering the juniors . . . Following the conclusion of the class series there will be a two weeks series of revival services during which time there will be no games. However, after the special services the annual Purple and Gold classic will climax the winter activities . . . As usual it will be the best three out of five with the Purple especially anxious to atone for last year's "blotch" on their long record of wins . . . Hard bitten University of Rochester alumni, who haven't had much to shout about during the past three years as the football team dropped 18 out of 21 contests, find themselves cheering one of the greatest yellow jacket teams in recent history a basketball squad that is riding the crest of a 15 game victory streak, climaxed by victories over Michigan and Dartmouth . . . Late returns however, reveal the fact that Allegheny College stopped the upstate New Yorkers with a one point win . . . Last weekends warmer weather gave the snowball addicts something to cheer about. Friday noon's sundry battle among various participants, including Mrs. Lee who supported the Confederacy of Disorganized Musicians, seemed to top them all . . . The football rules committee of the National Collegiate Athletic association made the following revisions last week: Reduced the penalty for forward passes touching ineligible receivers on or behind the line of scrimmage; changed the rule for roughing a passer; moved to speed up by five seconds the time allowed for putting the ball in play; specified measurements and construction of cleats . . . Those of you who remarked concerning last week's "fashion parade", please see Bob Fredenburg, local stylist of the sport page . . . Our local prodigy in the world of refereeing, one Buster Burns, handled the exciting Wellsville-Addison H. S. game last Friday night . . . The town teams returned to action last Saturday evening in Bliss! The local girls stopped the feminine hoopshooters from the neighboring locality and the men dropped a tight 21-19 decision to the boys from Perry . . . This week we take pleasure in saluting Glen Jones' hometown, Avoca, where according to Glenn, in the largest hockey stick factory in the United States! . . . More tests, less sports for the coming week . . . and so if yours truly doesn't get employment somewhere in the A BC factory, we want to say it was nice seeing you!