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Ovation Given Sonata Recital

Compositions of the Evening Included Dohnanyi, Brahms and Grieg.

BY JOHN MCINTIRE

Mr. J. Stanley King, violinist, and Mr. Alton M. Cronk, pianist, as representatives of the Houghton College Division of Music, gave an intensely interesting program last Wednesday evening in the College Chapel. Their offerings consisted entirely of piano and violin sonatas, and if the ovation of the audience augured anything, the recital was a complete success.

The colorful opus 21 of Dohnanyi, which opened the program, was given a performance of abiding interest. From the varying moods of the first movement to the poetical desineness of the last movement, variety, rhythm, and that certain bizarre of modern harmony prevailed. The second offering was that monumental piece of philosophical music, the D minor sonata of Brahms. Here again the artists acquitted themselves well. In places one could feel the characteristic Brahms in all of his drama and what the Germans call *Innigkeit*. The adagio from this sonata proved to be a truly religious experience. A fitting close to the program was the airy—almost poignant—G Major Sonata of Grieg. Here, the allegretto turned into a pastoral of delightful contrasts, and some plangent climaxes were achieved in the last movement.

Mr. Cronk and Mr. King demonstrated a technic that was entirely adequate, although at times the audience felt the need of a more personal performance. As a whole, however, the program contained not one cheap moment musically, and it was a stimulating experience to the large audience which attended. Nothing in the entire program tended toward showmanship except in the sense that good music, superlatively played, is always a good show. After hearing this performance by representatives of our music faculty, we might summarize by saying, "Well, Well!"

Schedule of Games for Class Basketball

After Chapel on Wednesday, November 7, the A. A. Committee called a meeting of the coaches and captains of all basketball teams, and the following schedule of class games was arranged. This schedule has met the approval of the Faculty and is therefore ready to be presented to the student body.

Fri., Nov. 9—Seniors vs. Sophomores
Wed., Nov. 14—Freshmen vs. High School
Wed., Nov. 21—Seniors vs. Juniors
Wed., Nov. 28—Sophomores vs. High School (afternoon 3:30—5:30)
Wed., Dec. 5—Seniors vs. Freshmen
Fri., Dec. 7—Juniors vs. High School
Wed., Dec. 12—Sophomores vs. Freshmen (afternoon 3:30—5:30)

STUDENTS HAVE HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Gypsy Theme and Ceremony Makes Evening Interesting

GRACE SMITH

Gathering in small groups about the gypsy campfire in Bedford gymnasium following the basketball encounter on Hollowe'en night, some two hundred people were initiated into the Order of Gypsies as the guests of the W. Y. P. S.

Immediately following the game the lights were lowered while Willson Kopler, as the gypsy minstrel, sang to his own guitar accompaniment. Then, as the guests, many of whom were in unique costumes, arrived at the door, they were escorted by gypsy maidens Florence Lytle Beatrice Bush, Armeta Bullock, and Ruth VanLeeuwen into the hall, decorated with cornstalks and gay Hollowe'en touches, where they were introduced to the gypsy king and queen. Willard Smith and Purla Bates, acting in these regal capacities portrayed their parts well, as they informed their guests of the mystical, nonsensical ritual necessary to become full-pledged gypsies. This accomplished, each guest was assigned to one of four gypsy bands where Allen Smith, Alden VanOrnum, Harold Boon and Merritt Queen acted as chieftains and supplied their people with commodities for bartering.

Joining their king and queen in a caravan march to the strains of Josephine Scinecke's accordion, all four gypsy bands travelled to distant parts where they reported on the results of their bartering and witnessed the big event of the evening—a gypsy wedding. Here, according to an old custom of the tribe, the queen peered into the boiling cauldron to ascertain whether or not the bridegroom was ready for marriage. In this case, she decreed that he must first prove his intellectual and physical prowess. Here, transpired one of the highlights of the evening when Albert Moxey, as bridegroom, wisely answered such questions as were propounded and skillfully executed an Indian Club feat. This done, he and his bride, Florence Clissold, joined hands over the campfire above the King's tongs, typifying their union. The wedding feast, consisting of apples and doughnuts, was served under the direction of Eurica Heide! The wedding festivities continued with charades, presented by each tribe, and individual fortunes drawn from the cauldron. Two musical features added much color and interest to the program, including the singing of "Marianina" by Magdalene Murphy, Elizabeth Harmon and Ivone Wright, and a gypsy number by Beatrice Bush and Rowena Peterson.

Appreciation is extended to the many students and faculty members who cooperated so generously in giving of their time, ability, and property both in the preparation for and administration of the party.

Thurs., Dec. 13—Seniors vs. High School

Girls' game—4:30

Boys' game—8:30

Wed., Dec. 19—Juniors vs. Sophomores

We are anticipating an interesting series, so don't fail to see each game. Do your part to make class basketball a success!



George Wolfe, '32

GEORGE WOLF IS GUEST AT CHAPEL

Four Alumni Conduct Session on Friday Morning

Four Houghton alumni conducted the chapel service on Friday morning, namely, Eileen Hawn, Roma Lapham, Richard Hale (all of the Class of '34), and George Wolfe ('32).

Miss Lapham led the devotions, reading I John 4, and Miss Hawn sang "O That Springtime Were Come," accompanied by Mr. Hale.

George Wolfe was introduced as a person who when a student here, had always been somewhat reticent, but he had a message for his successors in Houghton's student body. He described the transformation which usually overtakes one's ideas and ideals a few years subsequent to college graduation. The undergrader, at proverbially regards rules as being merely annoying and superfluous, but the alumnus discovers that the rules of college differ not widely from those of life, and that the game, both of collegiate activity and of ordinary life, must be played clean and hard.

In expressing his appreciation for the inspiration he derived from various members of the faculty, Mr. Wolf especially paid tribute to the practical philosophy of life radiated by the late Dean LaVay Fancher. In addition to this, he recounted an incident which profoundly impressed him with the value of faith. The situation had been one of unusual significance to several persons, and in reply to an explanation offered by Wolfe, then a student, President Luckey said, "A student's word is always good with me." This simple statement Mr. Wolfe considers the most valuable single contribution of college to him.

In conclusion, he reemphasized the first point of his talk, that of his concept of success. Life has taught him that true success consists not in bank accounts, positions of trust and ease, and the utmost of contentment, but in the extent of sacrificial service one may render to his associates.

Forensic Union Gives a Public Program

One of our more outstandingly collegiate club programs was heartily received and appreciated by the large group in attendance at the first open meeting of the Forensic Union, held last Thursday evening in the Music Hall auditorium. The program presented was, by nature, of the type frequently adopted by literary societies of other colleges. It included:

Call to order Paul Allen, President
Devotions Paul Allen

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Juniors Split with Frosh in Class Series Opener

MARK TWAIN FEATURED IN EXPRESSION CLUB

The third Expression Club program held Monday, November 6, at 6:30 was woven around the life and works of Samuel Clemens, better known as Mark Twain. Following the business meeting, Miss Hazel Fox introduced the first number of the program, a paper on Clemens' life written by Merritt Queen. The program further included a book review "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" given by Eurica Heide!, and "Tom Sawyer" reviewed by Doris Lee.

The book reports were interspersed with music numbers, a viola solo, "Aria" by Paul McIntire, and a clarinet solo by Richard Wright.

A sketch written by Mark Twain himself and portraying a real experience of his life, brought out more clearly the humor of which the book reviewers spoke. The sketch, acted by Rowena Peterson a dumb newspaper reporter, Gertrude Crouch the maid, and Warren Kingsbury taking the part of Mark Twain, showed the type of ironical humor of which Clemens seems to be master.

The program was a novel one and evidenced more college calibre than former programs.

Alumni Trip to Europe

As we slipped out of New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty seemed to say, "I stand guard at the entrance of the Land of the Free. Tell Europe that America coveys nothing save the good will of all peoples and the opportunity to develop in her own way." Quickly we passed through the Narrows and soon nothing was to be seen except water, water, everywhere.

The life on board a great ship is unique and refreshing. The food is endless in variety and delicious to the taste, but alas, the desire is only too often far below par. One's activities are confined to a few hundred square feet so that new acquaintances are quickly formed and within forty-eight hours the whole company seems like one large family. To one who is seeking a brief vacation from the busy toils of everyday life, a sea voyage offers one of the finest opportunities for relaxation and rest that can be found.

Our boat sailed about five o'clock and as soon as possible Bob and I went to the dining room to select our table for the voyage. We looked around the room, made a first and second choice, and then reported at the desk to find that a party just ahead of us had taken our first choice but our second choice was still available. Later we found that our table companions (our table was for four) were two ladies going to Halifax. From Halifax our table companions were two gentlemen from England. Soon we were called to dinner and we assembled with keen appetites for not yet had the rolling waves caused any disturbance.

The first night and day at sea is a thrilling experience. All is new

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Junior Men Eke Out a 39-23 Win While Frosh Girls Walk Away with a 20-5 Lead.

In the class series opener on Friday night November 2, the Juniors split a doubleheader. The Junior women, admittedly weak, went down before the fast stepping Frosh by the score of 20-5. Coach Anderson, with a scarcity of material, succeeded in building up a much stronger team than was expected. Watson and Scott led the offensive drives of the Freshmen while E. Donley did some good guarding. The Junior play was featured by the excellent guard game played by Dunlap who did not allow Shafer a field goal during the entire game. Scott was high scorer for the evening with nine points and was closely followed by her teammate Watson who scored eight. Paulsen scored three of the Juniors five points.

In the main clash of the evening the Juniors completely outclassed the Frosh 39-23 in a rough and hard-fought game. The Juniors, under the guidance of Capt. "Dick" Farnsworth, played rather inconsistently which was probably due to lack of practice. During the first quarter the Juniors stepped out into a lead and did not relinquish it throughout the game, although several times during the first half the Frosh were within one point of knotting the count. The Juniors were going in the first quarter and as the whistle blew they were out in front 12-5. As the second quarter opened the Freshmen put on a rally which brought them, up within reach of tying the score. Their spurt was brought up short however by what turned out to be by far the outstanding bit of play that the game produced. It was a very fast bit of passwork that found the Juniors taking the ball in under the Freshmen's basket and taking it down the floor to their basket with Captain "Dick" Farnsworth splitting the drapes for the twin pointer. As the whistle ended the half score was 18-12.

As the teams came out after the intermission the Junior offensive seemed to be working more smoothly and from then on until the end of the game they were slowly creeping away from a Freshman team which, although it was outclassed, was never outfought. As the final whistle blew the Juniors, though hard-pressed throughout, had won quite decisively 39-23. With about a minute left to play, the Junior subs were sent in and played well until the end of the game.

"Steve" Anderson was high scorer for the Juniors with 17 points which also made him scoring ace for the evening. Haight scored high for the Frosh with nine points while Hopkins scored seven. "Steve" Anderson and "Dick" Farnsworth played a high-class brand of ball for the Juniors while "Johnny" Hopkins played a good game for the Frosh.

In this victory over the Frosh team, the Juniors looked very strong and in the scramble for the class championship they should land right up there near the top.

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Editorial

WHY I AM IN FAVOR OF CLASS CUTS FOR UPPER CLASSMEN

A system of class cuts for upper classmen is desirable for many reasons: First, such a system should be limited to upper classmen because it often takes a Freshman part of two semesters to find himself, become adjusted and hit his intellectual stride. Also the bulk of extra curricular activities fall most heavily on the upper classmen. These activities are of two types: First, there is the traditional which must be maintained; second, the personal which involves training for and obtaining a position. These so called traditional activities are class parties, school publications, clubs, chorus work and athletic contests. The personal would include preparation for practice teaching and actually scouting around as a senior in pursuit of a position.

We would not favor unlimited cuts for any one but would favor a plan of class cuts as follows: A five hour course would offer 5.5 credits, a one hour course would give 1.1 credits. Each unexcused absence would deduct one tenth of one point. With such a plan an upper classman could actually be absent one week of classes for his five hour course and yet make five hours credit. Such a system also leave it more or less up to a student to make sufficient hours for graduation or else see the necessity of a summer session. A plan such as this may seem Utopian, nevertheless, a small college in Michigan tried it and found that it worked. Specific problems present themselves with this plan—most plans need to have the details worked out.

A system of class cuts would help to shift the burden of responsibility from the teacher to the student where it belongs. The faculty cannot be expected to follow every student about the rest of his days, making his decisions for him.

R. E. D.

"Failure to criticize our judgment is the obstacle that blocks the progress of many of us."

CLASS SERIES BEGINS (Continued From Page One)

LINE-UPS				Boys			
Girls				JUNIORS			
	FG	FP	TP		FG	FP	TP
JUNIORS				Anderson f.	8	1	17
Smith f.	0	0	0	Donelson f.	4	0	8
Burns f.	0	1	1	Loomis f.	0	0	0
Paulsen c.	1	1	3	Gere c.	1	2	4
Dunlap g.	0	1	1	Vogel c.	0	0	0
Record g.	0	0	0	Farnsworth g.	2	2	6
Cole g.	0	0	0	Goldberg g.	1	0	2
Totals	1	3	5	Moon g.	1	0	2
FRESHMEN	FG	FP	TP	White g.	0	0	0
Shafer f.	0	2	2	Totals	17	5	39
Isham f.	0	0	0	FRESHMEN	FG	FP	TP
Watson f.	4	0	8	Hopkins f.	3	1	7
Wright f.	0	0	0	Slater f.	1	1	3
Scott c.	4	1	9	Thompson c.	2	0	4
Brown c.	0	1	1	Kingsbury g.	0	0	0
Bohlayer g.	0	0	0	Hampton g.	0	0	0
Rose g.	0	0	0	Haight g.	4	1	9
				Totals	10	3	23

ALUMNI NEWS

N. R. Shaffer Tells of Birth of College Spirit

Dear Alumni:

We are pleased with advancement that Houghton College has made under the leadership of President Luckey and his co-workers. It was our pleasure to be a student at Houghton the last year of Prof. Bond's administration and the first year of Prof. Luckey's. During the first year of President Luckey's administration, we saw some of the evidences of the college spirit that now permeates the student body.

I believe some of the college yells were first practiced and given the evening we marched up to President Luckey's home carrying a sectional bookcase purchased by the students. Stanley Wright, Hall, Frasier, Thompsons and others were leaders in those days of the birth of the College spirit and also of the Houghton Star.

Mr. Hall was the composer of Houghton College song if I am not mistaken. Let the loyal sons and daughters carry on what was so well begun. Let her spiritual light shine and keep pace with her other developments.

Yours for a greater Houghton.

N. R. Shaffer

(Rev. and Mrs. Shaffer are pastors of the Erie Wesleyan Methodist Church.)

"Ede" Stearns Is Looking Forward to Homecoming

Dear Alumni,

Congratulations, Alumni, on picking such an ardent and energetic alumni committee! One has only to be seen in Houghton by one of the said committee and, presto, a letter is promised to the columns of our weekly planet. But we should not complain, for, after all, we do enjoy the results when someone else is the victim. And when this is published, I am confident that I can come to Houghton with no fear of the Al-doubt suffice.

In my Last "Star", (I was informed that it would be my last—but here's my dollar) I noticed that the plans are already under way for the next Home-Coming. I say that is a good work well begun. Thanks-giving is coming to mean that time of year when every true Houghtonite's heart is especially and particularly at Houghton. But the heart becomes cold if required to take too long a journey apart from the body. So, come along, Alumni, and keep your hearts warm.

Often, I like to reminisce (and I believe I am not peculiar in this respect) on my College days. Often too, I long to have the wheels of time turn back to four, or five, yes, even six years ago. Yet time is one wheel which refuses to turn backwards. Instead of living again that part of our lives, we must build up mock circumstances to refresh our memories and renew our youth. This the Home-Coming season does for us. Is it not possible that we need some invigorating recreation after another three months in the roles of dignified school teachers? If so "Come back to dear old Houghton". We're always welcomed there and most of us are always glad to go.

I have not missed an Alumni Home-Coming yet, nor do I intend to miss this one.

Yours for Houghton.

Edith Stearns '32

[It's all right Ede, I had it all coming and then some—]

Editor's Note

Lovina Mullen Discourses on the Interesting Work of Study Hall Supervisor

Dear Alumni,

It's funny the way people switch around in pursuit of happiness (no—I guess that's in the Constitution). What I meant was—in pursuit of a living but after all what's the difference? All right! All right! There's a difference.

(Time out here while I reason with a couple of boys who don't seem to have room enough under the table for two pairs of feet and as to which pair of feet shall be given the honor.)

Now this "living" proposition! Since leaving Houghton I have taught History and English which wasn't too big a shock after the initial one of really getting a job. This year I am Study Hall Supervisor and Librarian in Celoron. (That Supervisor business isn't my idea but after five weeks it seems like a good one)

It's really very interesting work except when someone wants me to track down an elusive Latin verb or figure out a little "Trig." (I can see that unholy grin on Rachel's and Prof. Stanley's faces from here).

Of course some of these young Swedes wonder at first if Irish women possessed the same talents which makes Irish men good "cops" but they weren't persistent about it and seem to be as reasonable as most people when they want to do something and suspect they shouldn't.

All in all it's fun. I always had a sneaking suspicion that teaching would be more enjoyable if you didn't have to worry about papers and "exams" and this seems to answer the qualifications.

I imagine the readers of the Star would enjoy a student's interpretation of my position. I think I'd be curious!

Sincerely,

Lovina A. Mullen '31

I want the Star and I'll send the dollar in the near future—near future being some time within 24 hours after pay day.



BETTY COE ('34) IS

A RURAL TEACHER

It seems to be the habit of the Alumni Editors to take advantage of us when we come back by asking us to write something about ourselves. Now, they should realize that there is not much of sensational interest to the public in the routine life of a teacher. However that may be, here are the meager facts.

I am teaching in a rural school about four miles from my home. Twenty-one pupils keep me busy from morning until night studying geography, history, and so forth. However, I like it and find it very interesting.

Elizabeth E. Coe
 24 Genesee St.
 Attica, New York



Barnard Howe Shows Appreciation of Houghton

Dear Editor:

Mr. Barnard H. F. Howe of the class of '34, better known to the most of us as "Barney", in writing to Rev. and Mrs. Arlin says this: "You don't know how I miss you and all the Houghton folks. It may seem strange, but all my real friends are those I made while there. To me Ho-ton is almost a sacred spot, for there I learned the value of friendship and it was there I learned to love the Lord Jesus in a deeper, truer sense. I'm coming more and more to believe that Houghton's program is filling a vital need in the educational world of today, and I am praying that she shall continue to say with Paul, 'Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect, but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.'"

In telling of his joy in worshipping the Lord in the beautiful churches of the city of New York he has this to say of a particular evening service he attended recently which was not in an exactly beautiful church: "In the evening a group went out to the Bronx to hear Billy Sunday's farewell message in a campaign he has been conducting there. It was the same 'Billy' we heard in Buffalo that time, remember? (and perhaps Prof. Wright does too) He is a little more calm and deliberate now, but the same old fire and passion was there, the same old picturesque ruggedness of phraseology, and the same old defiance of sin and the devil."

"It was just a small church, but what a relief to be able to feel a little spirituality! The seats were hard, the choir poorly trained and the piano 'tin-panny' but the Spirit of God was there and that's all that matters. It was a beautiful evening—we came home on the 'L' and the group rode in the forward platform of the car. It was like riding down an avenue ablaze with light. It might have been the 'glory road' for all the sordiness, all the dirt and grim, all the dingy apartments, all the poor wretches of the streets were hidden from sight by the kindly oblivion of the night."

Yours in Christ,

Barney.

We are sure that Barney will pay don us for making a part of this letter public, and in sharing it with others.

W. A. A.

Mr. Grover Bates '31 and Miss Alice Train of Attica were married recently.

A LITTLE NEWS FROM EVERETT R. DYER ('29)

Friendship, N. Y.,
 October 15, 1934.

Houghton Star,
 Houghton, New York.

Sirs:

All Allegany County teachers except those of Supervisory District No. I, and the teachers from two Districts of Steuben County met in Wellsville Wednesday and Thursday, October 10th and 11th. It was

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Evangelical Student

"Those things that were gain to me, these have I counted loss for Christ. Yea, I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord."

—Paul.

Honored Scholar Yields All to Serve Christ

John Sung went to his father, a Methodist minister in southern China, and pleaded to be sent to America where he might prepare for the ministry. Borrowing money for the passage, Pastor Sung saw his son leave for the United States, where the young man earned his bachelor degree in three years, working for all his expenses. Other degrees followed, with honor keys and academic recognition, and soon Dr. John Sung saw three lucrative positions awaiting him. Being a brilliant student of chemistry, he was much attracted by the opportunity offered him by the Government University in China, where he could devise new fatal poison gases and similar dealers of horrible death. But then came a Voice, calling him away from a life of murderous occupation to a life of service—service in the name of the Son of God. That Voice could not be denied; John Sung turned to theology.

As days of study passed in a well-known seminary in New York City, our Dr. Sung became alarmed. The Bible was indifferently torn asunder, portions were deleted, Christ's resurrection was disproved, the miracles were negated, the atonement was rendered unnecessary. John Sung shut himself up with his Bible, he prayed, and Christ came to dwell within him. He charged one of America's most widely known preachers, who taught in the seminary, with shattering the faith which he was pledged to proclaim, and presently some of the good women of the church secured his detention in a psychopathic hospital! After some months of observation, the psychiatrists declared they could discover no mental derangement in this man who delighted to read his Bible. Then John Sung was set on a ship bound for China, deported.

On the wide expanse of the Pacific, there came thoughts of many things, thoughts of positions still open, professorships, honor, power. But there was the Voice, low, insistent. Suddenly John Sung arose, flung overboard his six diplomas and three honor keys, crying, "Now, Satan, tempt me no more." Peace flooded his soul.

Today John Sung is one of God's most beloved servants in that great land in the Far East. Missionaries, teachers and students in mission schools, ministers of long standing, multitudes look to him as the man who pointed them the way to God. Although he is associated with only a small seemingly insignificant group, the Lord is bringing to this man honor that will abide through eternity.

"Forbid it Lord that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God,

All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood."

—***—

Giving God the Best

This is a touching story a missionary tells of a Hindu mother who had two children, one of them blind. The mother said her god was angry, and must be appeased or something worse would come to pass.

One day the missionary returned and the little bed had but one child in it. The mother had thrown the other into the Ganges.

"And you cast away the one with the good eyes?"

Final Services Held in the Old Church

For the last time, students and regular members filed into the little church while they had learned to love for the blessed Christian fellowship there enjoyed. Professor Kreckman directed in song and the choir rendered a touching arrangement of Vail's "The Christian Life."

The Rev. Mr. Wiseman, who has been conducting a series of vital Christian talks at chapel for more than a week, brought the morning message, taking his text from John 4:35, "Lift up your eyes and look." In his characteristic mild, yet eloquent, style of address, he drew home the indispensability of vision in the fulfilling of God's plan for us. "God's plan for us," he affirmed us. Pentecostal evangelism—"go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel." Continuing, he asserted "The Church has the solution of the problem of the present hour, and its mission is to bring an original change into the human situation and a spiritual change into human affairs." In conclusion he brought out forcibly that the practical outcome of vision is a new conception of God.

The evening service was characterized by a series of touching testimonies directed by President Luckey. Staunch old church members, meliorated with the ripeness of Christian maturity, told of their affiliation with the church and stirred all with tears, shed over the abandoning of the old building.

The Rev. Mr. Pitt, expounded from Isaiah 4:40, delivered a deeply stirring sermon, showing clearly the necessity of going forward in Christ's work with that spiritual vigor that characterizes even those on whom time has left its stamp, but who still "mount up with wings." "The law of progress is change," he contended "and we must realize there is a race to be run." The promise is also to those who walk, for although many Christians appear on fire for Christ during periods of revival, God wants His people to live victoriously in the ordinary round of daily tasks. Concerning transition, Mr. Pitt made one outstanding statement: "reverence for precedent is not honoring God."

VILLAGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. William Calkins have a little girl, Shirley Ann. She came to them October 26.

Mrs. Georgia Russell is spending some time with her son Cecil and family near Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Bethel J. Babbitt of Chicago visited his mother recently while on their way to New York on a business trip. Mr. Babbitt works in the scientific department of the Western Electric Company in Chicago.

Two sisters, a brother, and a brother-in-law of Mr. Alex Steese visited his home over the week end. They were: Mrs. Alima Aintz of Canton, Ohio, Mr. Melvin Steese of Barberton, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thiles of Ravenna, Ohio.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Carter of Albany, New York, have been recent guests of Prof. and Mrs. Wilfred Bain. Dr. Carter is the state supervisor of Public School Music of University of the State of New York.

"Oh, yes," she said, "my god must have the best."

Alas! Alas! the poor mother had a true doctrine, but she had put it to bad use. Let us try to give God the best. Too long already have we put Him off with the drippings of life's over-full cup.

—The Evangelical Christian

Star Sport Flashes

The list of undefeated grid machines again dwindled Saturday with several leading teams suffering their initial reverses of the season. Included among these were Dartmouth, Army, Georgetown, Penn State and the University of Chicago. Slowly but surely the field of national title contenders is narrowing down to a few select teams in each section of the country.

In the east, Columbia defeated a fighting Red team from Cornell 14-0, Fordham eked out a 14-13 decision over Tennessee in their third inter-sectional battle of the season and Syracuse kept their slate clean with a 16-0 victory over previously unbeaten Penn State. Princeton and Harvard, after a lapse of seven years in their athletic relations, resumed rivalries, Princeton winning 19-0. The Yale jinx still holds sway as the Bulldog turned back Dartmouth for the Indian's first loss of the campaign 7-2. Navy again gave evidence that she is going places this year defeating W. & L. 26-0. Pop Warner's Temple eleven remained undefeated, beating Holy Cross 14-0 and Pittsburg trounced Notre Dame 19-0 at Pittsburg.

In the midwest, Michigan State nosed out Marquette 13-7 and Minnesota's juggernaut blasted its way to a 34-0 victory over Michigan. Purdue gave Chicago its first defeat 26-20 while Illinois was likewise upsetting Army 7-0 for the Cadet's first loss of the season.

In the far west, Stanford defeated U.C.L.A. 27-0, Santa Clara beat California 20-0 and Washington won from Oregon State 14-7. Southern football found Tulane beating Mississippi 15-0, Southern Methodist and Texas battling to a 7-7 draw and Alabama beating Kentucky 34-14.

As the 1934 football season begins the last half of the campaign our choice for national honors include Syracuse, Navy, and Princeton in the east; Minnesota and Michigan State in the midwest; Stanford and Washington on the coast with Alabama, Tulane and Louisiana State providing hopes for the south. The battle for the mythical title of national football championship should provide plenty of thrills for the fans during these last few weeks of the season.

The class basketball series got off to an auspicious start last Friday night when the Juniors downed the Frosh in a fast and rough contest. This year's race for the school championship gives promise of keen competition and may compare favorably with last year's series which was decided only after the most bitter struggle. At present, the Sophs and Juniors are the favorites to fight it out for top honors. The Seniors are handicapped by a scarcity of material due to the inability of Stamp and Burr to participate and to the failure of several of last year's stars to return to school. The Frosh, on the other hand, have a wealth of material to pick from and they may yet prove to be a nemesis to any of the other teams with which they come in contact. Then, too, the entrance of the high school into the league would throw the race wide open as they possess several players capable of holding their own with most of the college performers. The series will continue this week with the Sophs and Seniors clashing on Friday night (Nov. 9).

The basketball games thus far have been devoid of any organized cheering sections. The class series are just getting under way, you sport's enthusiasts. Let's show our class spirit. Get out there and show your team that you are back of them 100%.



Wilfred C. Bain

Leader Emphasizes Inner Sincerity in Service

Many of those attending last Tuesday evening's prayer service were keenly aware of God's presence. The singing was led by Willard Smith and accompanied by Gordon Curty.

Roscoe Fancher, being in charge of the service, based his remarks on the fifth chapter of Galatians, emphasizing inner sincerity as the essential of a productive Christian life. He said that the everyday "little" sins of gossip, contention over minor details, hard feelings, and the like are akin to the more flagrant works of the flesh, such as murders, drunkenness, idolatry, and seditions. The Christian who hopes to serve and please God must flee from these evils, and seek the true fruit of the Spirit, which is "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance."

The periods of prayer occupied the greater part of the service, and the Spirit of God surely manifested Himself as His children raised their voices and hearts in prayer. The testimonies were characterized by notes of joy and gratitude to God.

Dorothy Kenyon Leads Meeting on October 30

Miss Dorothy Kenyon led last Tuesday's student prayer meeting, "so then every one of us shall give account of himself to God," Romans 14:12.

The hymn service was under the direction of Miss Florence Smith with Miss Florence Clissold at the piano.

Miss Kenyon emphasized the fact that the account we would have to give to God would be inescapable, strict and personal.

We will further be held accountable for what we might have done—the souls we might have saved, the prayers we might have offered, she added.

The testimonies revealed, on the part of those who participated, a joy and peace in Christ and a sincere desire to serve Him.

Forensic Union Program

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First order of music String Quartet
"Minuet" by Dittensdorf
Extemporaneous speech

Merritt Queen
Essay "The Psychology of Hallowe'en"

Doris Lee
Reading (poem) "The History of Hallowe'en"

Florence Smith
"Nine Little Goblins"

Marjorie Filson
Book Review "Mother" by Kathleen Norris

Second order of music
String Quartet

"Ave Verum" by Mozart

Impromptu speeches

"Why I Do Not Study for Exams"

Marvin Goldberg

"Aroma de Palecat"

Purla Bates

Marvin Goldberg

"What I Really Think About Neckties"

Esther Fancher

Parliamentary Drill

Professor Bain

Has Article

in

Musical Review

Often we have seen the name of some musician and educator ascribed to an article of some little importance in our current music magazines and with a little touch of pride, can say we have heard him play or sing or speak. It was with considerably more pride and agreeable surprise that students and friends of Professor Wilfred C. Bain discovered his name heading an article entitled *The A Cappella Choir* in the June issue of the *Musical Review*.

Professor Bain is not only an alumni of Houghton College but is at the present, Instructor of Voice and Theory and director of the College A Cappella Choir. Mr. Bain took his work in piano and following his graduation, secured a teaching position in Central College in North Carolina. Not satisfied with his education, he decided to take graduate work at Cornell in the Westminster Choir School and here was his first contact with an A Cappella Choir. During his first year he was chosen a member of the famous Westminster Choir, an unusual honor for a new student. His association here with the beautiful music of the church enriched his life and created in him a desire to study more of the old masters. After his graduation he returned to his college Alma Mater; no longer a student but a teacher.

His first official capacity was to reorganize the old glee clubs into the present A Cappella Choir. Many members of the faculty and upper-classmen remember the announcement of tryouts for the first Houghton College A Cappella Choir. Professor Bain showed unusual ability in choosing voices and organizing his first choir amid the dubious comments of onlookers who did not share the burst of pride of many, the Houghton College Choir sang its first concert and began to gain a name for the institution in the choir world. Professor Bain has continued the good work, having studied each summer to meet his increasing responsibility.

Following the concert of the choir over the National Broadcasting Company hook up last year. Mr. Bain was asked to write for the *Musical Review* his article, *The A Cappella Choir*, tells the origin of the word A Cappella, the value of this type of singing, a little of the development.

The faculty and students feel fortunate to have Professor Bain at Houghton, not alone for his successful work, but also for his enthusiasm which is an inspiration to many.

conducted by Harold Boon
Forensic Humor Ellen Donley
Criticisms John McIntire

Business of the meeting included the election to membership of thirteen candidates. John McIntire and Malcolm Cronk were elected as critics, while Allen Smith and Herbert Stevenson now fill positions as sergeants-at-arms.

Varsity manager, Marvin Goldberg reported correspondence with thirteen colleges relative to intercollegiate debates. Favorable response has been reported from Hartwick Elmira, and Hobart colleges and Niagara University.

Grace Smith Sec'y.



Food for Thought

We were aroused from our reveries by this enlightened statement in the course of the Soph-Frosh debate some days ago: "Here the Freshmen are coming in by leaps and bounds"—well, we used to hop around when we were young, so they say

Prof. Bain directed the baritones of the A Capital Choir to sing an opening note as if they were yelling at someone over at the dorm. Now they don't know whether to yodel or bring along their guitars for a strain (?) of "Sweet Adeline."

A Chinaman, braiding his queue
Chanced to drop the tip end in some glueue,
With a horrified crye,
He made use of some dye,
Now the glueue on his queue is quite blueue.

Introducing Mr. Orven Hess, who, among other things attends a class in History of Western Europe. The question before the house dealt with Charlemagne. Said Orven—"Oh, wasn't he the one who just naturally threw up everything?"

... Something he et, no doubt ...

His honor, Mr. Burt Willet, came tearing his hair and wildly gesticulating, finally making his speech intelligible to the effect that here we were using his nursery rhymes and not giving him any credit for it. We hereby take space to announce that if anyone would care to hear recitations of "Little Bo-Peep" and such-like, make your appointments early with the aforesaid Mr. Willet.

Beth Harmon: Hey, Allan, where's your sister?

Allan Smith: She's inside playing a duet—I finished first!

Tall Story No. 556,789: It seems a certain farmer was driving a load of corn during a particularly warm day in July. The heat became so intense that the corn popped, showering all over the farmer and his horse. The horse, thinking he was in the midst of a great snow-storm, promptly lay down and froze to death.

During the course of their erratic journeys, two somewhat inebriated men were involved in a smash-up. The cop on the beat accosted them thus: "Which one of you was driving?" And the steadier of the potted gents answered: "Neither of ust wast drivin', assifer—we wast both in the back seat!"

Hickory dickory dock,

A pestiferous rodent pearmbulated vertically athwart an horlogical timepiece.

The horological timepiece indicated that the hour was of unitary value.

The pestiferous rodent retraced his steps vertically.

Hickory dickory dock.

What a profit we'd make if we bought some people at our price and sold them at theirs.

Some time ago, but not too long to be forgotten, the worthy head waiter at the dorm made this announcement: "Floors of the dormitory halls will be waxed at one o'clock. Girls please act accordingly." Apparently clear—but some of the waggish residents tried to avail themselves of the chance to turn the halls into skating rinks!

It was a terrible shock to be served hash the next day after Rev. Tullar's account of cannibal customs.

The choir number, "I Beheld Her, Beautiful as a Dove", puts us in mind of several zoological specimens around here—none of them particularly dove-like, however. Our particular pet hate at this moment is the individual who chose to yodel, "Try 'n see it my way, baby", when we were listening to Brahms' "Cradle Song". Any suggestion of a merger failed to soothe our wounded feelings.

SENTENCE PHILOSOPHIES

Well-conceived plans clear the way for their execution.

If we hope to amount to anything, we must break away from the herd.

The people who are doing their jobs best seem to be having a very good time.

! Frosh !

After the frantic rumors running rampant among the Frosh concerning the questionnaires recently handed out, we hope the following recital of vital statistics from the Freshman class will clear up all fears and speculations.

Twelve questions were the order of the day, ranging from a mere statement of likes and dislikes to a declaration of a possible life work.

Of the class, which numbers well over a hundred, seven were valedictorians of their high school classes. Six laid claim to having been salutatorians, and fifteen were class president at some time or other during their high school career. Also, eighteen held some office other than president during their senior year. Six had the honor of earning state scholarships, one of which was turned back—and sixteen will soon be sought out to join that famous organization, the P. K.'s—Preachers' kids.

Coming right down to the question of what they really are in school for, odd, strange and curious facts were brought out concerning some of our well-known departments of college education around here. History and Religious Education tied for first place as majors, with Math a close second. The majority of the college's youngest considered Freshman Bible to be easiest, Mathematics coming in second again. On the other hand, Math had the highest score as the hardest subject, with English placing next. Again, Math and English were evenly given the preference as best-liked subjects. It was also noted that every department in school was represented in one way or another.

Questioned as to their plans after graduation, the answers were many and varied. Many frankly admitted that they didn't know. A great majority plan to teach school; several plan to enter the ministry and as many more desire to be missionaries. Of those brave souls who choose to leave the beaten paths and be different, we would take off our (?) hat to one in particular: Elton Kahler says his ambition is to be a good New York State hobo!!!

The hobbies of the college greenlings also cover a wide stretch of territory. Reading, sewing and cooking predominate among the girls (And this in a modern generation of—oh, skip it!) and the boys prefer sports as a rule—golf, hunting, basketball, football and so on. Members of both sides of the house have a particular fondness for music—and the collecting instinct includes everything from match clips to window boxes. One enthusiastic collector told us his hobby was "philately" and suggested we might have to look it up in a dictionary. We wish to assure him at this time that we are quite aware of what it means without Webster's assistance. We would especially congratulate those three who proclaim "living" to be their favorite pastime. But of all the motely company, we wish to present two who deserve places in the Hall of Fame: Raymond Johnston says his hobby is studying human nature with a parenthetical "girls especially", and James Bellows simply says "women." We predict great things for these hardy pioneers..

Alumni Trip to Europe

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and exciting. The fading shores of the homeland, the great expanse of ocean, the uncertain feeling beneath your feet, the adjustments to state room life, the new faces and associates, the pleasure on deck and in the luxurious lounges, the tang of salt air, and the continual throb of the monster engines, all combine to make you feel that a new and strange experience is just beginning

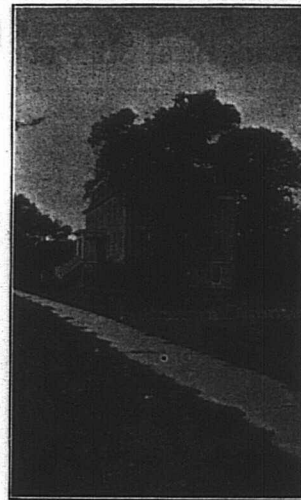
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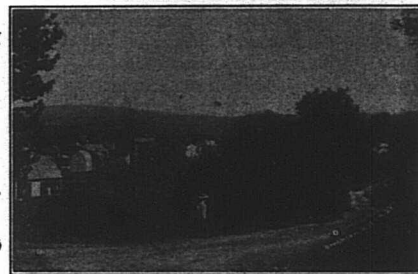
It Appeared About

Fifteen Years Ago



The Road Leading
from the Village
to the Campus

Was a Mere Cow-
path in those Days



Do You Want to See What's Going On

BY ESTHER BOHLAYER

If you do, why not let us all try to keep the bulletin boards looking neat?

Take the size of the paper for instance. If one notice is about two inches square and the one right beside it is a foot square, just think how much wider one has to open his eyes to see the second one. This is a great strain on the eye, and it certainly does not add to the appearance of the board. It would help exceedingly if everyone would co-operate in trying to keep the size of the notices uniform as far as possible—about the size of bibliography cards 6 x 4.

It would also help a great deal if the notices would be removed as soon as the request on them has been fulfilled, and the one who put them up should be responsible for taking them down. Of course there are exceptions, such as the students' advertisements.

I think we all know by now the uses of the various bulletin boards. The one across from President Luckey's office is for the faculty; the one across from the business office is for the business office, the lost and found, and student advertising; and the one at the head of the stairs is for the classes and other organizations.

Won't you please all co-operate and start right away by taking down your "state" signs? Thank you.

ALUMNI NEWS

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interesting to note the increasing number of former Houghton students at this Conference. This is my sixth year at Friendship and I have seen the number increased from less than a dozen to this year's group of 28, (I may have failed to see all the Houghtonites, but I had two friends checking the list with me).

Present were: Silas Anderson, Wilfred Bain, Beulah Brown, Gladys Brown, Vivian Bunnell, Alfred Colburn, Alton Cronk, Laurel Davies, Anna Duggan, Everett Dyer, Bessie Fancher, Lillis Fancher, Marietta Fancher, Wm. Farnsworth, Mabel Farwell, Richard Farwell, Mrs. Paul Fuller (Mary Alice Sloan), Frieda Gillette, Herman Knowles, Ruby Moore, Raymond Pitzrick, Mrs. Raymond Pitzrick (Vivian Mills), Catherine Snyder, Clarice Spencer, Carleton Safford, Steve Todd, Marion Updyke, Celia Williams.

I understood Misses Fancher and Gillette and Messrs. Bain and Cronk were speakers at Sectional Meetings. Add to these names the names of those teachers in Superintendent Tuthill's District and it appears that Houghton College is sharing quite generously in the teaching appointments in the County.

Sincerely,

Everett R. Dyer '29

Every dishonest man was honest, until temptation got the better of him.

The following practice schedule for class basketball has been arranged and is to be closely observed.

Senior Women 4:30 - 5:30; Thursday, 4:45 - 5:30
Senior Men Tuesday, 6:00 - 6:50; Thursday, 6:15 - 7:00
Junior Women Wednesday 1:30 - 2:30; 4:00 - 4:45
Junior Men Monday, 6:30 - 7:30; Friday, 6:15 - 7:15

Sophomore Women Tuesday 4:45 - 5:30; Wednesday, 4:45 - 5:30
Sophomore Men Wednesday, 4:00 - 4:45; Friday, 2:00 - 3:00

Freshmen Women Tuesday, 4:00 - 4:45; Friday, 1:00 - 2:00
Freshmen Men Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:30; Thursday, 7:00 - 7:45.

High School Girls Tuesday, 3:15 - 4:00; Thursday, 3:30 - 4:30.
High School Boys Monday, 3:30 - 4:30; Wednesday, 3:15 - 4:00

On Saturday afternoons, the gym will be open to the girls from 1:00 to 3:00 and to the fellows from 3:00 to 5:00.