

# THE HOUGHTON STAR

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## SOPHS VICTORIOUS IN INITIAL DEBATE

### Student Party Makes Ghastly Attire Fashion

Spooky Initiation Precedes  
The Donning of Sheets  
And Paper Bags

### Baby Care a la Webster

Refreshments and Activities  
Of the Clean-up Gang  
Conclude Evening

Those who attended the Halloween party given by the student council assisted by members of the student body on Oct. 30 found the recreation hall decorated with black cats, witches, and skulls, while the aroma of hay and cornstalks, spread profusely about the floor, pervaded the air. A realistic "moon" lighted one corner. Ghosts clad in their own or borrowed sheets and masks of paper sacks flitted gaily around the hall trying to distinguish one from the other. Upon entering the hall each was politely requested to pass singly through the chamber of horrors. Here a clammy ghost-hand, a black cat lately of the zoology lab, and a blood-chilling death's-head bearing a marked resemblance to Bruce Fairfield caused shrieks of varying proportions.

Having survived this ordeal each received from Lois Roughan in the guise of a witch a slip of paper bearing the name of a song. Contests in group singing of songs such as "London Bridge" and "Swanee River" followed in which the "ghosts" displayed surprisingly life-like lung power when urged on by conductor Bob Crosby.

A spelling bee supervised by Bruce Densmore enabled all to remove their masks and sheets and learn the identity of their neighbors.

Under Coach McNeese's competent direction several games were played. Reuben and Rachel appeared  
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### Scrap-book Found Among One- Thousand Memorial Collection

In the collection of one thousand Lucky Memorial Books given to the library is one book which contains an item of interest. This book, "My Golden School Days", originally owned by Ruth Luckey, has carefully pasted on a page headed "Invitations, Programs, and Clippings", a commencement program for Houghton Seminary graduating class of 1915. Listed in the class are several names well known to the present student body.

As secretary of the class and salutarian we find Bess M. Fancher who is now associate professor of education in the college. The valedictorian of the class was Ira S. Bowen, now connected with the California Institute of Technology, who

### CALENDAR

Monday, Nov. 8  
Social Science Club  
Mission Study Class  
Art Club  
Tuesday, Nov. 9  
Students' Prayer Meeting—  
7:00 p.m.  
Lecture, Dr. Strong—8:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Nov. 10  
Chorus Rehearsal  
Thursday, Nov. 11  
Band Rehearsal  
Friday, Nov. 12  
Chapel 9:45 A. M.  
Rev. A. B. Machlin  
Junior-Senior B. B. Game  
In evening Rev. A. B. Machlin  
gives Passover in the church  
Monday, Nov. 15  
Forensic Union 6:45  
Don Cossack Chorus 8:15

### His Hobby Becomes Profession In Case Of Herbert Strong

In the lecturer who comes to our platform on November 9, we have a man who turned a hobby into a profession. Starting out as a designer of fabrics, Mr. Strong took up the science of color merely as a hobby. From all parts of the world he gathered specimens of nature's colors in birds, insects, minerals, and other mediums, which he incorporated in designs. This soon developed into a study of the phenomena of color by use of the ultra-violet ray and polarized light.

Polarized light has taken on a new significance. Principles can be demonstrated which might be employed in the large scale, everyday applications of polarized light, which the invention of an inexpensive large-area polarizer has now made possible—glare-free automobile headlights, three-dimensional movies in full color glass testing devices for industry, sun glasses discriminate between glare and useful illumination, glareless light for reading and working, and many other developments.

### Belden First MD Teaching At Houghton

Was a Lieutenant in Medical  
Corps During Part  
Of World War

### Early Education Abroad

Taught in Various Colleges  
Previous To Six-Year  
Stay at N. Y. U.

This year's N. Y. U. extension course features the first medical doctor to grace our halls of learning. This personage is none other than Dr. Alvin E. Belden whose life has been colorful from his first glimpse of daylight on a Louisiana plantation. The plantation was located just outside the historically famous St. Martinsville where the Evangeline of Longfellow's poem, contrary to verse, married and raised a large family.

While yet a very small lad, Master Belden and parents moved to England where they visited a branch of the Belden family which had been in Kent since the Norman conquest. After a year his parents returned to their home but he stayed in England where he received his grammar school education and part of his high school work. The rest of his high school days were spent in France and Switzerland. "European college boys," stated Dr. Belden, "are very interested in American authors and are especially fond of Cooper and Hawthorne, while Sinclair Lewis gives them no end of delight as they believe he symbolizes the true American spirit."

After completing his high school work at the age of sixteen, Dr. Belden came back to this country to enter Columbia University. He was immediately impressed with the difference in the two hemispheres.  
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### Two Concert Dates Are Filled by Choir Including A Broadcast over WBEN

Fulfilling two concert engagements, the Houghton capella choir sang in Buffalo on Oct. 29 appearing before the music supervisors of the Western New York Teachers Association in the forenoon and broadcasting over a national hook-up of the red network of the National Broadcasting Company from station WBEN in the afternoon.

The morning appearance was made in one of Buffalo's modern elementary schools at which the music division of the teacher's convention was in session. The program presented was as follows:

O Thou in Whose Presence  
Lewis-Cain  
Fum! Fum! Fum! Arr. Schindler  
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### Federal Control of Munitions Question Is Contention Point For Start of Inter-class War

### Mid-term Exams Scheduled For One Day Later

As we go to press, word has been received that mid term exams, formerly scheduled for the first three days of next week, will be shoved along one day. In short, the exams will occur on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday instead of on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Otherwise the schedule remains unchanged. Please watch the bulletin board.

### Havill and Sheffer, Victors Uphold Negative Side Of Contest

### Lynip Acts As Chairman

Faculty Judges, Rork, Wright,  
Rosenberger Render  
The Decision

The class debate series, sponsored by the Forensic Union, was begun Wednesday morning when the sophomore team, composed of Walter Sheffer and Thelma Havill, defeated the freshman debaters, Billie Waaser and Lloyd Elliott on the question: Resolved: that the Federal government should own and operate munitions industries. The affirmative side was upheld by the freshmen, the negative by the sophomores.

Billie Waaser opened the debate for the affirmative. The evil practices of the munitions companies demand a change, she declared. Among these practices she included the fact that they promote wars for personal profit.

Thelma Havill presented the first negative case. First, there is no need for a change, she said, because privately owned munitions have proved adequate in time of war. They have never failed the government in former wars. Also, they are best equipped for developing new devices. Second, government-owned munitions would encourage armament. It would increase the unit cost of production because of the present antiquated machinery and the uncertainty of Congressional appropriations.

Lloyd Elliott maintained that the proposed plan is best because it is practical. The cost is not prohibitive. Substitutes for the plan have not worked. Private munitions have violated arms embargoes. The plan would remove the evils of the present system by taking the profit out of war. The government would not sell to both sides.  
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### Ministerial Hears Discussion On Call, Study, and Rewards

"As ambassadors for Christ we have a work to perform which will tell for time and eternity," Robert Crosby, president of the Ministerial Association, said Monday evening, November 1. "We are considering this evening," he said, "the ministerial call, his study, and his rewards." He then introduced the Rev. Robert Ferm who spoke on the "Call to the Ministry."

Mr. Ferm advised that one should not go into the ministry if he could be contented in any other work. The Lord has a place for every man that He calls. The call

should be so definite that when times of trial come there is no doubt about it. When the Lord calls anyone to the ministry he is able to perform. There must be no selfish motive in entering the Lord's work.

Mr. Willis Elliott presented the subject of "The Minister in His Study." Great intellectuality and profound piety must characterize the person who would be great in the service of the Lord. At least five hours per day should be devoted to study. The main study should be the Bible both in original languages and in the English. Other general  
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## The EDITOR'S DESK

### EDITORIAL ON EDITORIALS

Since this is the last issue for the quarter, it might not be inappropriate to summarize for the *Star* readers our policy thus far. We feel that an editorial should say something (if we fail, please inform us through the *Letters to the Editor* column). Criticism in a constructive sense should be fundamental... that is, if we find fault we should make suggestions or present alternatives.

The college paper should be the "seeing eye" in regard to campus life. We are a medium through which the administration may obtain student reaction. That is the ideal, not the fact. Sociologically Houghton is not a face-to-face group, we are a 'mouth-to-mouth' group. Student opinion can never be effective by employing this means. However, there does not seem to be enough direct student-administration contact. Most of us have forgotten there is a student council.

Thus far we have called attention to:

1. *Habitual use of the bulletin boards.* The student council is to be commended on their organization of announcements.
2. *Student support of the Artist series.* Professor Cronk wishes to thank the student body for their fine cooperation.
3. *Our need for more complete medical exams.* ?
4. *Making a course in Marriage and the Family a required subject for upperclassmen, with a prerequisite in Hygiene.* We have been very pleased with the generally favorable response. We heartily agree with the many approving comments regarding Dr. Douglas' talk in Pre-Med chapel.
5. *Things we wonder about:* including the tangled club schedule; an ice skating rink at the foot of the hill; the inauguration of a program of amateur dramatics; chapel talks on health... We are glad to note the investigation of the club schedule by the Forensic Union; rumors of plans regarding the rink; the reorganization of the Expression club.

Our policy is constructive criticism. Our aim is to present this criticism from the student viewpoint. Our ideal is to secure the complete cooperation of the administration and student body in realizing that certain problems exist by frank presentation of our criticism.

We wonder if we may have the library open Saturday afternoons. For those students spending the week-end on the campus it provides an excellent opportunity for catching up on some of the longer assignments.

We invite the president of the student council to use this department two weeks from now for outlining the policy of that organization, or in presenting any aspect of the council's program which he wishes to emphasize.

We urge more frequent use of the *Letters to the Editor* column. This is open to students, alumni and faculty members alike. Please keep your letters less than 150 words and please sign your name or initials.

## Personnel of the Seniors

### Margaret Brownlee

"Words cannot express all that Houghton means to me. May I ever keep true to her standard," was the sincerely spoken sentiment of Margaret Brownlee when she was asked what Houghton meant to her.

Looking back upon her life, we see that it has been one of worthwhile attainments. She was born in Conifer, New York, on May 18, 1917. A few years later the enrollment list of Pierrepont Manor Grammar School added the name of Margaret Grace Brownlee to its numbers. Before she entered high school, her family moved to Mansville, New York, and it was here that she matriculated as a freshman in high school. Her four years there were busy and profitable. Her active participation in extra-curricular affairs—such as senior play, student council, and newspaper staff—did not hinder her education, for we find that the senior year found Miss Brownlee excelling in classes. After graduating as salutatorian of her class, she registered at Houghton College.

Her career here at Houghton has been noteworthy. Talented with a good voice, she sang for two years in the chapel choir. Her interests being directed toward her major, social science and her minor, English, she joined the Social Science club and the Forensic Union. The Expression club also claimed her attention.

When this year draws to a close, Miss Brownlee looks forward to a career in the teaching profession, and considering her past experience, it cannot be doubted but that success will crown her endeavors.

## Warsaw Bacteriologist Lectures to Pre-Medics

"Cases of malaria were recorded in Arabic literature 400 years before Christ," declared Mr. Kenneth Brewster, bacteriologist of the Warsaw hospital at Warsaw, N. Y., speaking before the Pre-med Club on Monday evening, Nov. 1.

With "Malaria in the American Tropics" as his subject, Mr. Brewster related his experiences while in the employ of the United Fruit Company of South America. He emphasized the severity of the relentless warfare carried on against the malarial germ by enumerating some of his tasks which included a complete malarial survey every four months of the 20,000 workers on the banana plantation where he was employed.

Mr. Brewster included in his talk a short history of malarial research and gave blackboard illustrations of the development of the fever.

## MINISTERIAL

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study and reading should not be neglected.

Our pastor, Mr. Black, then spoke on the "Rewards of the Ministry." He pointed out that if one enters the ministry for the sake of rewards he cannot win. However, God will reward his faithful servants in due season. The joy of a minister's soul is to see new souls coming into the kingdom of God. The task of the minister is to look after God's business, then God will take care of the minister's business.

Miss Leona Davis conducted the devotional period. Professor Frank Wright gave the critic's report. A short business session concluded the evening's program.

We feel that the Ministerial Association is "going places" this year. If you are a prospective minister or missionary you should be in this splendid organization.

### Margaret Clement

On March 6, 1918, in the town of Arcade, little Margaret came into being. She attended grammar school in Allentown, N. Y. Following this she attended two years of high school in New Haven, and graduated from Mexico High in 1934.

While in high school she participated in the extra-curricular activities of dramatics and softball.

Margaret entered Houghton College in the fall of 1934, majoring in English. She is a member of the Expression Club, W. Y. P. S. and the chorus.

At present, Margaret is having her try at practice teaching. Since her father is a teacher, Margaret expects to follow in his footsteps.

While looking back on her four years of training here she states that: "It has been one of the greatest privileges of my life to attend Houghton, a Christian college. I shall always cherish its memories and my friends among both faculty and students."

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## LETTERS To The EDITOR

Dear Ed:

As an enthusiastic "Star" fan, I implore your reporters to cease trying to pull the wool over our eyes if they 'know the facts'. If they are somewhat ignorant of the situation, naturally they do not merit the assignment.

I, for one, failed to be particularly impressed at such blaring headlines as: *Student Council Aiming at More Efficient Action*, which appeared in the issue of Oct. 30, '37. Perhaps the fact that I served two years as a member of that austere organization caused me to be somewhat amused as I noticed this caption. My amusement grew from ear to ear as I read down through the article, which concluded with:

"The student council substantiated a vote of the faculty pertaining to certain omissions from the handbook next year. It is also exchanging questionnaires with about thirty other colleges in regard to the activities of their respective councils."

And what, I ask, if the council had not substantiated such a vote? The answer is obvious.

Naturally it would be the council who "substantiated a vote" and played "yes" man! For that group dares propose hardly a thing more than that we should eat our three meals per day. Nor can they be blamed! We don't see many poor peasants stepping up to Hitler and telling him where to disembark; and certainly no group is more dictated to than is our representative (?) body under discussion. No, indeed. The "A's" stand out with sufficient clearness that such minor details as personal convictions cannot stand on the slippery skin of well-polished apples!

Again I repeat—the council itself is not to be blamed. On the contrary, we as students, are at fault and I for one wish to say that if we cannot have a representative group, selected wholly by us as students and working to accomplish our purposes, instead of a faculty-nominated body laboring under the heavy thumb of the faculty which nominated them, it would be better far to dissolve the latter farce!

J. H.

Roy Albany, accompanied by the "Trumpet Trio"—William Grosenor, Henry Ortlip and Loren Taylor—and Fenton Bennett, held the evening service in the First Baptist Church of Salamanca, Oct. 31.

## The HOKUM WEAKLY EFFORT

By Bilgie

No longer do earthquakes rock the campus, ghosts and goblins prey on poor innocent people, or masked figures frighten away law-abiding citizens on Halloween. At least it no more seems to be the case in Houghton. To tell the truth, besides a few signs from George's Garage scattered about the campus the morning after, the only thing different I noticed was that someone had started to build a new house on the hill behind the college. Things have certainly tamed down considerably since two years ago. Remember the cows, wagons, and sleighs parked at various dorms, and the old car that was placed on the steps of the administration building—all with the aid of Prof. Stanley Wright? And do you remember how, in a frenzy, Worth Cott attempted to get the girls out of the dorm when old terra firma began to rock and reel? Them were the days! Next year we'll probably celebrate All Saints night by feasting on bread and milk and then going to bed.

Oh, yes. Someone did say that there were some girls who got permission to leave the dorm and squeal for an hour and a half.

The English Methods class was given the assignment to choose a poem and illustrate exactly how they would teach it to a class of their own. Tom Ellis was called upon to choose between Gray's "Elegy in a Country Church-yard" and Goldsmith's "Deserted Village". Thomas thoughtfully considered the matter for a moment. Then, "Well, I guess, that if it were a class in Houghton," he drawled, "it would be best to take something with which they would be familiar. Therefore, I would choose 'The Deserted Village.' As I once heard an after-dinner speaker mention—that reminds me of a story. One of the *Star* reporters was writing up the account of the choir trip to the state WCTU convention at Hornell on October 19. She had done well until she had nearly half of it finished when she said something like this (This was corrected before it went into print). "In keeping with the occasion, Miss Helen Louise Herr sang *Consider the Lilies*."

I don't suppose you have really had opportunity to notice, but if you have been in the very near vicinity of the face of a few of the boys staying at the Moses House, it is possible that you know what is going on. For the last three weeks or so, these few have been doing their best to grow a mustache. Perhaps if the boys would all get together and attempt the same mustache, there would be enough for a mediocre soup-sieve. The other night Melvin Bates decided to use a little strategy to coax out a bristle or two. Before retiring, he rubbed some salt on the upper lip and then suspended a sponge on a string from the ceiling so that it was just a few inches from his face. The salt was intended to bring thirst upon the brush embryo. This would then go out in quest for something (in this case the water in the sponge) satisfy the craving. Then arrived the crucial moment. A string would be tied about the sprouts and there in a few minutes would be a mustache that would otherwise require years of enticing. Melvin slept soundly, dreaming happily of street sweepers and whisk brooms, anxiously awaiting the morning when he would have his heart's desire with probably enough left over for a sizeable pair of side-burns which incited

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## Clark and Cronk Are Both Serving Wesleyan Congregations in Michigan

### Consoles Young Theologs

For the consolation of the young theologs may I inform them that there is enough to do on a small charge, should they be as fortunate as I am in securing one. My church has a membership of fifty-five. Visitors and regular attendants increase the number often to seventy-five or more for morning worship. The evening attendance is usually around sixty.

In every way the church is promising. Children, young people, people who are rearing families, and older people make a well balanced congregation. About twelve young people conduct an active program for the W. Y. P. S. They have shown real co-operation and have been as ready to follow the way of Christ as any in the church. I have had the great joy of helping them and seeing them receive spiritual victories.

Eaton Rapids is a city of some 3,000 population. It is world famous for the Hoover Bros. Woolen Mills. Mr. Hoover mailed a letter from Europe to his mills without mentioning the state of Michigan. It was received.

I sincerely appreciate the prayers and interest of the student body and faculty which is behind those who go from their midst. I received a letter from Malcolm Cronk this morning. He has every reason to be encouraged.

I expect to be at Home-Coming. I am enjoying the *Star*. Best wishes to Andy and the staff.

Yours respectfully,  
Gordon L. Clark '36  
507 State Street  
Eaton Rapids, Michigan

### Not Married (Yet)

Hello from Grand Rapids, Michigan. I am ideally located here as pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church working with a wonderful group of people, and quite generally enjoying myself in every respect. I have two appointments—the church here in the city, and the church on the outskirts of the city, known as the Walker Church (which Dr. Paine used to attend when he lived here). I have some eight services a week in these two churches, and besides this am taking work at Calvin Seminary. So I am quite successfully kept out of mischief; (though as usual, I seem to find time for my share of it). I am not married (yet); the parents of Miss Driscoll, who is now dean of women at the college, are living here in the parsonage with me. They are my wife.

Alvin and Pauline Barker were here last week to see me, and I expect that "Clissie" will be here this week-end. (I'll have to expect a "stocking-full" of news, won't I?) I hear from Alby and Betty Van Ornum once in a while. I would love to hear from some of the rest of you now. And why don't we all plan to be back for Home-Coming in November?

Let's keep boosting our Alma Mater!

Malcolm Cronk  
341 Crosby Street  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

### The Man of the Hour Ready For Distribution Soon

*The Man of the Hour* has been printed and is now in the process of being folded. The binders will receive it on Monday, November 15, and you will get your copy at Home Coming for \$1.00.

This is the biography of President James S. Luckey, written by Erma Anderson Thomas ('29).

## PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

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### Wilber Dayton

After graduating in January of this year, Wilber Thomas Dayton plans to continue college for a B. D. degree. His plan for the future is to enter Christian work.

During his senior year, Wilber is devoting his time to studies rather than outside activities. He does belong to the Students Ministerial association, however. Last summer was spent in summer school at Winona Lake School of Theology, Winona, Indiana.

From his freshman year in 1934, Wilber has taken part in various club activities. They included: the Students Ministerial association of which he was secretary during his junior year; the church choir, the chorus, and Der Rheinverein. Last year he was religious editor of both the *Star* and the *Boulder*.

Before entering Houghton, Wilber graduated as valedictorian of his class from Corinth High School, Corinth, New York.

Mr. Dayton states, "I feel that during my course in Houghton I have absorbed much from the influence of teachers and friends that has enriched my life and promise to multiply my usefulness. I shall always thank God for Houghton's part both in filling a great need scholastically, socially, and religiously, and in creating a vision and a passion to follow that vision."

Wilber was born October 29, 1916 at Hadley, New York.

## Betty and Rockie Send Magnanimous Outburst

Lest you think this a spontaneous outburst of effervescence, let us immediately inform you that it is rather the result of an urgent request from the alumni editor. She says, "Be magnanimous and contribute something." If magnanimity had been an issue, she couldn't have asked us.

After a pleasant but very busy summer at Cornell we came home to Rushford to settle. From student and housewife to carpenters, plasterers, painters, plumbers, and general interior decorators, all in a brief two weeks, was a series of rather jarring transitions. At the end of the time, the domicile though far from orderly, was liveable. Then we settled down to the steady monotonous drone of school teachers' lives.

Oh, did we? Well, here's a sample day. Up at six o'clock; breakfast at 6:45, and off to the Fox Hill school, nine miles away, where Betty entertains three "future citizens" during school hours. Back to Rushford and school at 8:15. Intermediate algebra, geometry, chemistry, general science, and elementary algebra make a hearty teachers' diet. Out at 3:15 and back to Fox Hill; home again, a minute to read the paper or tend the fire, supper, and then scout meeting, New York University extension course at Houghton and school program or some social function. Then study a little, correct some papers, help the boys who come in with lessons, or visit with them a few minutes. So to bed by midnight if we're lucky. It doesn't seem to leave much time for catching bass or shooting pheasants.

Busy though we find ourselves, we are happy in "the best school in western New York" and in a community which has furnished Houghton with so many good students.

Betty and Rockie Fancher

## DR. BELDEN

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While all Europe was tradition and convention he found that in the United States individualism and specialization dominated over culture. After two years of college work he entered medical school at Columbia where he received his M. D. degree.

Following his internship at the Roosevelt hospital, Dr. Belden enlisted in the U. S. army as a first lieutenant in the medical corps and was soon sent to the front line trenches in which he stayed until the end of the war. Dr. Belden is now commissioned a major in the medical reserves.

Once more back in his home land, he became associated with the juvenile court of New Orleans where he soon discovered that in order to do his work more efficiently he needed some sociological training. Again he enrolled in Columbia where he received his master's degree in sociology and became associated with the National T. B. Society.

Almost overnight Dr. Belden decided to teach and placed his application in Trinity College. He smiled as he said, "I went dressed in a light gray suit and a brilliant plaid necktie. After interviewing the dean and the president and addressing the sociology club I thought I had made quite a success. However, later on the president informed me with much stuttering and apology that I didn't look like a teacher and had better search elsewhere for a job. My next opening was at Penn State. For this occasion I bought a black suit and a dark navy blue tie and went feeling quite like a young undertaker at his first funeral. After the customary interviews, I was informed by the dean that I was essentially a minister and should endeavor to make connections with some theological school.

A third opening appeared in George Washington University but with memory of the other two disastrous occasions I refused to go to be interviewed. Instead I sent in credentials and three photos, one of myself in a tuxedo, one on a horse, and the other in cap and gown. They were effective, as two days later I received a wire that I had been appointed to the position."

Since then Dr. Belden has taught in Oberlin, Franklin and Maxwell, and for the last six years in New York University.

HC

## College Girls Preparing Box for Zion's Mission

The college girls are preparing a Christmas box for the Zion's Hill Mission, Rock Lick, Kentucky.

Second hand clothing for children and adults, gifts, toys, or money for postage will be acceptable.

The dorm girls are asked to give their contributions to Marjorie Roberts, chairman of the committee, or to Ada Stocker, Mildred Proctor, or Gladys Wellman. Bernice Bauer has charge of collections from the outside girls.

Everything must be in and the box ready for shipment by the first of December.

HC

dentally would come in handy for ear-muffs this winter. But sad to say, Melvin slept too soundly and when he awoke, all had fled back to their refuge to stay as far as Melvin was concerned.

You can start to send in your order for the *Boulder* anytime now. We promise you the best year book ever put out by any previous junior class. How do I know? They just brought a brand new shovel to the office this morning. The other *Boulder* staff wore out the other one.

HC

## HOKUM EFFORT

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Our pastor, the Rev. Mr. Black, concluded the service by giving his appreciation of Houghton. "We know of outside conditions, and the Christian atmosphere here is appreciated. We must stand by Houghton in prayer, by influence, and by our gifts."

Mr. Orven Hess music instructor in the Wyoming High School sang a solo.

A quartet composed of the Messrs. Ferchen, Danner, Paul and Paine, assisted the Rev. Mr. B. N. Miner of Jamestown in the services of Sunday October 31.

## Sunday Services

### Outline History

An Outline History of the Church of Christ was presented Sunday morning, October 31, by the Rev. Mr. Black. Speaking from Genesis 24, he stated that Eleazer was a type of the Holy Spirit, Rebecca, a type of Christ. Eleazer had authority in the house of Abraham and was chosen to select a bride for Isaac. Upon finding Rebecca, he enriched her by gifts, and led her all the way, thus finishing his task. Isaac went out to meet Rebecca, then married her. "We must stick close to Eleazer, then Jesus will be real to us as Isaac was to Rebecca."

Rebecca was a "called out" one. It was she who must come to Isaac. The choice was her own. "Christ must have a bride, and God can do without us." But, God calls to us all. The choice is our own.

### The Incomplete Complete

Leland Webster, speaking in W. Y. P. S. Sunday evening, said, "Jesus is willing to heal our physical and spiritual infirmities. He detects any incompleteness and is willing to make the incomplete complete, if men are willing to come to Him. We must have a willing heart before God can work in us. Then we can be stepping stones for others toward the kingdom of God."

### Women's Missionary Society Brings Educational Service

The service of Sunday evening, October 31, was the Women's Foreign & Home Missionary Soc'y Educational service. Mrs. LeRoy Fancher was in charge and presented each speaker.

Robert Luckey read John 15:1-11 for the scripture reading, commenting that "in this we see the reason for going to a Christian college."

Mr. Chas. Pocock, principal of the Rushford High School, spoke briefly on what Houghton meant to him. "The knowledge that I am Christ's and He is mine," he said, "helps immeasurably in the many cares of the teaching profession. 'While I was here in Houghton I received much spiritual help on which I have come to rely.' A thorough training in Christian activity, moral stability, social contacts, and the formation of Christian character are great contributions to my life because of my years at Houghton, he said.

College and High School were delineated by Florence Smith. "Its School and College, and its emphasis on Christian activity have much aided in my preparation for home missionary work," she stated.

Miss Hazel Fox, in speaking of Houghton's contribution to herself and her classmates, said, "Here we overcame doubt, largely because of Houghton's influence and the influence of those here who know God."

Mr. Crouch, outlining the benefits to the community from the college stated that Houghton is blessed by the college, physically, financially, mentally, and spiritually. "The sum of the matter is, he said, 'if there is no college, there is no Houghton.'"

Our pastor, the Rev. Mr. Black, concluded the service by giving his appreciation of Houghton. "We know of outside conditions, and the Christian atmosphere here is appreciated. We must stand by Houghton in prayer, by influence, and by our gifts."

Mr. Orven Hess music instructor in the Wyoming High School sang a solo.

A quartet composed of the Messrs. Ferchen, Danner, Paul and Paine, assisted the Rev. Mr. B. N. Miner of Jamestown in the services of Sunday October 31.

## Sutherland of China Inland Work Writes Appreciative Letter

October 21, 1937

Dear Friends,

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them," Psalm 34:7. What a comfort it has been to be able to claim the truth of this statement from God's Word as we have thought of our mission compound in Shanghai and all of those living there. We have recently received word that none of our missionaries there have been harmed, in spite of the fact that occasional stray projectiles landed near them. One shell actually pierced the roof of the mission house and lodged in the wall, but by God's mercy it failed to explode. For your information, let me explain that the vast majority of our workers are located in inland stations, far removed from the zones where the fighting is going on, and we know that they are carrying on their work unhindered, at least not actually by the warfare. We must not center our attention on the fighting and thus forget to pray for the great part of China which is not touched by the conflict.

Many of us have been interested in the carrying on of the work among children in different parts of China, and for this reason we are encouraged to have recent word about a Christian conference held for the children in one of the interior provinces. The arrangements for the conference were made by a young Chinese Christian lady and by one of the lady missionaries, and about seventy-five children attended. They enjoyed it immensely and, on decision day, when all those who wished to confess that they were disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ were asked to stand and make their own confessions, they all responded eagerly. "The ladies felt that there was every reason to believe that the decisions of the children were genuine. These ladies visited a number of centers this spring and were much encouraged, not only by the number of children who accepted Christ as Saviour, but also by the little Sunday schools for children which were begun."

Please accept our warm thanks for your good gift, which is acknowledged by the enclosed receipt.

With greetings in Christ,  
Yours faithfully,  
George Sutherland

P. S. We are glad to send our magazine, "China's Millions," to your library, for the ensuing year by virtue of your gift, and we feel sure you will find it both helpful and informative. We might add that your donation reached us thru Dr. Isaac Page.

## CHOIR TRIP

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Song of Mary Arr. Fischer  
Roll, Chariot! Arr. Cain  
Today There is Ringing Christiansen  
The Music of Life Cain  
Noted among the audience were Dr. J. Finley Williamson of the Westminster Choir School and Miss Ebba Goransen of Jamestown, N. Y., whose work with high school capella groups has achieved much commendation.

The afternoon broadcast was the first in the present choir season. With the exception of "Today There is Ringing," the program sung at the Convention was used at the broadcast. The favorable comments received would seem to point to a most auspicious season of concert performances.

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# VARSITY CONQUERS HARD-FIGHTING FRESHMAN TEAM

## Crandall, Murphy Score; Varsity Women Reap Win

### Yearlings Unable to Solve Varsity Zone Defense

The initial clash between the fair co-eds of Houghton last Friday night resulted in the 25 to 13 victory of the varsity over the frosh.

The frosh started out with what looked to be a drive that would carry them to sure victory by scoring basket after basket despite the valiant attempts of the varsity women to check their onslaught. Toward the end of the second quarter the varsity staged a rally and at the half the score was one point in favor of the frosh. The frosh cheering section acknowledged this with stamping of feet and cheers that nearly tore down the gallery. At the beginning of the third quarter the varsity held their position and gained one or two points as the frosh slowed up. Then in the last quarter they zoomed out of their position and left the frosh in the lurch so far that they were unable to regain their advantage before the gun sounded the finale of the game. Watson and Higgins were the high scorers for the upper class women while Gerry Paine and Arlene Wright were the ones who upheld the large end of the frosh score.

The varsity took over the frosh 36 to 28 last Friday night in the actual opener of the basketball season in Houghton. Although the freshman team worked hard, it could not cope with the varsity players, either in its offense or defense.

In this game the varsity used the zone defense for the first time in any of its battles with rival teams. This method of defense worked so well that the frosh never seemed to be able to break through for goals; nevertheless, Evans and Reynolds did their best in making "pot shots" from behind the foul circle.

As soon as the varsity got the ball they took the offensive into their own hands. Crandall and Murphy bore the brunt of the attack as, with finely placed passes, they pushed the ball through the hoop for many counters.

The varsity clicked like clockwork in an exhibition that thrilled the basketball fans. Taylor, Mix, Blauvelt did a fine piece of work in playing the game, not as individuals, but as it should be played—as a team. Crandall was high scorer for the varsity with Murphy ranking second. Evans and Drew took the honors for the frosh.

The varsity's conquest of the frosh is a tribute to team work, the fine coaching of Mr. McNeese and the leadership of Captain 'Vic' Murphy. The yearlings showed flashes of brilliance and with proper moulding should be on or near the top when the class pennant race is over. Lowell Fox, an eminent member in Houghton's athletic Hall of Fame by reason of having captained the Purple for a quadrennium and leading them to the championship for the last three years, predicts (basing his prediction on the varsity-frosh game and other observations) that Houghton will have a banner cage season.

### STUDENT PRAYER MEETING

The Rev. Robert O. Ferm lectured on the Hebrew Tabernacle at student prayer meeting Tuesday evening, November 2. Exhibiting a model of the Tabernacle, he outlined its history, construction, significance of its various parts.

## Soph Music Division Evidences Progress

On Thursday evening, Oct. 28, the music division of the sophomore class was presented in recital in the college chapel. The degree of improvement both in performance and stage presence over their appearance last year as freshman is to be commended. Special mention should be made of the startlingly different and somewhat novel method of stage lighting used throughout the recital. The following program was presented:

I Know Where a Garden Grows *Densmore*  
voice—Elizabeth Cheney  
Prelude in C minor, *Chopin*  
piano—Edna Bartleson  
From the Canebrake *Gardner*  
violin—Miriam Crofoot  
If with All Your Hearts "Elijah" *Mendelssohn*  
voice—Robert Danner  
Stars in the Velvety Sky *Clarke*  
cornet—Carleton Hermann  
Lullaby "Jocelyn" *Godard*  
voice—Luella Fiske  
Calvary *Rodney*  
trombone—Robert Strong  
Pilgrim's Song *Tschaikowsky*  
voice—Theodore Hollenbach  
Contra Dance No. 2 *Beethoven*  
piano—Mildred Shaner  
Mountains *Rasbach*  
voice—Marie Looman  
Estrellita *Ponce*  
cello—Ila McLaughlin  
Corinthian Polka *Losey*  
trombone—Arthur Mann  
Morning *Speaks*  
voice—Doris Veazie  
Malaguena *Lucuona*  
piano—Barbara Cronk

## Hall of Terrors Opens Choir Halloween Party

The members of the Houghton College Choir were entertained royally at a party last Saturday evening as the guests of Professor and Mrs. Bain. The program was widely varied and every moment was packed with fun for those attending.

To enter the recital hall of the Music building, where the party was held, the people were led through a "Hall of Terrors" ending on the platform of the auditorium in some well soaked cotton. Having removed their shoes in the lower hall the people all came out with quite severely dampened feet.

The evening was spent in playing games and listening to some of the talent in the choir. A very excellent reading was given by Miss Lenore Mastellar. A quartette made up of Robert Danner, Marie Looman, Marion Smith, and Robert Stanton did very poorly at sight reading to the great enjoyment of the rest of the choir. Mr. and Mrs. Bain were very clever in their presentation of an extemporaneous vocal duet, and Hal Homan singing a comic duet.

After ducking for apples the choir lined up for refreshments.

The dedication of the new Lyncourt Wesleyan Methodist Church of Syracuse will take place next Sunday, November 7, at 2 p. m. The Rev. I. F. McLeister, D. D. and the Rev. Clara McLeister, B. D. are the ministers.

## HALLOWEEN

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very amusing as several Rachels became extremely adept at catching apples. Ducking for apples was likewise wholeheartedly if somewhat wetly participated in. Although Leonard Webster valiantly assisted Glen in imbibing his share of milk Wilma Pentecost won the milk-drinking contest by a good margin. Adding to the general confusion Bill Grosvenor and his cane helped the party along.

Refreshments of sandwiches, popcorn, doughnuts, and cocoa stilled the hungry horde long enough to listen to two numbers, "Nut-brown Maiden" and "Sing a Song of Cities", sung by a quartet made up of Bob Crosby, Howard Andrus, Ken Eyler and Marcus Wright. Harold Skinner with his violin and Lora Foster presiding at the piano also made themselves heard over the buzz of the multitude.

At 10:30 began a general stampede for souvenirs while the always-existent clean-up committee set to with a will. The more fortunate guests not laden with such duties departed hilariously, and judging by their conversation the consensus of opinion was that this had been a successful if impromptu Halloween party.

## Latin Club Sees Ancient And Modern Roman Life

The grandeur that was Rome encompassed the Palaeolinguists on all sides Monday night as they walked its bustling streets with Ardith Brandes as their guide. They made their way with Pearl Crapo through the crowded Forum, passing the stairway of groans with averted eyes, as they hurried to the residential section where they visited the magnificent home of an aristocrat and the dingy apartment of a commoner. Jean Feldt instructed them in the social customs and family relations of their Roman hosts.

In the twinkling of an eye the ancient city dissolved into thin air, and they were looking at its desolate ruins as Mrs. Arlin guided them along the modern Appian Way, into ruined temples and empty catacombs, into modern Rome. When pointing out the Pantheon Mrs. Arlin remarked that it was there the idea of Halloween originated about 412 A. D.

## NEW BOOKS

During the entire meal Tuesday evening the waiters flitted about with a peculiar I-know-something-you-don't expression on their beaming faces. Everyone was asking "could it be pineapple pie with apples instead of apple pie with pineapple for a change?" But they were in store for even a greater shock than that—brand new song-books for the dining hall.

Varsity-Frosh Box Score				
	FG	FS	T	
VARSITY				
Crandall lf	7	0	14	
Blauvelt rf	2	1	5	
Torrey, rf	1	0	2	
Taylor c	1	0	2	
H. Tuthill c	0	0	0	
Mix rg	1	1	3	
Murphy lg	5	0	10	
Total			36	
FRESHMEN	FG	FS	T	
Drew lf	2	0	4	
Tuthill, lf	1	1	3	
Reynolds rf	3	1	7	
Marsh c	1	0	2	
Minnick rg	0	0	0	
Sackett rg	0	1	1	
Evans lg	3	3	9	
Martins c	1	0	2	
Total			28	

## Simplicity Keynote Rather Than Flare For Fall Fashions

Fall fashions for college girls this year are extremely simple. The classic school outfit consists of a sweater, or twin sweaters, skirt, and low heeled shoes, enlivened by bright scarfs, socks, novelty belts, beads, and pins.

Calots are a new style hat design for school. These are small round caps which are worn on the back of the head. These are made of such materials as suede, velvet, gabardine, or wool, and are of various colors which match one's school clothes. The ever popular breton sailor hats are still the vogue, and are chic for sportswear.

Reversible coats are still the fad white being the favorite color. Plaids are excellent and may be worn in various color combinations. Mittens are also obtainable in striking hues. However, the campus displays huge leather or wool mittens which are very spicy looking.

Shoes are plain having well proportioned heels and are found in suede and leathers of various colors to match milady's wardrobe.

In planning your school wardrobe, remember that simplicity reigns. Save your silk dresses and high-heeled slippers for special occasions. Dress in the plain school outfits of skirts and sweaters with simple accessories and you will be well-dressed.

Fall fashions for college gentlemen this year are bright, yet reserved. For business the well-dressed student will be wearing dark pin stripe tweeds or worsted with contrasting shirt in light checks or stripes. A bright tie matching the suit is preferable. English wool socks in the new cable weave and Scotch grained brown shoes are the vogue. Mary Emily Post prefers English tweeds or worsted material for the well dressed gentleman.

The *Esquire* recommends slacks, sport coat, bow tie and coconut palm hat for sport occasions. The newest fad in sport shirts is a demi bosom, detachable collar shirt with two tone horizontal striping. A heavy wool gauche sport shirt worn with a bright silk muffler is very popular in Hollywood.

Just as Paris sets the style for ladies dress, London does for men. An Englishman is not dressed unless he is wearing a stiff collar. Try it yourself when you dress up; it will improve your appearance one hundred per cent. The most popular type is the Duke of Kent.

In planning your wardrobe remember that nothing looks well if worn at the wrong time. The best dressed in school agree that good clothes show better taste than a abundance of shoddy apparel.

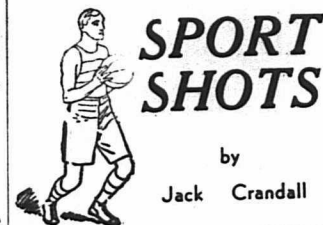
## SOPH-FROSH DEBATE

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Walter Sheffer concluded the constructive speeches by arguing that the proposed plan would prove disastrous to the nation in the event of war. There would be a loss of time in production, also a change in modernization of war implements.

The rebuttals were for the most part a reiteration of the constructive speeches. The freshmen failed to substantiate many of their points by authorities while the sophomore team failed twice to keep within the time limit.

The decision was given in favor of the negative. Judges for the debate were Crystal Rork, Dean Stanley



Chief topic of discussion in our sport circles during the past week has been concerning the advisability and possibility of doubling the number of inter-class contests, in other words arranging for two meetings between all entrants. In times past this subject has been broached but has never reached further than the "talkin" stage. This time, however, agitation seems to be sufficiently potent and widespread to precipitate action. Head protagonist and champion of this plan this time is none other than our progressive mentor, Coach McNeese.

In view of the arguments advanced for this installation of a longer class series, it must be considered seriously and its adoption is far from unlikely. Single encounters between each team have always produced an unsatisfactory situation especially when the results have been close and indistinct. "If we could have another crack at 'em it'd be a different story" is typical of the comments after a keenly disputed cage set-to. There remain seeds of doubt in the minds of both players and spectators as to the absolute supremacy and superiority of the pennant winner. With the quintets colliding twice, opportunity for revenge is presented. In one meeting one team might have an "off" night and a loss would practically eliminate their chances at the pennant. According to the proposed program such a condition would be largely remedied.

Furthermore the basketball season here has suffered a premature termination. Last year the Purple-Gold tussles were all over by the first week in February. Throughout the country February and the first two weeks of March are the climatic weeks of basketball activity. If the class series was elongated and the "color classics" shoved ahead the season would more nearly coincide with that of other institutions.

Perhaps the biggest point—the one most thoroughly emphasized by Coach McNeese—involves the number of participants. "We aim to sponsor a good intramural program," proclaims the coach, "yet only fifteen or twenty fellows and the same number of girls have an opportunity to engage in more than four or five basketball games each year. The class squads practice faithfully for several weeks, play four times and hang up their togs until the next year. Is that an ideal intramural set up?" Our director would like to see this step made and the consensus of opinion among the students is in agreement with him. So here's to a bigger and better class series!

Ed's note: Since the formulating of this column (it was written early this week by mistake) the faculty has voted to put into effect an elongated class series and postponed the Purple-Gold competition until the last of February and first of March. The dates for the second round of inter-class duels are Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 and Feb. 24. Houghton has again taken a progressive step in the field of "brain and brawn".

Wright, and Dr. Harry Rosenberger.

The next debate in the series will be between the seniors and juniors on November 17. The winners will debate this week's victors for the trophy on December 7.