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## Houghton College Band to Appear in Program Wed.

New Epoch for Group Proceeds of Concert Will Benefit Library

Band Much Improved

Spring is at last here and its beckoning finger not only coaxes new life from nature, but it also points the way to a new epoch in the history of the Houghton College Band. In addition the springtime not only turns a young man's fancy to love, but also provides one of the few opportunities during the school year to spend half a shekel to entertain the young lady.

This unusual opportunity is offered by the library benefit concert, which is to feature the Houghton College Band, Wednesday, May 8. Only a few who attended a short concert on a recent afternoon are familiar with this organization. The band of the coming spring concert is not the band of the basketball games. It is much larger and will play a wider variety of numbers. The program will offer marches for the militaristic, overtures for the bombastic, songs for the romantic, contemporary works for the modernistic, and perhaps a few sour ones for the lunatic.

The concert is to have many remarkable features. A male chorus is to be presented in a new work by the Finnish composer Sibelius entitled "Onward, Ye Peoples." A student is to make his debut as a composer. The composition is a trumpet trio by Raymond Alger. The brass quartet is to play a "Suite of Four Pieces" by McKay who utilizes the modern idiom. This number offers one of the last opportunities to hear three seniors perform—Carleton Herman, Arthur Mann, and Robert Strong (Raymond Alger, a sophomore completes the quartet).

The band itself has scheduled a well-balanced program consisting not only of "long-underwear" compositions but of some popular numbers as well. The following selections provide a sample:

If Thou Be Near, Bach-Mochl  
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## Judge Renwick Is Speaker At Expression Club Officers Elected

The annual Expression club banquet was held Monday evening, April 29, with Judge Renwick from Cuba, New York, appearing as guest speaker. Mr. Renwick gave an interesting and thought-provoking talk for the members who were present. The essence of this discussion was the evidence of God and an eternal existence as manifested through God's creations and His control over them. This was indeed a fitting climax to another successful year for the Expression club.

At this meeting the officers for next year's club were elected. They were as follows: president, Hilda Luther; vice-president, Arlene Wright; secretary, Margaret Stevenson; treasurer, Billie Wasser.

## Sophs Sign Peace With Seniors At Party Friday Eve.

Annual Party Is Held In Gymnasium

By Albert Wagner

Peace was signed between the sophomore class and the senior class in Bedford Gymnasium on Friday evening, April 26, 1940. A large delegation was present from both of the former belligerent organizations. From the appearance of the members present, it was apparent that peace was a welcome experience to them, for all seemed to be happy.

The large hall in which the ceremony was held was decorated with the colors of the greater organization of which both Seniorland and Sophomoreland are smaller bodies, namely; red, white, and blue. One end of the main floor had a great false wall constructed with the portraits of eight of the more prominent members of Seniorland. Directly in front of this wall was a platform and a conference table. The remainder of the main floor was utilized by eight large tables at which the visiting and home delegations were served with delightful refreshments. The gallery of the famous Bedford Hall was used as a promenade before the activities of the evening began.

The first session of the peace conference opened with refreshments which everyone enjoyed. During the  
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## High School Has Jr.-Sr. Banquet

'World's Fair' Is Banquet Theme

On Friday evening, April 26, Stone Brier Inn was once more host to a happy group of Houghtonians. It was the annual occasion when the high school seniors and faculty are entertained by the juniors.

Amid the magic atmosphere of the New York World's Fair, a royal dinner was enjoyed while Jeanne Hazlett, president of the junior class, capably acted as hostess.

The formal part of the program was as follows:

Speech of welcome, Jeanne Hazlett; response, Norman Beach, senior president; vocal trio, "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"—Doris Armstrong, Doris Eyster, Allegra Keeler; "France Contributed Madame Curie to the World," Dorothy Lang; violin solo, "Souvenirs de Wieniawski," Jeanne Hazlett; "United States Contributed Lincoln to the World," Betty McCombe; vocal trio, "To a Rose," Pauline Chapman, Reita Wright, Martha Woolsey; guest speaker, Remarks on Peace and Freedom, Dr. Paine.

After a few informal songs ending  
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CLAUDE A. RIES



Houghton Prof. Since 1924

One of Houghton's best known but least publicized professors is Professor Claude Ries. Professor Ries came to Houghton as a student in 1914. After graduating from Houghton he attended Syracuse University. Receiving an M. A. in Biblical Literature from Syracuse, he held a teaching position at Miltonvale College, Kansas. In 1924 Professor Ries came to Houghton where his inspirational teaching has left its influence on many graduating classes. Last summer Professor Ries received his B.D. degree from Winona Lake School of Theology.

## Calendar

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26	27	28	29	30	31	○

Thursday, May 2

7:00 — Music recital

Friday, May 3

8:15 — A Cappella Choir home concert

Saturday, May 4

Interclass track and field day

Sunday, May 5

8:00 a.m. — Bible school broadcast from Olean

Monday, May 6

7:00 — German club, Student Ministerial, Pre-Medic, Latin, Music Appreciation

Tuesday, May 7

Senior skip day

6:30 — Vespers by Chapel Choir

7:00 — Prayer meeting

Wednesday, May 8

8:00 — Library benefit concert by the band

Friday, May 10

Junior-Senior banquet

## Olcott Gets Job

Another senior, Mr. William Olcott, has signed a contract to teach next year. Bill informs us he is to teach English, mathematics, and physical education at Pike Seminary. This will necessitate his attending Syracuse University this summer.

To temperance every day is bright; and every hour is propitious to diligence.  
— Samuel Johnson

## Five Houghton Students Are in Mock Legislature

Chas. E. Gremmels Main Speaker at Youth Gathering

'Fishers of Men' Conference Theme

"Day is far spent! Work to be done is great." Mr. Gremmels, internationally known Christian layman, exhorted the youth at the annual Youth Conference Saturday. The theme of the conference was "I will make you fishers of men."

Other speakers included Rev. Mr. David Rees of Elmira, N. Y., and Rev. Mr. Olney of Buffalo. The forum hour was conducted by three of Houghton alumni, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Failing, and Mr. Fern.

Mr. Gremmels was the speaker of Saturday afternoon and evening. The address of the afternoon was "Reapers Needed, Harvest Waiting." He said, "We are here for a purpose; there is work to be done; no one else can do it like you or I." His subject in the evening was "The Day Is Far Spent." He stressed the importance of keeping testimony measuring up to works. And also, that in "youth, in the springtime of life," should go out to spread the gospel.

In the opening address of the conference Mr. Rees said, "The most important thing needed in the church is a deep concern of winning men for Christ." Personal evangelism is important because it is Christ's command and because Christ himself did it, he explained.  
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## Seniors Honored By Bible School

Price Stark Addresses Group

The Bible School banquet in honor of the senior class was held in the College Inn Friday evening, April 26. The Rev. Mr. Price Stark was the speaker of the evening. He talked on the work of the Bible School of West Africa and said that to go forward in the Christian life one must have a world wide vision.

Elton Seaman, toastmaster, gave the welcome and the response was given by Marjean Bennett, who represented the senior class composed of three members, the other two of whom are Anna Ross and Claude Scott. Claude Scott, president of the Bible School, presented gifts to the instructors Miss Owlett and Miss Fillmore as tokens of appreciation. Musical selections, "Our Best," and "Thine for Service" were rendered by a trio, Reba Wright, Mary Foster and Grace Nelson. Those present besides the members of the School and Miss Havrett Owlett and Miss Anna Fillmore were Professor and Mrs. Frank Wright, Professor and Mrs. Stanley Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Price Stark, missionaries on furlough from their work in West Africa.

Held at Colgate Assist in Drawing Up and Passing Bills Is 2-Day Meet

Five Houghton debaters participated in a mock legislature held at Colgate University last Friday and Saturday. The debaters—Jesse De-Right, Walter Sheffer, Seymour Rollman, Paul Stewart and Warren Woolsey—took part in the drawing up and passage of bills dealing with the subjects: state relief, the milk question, the reform of county government and intra-state transportation.

The object of the sessions was to acquaint the participants with legislative procedure and to give them experience in the more practical phases of the forensic art. The first day was spent in committee meetings in which bills were prepared for presentation to the general assembly. At each of these committees there were experts in the field under consideration to answer questions that would aid in the drawing up of a bill capable of actually accomplishing something towards the solution of the problem at hand. Majority and minority reports were made out.

The next morning at the general assembly the reports were read and further discussion was held before the bills were finally voted upon. Those who had been in the various committees thus became acquainted with the subjects other than the one that had been the object of their special consideration. At this assembly most bills were amended extensively before they were satisfactory to a sufficient number to pass the bill.

These activities took up most of the time for the two days, but the high point, from a gastronomic viewpoint at least, was the banquet Friday evening. Succulent steaks covering half the plate composed *le piece de resistance* but many other factors contributed to the success of the banquet including a flow of breezy collegiate, if not subtle, humor.

The travelogue is as follows: About three a.m. Friday morning, the school car sped into the grey dawn. Had some poet been present to remark about "dawn comes on moth-like wings" the probable response would have been, "Shoot the mothballs to me, John boy." About nine they reached Colgate. Shortly after they found that they had unwittingly entered a chapel service where a lecturer was discussing central Europe. After they had caught up on their sleep during the uninspiring lecture, the legislature opened. Saturday afternoon they charged over to Syracuse where they met Dean Hazlett, who had been attending an educators' meeting, before wending their weary way homeward.

## Notice

The Houghton Bible School will be broadcasting from Olean Sunday, May 5, 8 a.m., D.s.t., 136 km.



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## You Can't Take It With You

What do you expect to take along with you from your college experience? "There will be a degree," you immediately answer.

Oh, yes. A degree. Very interesting, degrees. They are something like dollar bills: worth little in themselves, but representative of alleged value stored somewhere. In fact, a degree may even be similar to a 67¢ dollar bill. It depends upon you. But you will take a degree along.

And friendships. You may not maintain their warmth after college, but you will retain a little of the inspiration they supplied. You will be better able to form new friendships because of them. You will take along the glow, even though it may be a fading glow, of comradeships, and the tingling encouragement of hearty handclaps.

Some knowledge you will carry away, but more of the calm dispassionate evaluations of wisdom than the conceited rashness of learning—we trust. Wisdom concerns itself with first hand decisions, based upon first-hand observations if possible. Learning is a basic preparation, a training, through a process of pre-assimilation. Learning opens a can of sardines; wisdom catches the fish.

You can't take along everything from college. The deliciously idle hours, the pointless arguments, and all the rest, will seem strangely out of pace if they are sent home in your trunk on its last journey.

What shall be my greatest interest in college? You alone can approximate the correct answer. Seniors have already settled the question; now comes the time of testing whether their judgment was wise. Lower classmen, consider, "Can I take it with me?"

—K. L. W.

## The Editor Says "Thanks"

Bronson Olcott once said, "Success is sweet: the sweeter if attained through manifold struggles and defeats." The *Star* staff of 1939-40 would not have the audacity to claim that success, although we acknowledge the sweetness of struggles and defeats.

Each issue has been the product of struggle. Whatever success we may have attained has been due to the composite efforts of the twenty persons who have formed the *Star* staff. No one can claim single credit, for each *Star* has been edited by the cooperative efforts of the editorial board, the news editor and assistant news editor, the columnists, the make-up editor, the proof readers, and the reporters. The increased circulation of one hundred and twenty papers per issue has been well taken care of by the business manager and the circulation managers. A new position of advertising manager has shown considerable returns.

If we have had any success this year worthy of mention it is that the *Star* has come out every Thursday on time. This would have been impossible had not the print-shop boys headed by Gerry Beach been willing to work long after quitting time Wednesday nights.

This is the last *Star* for which the staff of 1939-40 are responsible. Before taking leave the editor wishes to thank all for your cooperation, including the faculty and students. The struggles are past. May the sweet memories continue to live. —W. B. N.

The senior class nominated and elected Mr. Walter Sheffer as class day orator and Miss Lenoir Masteller to bestow the mantle. This is the first time the senior class has both nominated and elected. Previously the class nominated and the faculty elected.

It is the cause, and not death, that makes the martyr. —Napoleon

Fame is the perfume of heroic deeds. —Socrates

## Frieda's Beauty Shoppe

Shampoo and Wave \$1.00  
Wave .50  
Permanents \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00  
Fillmore, N. Y.

## To the Editor...

Mr. Wesley Nussey  
Editor of the Houghton *Star*  
My Dear Wesley,

I have just come to realize that you are now in the last week of your active work as Editor of the *Star*. May I congratulate you on your success and express my appreciation of the work you have done.

I have spent an interesting half-hour this afternoon. Perhaps you know that during the first year of the *Star* I was its Business Manager and during its second year I was its Editor. I became a bit reminiscent. If that is a sign of old age, make the most of it. It probably is true. The other day I stepped on a lock of my hair, pulling some of it out. Behold, it was getting gray! Anyway, I became greatly interested in the changes that have come about since the first issuing of the *Star*, now nearly thirty years ago. I visited your office. I had not realized how well equipped a newspaper office you have there. I was disappointed that it was not cluttered up more than it was, but it did not do so bad at that. Just across the hall from your office is a really up-to-date printing plant. Ten steps puts you there.

That is different from the former days, Wesley. We didn't know the meaning of the word "office." A typewriter was further out of our reach than an air plane is out of yours. During the second year I think we did get a fountain pen! As for the printing plant, that was at Rushford. That meant taking the material there with horse power and another half day to get it back when it was printed. There was a "*Star* staff," but its lack of functioning meant that the Editor sweat blood for two weeks out of each month.

Your subscription list interested me. Your mailing list calls for 155 copies. This includes 27 exchanges and 82 alumni and old students. The former surprised me; the latter disappointed me. Then I discovered that 1600 copies of the *Houghton Alumnus* go out five times each year. Evidently the Alumni are being effectively served thereby. In those early days we stretched ourselves to increase our mailing list. The Alumni were our best field. Our life depended on that subscription list!

## Kenneth Glasier, Former Houghton Student, Dies

Houghton was recently informed about the death of Mr. Kenneth Glasier who attended college here in 1932-33. Mr. Glasier was a graduate of Colorado College. Just previous to his death he was a student at Garrett Biblical Institute. Last September he was admitted to the Illinois Conference of the Methodist church.

During the last week of January Mr. Glasier was overcome by the "flu." Pleurisy and pneumonia developed. His death was finally brought about by an abscess in the sensory area of the brain on March 19. He was twenty-six at the time of his death.

Those who knew him while at Houghton, state that he was an outstanding student and a leader among his associates.

The silly when deceived exclaim loudly; the fool complains; the honest man walks away and is silent.

—La Noue

than-average style, he insisted.

"When we want to disseminate information which is not news, we must buy space and advertise," he said. "Paid advertising is an indispensable tool of the publicist. We of the Byoir organization know advertising's effectiveness and its absolute necessity to a well-rounded public relation program."

I think a comparison of your financial situation with ours was of the greatest interest to me. The *Star* now has a cash subsidy of \$1050 a year. The present printing rate is eleven-fifteenths of the commercial rate, making an additional subsidy of \$350 a year. The college absorbs any deficit, the likes of which there has been each year to the present.

Shades of the New Deal! I shall lie awake three hours tonight wondering what I would have done if I had gotten a handout of \$10 one of those years! We published nine issues instead of twenty-nine, paid one cent a copy for mailing, and got sixty-five cents for a subscription. We made good, too!

I have wondered all through the years as to the advertising value of the *Star*. Back there we thought we were really doing something for the college. As I check on that today, I find that none of the checks used to measure the reactions to advertising bring the *Star* into the picture. But that situation has greatly changed. Back in those days, and for a number of years longer the *Star* was the only printed matter whatever except the catalog that went forth from the college. We even undertook to make the commencement number a sort of year book. A mere PEBBLE to be sure, but what could you expect at the rate of sixty-five cents per all? This year there has gone forth 128,200 copies of advertising from the publicity office. This ranges from single sheet posters to sixteen page bulletin. Beside that there has been issued 35,000 words of composition.

In one respect I think we builded better than we knew; perhaps too well. From the beginning the *Star* has been a student publication. During the past ten years I have learned that at times college administrative seas would have been much smoother sailing had there been a bit of censorship. But the *Star* has been an evidence of student ability and the medium for the expression of student opinion. I take a bit of pride in the contribution that the early *Star* made in that direction. In those far-gone days I believe I had a certain sense of humor. I cannot imagine how I ever came to miss so good a joke as suggesting that the editor be paid at college expense!

STANLEY W. WRIGHT.

## Business Leader Addresses Group

Job-seeking college graduates would be the major beneficiaries of closer cooperation between our educational institutions and our business and industrial concerns, George Dye, Chicago manager for Carl Byoir & Associates, Inc., told delegates to the convention of the American College Publicity Association at Des Moines recently.

Dye, whose organization guides the public relations of many of America's largest commercial and industrial enterprises, added that this much-desired cooperation can best be brought about by publicists for the interests involved.

That the Byoir organization believes in such teamwork is shown by the clinic, called "New Frontiers in American Life," to be held in May at the University of Rochester, Dye asserted.

"Cooperating with the university," he said, "we have arranged for university men to sit down with business leaders to discuss mutual problems, most pressing of which is the jobless graduate."

Turning to the mechanics of the publicity man's craft, the Chicagoan urged his listeners to offer only bona fide news to the editor of newspapers. To merit publication, releases must contain better-than-average information and must be written in better-

By

J. P. Q.

DeRight



## PUISSANT PUNDITS

### ON CAMPUS BOUL - EVARD

Comes time again for your correspondent to signal "retreat" for another year personally, and he could think of no better way than to do it in a blaze of Winchill's reflected glory. . . or notoriety. I only copy Walter occasionally. . . I can't expect people to winch-all the time at my jokes. Which reminds me. . . did any of you ever take your cameras apart, to see what makes them take?

Johnnie MacGregor got embarrassed when he walked up behind a girl, and blew into her ear. Harmless joke. . . only it happened to be the girl's mother, whom Johnnie had never seen before.

They were talking about the dangers of foreign travel. "Yes," said one, "I knew one woman who went to China, and was hung." "Shanghai?" "Not very."

That well-known Senior figure, John Smith, recently went on a geology trip. As he stood gazing up at the majestic mountains, a couple of boulders. . . not the Houghton College Boulder, which you can buy for only \$2.50, get yours now before it's too late. . . came crashing down, and Mr. Smith jumped into the creek to escape.

It seems that a German lecturer . . . in Germany, of course. . . was telling of the bad conditions in England. "Why," he said, "in England they even ration the coffee!" Down in the front row a little fellow waved his hand and asked: "Please, mister, what's coffee?"

As you know, Dr. Paine is extremely fond of golf, and is quite proud of his game. So one day he took his mother-in-law along to watch him play. . . "I'm particularly anxious to make a good drive just now," he told a friend. "That's my mother-in-law over there, and—" "Don't be a fool," said the friend. "You'll never hit her at 200 yards."

Your correspondent observed that Myra Fuller was wearing a locket. Upon inquiry we found in it a lock of fine blonde hair. "Ernie's?" we asked. . . Yes. . . but that's not usual unless the man's dead, is it? "No, but his hair is going fast."

It is reported that someone stayed in the Boulder office all night once, when the excitement of the stolen Senior caps was at its height. They thought that someone was either going to bring back the caps or steal the gowns. Sort of dumb. . . the gowns are too bulky, and to bring those caps back to the Boulder office would be just plain sticking their neck out. But the Senior president thought it was a good idea. . . Sherlock Holmes was English, too.

We hope. . . the most we can do is hope. . . that the success of the seniors in getting their caps back will not go to their heads.

It has come to our attention that one professor in our august institution has been giving C+ to all Seniors in one of his classes. Of course, a senior with a grade below B will not be exempted from finals. . . they'll have to take the exam. Must be a swell exam!



## LANETTE

## Poor Percy

"Hello? Mabel? Oh hello, dear. What? No, we haven't any more new neighbors. Really, Mabel, you needn't be so *sarcastic* about that. You know perfectly well that it was all a —"

"Well, that wasn't what I wanted to call you up about anyway. No, Percy is home for his spring vacation and, my dear, you should see the poor child! Why? Why, the poor dear has been staying up until twelve o'clock for three nights straight—reading *Webster's Dictionary*. He certainly is not crazy! No, it's that wretched English professor of his. What has that to do with his reading *Webster*? Well, my dear, you simply don't know the man. It seems that he has such a repertoire of words that the freshmen can't understand him unless they carry *Webster* with them. Percy says he talks in words of eight cylinders. Ha! Ha! Isn't that just too clever?"

"Oh, but, Mabel, that's not all. He makes the freshmen write short stories. Think of it! Short stories! One each term! Did you ever hear of anything so *absolutely* heartless? Oh, no, that's not all either! They even have to write some material for some literary publication called the *Lanthorn*."

"What was that? What? Oh, I'm sorry, Mabel, but I can't hear you. Just a minute. Percy *Anesley*! What on earth are you whooping about? What? Why, darling, how simply brilliant of you! Why, that's wonderful! I must tell Mabel. Hello, Mabel. No, there aren't any wild Indians loose in here. No, Percy just heard that he won the first prize for his essay at college. Well, I guess that teacher recognized talent after all!"

## 'Lanthorn' Will Be Late Appearing

The *Lanthorn*, Houghton's literary magazine and *Coronet*'s most threatening rival, will not be out on the expected date of publication, May 1. This information was gleaned exclusively for *The Star* through friends in close association with influential members of the *Lanthorn*'s editorial staff.

While refusing to comment directly on the report, the *Lanthorn*'s harassed editor, Don Kauffman, released the following confidential bulletin:

"For Release May 2: It is with extreme regret that we announce a slight change in publication plans of *The 1940 Lanthorn*. The reasons for the change are two-fold.

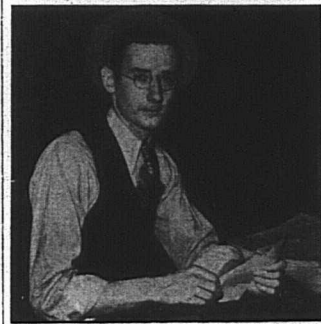
"In the second place, it was felt that a sufficient number of students had not been given the opportunity to exchange a quarter for a *Lanthorn* subscription. Hence, the expected publication date will be moved forward far enough so that every student and faculty member will have been thoroughly canvassed before the final printing. In respect to faculty members, it has been suggested that the Board of Trustees raise the salary of each teacher twenty-five cents. This will enable all of Houghton's pedagogues to subscribe to the school's literary without embarrassment.

"In the first place, to end at the beginning, the judges deciding on the essays have not yet returned the manuscripts. However, cables have been sent advising their return immediately to prevent further delay in publication. (The rumor that the MSS had been embezzled by the editor of the *Atlantic*, Mr. Kauffman advised the *Star* editor, has no real foundation. Because of its valuable nature, all material for the

## Former Editors Of 'Star' Listed

Speaking of former editors, Mrs. Erma Thomas called at the *Star* office recently in an attempt to find the names of *Star* editors from 1925

Howard Andrus



Editor '37-'38

to the present time. Instead of our providing her with information, she supplied us with the names of editors and the year they were editor as follows: Allen Baker, '25; Claire Car-

Willett



'38-'39

William Muir, '37; Howard Andrus, '38; Edward Willett, '39; Wesley Nussey, '40.

These are they who have done their part in promoting the interests of our college paper without remuneration. It would be interesting to know how many of these would favor the editor receiving one-third board. Indications are that a good percent of them, especially the more recent, would voice their opinion on the affirmative side.

### Soph-Senior . . .

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course of the meal, the Minister of Public Un-disillusionment, Smith of Sophomoria, photographed the group for the foreign press. At the conclusion of this, the real work of the peace conference began. Premier Krentel gave a few brief words of welcome and then Party Leader Russell read the proposed peace treaty. It was unanimously approved and President Nussey of Seniorland signed the great document amid shouts of approbation from the delegates.

Party Leader Russell then bestowed certificates of honor upon the following six leaders of the visiting organization: Representatives Hill, Nussey, Taylor, Huff, Tiffany, and Sheffer. Prior to the giving of these certificates, an appropriation preliminary was given to introduce each of the honored ones. For instance, before Representative Nussey received his, "God Save the King" was played. At the conclusion of this bestowal, a resolution on the Peace Conference was read and as each delegate left the hall, he received a copy. Thus ended the greatest peace conference since 1939.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smith, Sunday, April 28, a girl, Elizabeth Ann, weight 8 pounds, at Houghton, N. Y. Bernard is a graduate of Houghton Seminary.

*Lanthorn* is accompanied by an armed guard.) The rest of the material for the magazine is well in hand."

## Chas. E. Gremmels He Spared a King

By Ruth Shea

### 'Readiness for Service' Is Topic

Mr. C. E. Gremmels, the main speaker of the conference, again brought the message at the Sunday morning worship service. The topic of his message was, "Readiness for Service." Taking his text from Romans 1:14, 15, he discussed the three "I's" of Paul. "I am debtor," "I am ready," "I am not ashamed."

In the first place he showed that just as Paul was a debtor to all people just so we owe something to others. Although we should never be in debt for the things of this world yet we are heavily in debt to Jesus Christ, our Saviour and the only way to pay that debt is in service to him. Continuing he showed the necessity of everyone being ready just as Paul was ready. We should be God's "minute men." Although we may not see an opportunity to do service for him when we may expect it, yet we should be ready at all times to witness for him for we never know at what time an opportunity may present itself. Lastly, he showed how necessary it is to be bold in defence of the gospel. Many act toward God as if he were to be ashamed of, but one must always stand up for him and be ready for service. Taking illustration from his own life, Mr. Gremmels definitely showed that this service was very possible if we are walking close to God.

In closing he exhorted each one to be ready for service for that is our duty as Christians. For "by their fruits, ye shall know them." The serving Christian is the only kind that God wants.

### W. Y. P. S.

The W.Y.P.S. service on Sunday April 28, was held out on the "Point." Guest speaker in the service was Mr. Roger Bates. Giving part of his own remarkable life story, and telling of the manifest healing power of God, he pled with the students to give Christ room in their hearts.

Special music in the service was furnished by a quartet composed of Paul Miller, Charles Foster, and Stephen and Henry Ortlip.

### I WROTE MY NAME

By Dean Stanley Wright

I wrote my name upon the sand  
And trusted it would stand for aye.  
But soon the ever-restless sea  
Had washed my feeble lines away.

With patient hands in jagged bark  
I carved it on a giant oak.  
A tempest passed that way by night  
And felled that tree with shivering stroke.

Upon a towering granite crag  
With mighty blows I graved my name.  
An earthquake rent it to its base  
And left in dust my hope of fame.

What then? In sadder, wiser mood  
I turned and asked myself, "What then?"  
If I would have my name endure  
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## He Spared a King

Among the people there was great rejoicing over the victory. For had they not smitten their enemies, the Amalekites, and utterly destroyed all the people? Too, they had found some worthwhile spoil to carry home, besides sheep and oxen. The rest of the land had been completely devastated. There was a great triumph, and the victors had much to recount to willing hearers. Light-heartedly the people left their work and met in groups to talk over the latest victory of the Israelites.

But all alone, a leader wept. All the night he cried before the Lord. For the Lord had come to him and said, "It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me and hath not performed my commandments."

Some distance away, another leader of the people sat alone, in deep thought. He had just come from the celebration of the people. Trying to enter into their gladness, he had struggled to forget what was constantly crossing his mind. His efforts to shake off the weight of his guilty thoughts were in vain. Giving up the attempt, he retired to his tent.

In the early morning, Samuel rose up to go to the king. Saul was also up early, for, like Samuel, he had spent a wakeful night. When he saw the prophet approaching, he braced himself, resolutely squared his shoulders, and carefully fixed a smile of welcome on his face.

"Blessed be thou of the Lord," he said. "I have performed the commandments of the Lord."

Samuel looked at him a moment; then turning, he asked, "What then meaneth the bleating of the sheep and the lowing of the oxen that I hear?"

"Oh," Saul replied easily, "the people saved the best of the sheep and oxen of the Amalekites to sacrifice unto the Lord. The rest we have destroyed."

"Saul, the Lord spoke to me this night." The fixed smile vanished from Saul's face and was replaced by a look of apprehension. "Saul, the Lord sent thee to utterly destroy the Amalekites. Wherefore didst thou not obey His voice, but didst

fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the Lord?"

"I did obey," replied Saul. "I went as the Lord commanded and destroyed all save the king of the Amalekites, King Agag. But the people took of the sheep and oxen to sacrifice to God."

Samuel said, "Hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice. . . . For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, He hath also rejected thee from being king." (I Sam. 15).

Richard E. Day, commenting on this scripture, says, "Saul was commanded to 'slay utterly,' keep nothing, spare nothing of the nation which had so bitterly afflicted the Jews. But, though he conducted a victorious military campaign, he spoiled it all by saving as a trophy of his soldierly prowess, King Agag of the enemy nation. . . . Then, he tried to 'make it up to God' for his raw disobedience, by an excess of sacrificial liberality. And God had to penalize him: Saul 'kept his silly king but he lost the sovereign kingdom.' God rejected him from being king."

"Stern warnings like those cannot honestly be excluded from our devotions. Behold! is there some little defection in your life which you condone on the ground of great labor so sacrifice? Some minute matter contrary to His will which you hope may be unobserved by reason of your large activities? You may be sparing a king, and about to lose a kingdom. Remember, to obey is better than sacrifice!"

During the Youth Conference of the past week-end, we heard messages on obedience to Christ's command, "Go ye and teach all nations," and to His injunction, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Listening, we all realized how far short we have fallen of performing our duty to God and to others. The call to soul-winning is not man-made but it is the voice of God. Samuel said that it is better to obey the voice of God than to offer solemn and ceremonious sacrifices.

In Solomon's Song is found this part of a verse, — "thy voice: cause me to hear it." (8:13) Pledged to live for Him Who died for us, may we too pray, "Lord, cause me to hear thy voice, and hearing, to obey."

## "Time" Subject of Chapel

On Thursday, April 25, Professor Wilard Smith gave a chapel talk on the subject of time. He emphasized the fact that though time is fleeting, students shouldn't complain so much about the lack of time as about making the best use of "the now time." He especially warned us against wasting time, reminding us that on the judgment day God will take account of the way we have used it.

### Conference . . .

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Mr. Olney, speaker at the informal banquet, related how he was led to Christ by a business man. He stressed the importance of personal work and its necessity to a successful ministry.

Mr. Everett Elliott '39, was the first speaker on the forum hour. Speaking of the necessity of being a living, humble bait, Mr. George Failing '39, emphasized the use of the bait—when, where, why and how, as commanded by Christ. "You can't go out in your strength" Mr. Robert Fern '39, exhorted in his talk on "The Catch."

The attendants of the Youth Conference were welcomed by Dr. Stephen W. Paine, President of Houghton College; Paul Wolfgruber, president of student body; and Lloyd Elliott, president of W. Y. P. S.

## Mission Club Meets

"Mohammedanism" was the subject for the discussion in the meeting of the S.F.M.F. Monday evening, April 29. The president, Henry Ortlip opened the meeting with a devotional period. After a short business session, Adeline VanAntwerp sang "Don't Lose the Vision." Mildred Huff spoke on Mohammedanism in the Near East, and Henry Ortlip told about Mohammedanism in Afghanistan. This religion is spreading rapidly. The only means of approaching the Mohammedans with the Christian gospel is through medical and literary work. The meeting closed with a season of prayer.

### FROSH WIN AGAIN

The freshman debate squad chalked another victory when it defeated Arcade high school Wednesday evening in a 3-0 decision. The question was the regular national high school-college freshman one, "Resolved: That the federal government should own and operate the railroads."

Upholding the affirmative for Arcade were Barbara Smith, Lois Silvens, and Alfred Morgan. The negative was defended by Coralie Allen, Bert Hall, and Paul Stewart. The judges were Mr. Gleason, of Fillmore, Dr. Pierce and Professor Shea both of Houghton.



## Minnick and Mix Leading Tourneys

By Arthur Carlson

Hayes Minnick turned back Howard Treichler in a surprising chess upset to take first place in the tournament standings, and dropped Treichler to fourth place. Treichler had Minnick cornered and could have put him in check to win, but he failed to see the move until after he had made another move. Minnick then won the game with one move. Close behind in second and third places are Ray Alger and Bill Work each with no defeats. Tom Gardiner is in fifth place with one win and one loss. Others close are Phil Bechtel, Dick Bennett and Carl VanOrnum. As the final days of play before the playoffs approach the top positions may still be won by some of the players who have been in the lower bracket. Leon Gibson who has been outstanding in chess recently has entered the tournament and is expected to be among the top ranking players.

Glenn Mix is way out in front in the checker matches and is assured of No. 1 spot in the playoffs. Added to two earlier victories was a triumph this week over previous undefeated Paul Smith. Livingstone is close behind Mix with two wins. He has conquered Ted Reed and Donald Pratt. This week concludes general play and the championship playoffs will begin as soon as pairings can be made.

The Rec Hall was host Tuesday evening to the W.C.T.U. dinner. A roaring fire was made in the fireplace and the general feeling of friendship and good fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Houghton Indians, local basketball team, are meeting at the Rec Hall Thursday evening, May 2, to celebrate a highly successful season and to honor Coach McNeese and manager Bob Wheeler. Genial Ed Hall has timed the boys who won ten out of fourteen league games and several outside games during the regular season, before finally being eliminated in the championship playoffs.

### Newcomer . . .

A baby girl, Bunnie Jean, weight 7 1/4 pounds, was born to Rev. and Mrs. George Failing in the Fillmore hospital on Friday, April 19. Mr. Failing is a member of the class of '40. He is also pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church at Fillmore.

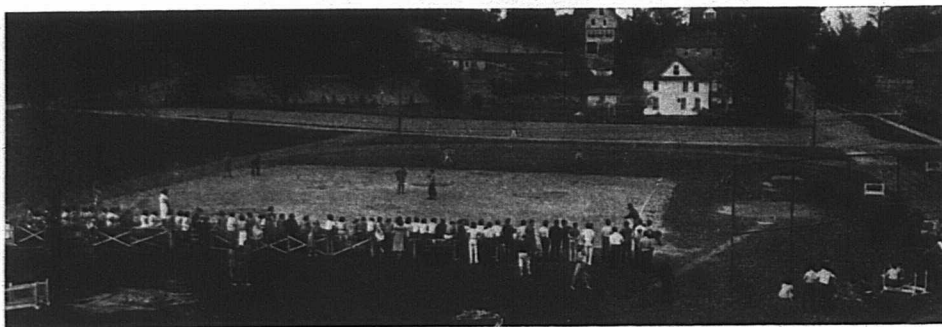
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## It's Baseball Season in Houghton Again



Scene of many diamond warfares, Houghton's athletic field is again the battleground for Purple-Gold hardball games. Opening contest of the 1940 season was played last Wednesday afternoon, the Gold bringing home the bacon, 3-1, in a well played contest. The second in the current series will be staged this p. m. at 3:30 with Paul Mullin scheduled to start for the gladiators and Stevenson or Marshall to return to the mound for Bill Olcott's Purple team.

## Sports Reporter Previews Season

Now that the earth has finally succeeded in shaking off its mantle of refrigeration; the arresting crack of ball against bat, and the slap-slap as the ball is passed from glove to glove once more is calling the toilers from their work in the chem lab, library, or art studios to watch knee-panted philanders running from bag to bag, and ambitious pitchers trying to throw that curve within a foot of the plate.

Since the color encounters begin this week, local spectators of America's favorite game are speculating wildly—with guesses—as to which crew of Houghton's collegiate ballhands will be crowned baseball champs of 1940.

Logical reasoning would establish the nine Gold men as favorites. Only a couple of last year's champion team are absent from the line-up this year and their place has been adequately filled by excellent freshman talent.

Al Russell will again be stationed behind the plate to receive the deliveries of Dave Paine and Paul Mullin. Long Peter Tuthill will hold sway at the initial sack, while second base will be guarded by Loye Donelson or Seymour Rollman. Stone is a fixture at third, and Kennedy or Cummings will start at short. Capt. Jim Evans and the alternate pitcher will patrol the outer gardens with Weaver, Stebbins or Mix as the third fielder.

The Purple, however, will put a strong aggregation on the field this year, and Capt. Willy Olcott is confident of victory. The pitching staff will be selected from: Sheffer, Clark, Stevenson, and Marshall; while Bus Burns, last year's captain, will again assume catching duties. Frank Taylor will be back at first; and Ray Tucker will probably guard the key-stone sack. Olcott will plug the hole at short, and Blauvelt will hold down the hot sack. Starting trio in the outfield are Brownlee, McKinley, and Prentice, with Bennett, and Ramsley the alternate pitchers in reserve.

Pre-season observation would indicate that the Gold have a slight edge in pitching and hitting prowess, with the fielding abilities of both teams about even. However, only time and the Star will tell.

### VESPER SERVICE

The Chapel Choir united with the A Cappella Choir to sing in the vesper service Sunday, April 28. The congregation who filled Houghton church witnessed for the last time this year the collaboration of the two groups in this inspiring series of concerts of sacred music. Through the toil and effort of Prof. and Mrs. Schram the services have been of such splendid characters and wide-reaching appeal that they seem likely to become fixed as a tradition among Houghton events.

## Scoutmasters of Area Hike Through Houghton

Many Houghton students wondered at the presence of a group of men, strangers for the most part, in the vicinity of the recreation hall on Saturday afternoon, April 27. The men were engaged in such unusual activities as pacing up and down the state road and scrambling up and down the creek bank with small compasses and pencil and paper in hand.

The answer to the enigma is that a group of Scoutmasters and troop committeemen from Rushford, Belfast, Cuba, Fillmore and Houghton went hiking that afternoon and participated in some of the activities which constitute Boy Scout advancement requirements. Harry Miess, construction engineer from Blemont, supervised a period of map-making; the work was carried on just below the campus. Later in the afternoon the group hiked up the creek about a mile, following the trail laid by scouts from the Houghton troop. Supper was cooked in a sheltered spot after which the group gathered around a large council fire and enjoyed a time of fellowship. On the way home the group studied the stars, picking out constellations which scouts ought to know.

This afternoon's hike was part of a training course which is being conducted in this district of the Seneca Council for Scoutmasters and all who are interested in Scout leadership.

### Jr.-Sr. Banquet . . .

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with the rollicking "Oh, My Darling Clementine" sung by a girls' trio, reluctant goodnight's and heartfelt thank-yous were said, and all were on their way back to Houghton, arms full of souvenirs and their minds brimming over with unforgettable memories of the World's Fair at Stone Brier.

Among those present were Elizabeth Preston and Martha Woolsey, respectively Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the class.

### Band Concert . . .

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mann; *Prelude I*rd Act *Lohengren* Wagner-Fall; *Shortin' Bread*, Wolfe-Yoder; *Without a Song*, Vincent Youmans.

The proceeds of this concert are to be used in buying popular reading material for the library. Since so many programs are free to the student body, there may be a tendency to neglect this opportunity of supporting both the library and the college band. However, miss this program and you'll miss one of the prize programs of the year.

A daughter, Patricia Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whybrew ('39 and ex '41 respectively) on April 20 at Lebanon Pa. where Mr. Whybrew is teaching.

## Houghton Freshmen Debate Arcade

Houghton's freshman debate squad was victorious over Arcade High School's affirmative team in a debate on the question, "Resolved: That the federal government should own and operate the railroads," in the chapel on the evening of Wednesday, April 24. The affirmative speakers from Arcade were Barbara Smith, Lois Silliman, and Alfred Morgan, and the negative team was composed of Coralie Allen, Bert Hall, and Paul Stewart.

The affirmative in their three constructive speeches argued that private ownership of railroads is a failure, that any plan short of government ownership would fail, and that government ownership and operation is practical and advantageous. The negative maintained that the government is to blame for the present condition of the railroads, that previous government operation had proved inefficient and expensive, that there are serious inherent evils in government ownership, and that the government should cooperate with the railroads instead of regulating them and discriminating against them.

The judges were Professor J. Whitney Shea and Dr. Harrison Pierce, of Houghton, and Mr. L. S. Gleason, of Fillmore. Miss Beatrice Gage acted as chairman.

## Dr. Small Is Speaker; Seniors Wear Caps, Gowns

Despite energetic efforts on the part of some who seemed determined that the seniors "should not pass," the class of 1940 with robes and mortar boards complete marched into chapel on Friday morning. The assembled student body remained standing during their entrance and joined them in singing the first stanza of the alma mater.

Dr. Small was in charge of chapel. He used the 23rd Psalm as a background for his remarks. Speaking of his trip to England and stay at Oxford he mentioned how proud he was to be taken as a religious man by one to whom he had only talked a few minutes. He stated that God's guidance could be felt in every walk of life. Providence guided him through the life at Oxford which lacks a great deal of Christian standards in the present day. He felt that God had never deserted him in the time he spent in England.

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## GOSSIP

by Allyn Russell

Twenty six issues of this sport splatter with this week the last chance we'll have to dish out your athletic menu. . . Highlighting the school year so far have been many superb performances. Biggest collegiate show—Senior vs. Frosh football contest played in mud and rain before large crowd. Most spectacular sport contest—Senior vs. Soph double overtime cage contest. Outstanding performers. . . in football Norm Marshall. . . Basketball Bill Olcott, Frankie Taylor, Jean French, Jerry Paine. . . Baseball Bill Olcott. . . track and field. . . Still in the future, this Saturday being the time scheduled for the annual inter-class meet, the fireworks getting under way at 1:30 on the athletic field. Our hopes of last week were answered as old Sol finally broke the ice, blushed profusely, finally giving us some decent baseball weather. First of the inter-color series battles was waged Wednesday p. m. with another one on tap for today at 3:30 and the rubber contest next Wednesday at the same hour. As usual the students are urged to be on hand to give the boys a little moral support. . . The Brooklyn Dodgers have really set the Flatbush fans on fire. Leading the Nat'l league in one of those rare occurrences, the team business manager Larry McPhail, reports that the turnstiles are already ahead of last years clickings when over a million fans during the season watched a colorful club that was just above average. Everyone's rooting for the "Doug Corrigan" team of baseball-dom but, even so, odds are against miracles. "Pee Wee" Reese, sensational 20 year old shortstop on the team receives most publicity of the "daffy crew." "Pee Wee," a former marble champion at the grammar school, who quit to play pro ball, drew headlines last week in *Colliers*, *Current News* and numerous sport editorials. . . Question: What's the matter with the Yankees? Answer: They need San Francisco's Joe DiMaggio to provide a little rivalry among the Bronx bombers! It's been the same story for three springs now. . . Joe is expected to be back in the lineup this weekend. . . Salt and pepper. . . The young gentleman purchasing second hand books, who was in our midst a week ago Tuesday, was formerly owned by the Chicago Cubs. Although never playing regularly under the big top he was a starting moundsman for the Louisville Colonels down in the Southern Association. . . A sore arm that stayed that way sent him into the text book business. . . Although the volleyball games failed to draw crowds, reports have it that this years contests were above the average. Both the soph men and soph women came through without a defeat. Runnersup were the junior men and frosh girls. . . And we leave for good with this final warning: "Watch out for Ed Hall's softball team."

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