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## THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

### As It Appeals to Us

We, the members of the Theological Department of Houghton Seminary are glad for the Forward Movement for many reasons. We feel that our church has such an important mission in the world that the concentrated energies of the entire connection should be enlisted in the propagation of the truths for which we stand. We believe the Forward Movement is the result of an enlarged vision of our possibilities as a church. We rejoice in the progressive spirit that is being manifested. We welcome the advent of our sister college, and hope that she, as well as our other schools, will unite with us in prayer and effort that spiritual leaders for the church may be sent forth from our halls of learning. We are encouraged to note the growing interest in world wide evangelism. This inspires us with the feeling that our mission is not a limited one. We feel that the greatest need of our church at this time is a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

This, we agree, must be the true objective of the Forward Movement. Without a deepening of the spiritual life of the church, the million dollar budget and the other issues at stake will only be machinery which will lack the dynamic force that comes only with the true power sent down from heaven.

We pledge our allegiance to the true principles for which our church stands. We protest that the salary question will not in any way influence us when it comes our time to enter actively into the work of the church, in the capacity of pastors, missionaries, or other Christian worker. It is because of our devotion to God and the cause for which Wesleyan Methodism stands that we anticipate laboring under the direction of the church of our choice. We are sure that God will never be our debtor while we are spending our energies in His service. Our fathers have set us an example of the self-

denial and fidelity that characterize the true service of Jesus Christ. They were willing to endure some privations for the privilege of preaching the Gospel in all its purity; we will not do less. We are not yet ready to admit that the martyr spirit has died with the victims of by-gone days. If the cause of our beloved King again needs men and women who will die rather than bow the knee to the spirit of the age—we beg for the chance. Together with all our brothers and sisters in the church, we would join in that mighty prayer of intercession that God may pour out the Holy Spirit upon His people.

(The above article was sent to the Wesleyan Methodist for publication.)

## A FEBRUARY DAY IN HOUGHTON

Oftentimes it appears to a student that one day follows another in a dull monotonous way. Such, however could scarce be the verdict of the students of Houghton Sem in speaking of Feb. 3, 1920.

Innovation number one was that chapel occurred at ten rather than at the appointed hour. When we were assembled we were told that in place of the regular chapel exercise we were to have a period for prayer. During this we were requested to especially ask God to direct and overrule in the conference which was at that time taking place at Albany between President Luckey and the State Commissioner of Higher Education. The matter under discussion was the granting of a charter for Houghton giving her the right to grant degrees. There was a gracious season of intercession in which the prevailing note seemed to be that, if it might be God's will, the plan of our President might succeed.

Immediately after this chapel period classes resumed. All went on as usual until the time for the second period in the afternoon. Then the faculty were seen to desert their pedagogical perches and to migrate toward the chapel. Stranger still—they encouraged the students to do likewise.

Upon our arrival there we first listened

to a telegram to Professor Coleman from President Luckey: "Plan approved. Charter in sight. Let us thank God." With joyful hearts we bowed in silence while Professor Coleman poured out his heart to God in thankfulness for the ready answer to our petitions.

The "powers" in authority gave the students liberty to choose their method of celebration. Those who were there know, and those not present may imagine the result. (N. B. They did not decide to resume classes!) Songs were sung. Yells and cheers were heartily given. Students demanded a parade.

The students were hastily organized, or at least assembled. Drums and cornets were produced, and the procession started.

Now it stopped and one could hear the chant of C-H-A-R-T-E-R, C-H-A-R-T-E-R or the "Head full of brains" of the "Luckey yell." Or now the students are singing the verses of the college songs, and perchance in vision they see new meaning in "Houghton, Houghton."

Anyway the streets of the town and hill were traversed. Then all went back to the chapel to plan for future celebrations.

To the present time it has consisted of a crowd of students meeting President Luckey as he returned from Board meeting and drawing him home in a cutter. But rumor says there is more in store.

Yes, the day was a significant one and I fancy that the enthusiasm created will crystallize into a loyal steady volume of boosting for the Houghton College of 1924.

W. L. F.

## TILLOTSON LECTURES ON HAWAII

On Thursday night, February 12, Miss Lottie Tillotson spoke in the Seminary Chapel on the Hawaiian Islands and their people. She was robed in a loose Hawaiian dress of white, and wore three long wreaths of flowers that reached nearly to the floor. We were told that the wearing of such wreaths is a popular custom among

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## Editorial

## UNATTAINABLE ATTAINABLES

We each have known some person whom we greatly admired, who to us seemed perfect, and whom we made our model. Probably we have not attained to the perfection of our personified ideal; but, nevertheless, such an ideal was valuable in that it gave us something towards which to work. Without some goal, real or imaginary, our lives would be lived in aimless, ambitionless drudgery.

An ideal, in its abstract sense, is a goal which we are always approaching but can never reach. Like the foot of the rainbow, as we move toward it it advances. Our ideal is our guiding star; therefore, if it is to continue to guide, as we approach it it must advance.

An ideal, while variable, is most indestructible. Nothing else upon earth endures. People, events and material things will pass and be forgotten; but faith and hope, freedom and friendship, love and reverence will remain.

While this imperishable, non-material substance known as ideals constitutes a goal unattainable, neverthe-

less we should with all our might advance ourselves towards it. Only thereby may we grow and become the best that ourselves and our circumstances will permit. Wealth and fame may be beyond us, yet the best things of life, those intangible things that grow up within the soul of one who is friendly and has friends, are not beyond our grasp. Do we wish to gain a place of respect among our fellows, do we desire to live a humanly faultless life? Then we may.

All things possible are possible to him that believeth.

## TILLOTSON LECTURES ON HAWAII

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the Hawaiians, and that thus attired they like to go down to the shore to meet the incoming ships. These wreaths also are convenient instruments in making the acquaintance of strangers. The wearer does not wait to be introduced but introduces himself by hanging one of his wreaths about the neck of the person whose acquaintance he wishes to make.

The islands have had modern schools for only seventy-five years, yet all the people can read and write. They are usually graduates of grammar and high school, and many have been thru college and university.

The pure native islanders are of a walnut color and are of large stature. The men average six feet in height and two hundred pounds in weight. They are hardy, and are at home both in and on the sea. Both men and women are expert at swimming and diving. "Surfing" is a popular sport. The skillful surfer, balancing on his surfing board, often rides the waves far out to sea till he is a mere speck on the horizon.

Ostrich raising is a profitable industry. The birds are valuable both as producers and as burden bearers. They are strong enough to carry people on their backs. They know their owners and do not readily take to strangers. Their kick is like that of a horse in velocity, only they kick forward instead of back. It is said the ostrich lays her eggs in the sand and leaves them to be hatched by the heat of the sun; but the speaker informed us this latter was untrue, but that the eggs are incubated in the usual way. Ostrich eggs bring \$5.00 apiece in the market.

The islands are a place of loveliness and of unusual scenery. The temperature varies only 10 degrees and averages 72 degrees. There are numerous volcanoes both quiescent and active. Kilanea is the largest active volcano in the world. Another volcano, dormant, has a crater 26 miles in circumference and 3,000 feet deep—the biggest hole in existence. Here also is to be found the highest waterfall. The stream, or series of streams, plunge from the high ridge of rock 3,000 feet straight down into the sea.

This lecture was under the auspices of the "Star." Several music numbers were furnished by local talent.

## SOUTH AMERICA'S CALL

Feeling a deep interest in our neglected brothers of Latin America, I esteemed it a great privilege to attend a special service held in their interests during the International Student Volunteer Convention held at Des Moines.

The service was opened by reading the twenty-fifth chapter of Matthew followed by prayer by Bishop Hamilton of the Moravian Church.

Professor Inman, a Christian educator of South America, gave us a general survey of the unoccupied fields. He said there were whole states of a million people each without an evangelistic worker. San Salvador has only two protestant workers. Venezuela has only three ordained ministers and one school house. Columbia has five million inhabitants with only one school house to each million, while Peru is without one evangelistic worker. Professor Inman thinks that South America is the coming country. He said, "Go with me to the banking houses and business concerns of America, Europe and Japan and you will find the eyes of the business world fixed upon South America." He told of a new steamship line that will soon be making quick voyages to the states and other countries. He said that South America is a place for the overcrowded countries. It is a place where food can be easily produced for the world. There is more undiscovered territory in Brazil than in all Africa. He then spoke of the highly intellectual circles to be found in the cities of South America. Both he, and Bertha Conde who was sent on a special commission to



the students of Latin America spoke of the Latin American student as the keenest and brightest in the world. Their universities are closely related to Europe and their system is Napoleonic and has been planned for men rather than for women. Despite this fact the first foreign woman to get a medical education in Paris and Berlin was a Chilean woman. The Spanish speaking population is largely atheistic and say, "Religion is the last thing we want to hear about for has it not brought us all our revolutions and difficulties?" Professor Inman describes the true heart yearning by telling of an enquirer who asked him, "Can you tell me something that will heal my soul?"

Rev. Travis representing the Disciples and the M. E. church in the Argentine told of a new day in Argentina.

Mr. Honeycutt brought the challenge of Agriculture for the neglected continent. He is doing for Brazil what Mr. Higginbotham is doing for India. He quoted Dr. Grenfell, "If we would reach people we must do something that they can understand." He said they had one great word in Brazil, "sin pat" sympathetic. They have for all the centuries been farmers but have had but two implements, the hoe and fire. Before the war Brazil was importing rice, corn, potatoes and onions. By the close of the war they were exporting corn, rice and lard.

Mr. Honeycutt told of his call and of how the Board said "No." He said he made a bargain with God and in six months was on the field. He stressed the need of educators for Brazil but always put the Bible first and said it should be in every course. Though the work is new, fifty percent go out Christians. "If you want to practice agriculture for yourself stay here; if for Christ go to South America."

Bishop Frances McConnell in his clear and humorous style gave us a picture of Mexico and her dire need of sympathy and understanding and Christ. The revolution in Mexico has been for the uplift of the ones farthest down. In the last ten years 217 Americans have been murdered. That is not any worse than in Chicago. Only one Protestant missionary killed in Mexico in the last century. Americans who have gone to Mexico have exploited

her. The Bishop then told of one of his teachers by the name of Moses who tried to impress upon his class that war was God's method of bringing people to Christ. He said someone rose and moved that we change the command of Christ, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel into every creature." If that were true intervention may be a good thing for the financial condition of America, a good thing for Catholics, but no good for Mexicans," said Bishop McConnell.

Mr. Baker of the Canadian Baptist Church gave a strong appeal for the Indians of South America. He said, "There are seventeen millions of Indians south of the Rio Grande. For four hundred years they have been the beast of burden for the white man until hope is crushed and they have forgotten to protest. They have two religions. There is a cross upon every road, a drunken festival every month. They will kneel before their oppressor saying, "tata" yes, but they are only nominal Catholics. Follow them to the mountain tops and there you will find them performing their ancestral rites and offering incense in their homemade earthen saucers. It is easy for bright young men here at home to write of their need, but the only one who can meet that need is the one who lives among them, doctors, teachers, loves and lifts them up by living Christ before them." He says there are three or four churches working in the capitol of Peru but the interior of Peru lies almost untouched by the Gospel. Today the door is wide open, tomorrow it may be closed to us. Does Peru not offer a challenge to the young men and women of our church?

Latin American students from Mexico, Brazil, Bolivia, Chili, the Argentine and other countries came forward and the service closed with a lively question-box answered by missionaries and natives. Bishop Stunz, author of "Our South American Neighbors," was present and answered many enquiries. His book, and Robert Speer's, "South America's Problems" were recommended as the best for mission study class on this subject.

How shall the students of our Wesleyan Methodist Colleges meet the challenge of the neglected millions at our Southern door? "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed ye shall

say unto this mountain, remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove, and nothing shall be impossible unto you. Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting."

Mrs. Mary L. Clark.

## MARRIAGES

The following announcement came as a surprise to the many friends of our former student and teacher, Miss Russell:

Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Russell  
announce the marriage of their  
daughter

Clara Belle

to

Stanford Lang

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January seems to be a popular month for weddings this year. On Saturday, January 17th, Miss Lillian Hampton of Portageville, N. Y., one of our Houghton students, was married to Mr. George Ernest Taylor of Caneadea, N. Y. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. L. F. Whitacre, of Batavia, N. Y. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. L. Rogers of Batavia. After the wedding breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left for a short western trip. At present they are making their home at Caneadea, N. Y.

Another wedding of Houghton students has just been announced. On Wednesday, February 11th, occurred the marriage of Miss Lina Sullivan and Mr. John Bruce. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home in Williamston, Michigan. Both the bride and groom were here in school during the first semester this year. The Star extends hearty congratulations.

If

A fellow who

Loves books

Is called

A bookworm

Is

A fellow who

Likes to

Stay in bed

A bed bug?

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## Current News

### HILL NOTES

Miss Grace Wright spent the week end with friends at Hume, N. Y.

The Misses Beatrice Eldridge, El-mira Lawrence and Hazel Rogers went to Olean Friday to do some shopping.

Miss Elizabeth Black took advantage of the week end vacation and went home to Olean.

The Misses Sarah and Louisa Miller of Silver Bay returned to school last week.

Miss Hazel Eddy visited her parents at Albion, N. Y., the past week.

On account of so many new students coming, it has been necessary to make some changes in the Dormitory. A number of girls have changed room-mates.

Mrs. Alice Barnes-Rummel, a former student, is now living at Charleston, N. H.

The present enrollment is one hundred sixty-eight.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Shea are rejoicing over the birth of a little daughter.

### VILLAGE NOTES

Mr. Frank Lowe of New York City is spending a few days with his wife and daughter.

Mrs. C. J. Thayer, Mrs. Lowe and daughter, Esther, attended the club at Fillmore Thursday.

Mrs. VanBuskirk attended the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Albert Vedder, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knox are visiting her parents on Cronk Hill.

Nina Lapham returned home from Fillmore Thursday on account of illness. Edith Lapham has been confined to the house for several days.

Madeline Cunningham is visiting at John Crawford's.

Mrs. C. J. Thayer visited at Sonyea Sunday night and shopped in Rochester Monday.

Mrs. Nina Rice is assisting Mrs. Fred Daniels.

Mrs. Carrol Hill visited her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Parker, Wednesday.

School closed for a few days owing to sickness among the pupils and teachers.

G. V. B.

## COLLEGE GIRLS ENTERTAIN

To start off the new year properly the college girls, together with four maiden ladies of the faculty, conducted a Leap Year Party on the evening of the twenty-fourth of January. In their invitations the ladies were very successful, as only one refusal was reported.

At seven o'clock the invited ones began to appear and found the dorm eat-room decorated for the occasion in a very pleasing manner. In one compartment were tables bearing piles of pictorial magazines. From these each couple prepared a book representing in picture one of those "ever after" love stories. This ended and these works of art having been judged, the guests were ushered behind the screens where small, square tables stood ready.

Ice cream was the chief article of refreshment. This dish was in keeping with the season and was greatly enjoyed.

The "goodnight" hour, as usual, came too soon. The young men wish every year could be leap year.

## Exchanges

The Star has received the following exchanges during the year:

### General Publications.

The Mexican Review, Mexico City.

The Missionary Review, 150 Fifth Ave. New York.

The Intercollegiate Statesman, 619 Hearst Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Our Dumb Animals, Norwood, Mass.

### College Publications

The Oberlin Review, Oberlin, Ohio.

The Middlebury Campus, Middlebury, Vermont.

The Vista, Greenville, Illinois.

The College Record, Wheaton, Ill.

The Huntingtonian, Ubee, Indiana.

The Hemnica, Red Wing, Minn.

The Red and Black, Watertown, Wis.

The Wesleyan Advance, Salina, Kan.

The Ohio Wesleyan Transcript, Delaware, Ohio.

The Park Stylus, Parkville, Mo.

The Dickenson Union, Williamsport, (Seminary) Pa.

The Messenger, Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y.

The Colgate Maroon, Hamilton, N. Y.

College World, Adrian, Mich.

### High School Publications.

The Polytechnic, (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) Troy, N. Y.

The Omnibus, Franklin, Pa.

The Echo, Urbana, Ill.

The Picayune, Batavia, N. Y.

The High School Magnet, Butler, Pa.

The Optomist, Titusville, Pa.

The Utolokean, Kissimmee, Fla.

The Porpoise, Daytona, Fla.

The Red and Black, Clermont, N. H.

The Orange, White Plains, N. Y.

Montrose High School Life, Montrose, Pa.

The Red and White, Kittanning, Pa.

The Owl, Long Island City, N. Y.

The Botolphian, Boston, Mass.

The Appokeepaian, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

The High School Citizen, Dunkirk, N. Y.

Prof. Fancher—(illustrating final clauses in Greek) "I work hard that"—Billy G.—"You may dress well." Billy's mind wanders; there's a reason!

Densmore seems to be following out a principle of pedagogy, viz., The mind cannot appropriate a "good thing" (truth) without first eddying about it for some time. He is still eddying.

"Finny" D. has the latest on the H. C. L. He has found that library paste is an excellent tooth paste. He has used but one tube but he affirms that it works fine. But he will no doubt go back to the old way when prices come down.

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## GRADUATES OF '18

Harold Lee, College '18, returned last spring from camp where he had spent the fall and winter following his graduation. During the summer he tilled the soil but began clerking in Houghton's largest store in September. Recently Harold became the proud father of a little girl. We extend to him our heartiest congratulations.

Claude Ries, College, '18, after leaving our halls of learning spent a year at Asbury College, which, judging from his description is an excellent school for Christian young people to attend. I wish space permitted the printing of his tale concerning his days at Asbury but we will just say that at commencement time last June, Claude carried off the only prize of their Oratorical Contest, a Bachelor of Arts sheepskin and a Theological diploma. At present he is working with the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. but in March he expects to take a pastorate in the Allegany conference. He says that many times he prays for Luckey's school and her professors and hopes that as he goes into active work in the Lord's vineyard his kind friends will remember him to the One who called him to service.

George Beverly Schultz Theo. '18, went to Barberton upon completing his course here where he served as assistant pastor for his mother. More recently he has been called to the Wesleyan Methodist church at New Castle, Pa., where aided by his devoted and able wife, he is leading a fight for his Master and speaking a good word for Houghton on every opportunity.

Francis Markell, Theo. '18, is doing his bit for the Master on the East Leon charge where he went immediately after graduating. A short time afterwards, he secured a consecrated helpmate to cheer and encourage him in his labor of love for his King. We understand that the work is moving nicely.

Eleanor Farmer, Prep. '18, spent a year helping her mother in the cares of their home. This fall she returned to Houghton Seminary and registered as a Freshman again—this time in College. We wish her great success in her course.

Marion McMillan, Prep. '18, is working in Columbus, Ohio. We understand

that she will attend college later.

Winifred Fero, Prep. '18, taught a year in one of New York State's rural schools after graduating. Later she married a student of Houghton Sem.

At present they are residing in Houghton.

The class of '18 wish God's richest blessings upon Houghton Sem.

W. F. C.

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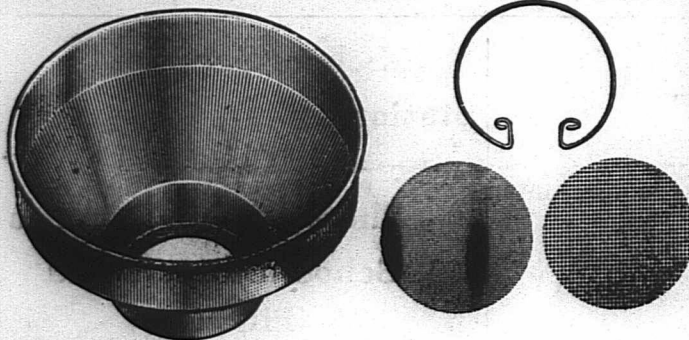
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### Ginger Jar

The close observer at Houghton is greatly impressed with the ambition of the young men working their way through school. But our sympathies will linger with Brother "Deak" Barnett in his ceaseless care of the dainty fuzz patch on his superior lip. We are led to the conclusion that he has made a contract with some mattress factory for his entire crop.

At the Leap Year party—Gratia looking for an appropriate picture for "their story," "Say Pete are we rich or poor or what?"

Bernice at the same game—"We haven't any wedding." Bascom, (thoughtfully) "haven't we? I thought we had a wedding."

Political science class is growing smaller but still a good spirit prevails. The topics given out for lectures resulted in Mr. White receiving a good strong lecture by Miss Warburton which White returned the next day.

Prof. S. says turn about is fair play.

We don't know whether the late decision of senators Sullivan and Bruce as to the prudence of the step just taken was a case of "speak for yourself John" or "speak for us both Lina." Anyhow they got the germ somehow and are following out the scriptural plan of going two by two. It's leap year anyhow!

I wish I was a ground hog  
A sleepin' in a hole  
And o'er my head the winter winds  
And winter snows would roll.

I'd snuggle way down in my bed  
And smell the artichokes  
And swear that I'd stay there in bed  
And write no silly jokes.

When February comes I'd be  
The big talk of the town  
But I would go on sleeping and  
Care nothing for renown.

Of course I know when I'd wake up  
I'd need a healthy purse  
But I'd hate to feed myself  
On what I'd make by writing verse!