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Another Arbor Day! Many Improvements Made

Despite the somewhat adverse weather conditions of last Wednesday, the Arbor Day which was held on that day proved to be a roaring success in more ways than one. The student body very loyally supported the project, coming out one hundred thousand strong, and continuing with their labor even while the rain gently fell upon their bent backs.

The greatest melioration of the campus which resulted from student co-operative labor was the erection of a splendid steel baseball backstop on the athletic field. This permanent campus fixture will be of invaluable aid in the strengthening of college athletics here. Additional improvements came in the form of a thoroughly cleansed gymnasium, and a general campus clean-up. Again it seems that the "Gold Dust Twins" had been with us, for as we gaze out over the lawns and campus, not a stick mars their beauty. The shrubbery has been nicely cultivated, the drives much improved, and the tennis courts thoroughly cleaned of all foreign material.

The noon hour was very pleasantly spent around the dormitory tables, upon which a most bountiful repast was spread. After the meal a short program was rendered consisting of songs, several speeches, and a reading.

Because of the rain, the proposed baseball game was postponed.

Educational Day

The Educational Rally Day was introduced by our former Y. M. W. B. superintendent, Sister Hartson, for the purpose of raising funds for our educational work and turning the attention of our young people to our church schools. In Houghton, this service is largely in appreciation of what Houghton College and Seminary have meant to the boys and girls who have come here to receive their education.

The Educational Rally this year was held Sunday evening, May 16. A splendid program was rendered by the combined Junior and Senior bands, after which an offering amounting to almost \$25 was taken. May God bless our Y. M. W. B. boys and girls and all who are helping carry on His work.

Juniors Give Tribute to Seniors

It was in appreciation of the Senior Class that the Juniors conducted last Friday's Chapel. Mr. Smith had charge of devotionals after which the class presented a program that expressed sincere gratitude for the graduating class of this year.

Miss Kingsbury spoke on "The Senior Class". She said it is evident that the Seniors are among us because of their appearance in caps and gowns once each week in Chapel. Then, too they have established precedents and have left records in the annals of the school that can never be forgotten. Next, Mr. Clark told us how the places of the Seniors are to be filled by the Juniors. Naturally, the Senior Class must furnish leaders for various activities and the present Junior Class must provide these for next year. He said there are "sacred memories of those who have nobly fashioned character in our midst", and it will be difficult to take their places. Although the Junior Class may not be able to fill the individual places in this respect yet we are sure that these noble young men and women with the help of the Master will continue moulding character for truth and right.

Following these two talks, Bertha

Just One More Thrills!

The Seniors Had It

The Giant Atlas would have had to get up in the morning to get anything over on the College Seniors, last Tuesday. You remember that he stepped off fifteen miles at a time, but they hopped across country at the rate of three hundred, and all within twenty-four hours! Furthermore, he had to hold the world on his shoulders, and therefore, secured a vacation with difficulty. But they, as free as birds and happy as clams let their many responsibilities fall from their shoulders as lightly as feathers, rubbed their sleepy eyes, stepped on the gas,—and off they were.

The above paragraph refers to the second annual skipday of the college senior class. Not only was it a day of pleasure but also a day of education. Chief among the educational features

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Williams and Ruth Warburton sang "Whispering Hope." Mr. Williams there revealed many startling facts concerning the future of the Seniors. "Our Respect for the Senior Class", given by Doris Neal was a sincere tribute to the class. The program closed by the entire student body singing the College song.

College Examination Schedule

May 27th to June 3rd

Thursday p. m. 1:30-4:30

Trees and Shrubs.

Friday p. m. 1:30-4:30

8:00-9:00 Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday classes, (including beginning languages and French IV).

Saturday a. m. 9:00-12:00

Surveying

Freshman English

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Tuesday a. m. 9:00-12:00

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Physical Training examination will be held at regular class periods Wednesday, May 26, and Thursday, May 27. Boys' class, Thursday 9:00-10:00.

High School Junior-Senior Banquet

At eight o'clock on Friday evening the Seminary Seniors and faculty were hospitably received by the Juniors at the vocal studio. After a time of friendly conversation we were each given half of a picture and told that someone in our happy crowd held the other half, and that it was our privilege to find our partners for the evening. The announcement that all association laws were lifted for the evening added still more to our pleasure.

The program rendered by the juniors was very enjoyable. The first number was a piano solo, "Mozart's Minuet", played by Phyllis Estabrook. Alice Folger then gave that vivid poem of school days "The Smack in School". The Junior mixed quartet sang "Questions". Those in the quartet were Alfred Kreckman, Esther Leasure, Frances Wells, and Donald Ferguson. The next number was a pathetic reading entitled "Willie's Prayer", given by Beatrice Cooper. The concluding number, a piano solo by Alfred Kreckman, was extraordinary.

From the studio the banqueting party proceeded to the annex which was beautifully decorated in green and white, the senior colors.

The dinner which was served was delicious. The color scheme was carried out even to the coloring of the ice cream and the icing of the cake.

After the last course was finished and the chairs shoved back the toastmaster, Alfred Kreckman president of the Junior class, introduced Philip Lowry, a senior, who ably toasted on the subject "What the Past Has Given to Us".

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Christian Character

Last Tuesday night, following prayer meeting, a group of Juniors unceremoniously "made themselves at home" in Mrs. Bowen's parlor, during her supposed absence. Playing the organ, looking at pictures, talking and laughing were in the order of the evening. In the midst of the convivial fellowship a voice broke out, "Wouldn't it be funny if she were listening to us now?" Whether Divine Providence guided the words or the action, we do not know. But scarcely were the words uttered

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Editorial

To Seniors - And Hotonites in General

The Christian, in every circumstance and under every condition of life has "a God to glorify"; the Hotonite has a school to honor.

Students of Houghton College and Seminary are sons and daughters of one of the noblest institutions of learning the country affords. The situation of Houghton among beautiful hills by the side of an historic river is not the reason for its nobility. Neither does that nobility consist in the possession of massive and imposing buildings. Through the halls of Houghton walks the great and loving spirit of the man of prayer whose vision made Houghton possible. These rooms re-echo the voices and endeavors of great educators and great ministers who have gone out into the world to accomplish things. And then as we listen and feel, we comprehend rather than hear the fervent prayers of generations of young men and women who in self-forgetfulness and love, have sacrificed much to help Houghton on to God. Just as all the evil of a thousand years and more fell on Jerusalem when she was destroyed, so the righteousness, vision, and love of these men and these generations are become our heritage. They are communicated to us by those lives of the present day who have hearts to understand and wills to receive the spirit which has come to us through them.

Of all who live, we are among the most favored. We have been privileged to breathe the air of true nobility. We are the children of many prayers. Therefore, we have a school to honor. May our lives in the world of men uphold the standards which have been constantly before our vision during our stay here. Let us always remember Houghton.

Unique Program

Seniors Impersonate Faculty

A peep into one of the Friday afternoon meetings of our faculty was given to the Athenian Literary Society Monday evening by the College Senior class. Clair Carey as President Luckey made a splendid chairman. Frank Henshaw, arriving a few minutes late, soon was shown to be Dean Fancher. Other members of the faculty were imitated with great ingenuity. Business matters which were evidently counterparts of those taken up in the regular meetings were discussed. "Prof. Wright" and "Mrs. Bowen" in the persons of Frederic Howland and Edith Lapham respectively, brought up a number of petitions referring to college and high school students. Needless to say, the majority of these referred to association privileges. After business of equal (?) importance was brought up, the meeting was adjourned by limitation of time. As a fitting conclusion to the program the class sang "We Are Seniors".

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The Boulder for next year, students, is guaranteed to be just as enjoyable and full of pep as the one for '26. In fact, our aim is to produce a "Bigger, Better, Brighter Boulder" than ever before. Can we do it? Yes, by your help. Students, don't neglect an early subscription for yourself, and be sure to solicit many from your friends this summer. Alumni, remember the Boulder next year, and don't forget that the staff is ready to serve you.

Virgil Hussey—Editor
Laura Houghton—Sub. Manager

Herbert Hamilton was also called home by the serious illness of his father

Whole-hearted Service

For the lesson in students' prayer-meeting, Miss Cole chose II Thess. 3. After reading the ninth verse she put to us this question, "How many of us would like to tell others to look to us as examples of Jesus Christ?" Yet we professors of Christianity, whether we wish it or not, are or false examples of our Master.

Another very good thought was brought out by Prof. Ries in his testimony. A certain party went fishing with the best fishing equipment obtainable. They chanced to meet a little boy who, although he had only a little tin hook, had been very successful in catching fish, while they had caught none. When they asked the lad why he had been so fortunate he replied, "Why you see I am fishing for business, but you are fishing only for fun". Are you making it your business to serve Christ, or are you only playing at it? Christ will accept nothing but a whole-hearted service.

Notice

For various reasons the Purple and Gold sides will not play the baseball series or hold the annual track and field meet this spring. However, because of this do not think that Athletics are at a stand still in Houghton. The close of this school year finds us with one of the best Athletic fields in Allegany County. Besides this we have four tennis courts which are now in first class condition. Next year, students, come back with the idea of carrying your school work with honors and making Athletics the best Houghton has ever seen. With our present facilities, it is possible to do them. Be sure to do your part.

Theological "Banquet" At Cuba Lake

The Junior Theological Students and the Theological faculty royally entertained the graduating theologues at Cuba Lake Thursday afternoon, May 13. Just as the sun was setting, the banquet was spread on a long table under the trees. From the table the beautiful little lake was in full view. Formality was at least not painful, and good cheer, as well as good eats abounded. The afternoon was spent in rowing, canoeing, playing baseball, and pitching quoits. Just as dusk was brooding over the lake, strains of sacred song floated across the waters from four boat-loads of Houghtenites. The delightful day was closed by prayer and song around the camp-fire.

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H. S. Junior-Senior Banquet

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Our dearly beloved senior president, Ruth Rockwell, toasted on "What the Past Means to Us". Surely the subject was aptly developed and it brought tears to many eyes.

Alice Sonnleitner, also a member of the Senior class, gave an inspiring talk on "What We Owe to the Future".

The first junior toast was given by Elmer Roth on "What it Means to be a Junior". We were all made conscious of the fact that the Juniors also have duties.

The famous Herbert Strapp gave a speech which will surely be among the masterpieces of this age. His subject was "Our Inheritance".

The final toaster, Esther Leasure, spoke on "A Glimpse into the Future". The seniors saw their futures unfolded before them.

After it was over there were hand clasps, good-nights, and a few tears in some seniors eyes. Why? Just because in was all over.

Just One More Thrills

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were the visits to Auburn prison and to Cornell University. Under the efficient management of Warden Osborne, Auburn prison has become the model for the other prisons of the state. The students were struck with the fact that so many prisoners were highly educated men. They were conducted through the prison by the chaplain, Arthur Copeland, who expressed a desire to visit Houghton and speak to her students. At Cornell the University buildings looked beautiful as the electric lights peered out across the campus.

The beautiful drive through New York's famous Finger Lake Region led to the delightful country home of Frederick Howland, where the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Howland provided a most appetizing chicken dinner. As they left the home, they noticed tears in the eyes of Mrs.

Howland, and a member of the class, "Behind every boy and girl in Houghton, there is a great father and mother".

When the Seniors of '26 become grandmothers and grandfathers, and the children ask for a story, they will relate to them the thrilling adventures of skip-day.

Moonlight Hike

The residents of Gaoyadeo Hall were startled by the sounding of the fire bell Monday evening about nine o'clock. Fifty girls filed out the door and down the fire escape gathering in the lower hall upon their entrance of the building, they were told by Miss Hampe to be ready for a moonlight hike in ten minutes. They were joined by the girls from the "ice box", and all proceeded toward the school farm. After climbing fences, wading through swamps, and plodding through plowed fields they arrived back at Cronk's "hot-dog stand". Here all devoured one or more of the above named delicacies. All who were not numbered among the hikers missed a good time.

Joseph McClintock was called home by the sudden death of his father.

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before Mrs. Bowen smilingly faced the astonished group.

Surprises seem to have been the design of the evening. When the purpose of the Juniors, which was to present Mrs. Bowen with a complimentary copy of the Boulder (dedicated to her) was explained, she lacked words to express herself. In her frank and sincere manner, entirely free from all false modesty, she rejoiced, not so much for the honor of having the third volume of the Boulder dedicated to her, as for the realization that her disinterested, devoted life in daily association with the young people under her charge was regarded by them as priceless. Truly her assertion, that what she has accomplished has been by the grace of Him who is a personal Savior as well as God does reflect the spirit of Christ.

Do we not know --- yes, have we not proof that God is able to mold beautiful Christian Character? Let us profit by truth.

King's Daughters Camp at Shenawana

A secret nook in a pleasant land, Whose groves the frolic fairies planned.

These lines might well be penned about the spot on which is situated Camp Shenawana. At any rate, members of the King's Daughters and Inasmuch Sunday School classes will agree to them. Friday afternoon the lasses clad in sport "togs" left Houghton in Crouch's truck bound for this little nook where they planned to spend the night. Arriving at the camp the girls played baseball until the call for supper came. Supper was both plentiful and satisfying.

When it became too dark to play games, the girls went to the lodge where a bright fire was blazing in the



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fire-place. Here school songs were sung to the soft accompaniment of uk-eleles. By request Miss Miller played several piano solos. Then Mr. Lester kindly told the history of the camp. The site on which it stands was donated by Mrs. Eggleston in memory of her husband who was a Y. M. C. A. worker. After more singing the girls retired—some to sleep. A few more daring maidens braved the terrors of the night and made their beds by the side of the river. However, their slumbers were disturbed for gentle drops soon drove them to shelter.

The girls arrived in Houghton about eight o'clock Saturday morning, somewhat sleepy but with a keen appreciation of Shenawana Camp.

Does Education Make for Refinement?

An interesting account of the story of a Sunday School is told in a recent edition of a certain Syracuse monthly. Year after year in a straggling village in the mountains of West Virginia the school was opened in the month of May only to succumb to the heat of August. Finally a few said "We will keep it open for a year." August heat was passed, September and October frosts came, and now some said the school must close. But there were three or four unwilling to give up. It was a dreary cold winter. Sometimes only four or five were present. The winter passed. A wedding took place in the neighborhood. A wedding was always the signal for a hilarious outburst in the community. Imagine the surprise of the superintendent when the leader in the outburst came to him and said: "We have concluded to have no 'belling'. Can't you get a minister to hold a meeting? The people feel they want one."

We know communities who have had far more religious privileges than the poor people of the mountain town mentioned above who have not done away with the crude custom of 'belling'. Leaving religion out of the question, education ought to make for refinement.

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