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Noted Baritone Soloist Returns

Willard Hallman to Give Recital Thursday

At 8 p. m. on December 15 in the College Chapel as a part of Houghton's regular concert season, Mr. Willard Roy Hallman, bass-baritone soloist will give an evening's program. Mr. Hallman was formerly a member and bass-baritone soloist of the famous Westminster Choir. He is now Minister of Music and assistant pastor of the Binghamton Tabernacle Methodist Church.

Mr. Hallman has a voice of exceptional range, having the colors of both tenor and bass. All who heard him sing last year were thrilled and expressed such statements as: "His attacks were firm and sure. We marveled at his breath control." "Although he dropped suddenly from a loud to a very soft passage his tone color remained the same." "Almost every word was discernable, whether a soft legato or a tremendous climax." Mr. Hallman will give a program made up of sacred and secular numbers.

Athletics Planned for Returning Alumni

The doors of the Bedford Gymnasium will be wide open for you December 17th. All of Saturday afternoon will be spent in renewing old friendships and hostile relationship on the basketball floor. I do not desire to call the roll of former Purple and Gold stars for as certain as I do someone who was outstanding will be forgotten, and we want all to be present.

We are now in the tenth year of Purple and Gold combat. Perhaps, it would be a fitting tribute to mention the names of those who were responsible for this system of athletics. Mr. Charlie White, Mr. Harold Lee, Mr. Harry Kitterman and Mr. Earl Tierney composed the committee to work on a plan for the reorganization of athletics in Houghton Seminary. Little did they realize that their plan would continue to be the basis for athletic competition in Houghton College ten years later. From that committee, Harry Kitterman came to be one of the few proud possessors of four letters.

Be on hand to meet your old friends, for after all they are the best, and have a romping good time in Bedford Gym.

FINAL GAME OF CLASS SERIES IS SET FOR SATURDAY

The final game of the Class series will be played at one o'clock December 17th in the Bedford Gymnasium between the college Sophomores and the college Seniors. This promises to be one of the fastest games of the season and will undoubtedly decide the class championship for the season. The Seniors have won three class series. Can the win the fourth? Come and see some real action.

NEXT STAR, due to the press of activities, will be dated December 23, 1932.

Dr. Huffman Gives Character Studies During Chapel Period

The chapel service on Monday was the first of a series of lectures by Dr. J. A. Huffman, Dean of Theology of Marion College. After bringing to the student body and faculty of Houghton the greetings of Prof. Herman Baker, the former voice professor of our college, he introduced the subjects which will comprise the morning addresses of this week. "Who's Who in God's Great Book, the Bible" is the topic. The four consecutive addresses will deal with

Abraham the Friend of God
Moses the Servant of God
John, the Beloved, and
Paul, the Peerless.

The first of these talks was introduced by two short passages from Scripture. James 2:23; and Genesis 15:6. "Abraham believed God and it was accounted to him, righteousness." The entire life of this "friend of God" is one of faith. To him and to all men God gave at that time a third beginning following that given Adam and Noah. God's call came to him while he was in Ur of the Chaldees. He listened and by faith followed God. Throughout Abraham's life there are tests of faith. The birth of Isaac, the sacrifice of Isaac and the pilgrimage of Abraham show the strength of his faith.

Dr. Huffman brought out the fact of Abraham's humanity. He blundered, and yet God feeling as men feel though in His divinity, understood and forgave, giving to Abraham the fulfillment of His promise. In Closing, Abraham as the "friend of God" was pictured as in Genesis 18:19.

The second of Dr. Huffman's series of lectures on "Who's Who in the Bible" was entitled "Moses, the Servant of God", the brief Scriptural reading being from Joshua 1:1-3.

To acquaint us with the background for Moses' life, Dr. Huffman gave a brief history of the Jews during the period of a little over four centuries from the call of Abraham to the Exodus. Probably about 250 years were spent in Egypt, most of which time the Israelites were court favorites of the reigning dynasty. However, a change in Egyptian kings caused a sudden turn of fortune for the Israelites, who were forced into virtual slavery. It is in this last period that Moses was born.

The story of the birth of Moses, his being hidden by his mother and found and adopted by the daughter of Pharaoh is well known. In the royal house he was given the advantages of an education and was, in line for the throne, but chose to remain with his people, thus joining the immortals. His passionate killing of an Egyptian caused him to flee into Midian and became a shepherd. It was in this occupation that God spoke to him from the burning bush and commissioned him to deliver his people out of bondage.

From this life as a servant of God he has become, according to Dr. Huffman, the world's greatest man. In the first place, he is the greatest emancipator. In comparison with our own Lincoln, although he freed two million people to Lincoln's three million, the difference in times and conditions give Moses the greater importance. Although seldom thought of in that light, he was the greatest of

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Houghton's Second Annual Home Coming Will Be Held December 16 - 18

COLLEGE CHORUS WILL SING "MESSIAH" FOR FIRST TIME; BASKETBALL GAMES BY OLD TIMERS; GREAT GET-TOGETHER AT BANQUET



Retrospection

When I'm a feelin' kind o' blue,
And friends I've trusted don't prove true;
When all the world seems down and out
And doubts are flying round about
For they always come—I don't know when—

Why then

If there's any place I like to be
'Tis Houghton on the Genesee.

In winter when the ground is white,
And nights are cold as well as bright,
When you down the hill like lightning go,
And up the hill with pace more slow
And bobs fly past—you know not when—

Just then

If there's any place I like to be
'Tis Houghton on the Genesee.

When out into the world I'll roam,
And that's come fast of Home Sweet Home,
I'll think more oft of way back there
Those days I spent, oh happy Sehr!
In college—and I'll know just when,
Yes then!

If there's any place I like to be
'Tis Houghton on the Genesee.—Edna Hester, '11.

Bible History Shown by Lantern Slides

On Tuesday evening, Rev. Morgan of California who is interested in missionary work among the Mexicans, presented an illustrated lecture of Bible history. From darkness, chaotic disorder, a formless void, pictures were thrown upon the screen which showed the blending of colors and the fusion of one picture into another to the crucifixion of Christ on Calvary. The line of Adam was followed through Shem, Abram, Isaac, Jacob, Judah, and David to Christ showing the royal lineage. The Cain line and Abel line were also pictured showing the wide gulf which ultimately separated them. Splendid pictures portrayed Enoch who walked with God Noah and the story of the Ark, Abraham, his life and journeys.

Between the various stories, charts were shown which clearly showed the seven stages of the mystery of the seed of woman and also the Creat-

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Interesting Club Meeting

Die Rheinvereiner found especial interest Monday evening in the letter which had been received from Herr Professor Ebner, formerly president of the Club. Among wishes that he might be with us and the quoting of some attractive German poetry, he told us something about the meaning of Christmas in Germany. In view of the fact that he could not be with us, we heartily appreciated the letter and its contents.

Christmas will soon be here. That is what we thought as Frau Thomas and Fraulein Farwell sang "Die Heilige Nacht". It is a charming Christmas hymn—even more charming in German than its English translation. We heard also two little poems: "Der Fischer", given by Foster Benjamin, and "Mignon", by Lena Stevenson. In connection with the latter poem Herr Professor Fancher spoke of Wilhelm Meister.

After Raymond Pitzrick had continued his discussion of topics inter-

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Alumni Will Visit Old Haunts and Witness Improvements

Few outstanding events of the past recent years called forth a more hearty response of the alumni and old students of Houghton College than did the first real Home Coming of last year. The event was pronounced by all as a huge success and fulfilled a lack long felt by those who once lingered on our campus. Because of the hearty response to last year's invitation the committee of the Houghton Chapter of the Alumni Association has put forth much effort to make this year's get-together an even greater success than last year.

Many treats are in store for those fortunate enough to be here. For weeks the College Chorus of 160 voices has been rehearsing the "Messiah". Mr. Willard Roy Hallman will sing a leading solo part in this great oratorio. Mr. Hallman, formerly a member of the Westminster Choir is at present Minister of Music and Assistant Pastor of the Tabernacle Methodist Church of Binghamton, N. Y. His recital given last year in Houghton stands out vividly in the musical events of the year.

There will be nothing monotonous or dry in the alumni chapel held on Saturday morning at nine forty-five. The A Cappella Choir, which always graces any program with its splendid rendition of the great music of the church, will sing. The symposium given by four graduates of the college will be something new for chapel here.

The Purple-Gold Alumni basketball games will revive memories of forgotten days, old time friends and exciting games. Come and forget that you're a school "marm" or a dignified public man and relive youthful days again in the Bedford Gym.

Of course we could not have a get-together as old timers and not eat together. A well-planned "snappy" program will accompany the "eats". Directly following the Banquet will be another musical treat. In keeping with the tone and dignity of the "Messiah" will be renditions of symphonic numbers by the College Orchestra.

In the Sunday worship, alumni will sing and the first college graduate of Houghton will preach.

What can be more inspiring and thrilling than to sit once more in the old class room in recitation, playing or witnessing a purple-gold game, attending chapel once more or worshipping in the "little white church in the vale"? So

Come back to dear old Houghton.
She'll welcome you.
Come all together,
Back to our old school.

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DO WE APPRECIATE THE FACT?

To realize that one is a component part of a concern that is prospering in days like these is no mean realization. To be linked up with a cause, alive, worth while and with a future that gives still greater promise is an enviable prize. This is exactly the position in which the graduate and student of Houghton College finds himself. These are days when school policies and foundations are being tried as they never have been. Never before has the wisdom of Houghton's conservative policy, financially been so strongly vindicated. Many other colleges of her type have been more ostentatious in elaborate buildings and campus improvements, have sought to carry a more expanded program than she. Houghton's progress has been gradual, sure and steady. Facilities have been used to the limit. Conservatism has marked her progress. The testing time has come. While practically every college of her class is groaning under the burden of a massive building program debt—in many cases to the breaking point, Houghton finds no such embarrassment but with steady, clear vision looks forward with confidence in God, the church and alumni to fill its destined mission of vital Christian education in a bewildered world. Every alumnus and old student should have a feeling akin to pride that Houghton College is his Alma Mater and grateful to God for President Luckey and his twenty-five years of conservative, progressive leadership which under God has given us a college of sure foundations and promising future.

Indicative of the spiritual progress and enlarged spiritual program of Houghton is the building of the new church edifice. To build in such a period is heroic and reveals the faith and self-consecration of the spiritual leadership of the laity of Houghton, prominent among whom are Houghton's alumni.

—Claude A. Ries

THE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Students, teachers, apparatus, books, rooms—these constitute the college. The greatest university has no more; the most humble institution of higher learning no less. In the great lecture room filled with two or three hundred eager students listening to a professor's discussion, what have we? A book-reading or apparatus-handling people before a book-read or apparatus-handling man. The man one who knows or who has experienced; the people those who want to know or want to experience.

What then is the difference in institutions? More or less books, more or less apparatus, more students or less students, better rooms, or rooms less good. And one thing more—one great correlating principle—the contribution and peculiar possession of the Christian college. That correlating principle (fully discussed in Newman's *Idea of a University*) is God-consciousness—the philosophy of philosophies, the *summum bonum* of all knowledge.

Houghton is a Christian college.

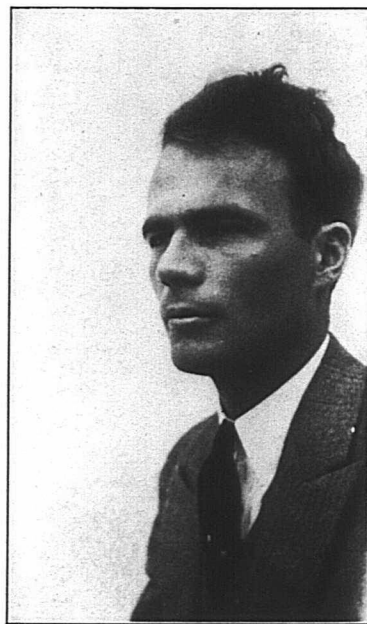
—J. G. Rickard

LEST WE FORGET

Men went without supper that they might be there. Winter nights made not the slightest difference, winter nights whose chilling blasts did something to that old chapel that the combined efforts of the furnace in the basement and the auxiliary red-hot stove in the room itself couldn't faze. For the crowd that gathered here knew that there would be something that would warm their blood. Determined-faced fellow students would be there to champion against all comers issues upon which hung the weal or woe of communities and nations. A few of those issues have been solved, in part at least through the efforts of those very champions, who were never driven from the positions taken by them upon that old chapel platform. Unpopular though those positions may have been.

Some, indeed, but not all of those problems have been solved. Concerning many of them a Babel of voices fills the air with a confusing din. Too often there is lacking the presence of anyone who has thought himself through to such a place of leadership where he can and dare say, "Ye have compassed this mount long enough. Turn ye."—and then really lead somewhere. Is the Houghton of today contributing its properly increased quota to just that kind of leadership? It is true that the Grade Point is an instrument of torture utterly unknown to those earlier days. It is further true that opinion differs so widely among Boards of Education, who have coveted jobs to dispense, as to how vitally a teacher should interest himself in the vexing questions of community interest and how actively he should bestir himself about them, the quiet acquiescence with the *status quo* often seems the wiser course. It is still further and fortunately true that yesterday's faintly visioned luxuries are today's bare necessities. But it would be too great and humiliating an admission if we should ever have to admit that any of this, or any thing else, has driven us from one breath of that spirit that makes men who dare to stand where stand but men of sternest stuff.

—Stanley W. Wright



Twenty Theses for One Ph. D.

Dr. Ira Sprague Bowen, World Recognized Scientist

Once upon a time there was a member of the mechanical drawing class in Houghton so intent upon his work that he forgot to go home when the rest did. Sometimes he would work away in a corner room of the old college building until midnight. He hated Latin. And still more terrible, he couldn't spell. But even back in high school the teachers had to keep their wits all bright and shining to match him in physics.

That persevering little chap with the bull-dog will, whom we used to call "Ikey", we now address more respectfully as "Dr. Bowen." You all know his mother, Mrs. P. S. Bowen, our high school principal. She taught her son at home the work of the six grammar grades, after which he entered Houghton. At sixteen the boy was graduated from the high school as valedictorian of his class.

In September he entered college. Here he manifested a prodigious capacity and appetite for work. He couldn't help it. He was born that way. The harder the problem in Science or Mathematics the better he liked it. Having completed his junior year at Houghton, he entered Oberlin, where he received his bachelor's degree in 1919. Dr. Williams, head of the physics department there recommended him to Chicago for graduate work.

At Chicago he was given an assistantship in the laboratory. Before Christmas, Dr. Robert Millikan's assistant left, and the position was given to Ira. He was there the rest of that year (1919-1920) and the next. Then Dr. Millikan was invited to become president of the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, but he preferred to become president of the Board of Managers. Mr. Bowen went there as his assistant, later was made an associate professor, and finally, a full professor. His doctor's degree was taken *summa cum laude* and he became a member of Sigma Xi, open for men distinguished for work in research. His examiner remarked that Dr. Bowen had written over twenty scientific articles, any one of which was worthy to be his doctor's thesis.

The University of Chicago also desired him to take his doctorate there and to join the staff.

Dr. Bowen's research work has been quite largely in the field of spectroscopy, but he has also solved some of astronomy's great problems. For sixty years astronomers had been trying to discover the elements of a gas, believed to come from the nebula, called *nebulium*. By mathematical equations Dr. Bowen worked out over night the proof that *nebulium* consists of oxygen and hydrogen in a metastable state. Henry Norris Russell, himself a famous astronomer at the Mt. Wilson observatory, called it the greatest astronomical discovery of the year. Dr. Bowen has also aided the Mt. Wilson astronomers by suggestions regarding the use of their lenses. His interest in lenses dates back to the age of ten when he conceived a deep affection for Bausche & Lomb's catalog of lenses. He kept on studying lenses in catalogs until finally he made a little telescope. This he mounted in a pear tree where he studied the moon with increasing delight.

Dr. Bowen's main field is physics. The Germans are listing him in their "Baedeker" of the leading scientists of the world. He is starred in "American Men of Science", and also included in "American Educators", since he is teaching a graduate course of Dr. Millikan's at the California Institute of Technology. Twice he has spoken before the National Academy of Science in Washington, D. C.

Among Dr. Bowen's contributions to science are the following articles: Vacuum Spectroscopy and Origin of Chief Nebular Lines; Series Spectra of Boron, Carbon, Nitrogen, Oxygen and Fluorine; Stripped Yttrium (Y III) and Zirconium (Zr IV); The Ratio of Heat Losses by Conduction and by Evaporation from Any Water Surface; Series Spectra of Beryllium (BE I and BE II); The Origin of the Nebular Lines and the Structure of the Planetary Nebulae; The Series Spectra of the Stripped Boron Atom; New Light on Two-Electron Jumps; The Series Spectra of the Stripped Atom of Phosphorus (P), Sulphur (S VI) and Chlorine (Cl VII).

Until about four years ago, Dr. Bowen was satisfied with Science his first love. Then he met Mary Jane Howard of Pasadena. Now

Music Teachers to Meet Here Thursday

The Houghton School of Music is expecting as a guest Mrs. Myrtle H. Bowman, of New York City. She will arrive on Thursday, December 15, and in honor of the occasion, all the music teachers of Allegany, Livingston, and Wyoming Counties have been invited to spend that day in Houghton.

Mrs. Bowman is presented by Carl Fischer Inc., sole representatives for the Oxford Music Publications. She is noted as a recognized authority on Piano Class Teaching, and her services are available for lecture demonstrations, courses for students, and normal courses for piano class teachers.

We are looking forward with eagerness for the visit of a so distinguished guest.

Chorus to Sing "Messiah" Out of Houghton

Sixty members of the Houghton College Chorus will present the *Messiah* at the Castile First Baptist Church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 14. There will be a similar performance at Friendship the following Sunday.

Dr. Russel Carter is expected in Houghton for Home-coming week-end.

Piano Recital Coming

Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14, at 3:30 Miss Hillpot will present a number of her pupils in a piano recital. The program is as follows:

Turkish March	Turner
The Ghost in the Fireplace	Crosby
Florence Wright	
Gipsy Rondo	Haydn
Leola VanDusen	
Chant du Voyagers	Paderewski
Chester Osgood	
Invitation to the Dance	Weber
Crystal Crone	
Nocturne	Chopin
Luciel Wilson	
Etude	Wollenhaupt
Florence Smith	
Whims	Schuman
Frances Thomas	
String Class	
Laure	Bach
Harold Elliott	
Cello, Barcolone	Offenbach
Harold Elliott	
The Son of Puzta	Bela
Ivone Wright	

Violin Recital

Last Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 in the auditorium of the Music Hall the first violin recital of the year was held. The recital was interesting and revealed advancement on the part of the students.

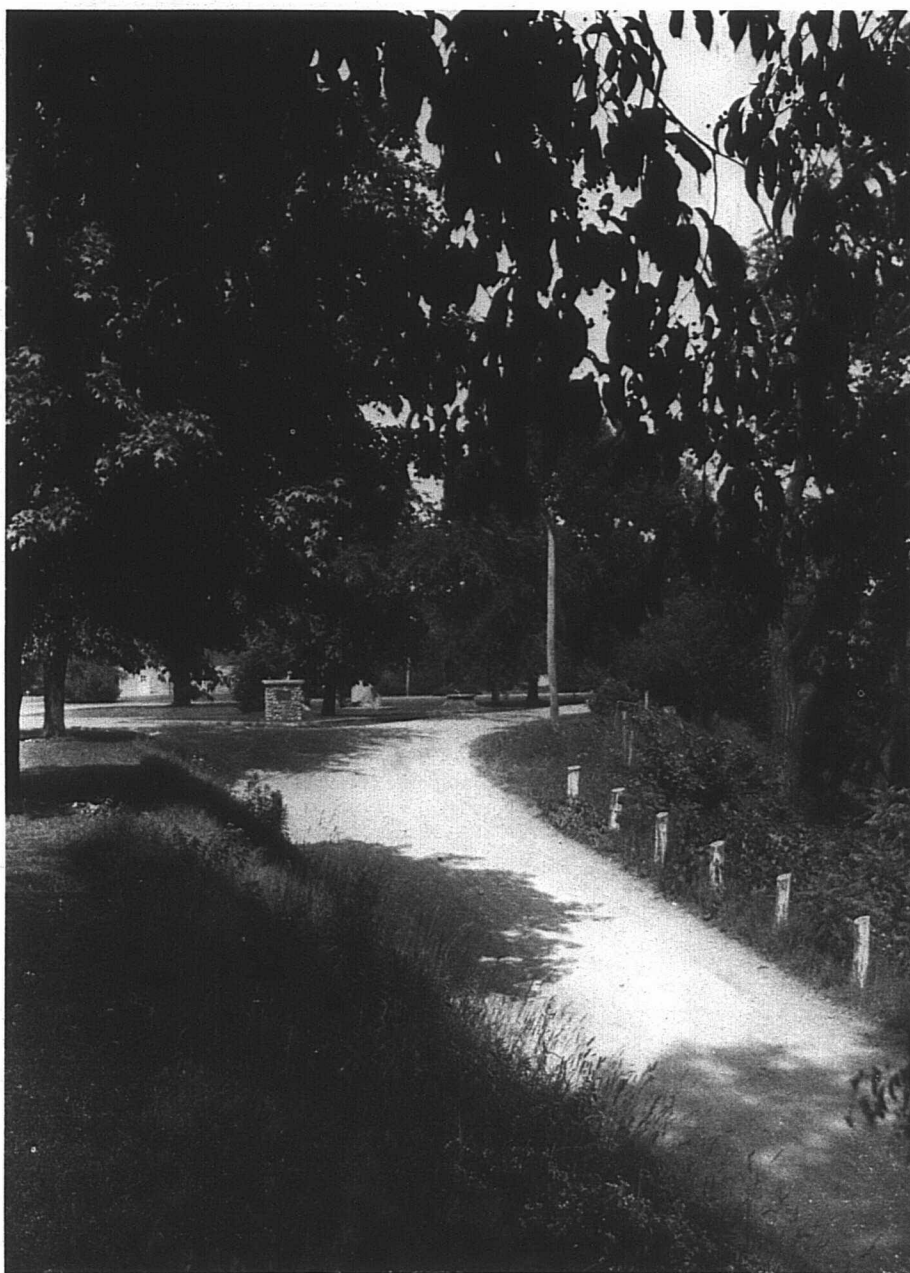
The following program was given: Romance Sans Parole Jean Conte
Erford Daniels
Nachtstück Schuman
Cecil Elliott
Chanson Venitienne Laoureux
Willard Smith
French Folk Songs Ringent

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Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee. Psalm 119:10

Science is a little mite jealous of his wife. Belle Russell Lang



Home Coming Will Be Great Event

Our Home Coming week-end has become a tradition of Houghton College. This year the date is December 16-18. By the time this number of the STAR is published each old student, each alumnus whose address is in our files, should have received the announcement of events.

Now, let's make this Home-Coming go over big. The program for Saturday morning chapel and for the Banquet Saturday evening are almost wholly in the hands of alumni. Rev. J. S. Willett, the first graduate of our advanced department has consented to preach once on Sunday. Rev. Royal Woodhead, '20 Seminary, will preach in the evening service. A detailed account of all programs might be given, but why take up space, since you already have a complete announcement? You want to come back to your Alma Mater, to meet old pals, to see those peppy alumni basketball games for which Mr. Willett Albro is arranging and to hear the college choruses and the college orchestra. And your Alma Mater desires to extend a hand of welcome to you. Don't forget to send in your reservation for the Banquet by December 11.

Crystal Rork, President
Houghton Chapter.

Michigan Chapter

Greetings. I fear my knowledge of Ho-tonites is a bit limited, but I am glad to give you what I have.

1. Ernest and Dorothy (Bennett) Crocker are living in Williamston, Mich; where he is a pastor. He has a two-point charge, and is busy. A lad five, and a pair of twins keeps Mrs. Crocker busy also.

2. Eddie Zuber is keeping bachelor's quarters in the Wesleyan parsonage at Ottawa Lake. Incidentally he has recently been holding revival meetings with Rev. G. Visser helping. Rev. Mr. Visser and wife (Rosa Crosby) were both students at Houghton in Seminary days. Mr. Visser is a pastor at Coldwater.

3. Wm. Gearheart and wife (Mildred Jones), students in Seminary days, are serving the pastorate in Hastings. They have three boys—all boy, all of them.

4. Arthur Bryan, and wife (Ruth Miller) are in the pastorate at Diamond Springs. Erwin Enty is singing for them now, in a meeting. They are the parents of four children.

5. Fenno Densmore, who received his degree at Ann Harbor before Ho-ton could give one is at West Berlin. He has taken unto himself a wife also, and a baby girl is a part of the parsonage personnel.

6. Ike Driscoll is better known to New Yorkers since graduating than to the Michigan folk. She is keeping order at the Fillmore High School.

7. Dizzy Densmore, likewise. (at Caledonia).

8. And, "when you and I were young, Maggie," there were Michigan men in Houghton like E. E. McCarty, Milo

Kingsbury, Walter McPherson, and Geo. Densmore. They are at Lansing, Brighton, Grand Rapids, and Owosso, respectively.

9. Ye scribe, and wife (Carrie Coleman) are among the Dutch at Holland. Our four kiddies long since learned "ya". Not because we're here, but Holland is the prettiest city in Michigan; it's on the lake, and we like it.

Michigan talk is not balancing the budget, but raising it!

Yours,
C. W. Meredith

Chautauqua Chapter

In spite of school activities and work, perhaps we should pause a moment and think of those who make up our alumni group, and to tell others what they are doing in their own small spheres. Since I do not have the Chautauqua Chapter roll, it will be impossible to report concerning all of the members, but I shall attempt to give you a little news concerning a few.

Several of our members have moved into other sections this year and will be included in other groups. Arthur Doty, after taking the fatal step, has left Cherry Creek and is now teaching in Coldwater, near Rochester. Lovina Mullin, however, still graces Cherry Creek High with her superior ability and her auburn locks. Mary Alice Sloan has left Frewsburg and is now teaching in Allentown. Yet Frewsburg still boasts of one Houghton graduate in Margaret Carnahan.

Pauline Cook still remains in Lakewood. Whether the attraction there is some well meaning Romeo, or whether Principal Matthewson will not allow her to leave because of her knowledge of French

and Latin, has not been decided. Kathryn Secord (whose married name is Brandt) is working as English instructor at Brocton. Walter Alexis is principal of one of Falconer's schools. Another Houghton graduate is in Stockton, I believe, though he is one of the younger generation, and I cannot give his name since I knew the gentleman but little. (The forgotten name is Laurence Benson).

Panama High School has several Houghton graduates on the faculty. Miss Edith Stearns takes care of the music and English very nicely, Charles Leffingwell teaches Mathematics and Science, and I officiate as principal and teacher of history. We are all working hard together to make Panama a real school. Right now we are planning to broadcast school programs from station WOCL at Jamestown. Tune in some time.

Now I realize that I have missed many. But now that my memory has failed me, I know not where to look. Allow me to stop by saying—All hail to Houghton College and her Alumni.

Virgil Hussey

Plattsburg Chapter

Many of the Alumni of the Plattsburg Chapter will be unable to attend the Home Coming because several of the high schools are not closing for the Christmas holidays until December 21st or 22nd.

Paul Vogan is teaching three classes of science, one of Mathematics, five of athletics, and coaching boys' basketball in Mooers High School. Though the snow is with us now, small boys can still be seen every recess with an improvised pole-vault "stick". One brown-eyed boy of nine has changed his life ambition to that of being an athletic instructor.

Miss Ethel Kingsbury had her tonsils removed this summer. An infection set in which caused her to lose a week of school in September. She is teaching Latin and French in Perry High School.

Theodore Sample is attending McGill Dental College.

Prof. John Higgins' High School at Cadyville, is full to overflowing. When Mr. Higgins first went to Cadyville there were 18 in high school. Now there are 110. He has raised the standard of the school from below 50 to above 75.

Miss Dorothy Meade teaches English at Cadyville.

Miss Beatrice Jones is teaching in West Chazy Jr. High School. She gave an original play for Thanksgiving. She enjoys much personal popularity as usual.

Miss Hazel Sartwell makes frequent flying trips home from her school in Tompkins Cove, N. Y., where she is very successful. In addition to her school work, she has spent several vacation periods on the Regents Board in Albany.

Elinor Tappin is very popular among the younger set in Mooers where she is located this year.

Hollis Stevenson will graduate in June from the Buffalo Dental School where Homer Fero is also entered as a student.

Mildred S. Fero

Pittsburg Chapter

Miss Doris Johnson expects to graduate with the degree M. D. from the Woman's Medical School in Philadelphia, in June 1933.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams who live in Indiana, Pennsylvania, are the parents of a baby son.

Jane Williams is teaching not far from Indiana.

Miss Corinne Cole is teaching French and Latin at Stony Point, New York and taking Saturday courses at Columbia. She is receiving very favorable comments on her work, and especially on her friendly attitude toward the townspeople.

Forrest Cummings is securing a master's degree at Cornell University.

For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure. Phil. 2:13

Eastern New York

Mrs. Katherine Jennings Vaughn is living at Richfield Springs, New York on a poultry farm.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kluzitt are at Croton-on-Hudson. Mrs. Kluzitt has changed her occupation from teaching French to care for her little son, Victor Pierre.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bernhoft are serving their fifth year at Tompkins Cove where Mr. Bernhoft is principal of the high school. He is very active in county schoolmasters' organizations, and is working for his master's degree at Columbia.

Hazel Sartwell is teaching at Tompkins Cove. For the last three summers she has been grading regents papers at Albany.

1925 Alumna Serves The Pastorate

Wallace, N. Y.

Dear Alumni,

Immediately after graduating in 1925, I took up the work of a pastor in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Rome, N. Y. The first nine months I was associated as pastor with Rev. Mr. Lee who was traveling Conference president. The following year I was pastor of the same church. In 1927 I accepted a call to the church at Wallace, N. Y., and am now serving my sixth consecutive year here.

During my stay at Rome some very much needed repairs were made on the church, and it was wired for electricity. Also the regular attendance was tripled. Here at Wallace, we have just sold the old parsonage and purchased a good house five times the value of the old with a not-too-heavy mortgage.

There has not been anything spectacular about my ministry. I have had just enough success to encourage me to continue, enough failures to keep me humble, and enough difficult problems to make me lean hard upon God. I have an increasing enjoyment of the great work to which God has called me—the pastorate.

Sincerely yours,
(Miss) Bertha V. Richards

NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. W. Mitchell Moore (nee Goldie Davison) is living in Enid, Oklahoma where her husband supervises history and music. She has completed the required educational courses for a life certificate in Oklahoma. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have recently purchased a home and remodeled it.

It is rumored that Ralph Long (who has been teaching in the University of Texas) has been recently married to a Ph. D.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scott, November 26, a daughter, Mary Helen. Mr. and Mrs. Ebner, according to the report of Dr. Huffman, are enjoying their work at Marion College and are being appreciated by the student body.

H. S. Junior Party

Saturday night the High School Juniors with Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Lee straggled into the College Inn by ones and twos. After becoming acquainted with our surroundings, we played games. Amid much laughter eighty-seven pieces of candy were found in various places about the room. After brief refreshments, the party broke up, because the woeful hour was fast approaching.

Does the calf of his leg eat the corn on his toes? If so, why not grow corn on the ear?



The First Campus

The first campus. Campus! Did you say campus? There it sat, perched up on the top of the Old Seminary Hill, a none too smooth bit of land just enough to be stretched into a rather narrow strip to encircle the one lone school building, while the President's house, barn, chicken coop *et cetera*, clung precariously to the edge of it. Back of it frowned a many-barbed pasture fence. In every direction the landscape sloped down at an angle of slightly less than ninety degrees. No slope ever encrusted itself with a coating of snow more efficient in demonstrating what one janitor's coal shovel could do to one luckless fellow who could not be persuaded to commit himself to both shovel and slope in one operation! Memory seems to tell me that during seven ninths of the school year, the serpentine exit from that plateau was covered with either glary ice or still more slippery clay. With the exception of one lone wash bowl, standing in the corner of a hall, where lurked one common drinking cup, all the plumbing was out of doors!

Did you say campus? If you did not know that first campus, then you have never really known a campus at all. The feet of nobler men never pressed another such plot of land. Disadvantages? As campuses go now-a-days, it may have had them. But there was something about crossing that meager strip of campus,

giving one an approach to that equally meager building, that did something to young men that I have never seen done since. The first campus was a wonderful campus after all.

The Campus As Seen Today

Lest, alumni, you should continue to visualize the present Houghton Campus as you knew it in the past, ascend with us the familiar flight of stairs leading to the campus. As we reach the top Gaoyadeo Hall presents to us a broader front than formerly. To the right has been added a large extension to the dining room, a reception room above, and a number of rooms for the ladies.

We stop next at the college where we are attracted by the electric clock and bell system and the beautiful purple and gold curtains in the chapel. In the high school building a new stairway leads us to the former attic, which has been converted into two college class rooms. While here we cannot resist another glimpse at the Genesee from the front window but something else far to the right catches our attention—a large edifice now under construction. This building is our new church which will play an important part in student life, even

though it is not on the campus.

Leaving the college we walk past the gymnasium to a new brick building situated across the street from Markee Cottage. This is our new Music Hall, the pride of the campus the infant of improvement.

Still we are not through with our investigations. We make our way to the Anderson house. To our surprise it has been christened the "He-Manor", the first dormitory of its kind on the campus. As we proceed in the direction of Lovers' Lane, we pass the college senior girls' dormitory at the Boardman place and the college infirmary at the late Hussey home.

Finally, we have made a hurried survey of the campus, but to fully appreciate the present Houghton you must come to see for yourself.

The Campus Ten Years Ago

One of the most vivid recollections of a resident of Gaoyadeo of 1922 would be the campus on a bright October morning after a frosty, windy night. Why was everyone up and out so early? Why this group toward the Point? Why those at the side and back of the hall? Why

those beside the college building?

The reason—here were located the seventeen chestnut trees of which the campus boasted. In the spring trailing arbutus, in the fall chestnuts constituted the contents of those boxes being sent hither thither and yon to friends and relatives.

Tennyson's words, "The old order changeth yielding place to new" well describes what has in recent years taken place on the campus. An annex, a high school building, an enlarged dormitory, a music hall have all taken root, grown, become established. To make room for the annex a noble chestnut fell, and likewise for the high school building. Other trees of this species have died. The high and thick shrubbery at the top of the stone steps has disappeared. The Point is half denuded of its former leafy glory. With its abundance of trees and shrubs, the campus of a decade ago seemed quite shut in from the world, especially during the spring and summer. What it used to be it is not. More buildings, better buildings, better facilities, more activity—less trees, less shrubbery, less beauty. But what it is not, it will be.

Behold, what manner of love the father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the children of God.

I John 3:1

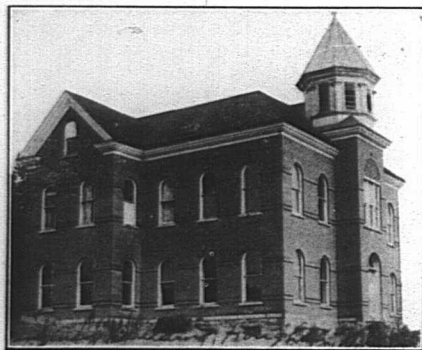
Church Services

The theme of Sunday's morning service was "Jesus walking on the sea". The text was John 6:21, "Then they willingly received Him." The disciples were striving against diverse winds and were in real danger, but when Jesus entered the ship the winds were stilled.

The greatness of this story does not lie in the miracle, but in the miracle lies the true import of the story. What did the presence of Jesus mean to the disciples? It meant the removal of their fear. He taught them that man ought not to be afraid of God. When a man is afraid of God there is something wrong in his attitude toward God.

Jesus was able to put Himself into the very lives of His disciples. Every time Jesus spoke to them he changed their attitude toward something. He always turned their ways and thoughts to His ways and thoughts. Jesus did not stand aside and still the waves for them. He entered into their midst. He entered into their lives so completely that His thoughts became their thoughts, and they were able to say, "For me to live is Christ." What He wrought into them they uttered so that the words they wrote are really His.

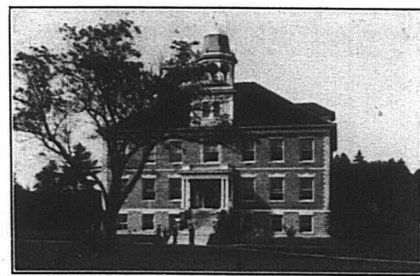
The disciples reached shore that day in the realization of Jesus Christ as they had not known Him before. How much more do we know Jesus than we knew yesterday? To what extent have we been led of Jesus and let Him live in us?



Houghton in 1883



Gaoyadeo Hall—in 1908



Administration Building, 1920

New Music Hall Adorns Campus

When you return to the College Campus one of the greatest points of interest will be the new Music Hall. The entrance is attractive and inviting. Dignity and simplicity are combined to make the brick structure both pleasing and practical. The building is insulated against cold and dampness and is well heated and lighted. At present a large plot of ground is being graded in preparation for a fine lawn.

There is a long corridor on each of the three floors with practice rooms on the right and studios and class rooms on the left. The building provides for sixteen practice rooms, three class rooms, seven studios, an office, a reception room, space for a library and an auditorium with a seating capacity of about one hundred and fifty. The auditorium is used for music rehearsals and recitals. All of these rooms are sound proof.

We have also made several additions in the line of equipment. Tablet chairs have been purchased for class rooms and folding chairs for the auditorium. Teachers have been supplied with desks for classroom and studio. We also have six new Kohler and Campbell pianos.

We wish to express our appreciation to the alumni, faculty and friends who have helped to make this building and its equipment possible. Next week we hope to have the opportunity to welcome you back to Houghton and to show you our new Music Hall.

A Cappella Choir

Houghton College has an A Cappella Choir built on much the same design as the famous Westminster Choir of Princeton, New Jersey, which broadcasts over the National Broadcasting System every Wednesday at 2:30 P. M.

The Houghton College Choir is made up of students of the College and Music Departments and numbers a total of 45 voices. The program sung by the choir is made up of historic and present day church music, some of which are old Elizabethan folk songs.

The object of the choir is to elevate church music through the interpretation of the finest of sacred numbers. This object is promoted by college and local concerts and through the annual spring concert tour. Last spring, the first concert tour was made. Eight days were spent by the choir touring through Central and Southern New York, as well as in parts of Northern Pennsylvania. During the whole concert season, fifty-five appearances were made by the choir. This year a tour of ten days is planned.

It is the earnest desire of the Houghton College A Cappella Choir as well as of its conductor, Mr. Wilfred C. Bain, to produce only the finest of music in order to place before the minds of the public the ideals and standards of our Alma Mater.

German Club

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esting to all those interested in German and the German people, we closed our meeting by singing "Weihnachtsmann." We felt that the hour spent had been not only profitable but also enjoyable. And, at the next meeting we expect to be there again en masse.

My beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. I Cor. 16:58



The Music Hall



A Cappella Choir in 1931 - 1932



The Orchestra in 1931 - 1932

College Orchestra

The instrumental work of the College is beginning to develop rather rapidly. Only in very recent years has it been possible for students to take private work in other than piano and voice. Now it is possible to study almost any of the orchestral instruments.

Then, too, the College has already purchased several instruments which are rented out to students. These include a viola, a cello, and two basses. Next year, due to requirements made upon Public School Music students, it will be necessary for the school to purchase such instruments as the flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, trumpet, trombone and French horn.

Naturally with such strides being made in individual and class instruction, the College Orchestra is constantly being improved.

stantly being improved.

This improvement is noted in two particular fields: first, the class of music played; second, the skill of the performance.

This year, the numbers which are played are nearly all of symphonic proportions. For instance during the first semester the orchestra is playing the G minor symphony of Mozart and the Suite in C for strings by Bach besides other numbers. It is hoped that we will play the first symphony of Beethoven next semester.

As to the second point, the orchestra is playing with more musicianship and skill than ever before. This is due largely to the increased number of rehearsals per week and the increased interest of the students who are playing. The conductor, Mr. Cronk and the associate conductor, Mr. Sorensen, are both very encouraged over the progress which the orchestra is making.

Teaching Music A Struggle and a Joy, Miss Storms Finds

Delevan, N. Y.

November 24, 1932

Dear Houghton Friends,

Every now and then I hear something about Houghton's new Music Hall, her unusual chorus, her fine A Cappella Choir, or her remarkable opportunities for credit and training in her music department. And when even I hear these things, I am proud that three members of Houghton's teaching staff were my classmates and that the head of the music department was my favorite teacher.

In answering the inquiry about my work, I would say that it has been a series of making plans, meeting obstacles, changing plans, overcoming setbacks; meeting defeat with a grin or greeting success with a smile.

Had I realized three years ago when I signed my first contract that I must teach amid the din of scraping chairs, play practice, hammering of bolts in basketball bleachers, radio reports on World Series, and crying babies, I am sure that my pen could never have scratched my name on the dotted line. How kind is providence!

Yet with it all have come a few thrills of success. The combined Glee Clubs have increased from fifteen to seventy; a band with a special teacher has been formed. "The Golden Book of Songs" has given place to a new book in every grade; a rhythm band has been organized, and our greatest project, a community Christmas, is being worked out this year. The work of the whole department was approved by Dr. Carter during my first year of teaching.

Do I enjoy teaching? Yes indeed! Both my teaching work and my student contacts.

Sincerely,
Harriet Storms

"I'm Sold On It"—Miss Crowell's Reaction To Her Work

To my thinking no teacher has any business to fly under the colors of a teacher unless she finds supreme enjoyment in what she is doing. I think I worked harder during my first year of teaching than I ever worked before, but I'll never begrudge the time or work spent if I can put into the hearts of my pupils something of what Music has come to mean to me. We public school music teachers who are just now starting out where no other music has ever been are rightfully called pioneers and truly we have a great task before us in blazing the trail for those who will come after us.

To me the highest thing in life is the ability to take a small soul and mould it into a good, broad-minded, many-sided, and righteous being. I know of no better way than through music, hand-in-hand with the good conduct and contact with the music teacher. Of course, music is my job, my sermon. That is what I preach. I'm sold on it.

In two year's time we have developed a splendid girls' glee club, a girls' double quartet, and a quartet. There is practically nothing the students won't do for me now that I've gained their confidence, respect and love. My girls work, ask for more to study and look to me to make things come true. Isn't it up to me to keep that respect and love and to give them that for which they ask as far as I am able?

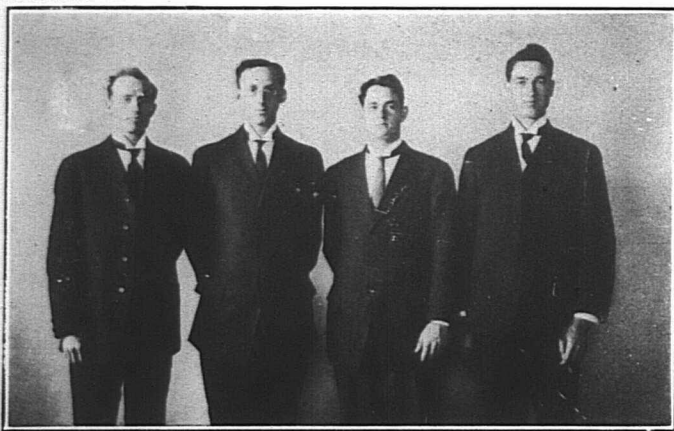
We have great hopes for our music department in the future. With our growing orchestra, a boys' quartet clamoring for expression, a harmony class and a music history class in the making, we want soon to see music hold as important a place as other subjects in the curriculum. People are liberal with their praise of young people's efforts. They are tolerant of stumbling mistakes made by our junior choirs and they give us the best of support—their children are performers.

We try not to forget the social life of music. For instance, last year my students and I gave a rudiments-of-music banquet and this year a harmony Thanksgiving banquet. Parties relieve the monotony of solid work and bring us all into a closer contact.

Yes, though at times I get discouraged, I'm very happy in my work. I can only say like the old Chinese proverb, "Music hath the power to make Heaven descend to Earth" and I can only hope that I may be used as one instrument of our Lord in the great work He has given me to do.

M. Lucile Crowell

And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us. I John 5:14



College Quartette '08-'09

Former Quartet Member Recounts His Experiences

Principal Hester Tells of Travels in Europe

The writer takes pleasure in noting that the STAR which began shining years ago because of the intellectual brilliancy of Stanley W. Wright, Ralph Rindfusze, Allison Edgar and a few others is still sending its radiant beams to lands both far and near.

After leaving Houghton, the writer continued in educational work for a time: as a student in Oberlin College, as a high school teacher in Wisconsin, as a student in the University of Wisconsin and again as a high school teacher in Wisconsin. The summers were spent in prohibition work, university study, traveling as a book agent, or farming in Kansas. During the latter part of the World War military training at Camp Funston, Kansas, claimed his attention. Later, while the allied troops were still in Siberia, he served one year as Educational Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. War Work at Vladivostok, Siberia. During the next three years he was Educational Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Harbin, Manchuria, China; famine relief worker in the Shantung Province of China and in the famine area of European Russia; and "globe trotter" homeward through central Europe, touching the capitals and a few other cities of Russia, Latvia, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Hungary, Italy, Switzerland, France and England.

After returning to the United States a short visit to Houghton enabled the writer to observe the many improvements that had been made on College Hill during the intervening years. The most remarkable improvement, doubtless, was represented by the College Charter which hung in the office. The following five or six months were required to visit the colleges and universities of the south-west area of the United States in the interests of the Student Friendship Fund for European Student Relief. A six year term as principal of the Friends Academy at North-branch, Kansas, gave him further experience as instructor and school administrator, until he came to Miltonvale Junior College, where he is now located.

One summer term spent recently at the University of Colorado, gave the writer a taste of mountain scenes, mountain air and mountain snow water. At the close of the summer session a trip to California made it possible for him to look up Dr. Ira Bowen who had formerly spent his

leisure time in the Houghton Library looking at pictures and reading articles in the "Scientific American" and other magazines on mechanics. Little did others (the writer included) think then that "little Ira" would some day be an outstanding scientist in the United States and a member of the faculty in the California University of Technological Research.

David H. Scott was another Houghton student visited in California. The high tenor and low bass members of the male quartet that sang together five years at Houghton, talked over days gone by 'till the late hours of the night. "Scottie" is now president of Huntington Park Bible School in California. Prof. H. W. McDowell, a former member of the faculty at Houghton, was reached by telephone before the writer boarded the east-bound train.

A few other Houghton students of former days have been met and all are playing well their part in life's activities. Last summer a bounteous dinner was enjoyed at the home of Lois Thompson Crawford at Aberdeen, S.D. In the same city acquaintance was renewed with Frank Martin and Gail Thompson. In Wisconsin, Reverends Wesley and May Markee and Reverend and Mrs. Joe Clawson were found faithfully serving in the vineyard of the Lord.

Houghtonites have girdled the globe, dispersing intellectual and spiritual light in their pathway. May they continue ever to be promoters of true Christian Ideals. May they all so live that the words of the prophet Daniel may be applicable: "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

C. Floyd Hester

Dr. Huffman

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generals: for in comparison again with Lincoln, the commander-in-chief of our Civil War, Moses lost not a single life in the Exodus, while Lincoln expended one white life for every three black that he freed. The fact that Moses was the greatest lawgiver is readily seen since the Decalog which God presented through him is the basis of all law and government. With the exception of Christ, Moses was the greatest of intercessors. Had he not pleaded with God for forgiveness of the sins of the Israelites, God in his wrath would have destroyed the nation. These four attributes are sufficient basis for Moses claim to the ranks of immortals.

We know that he erred at times and for his mistakes was allowed only to view the Promised Land to which he had conducted his people. But his divine guidance triumphed over his earthly failings for God "kissed away the breath of Moses for he was God's own servant."

Robert and Viola Hess Settled in Zamboanga

February 7. Pier 154 at last! After turning over our tickets to the purser we went to room 160. This is to be our home for over a month. As there was more excitement on deck than in a little stateroom, Viola and I went up to watch the last things loaded. There comes our cedar chest and the other boxes. Then four men tackle the box of tracts. All Ashore! 12 M. Good-bye, Los Angeles.

February 18. Honolulu. At eleven a Chinese friend of Mr. Jackson took us on a sight-seeing trip around the island. We rode in a fine Durant to a promontory called the Pali, on the other side of the island beyond Honolulu. The view from this mountain was beyond description. There are high peaks to the right and left. Directly in the foreground a thousand feet below, was a charming valley, and beyond that, the Pacific.

February 29. Yokohama at last! Dapper Japanese officials came aboard to inspect us and look over our passports. Viola and I went ashore at eight o'clock.

After eating lunch in the Ilymphic Restaurant where the menu cards were printed in English, we took a taxi to Shiba Park. This park is noted for its heathen temples. Here we saw Buddhist priests, temples, shrines, idols, and many devout worshippers. Upon entering the largest temple the priest at the foot of the stairs told us to remove our shoes. I discovered to my dismay that each of my socks had a small hole right in the big toe—socks that were perfect when I left the ship. We entered the temple notwithstanding.

March 4. Shanghai. Things certainly looked like war in Shanghai. We passed barbed wire entanglements on street corners, sandbag barricades, marching Scottish troops, British soldiers, Italian Marines, American

Doughboys and others. There was a spirit of unrest everywhere. Stores were closed, people were trying to get back to Chapei to get the remainder of their goods, while others were taking their bundles away from the scene of war. We saw one corner where sharp fighting took place between the Chinese and Japs. The latter were firing from the International Settlement, which was against the rules, so the Chinese sent word that they were coming in after them. They did so and drove back the Japs more than a mile, but I guess the poor people had to pay for it at the hands of the Jap soldiers.

March 14. The S. S. Rizal docked at Zamboanga at 4:30 this morning. We are in a land where sin and superstition abounds, where the missionary is called devil by some. In Christ is victory that overcomes the world. Let us trust in Him.

April 24. Robert and I are appointed for the Bible School. Robert is principal in the place of Mr. Edmonds. There are only two officials in the school. One has to be principal and the other superintendent of men. The latter is the harder job in some ways though the name doesn't sound so big.

May 5. Today I am taking over the charge of the house keeping. The marketing is new to me here and prices of things are so different. We can get good butter in tin cans and we can buy good bread in town. I miss most the fresh milk. There are plenty of cows around but they are used for meat and beasts of burden. The people never think of milking them.

Butter does not melt and run here as it does at home in hot weather. I was surprised. The water always tastes tepid but we get used to it. It satisfies thirst anyway.

May 26. Robert and I are alone now for a short time and it seems good. There is not even a girl to do the dishes. The boy who cleans the floor still comes, however. Our floors are all polished except in the kitchen. We have a boy come every morning to clean. He sweeps with a little stubby broom and then polishes with a half coconut shell. They can do it very well with their bare feet.

May 26. Just now we are busy fixing over our rooms a little. They have given us two rooms side by side. Robert has cut a door between the two rooms. Now he is starting to build a small porch off the side of the second room. It will be a little apartment for us when it is done.

July 1. When Miss Bohleen came back from her trip she brought a young girl from one of the pagan tribes who is going to take part time work in the Bible School and do special work for me besides. Her name is Satera Ungay. One of the chiefs up there wanted Satera for his

fifth wife. She didn't want to and threatened to commit suicide if forced to. I am glad we got her.

(Note: More recent news from Rev. and Mrs. Hess include the birth of a daughter, Arlene Faith, on September 6. Mrs. Hess is now teaching one subject in the Bible School and expects soon to be teaching two more.

Thursday Chapel

The subject of Dr. Huffman's lecture Thursday morning was "John the Beloved." John having given this epithet to himself in several places in his book, Dr. Huffman opened his discussion by proving John's apparent presumption to be only a natural acceptance of a known fact.

John's claim to his title is based on the fact that he was a member not only of the circle of apostles but of the inner circle composed of Peter, James, and John. It is evident that this triumvirate was closer to the Master than the others of the Twelve since they were allowed to see and understand more things that Christ did. Instances of this are the events of the Transfiguration, raising of the dead, and the Garden of Gethsemane. These three men were not chosen as favorites but had gained their place as a result of their own attitudes and actions.

More important still, John was the only member of what Dr. Huffman termed the innermost circle. It was he whom Peter asked who was to be the betrayer at the Last Supper and again at the Crucifixion Christ left his mother to John's care. Both instances show a relation between him and Christ which existed for no other.

However, he was not always the gentle, kind, friend of Jesus as his name, "Son of Thunder" shows, for he had a lightning temper which showed itself often to his disadvantage.

Dr. Huffman listed five causes for John's title, the "Beloved." He responded to Christ's call and then, insisted upon getting as close to the Christ as possible. He took the whole hazard of discipleship, went to Pentecost, and at the last knew no such thing as retiring.

"I often think of Houghton and the longer I am away and the more of the world I see, the more I appreciate the sacrificial, devoted lives of the faculty."

—Margaret Carnahan

BOULDER SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

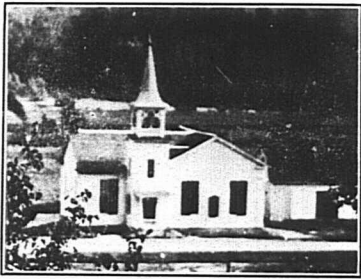
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The Little Church in the Valley

Houghton's New Church Edifice Is in Building

All the alumni and other former students of Houghton Seminary and College will doubtless recognize the present Houghton Church as pictured on this page. It was originally built in 1876. The deed conveying the lot was made out to the trustees of the Fillmore and Houghton Creek circuit of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Houghton Seminary was founded seven years after the building of the church. However it was not until 1897, during the pastorate of the Reverend Mr. Sylvester Bedford, that the pulpit alcove was added to the church and new pews were provided. During Mr. Bedford's pastorate of six years \$922.06 was spent on repairs of the church and parsonage. The membership during this period increased from 67 to 107.

The annex to the church, which increased the seating capacity by nearly one hundred, was built during the pastorate of the Rev. Mr. Charles H. Dow. The following is taken from the church minutes for the year 1906-1907 as recorded by the pastor: "Owing to the greatly increased numbers of students and inhabitants of Houghton the church could not contain the congregations on Sabbath. A meeting of the society was held to consider building a new edifice or enlarging the old. After due consideration it was decided to build an addition to the present structure. The Board of Trustees were instructed by vote of the society to proceed with the work and during the year 1906-1907 the enlargement was made at a cost of about \$700."

During the year when the annex was added the church membership was 105 and the total receipts of the church were \$1967.15. There were thirteen in the college department of the Seminary, and the total student enrollment in all departments was 155 students. During the year 1931 the church membership was 156, and the total receipts were \$7053.00. The student body during the regular school session was about 375. The present church building has a capacity of about 300 persons.

The cut of the new Houghton Tabernacle Church is a copy of the architect's drawing. A major change has been made, since there is a basement under the entire building. Due to this the floor of the auditorium of the church will be at least five feet higher than the cut would indicate. The lawn will slope up from the street level, and entrance to the auditorium floor will be by exterior steps. This addition of the basement will not only add to the effectiveness of the church through furnishing adequate facilities for the Sunday School, but it will also add to the impressiveness of the structure.

The church has been erected on the vacant lot south of the Willard J. Houghton house. Added space has been secured by purchase of land in the rear of Mr. and Mrs. Milo Thayer. The building has been entirely enclosed since the first of September. The exterior finish is to be of brick. It is expected this will be laid in the spring. At present the carpenters under the direction of the able builder, Mr. Chester York, are at work in the interior of the auditorium.

The dimensions of the church are 50 by 100 feet. The seating capacity on the main floor of the auditorium will be about four hundred. Provisions are being made for a choir of sixty persons. The capacity of the balcony is about one hundred and forty. The aisles will be spacious and by using chairs the church should easily accommodate a capacity crowd of seven hundred. Yet when the balcony is closed a congregation of three hundred will make the church appear reasonably well filled.

Including the cost of the seating it is estimated the cost of the church will not exceed \$20,000. This is less than one half the estimated cost of a similar building erected by contract in a nearby city. Pledges of over \$12,000 have been received and over \$5,000 in cash has been paid on these. The cost of the lots and the enclosed building to the present has been about \$8,000. Pledges payable before April first are in hand to cover \$2,000 of the \$3,000 still due for the construction completed at the present time.

The new church will be appropriate in every reasonable way to serve the needs of Houghton College and the Houghton community. It will make possible an expanded religious program in Houghton commensurate with the growth that has taken place in the college. Every former member of the faculty and the student body will be glad to learn of this fitting addition to the facilities available to Houghton for the townspeople and for the present and for the future student body of Houghton College and Seminary.

Tuesday Evening Lecture (Continued from Page One)

or's five prophetic promises to Abraham, Genesis 15. A sudden transfer was made from the pictures of the Old Testament and this phase of the lecture was brought to a close with the slide showing the Crucifixion. As a supplement several views of Palestine and the surrounding country were shown which portrayed the geographical aspect of the country and the differences between modern and ancient times.

As a student body we thank Rev. Morgan for the splendid lecture and we do heartily appreciate the unusual quality of slides which he presented.

The world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever. I John 2:17

Forty Baptized in One Service

Mrs. Stark Writes of Experiences

Jan. 8. You girls would laugh if you could see me sweating over book-keeping. Of course each station has to keep careful accounts to be turned in monthly and at conference time. You can imagine my state of mind when I realized that I knew nothing about how to go at it. However, by hook and possibly by crook I managed to pick up some. I do believe the Lord has especially helped. It worried me so at first that I asked Him to help me to get it done without wasting too much time at it, and it has been wonderful how he has helped. You see the English money is so different. We have practically no paper money. Everything is done with coin and you can imagine the bulk of it and the difficulty in counting. Up country where we are we have a terrible time getting small change. In fact I am buying wood with salt now. In that way it saves what small change I can get for other things.

July 7. We are reminded almost daily that we are in a Mohammedan land. Just a few minutes ago a Mohammedan went by wearing the characteristic blue flowing robe and tiny felt turban. With him was a little lad carrying on his head a heavy load and under his arm a wooden tablet on which is written portions of the Koran in Arabic. The Mohammedan priest of the village gathers the boys about him each evening on a little plot of ground enclosed by rocks and covered with tiny pebbles. On their knees around an open fire, the boys commit to memory the portions of the Koran written on their wooden tablets. They know little or nothing of the meaning of what they memorize. About the only way to offset the influence of these schools is for the mission to establish a day or night school in the town, in which case the boys often prefer to attend the mission school if given the opportunity to choose.

You would have been interested in the testimonies of some of the lads who are attending our day school

Price asked them to testify before prayer this morning and several of them gave very encouraging testimonies. We are coming to feel more and more that the greatest work we will do will be in training these few who are in continual contact with the mission. It is a long slow process and there are many hard things, but we do praise Him for the privilege of working in His vineyard. These are good days to us spiritually. I never in all my life felt so incompetent for a task before me as I do in the face of this work, but I am glad that He who has called is able to direct and guide. Praise His name. I am convinced that His coming draweth nigh and I want to be ready with some fruit by His help and grace.

Sept. 6. One of the Bible School boys is to be married in December. He came several nights ago to ask me to choose material for a dress for the bride. In this country the boy buys the dress for the bride and for her father and mother as well. Last night he came bringing the wedding ring for us to keep.

September 20. We have been thinking of Houghton and of the folks there the past two weeks. We thought about the New Students reception which was no doubt held last Friday night, and again of students' prayer meeting last night. We would love to be there to enjoy them all.

September 28. Sunday we drove to the ferry at Kunso, and left our car there, then walked about a mile to the old mission at Kunso for a dedication service of a new church that they had been building. It was a native building, and when we arrived we learned that the building had collapsed on the Friday before. However, since the Birch's, the Sprague's and Miss Carter were there, we had service anyhow. Pa Sprague preached a splendid message and it was good to have a sermon in English.

The natural beauty at some of the stations, in a measure at least, compensates for some of the ugly things that we see so much and so often.

November 2. Price is busy with the Bible School these days. They are receiving and taking their final examinations for the year. They are having school on Saturday in order to finish a week before conference. If possible we hope to go up country part of that week to look over the work at the outstations once more before conference.

The homegoing party left for

Freetown one week ago today. We went to the train to see them off. There are only five of us white folks left here now. You can imagine we shall be glad when new recruits arrive.

A week from Sunday we expect to hold a baptismal service at Roghing. There are thirty or forty candidates. We have a similar service here this coming Sunday, and perhaps another at another outstation after we go to Roghing.

Alumnus Tells of Activities

Dear Editor and Readers of the STAR:

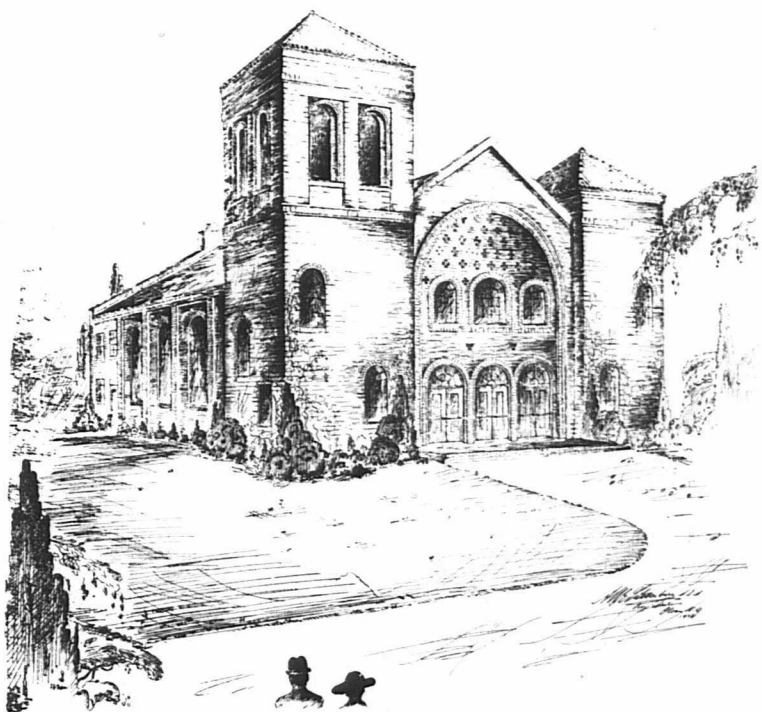
The ten years of absence from the halls of learning have been busy ones indeed, and happy ones. All but one year we have spent entirely in pastoral work. The exception was the one year I taught English in a Pennsylvania high school, in addition to holding the pastorate in Indiana, Pa. We pursued successfully two or three extension courses from State College, Pennsylvania, and the University of Pittsburg, and at the present time we are carrying some subjects in the school of life which we hope some day to pass successfully.

In all our pastoral efforts we have placed emphasis upon young peoples' work, have had fine response, and enjoyed the splendid development of our groups. We are interested just now in organizing the conference and district Wesleyan Young Peoples' Societies of the Rochester Conference and are meeting with wonderful co-operation and progress.

Probably our toughest assignment was the building of a new church at the bottom of the notorious depression. The church is practically complete, valued at \$10,000 having been dedicated during May of this year. We have a Sunday School of nearly one hundred and the membership of the church has doubled. Pioneer work of this type gives plenty of opportunity to develop faith in God and recall the principles of our Alma Mater. We are located in the town of Gates, close by the city of Rochester, although our address is Coldwater, N. Y.

Alice, and Barbara (6), join with me in greetings and happy memories of our friends of Houghton days.

John D. Wilcox



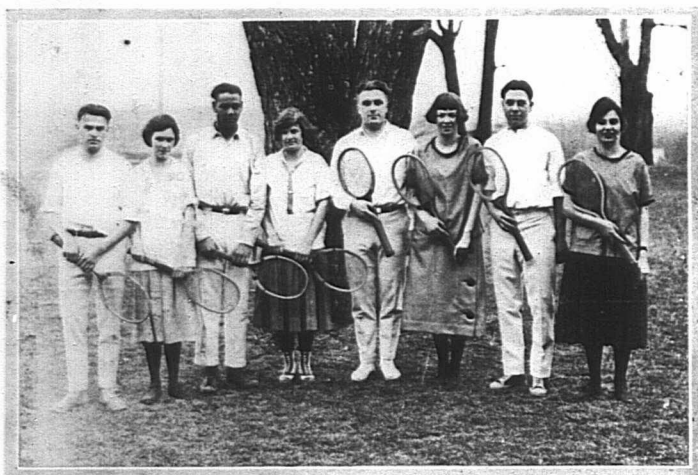
Architect's Drawing of New Church



The Champs of Purple-Gold Series—1929



Guess Who?



DO YOU RECOGNIZE THESE?

QUESTIONS

Where can a man buy a cap for his knee? Or a key to the lock of his hair? Can his eyes be called an academy because they have pupils?

Who travels the bridge of his nose? Can the crook of his elbow be sent to jail? How does he sharpen his shoulder blades?

Can he use, when shingling, the roof of his mouth? If so, can he use the nails on the end of his toes? Or beat on the drum of his ear?

An irate Englishman to his lawyer: Will you 'elp me out in this case. That young fellow has begun to cockroach on my rights.

Lawyer: "Cockroach? Cockroach? What do you mean cockroach?"

Englishman: Well, henroach then I never could remember whether that was a cock or a hen anyway.

A new slogan to replace "Give till it hurts."—Give till you get some fun out of it.

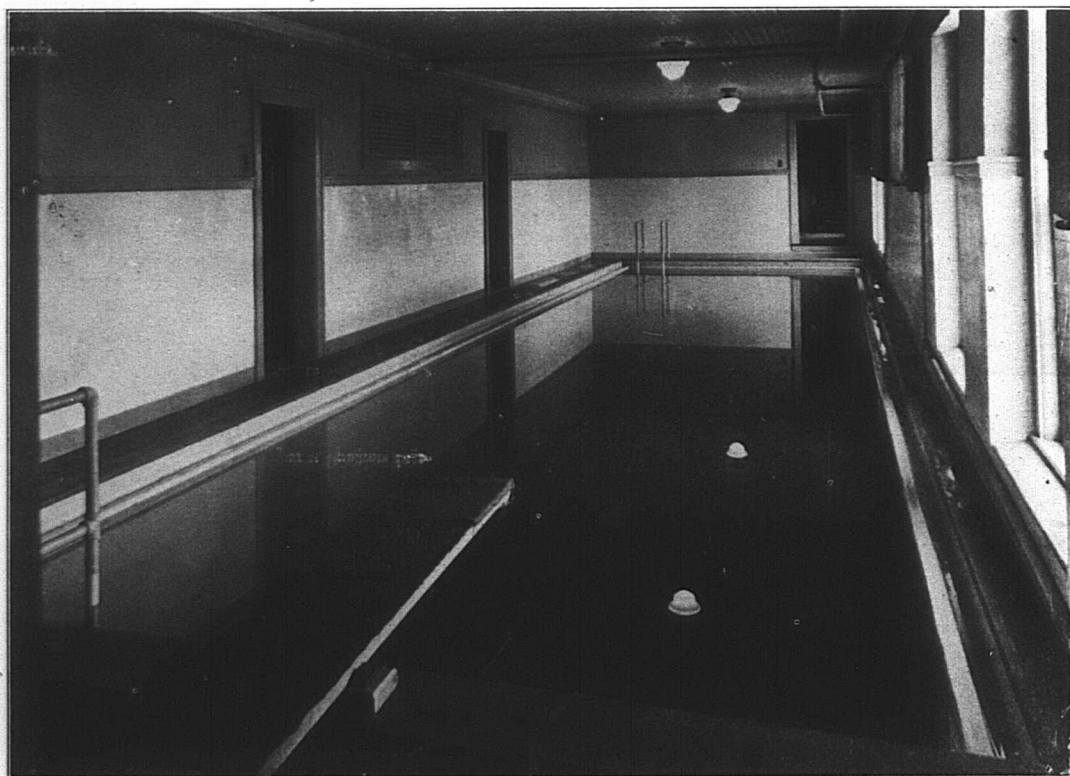


The evidence of a Wiltshire witness for the defense, when a prisoner was being tried at Salisbury Assizes for the manslaughter of another whom he had hit ('ut') in a quarrel:

"Me lard, marn's a innercent marn Like this. E ut e. If e adn't ut e, e'd a ut e. If e'd a ut e, stead of e utn e e'd a kild e, stead of e kilin e."



AS HE USED TO BE



THE SWIMMING HOLE IN TH E GYMNASIUM