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Bolten, Clarke Speak at Founder's Day Chapel

Mary Lane Clarke, veteran missionary of the Wesleyan church, and John Bolten, Christian businessman, will address the faculty and students of Houghton college at the Founder's day program, Friday, October 26 at 9:00 a. m. in the college chapel.

Mrs. Clarke and Mr. Bolten will receive honorary degrees at the Founder's day chapel program, which will open with the traditional colorful academic procession. Mr. Virgil Hale's voice ensemble class will provide two musical selections.

Mrs. Clarke, who has spent over fifty years in Sierra Leone, West Africa, and in Christian missionary organizations, will be the principal speaker. In keeping with the day, her address, entitled, "A Transformed Village," will be largely reminiscent.

Mrs. Clarke came to Houghton seminary as a student in 1886, graduating in the spring of 1892. After three years of teaching in rural schools, she returned to Houghton and taught for five years in the classrooms of the old seminary building.

In 1900 she sailed for Africa, where she married and where her daughter Evangeline was born. After Mr. Clark's health failed, the couple returned to America in 1915 and retired to their farm near Jamestown, New York.

Mrs. Clarke became superintendent of the Young Missionary Workers band, which was organized by her husband, and held that post for many years. At the time the group was formed there was little missionary activity in the Wesleyan church. Mr. Clarke's aim was to stimulate missionary interest among the children of the church. Mrs. Clarke received the dues of the organization and prepared its literature. Although the yearly dues were only fifty-two cents a child, at one time more money was given for missions through the Band than through any other church agency.

Following her husband's death, Mrs. Clarke desired to return to the mission field. For a time it seemed as though an illness would prevent this, but in 1946 she sailed for Africa. Since then she has spent two eighteen-month terms in Africa.

While in Africa Mrs. Clarke reduced the Limba language to writing. Government officials, anxious to have the results of her work available, brought about the publication of a lexicon compiled by Mrs. Clarke. Mrs. Clarke's translations of the gospels of John and Luke into the Limba language have been published by the British and Foreign Bible society.

Mr. John Bolten, who will also address the student body, was born in Krefeld, Germany, on November 26, 1893. On August 5, 1929 he came to America and established the Bolta company in Lawrence, Massachusetts.

In 1947 he and Mrs. Stacey Woods of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship and Inter-denominational Fellowship of Evangelical students published a booklet entitled, "What is the Purpose of the Lord's Supper?" In May of this year, Mr. Bolten wrote the article "Evangelical Separation, Unity and Liberty," which was published in the May 15th issue of *United Evangelical Action*. Mr. Bolten has written numerous other articles and frequently addresses Christian groups.

Floats of Parade Feature College Past and Future

The 1951 Homecoming parade, featuring "Houghton Yesterday and Tomorrow" will be held Saturday, October 27, as the main weekend feature. Organized by the Student Social committee under the direction of Lewis Lawton, the floats will assemble at one o'clock in front of the milk plant and begin the trek at 1:30 through the village, up the college hill, and past the judges' stand in front of the Old Administration building.

Leading the parade will be the class floats followed by the Boulder float featuring the Homecoming Queen and her six attendants. The Houghton college band and possibly other bands will participate in the parade. The floats will be entered by the various houses and clubs as well as by the local merchants.

The maximum cost for each float has been established at twelve dollars, whether serious or humorous.

Prizes of first, second and honorary mention will be awarded on the basis of originality, appearance and effort expended in their creation. The judges are Houghton alumni.

Revival Spirit Kindles Campus

"Being by the right hand of God exalted, he hath shed forth this that ye now see and hear." The Lord Jesus Christ has sent revival to Houghton college. It came at the close of two weeks of evangelistic services with Rev. Dwight L. Ferguson of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, as evangelist.

God's Spirit began to move Saturday evening, October 20, among a group of Christian girls at Steese house and continued into the next morning in the form of a prayer and praise service at the girl's dorm.

A strange quiet prevailed during Sunday. Then, at approximately 9:45 that evening revival broke among the students.

A prayer meeting at the Hazlett house was moved to the church for lack of space to accommodate pray-ers. Gradually the fact of the service was made known, and the majority of faculty and student body and many townspeople came to pray, praise, and seek the Lord.

Throughout the night altar service followed altar service, and many found the Lord. Those present testified to the extraordinary quietness of it all and the sense of joy and awe everywhere.

Elsewhere in this issue is a sample of the expectation that God gave to a number of persons here during the summer. (Read: "Letter to the Editor," page 2.) It seems that it can hardly be said that the moving of the Spirit is an answer to prayer. Rather, God in His sovereign will has manifest Himself. "When God's fit and full time comes, events come into being as the creatures of His eternal purpose."

On Monday multitudes of letters were written telling of what God had done. This one may be considered a sample:

Dear Mom and Dad,

God is sending revival! We are experiencing that very thing here now. The unusual, stirring events we are witnessing make us all say, "It is the Lord."

Houghton is seeing a great manifestation of the power of the Spirit to transform the hearts and lives of young people, hungry for that which

will satisfy.

Last night, about 10:30, we heard that the fellows were praying down at the church and that souls were finding God. It didn't take long for nearly all the student body and many of the townspeople to join them in singing, testifying, and praying as the Lord led.

It was spontaneous! There were tears of repentance and a sincere response to God's Spirit but no fanaticism. Students were in earnest and meant business for God.

You remember the group of fellows you saw in the Inn the afternoon you were here. We had been praying hard for them. Well, first one, then another, and another, would come to the church and a group of us would pray with them until they had surrendered their lives to God. It was wonderful to see those who had been so miserable because of their stubbornness and hardness to the things of God become so happy in Him.

Even more wonderful was the way those same students would go out to dormitories and houses, get their unsaved friends out of bed, pray with them, and lead them to Christ. Then they'd come to church and tell us what God had done for them. Rev. Angell said it was the first time he had ever made pastoral calls at 3:30 in the morning!

Some were students who had been resisting the Lord through four years of school. Some were minister's children, and children from Christian homes, who had hardened their hearts to spiritual things. Until 4:00 a. m. this morning we were praying for our friends who had needs that only God could fill.

In fact, some groups were praying continually until 9:00 a. m. when we

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Party to be Progressive

Homecoming will be officially inaugurated in Houghton at a school-wide party to be held tonight at 7:30 p. m.

The Student Senate Social committee, consisting of Lew Lawton, chairman, Ken Post, Ginny Sell, Bill Fountain, Anne Jones, Foster Williams, and Jean Tutton, is in charge of the planning.

The entire student body will first meet in the chapel for a devotional period under the direction of Dr. Hall. At this time, the announcement of the Homecoming queen and her attendants will be made by Roland Given, editor of the *Boulder*. Those attending will then be divided into four groups according to classes. Each group will be led by the class president and will spend approximately one half hour at each of the three stops designated on the campus.

Walt Thomas will give a reading in room S-24, and at the gym all will have an opportunity to see a biographical tableau of the life of Frankenstein. Those two parts of the program are under the direction of the sophomore and junior classes, headed by Jean Tutton. The seniors and freshmen, under the direction of Ken Post, have arranged a "ghost walk" through the basement and second floor of the new dormitory.



Members of the Student Senate Social committee as they make final arrangements for the weekend's festivities. Left to right they are: Jean Tutton, Ken Post, Ginny Sell and Anne Jones.

Alumni Meet In New Dorm

"Houghton of Yesterday and Tomorrow" will be the theme of the entertainment to be presented at the alumni Homecoming banquet, October 26 in the east lounge of the new dormitory.

The Rev. Everett Elliott, president of the alumni association, will be master of ceremonies for the evening. Approximately ten "old-timers" of Houghton, under the direction of Mrs. McMillan, and ten members of the present student body, under the Deans Blake and Brandt, will highlight the entertainment.

These groups in an informal manner, will attempt to create the two distinct atmospheres of Houghton of yesterday and Houghton of tomorrow.

In addition, Abraham Davis will present a reading and will sing. The musical program for the evening is planned by Dr. Bert Hall.

Alumni officers for the coming year will be elected, and Dr. Paine will bring the banquet to a conclusion with a short speech.

Homecoming Program

The annual Homecoming festivities of Houghton college will be held on October 26-28 and will feature Founder's Day chapel, a parade, a football game, an alumni banquet and a talent show.

The traditional alumni get-together will commence Friday morning at 9 in the chapel with addresses by Mr. John Bolten, president of the Bolta company of Boston, and Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke at the annual Founder's Day chapel convocation where honorary degrees will be awarded to the speakers.

A parade of floats representing the various groups and classes of the school will open Saturday's activities at 1 p. m. Prizes will be awarded to the floats displaying, in the opinions of the judges, the most ingenuity.

At the conclusion of the parade the annual Purple-Gold gridiron clash follows on the field in front of the Luckey building. During the half-time period of the game, the 1951 homecoming queen, surrounded by her six attendants, will be crowned by Mr. Everett Elliott, the alumni president.

The alumni banquet will be held at 6:30 in the lounge of the new dormitory with Everett Elliott as master of ceremonies. A portrayal of the Houghton of the past and the Houghton of tomorrow will be the central theme of the program with a reading by Abe Davis (ex '53) as an additional feature. A short business session will follow to elect alumni officers for the forthcoming year.

Terminating Saturday's festivities will be the WJSL Talent Revue which will be held in the chapel at 8:30 p. m. with Dick Schnorbus as master of ceremonies. Gold loving cups will be awarded as prizes to the winners of the dramatic and musical talent competition.

The weekend will conclude with the Sunday morning worship at 10:50, and a vesper concert of sacred music at 3:30 in the church.

The planning and preparation for the homecoming weekend was done by the joint cooperation of the Student Senate and the public relations department, headed by Mr. George Failing.

WJSL Presents Talent Review

One of the main events of Homecoming weekend will be the WJSL Talent Revue to be held on Saturday, October 28. Because there is an Alumni Banquet that evening, the Talent Revue will be held at 8:30, that all who want to attend may. The program will feature dramatic and musical groups, both vocal and instrumental.

This is the third annual Talent Revue. Two years ago the first-prize winner was John Eliason with a dramatic narration, and last year's was "Abe" Davis, who sang "Old Man River." Prizes at the Talent Revue will be given in Bookstore credit certificates, first prize being \$15; second prize, \$10; third prize, \$5. Approximately fourteen people are competing in all varieties of competition.

Among the non-competitive feature talent will be "Abe" Davis, last year's first prize winner, who will repeat his rendition of "Old Man River,"

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From the Editor's Desk . . . Spotlighting the Times

The significance of Homecoming varies with the several groups represented on the campus this weekend.

For the students, Homecoming is a time of looking forward. The returning alumni will cause him to look to his own postgraduate plans and to examine his potentialities. He evaluates the accomplishments of the alumni and tries to analyze those means by which success has been attained in the profession for which he is preparing. Yes, although the student gladly welcomes the alumni to the campus, he meanwhile puts them under careful scrutiny, realizing that it will one day be his responsibility to take his place in their ranks.

Homecoming to the alumnus, on the other hand, is time for looking back upon his student days. Familiar scenes and faces about the campus provoke in him many nostalgic memories. Even the dining hall with "hash, beans or the same," or, perhaps, the familiar "take the full time" not only elicits a smile but also finds some warm spot in his heart. He also feels a sense of indebtedness to the college that has contributed a vital part to his accomplishments in life and to the integration of his character. Whereas the student inclines to examine, analyze, and look to the future, the alumnus gives way to warm emotions, recollections, and reflections.

The significance of Homecoming to the faculty is two-fold, embodying the view of both student and alumnus. The returning alumni will provoke many memories of other days at Houghton. Speaking of "the good old days" is enjoyed by faculty as well as alumni. But the faculty looks to the future also. Seeing the results of former sacrifice, they more enthusiastically give themselves to the preparation of their present students.

This year, however, Homecoming has a new and greater significance for all three groups. The students and faculty have warmly welcomed the homecoming of the Spirit of God to the campus. God has visited, touched, and refreshed us. It is our prayer that the returning alumni will participate with us in this joyous and blessed reception.

We pray that the alumni, too, may be refreshed and strengthened in the Spirit of God that they may testify of this Homecoming: "It has been well for us to have been here."

Spotlighting the Times

BY ART RUPPRECHT

In a 90 minute speech before the Egyptian Parliament last week, Egypt's El Nahas Pasha demanded evacuation of all British forces including 35,000 troops and 400 fighter planes from the Suez Canal, and a new constitutional amendment incorporating the Sudan into a new Nile kingdom of Egypt and Sudan. Meanwhile, in the streets of Cairo, excited students celebrated the new policy by breaking windows and ransacking foreign stores.

In New York City this week, Prime Minister Mossadeq of Iran said that the United Nations had no right to interfere with Iran's decision to throw the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co. out of Iran.



In Pakistan, the Prime Minister, Lequat Ali Khan was assassinated by a Moslem fanatic, member of a holy cult which favors war with India. Lequat, a moderate ruler, long had been a friend of the West and an enemy of Communism.

These eruptions in the Near East have been very dramatically illustrative of the crumbling of a great empire. Violently as the British may say to the contrary, the fact still remains that the British "have only to be threatened to clear out of any place." This situation has come as a result of earlier "loss of face" in the troubled Mediterranean area. In 1947, the British were forced to withdraw their troops from Greece, while the U. S. took over their responsibility.

ities rather than allow Greece to fall to the Communists. Earlier, the British had to turn Palestine over to the U. N. for settlement, after their own failure.

Much as the situation was in Greece in 1947, the Moslem Middle East presents a touchy situation. If responsibility and influence, there will be a vacuum which will be very handsily filled in by the Soviet Union. The exploitive aspirations of the Western nations have produced a keen hatred in the minds of the Eastern governments.

It remains now to be seen if the West can present a satisfactory plan in Egypt, Iran, Iraq, and India. With hundreds of millions of people involved, we must not and cannot fail. Another case of "too little and too late" would bring chaotic conditions to the whole world.

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To the Ends Of the Earth

In nearly every country of the world, Houghton alumni are grappling with native problems and pouring out their lives in obedience to their Master's command—"Go ye into all the world. . . ." By faith we can see the day when God shall thrust forth laborers from Houghton to the yet unreached peoples of the earth.

Right in Houghton we can talk with Bob and Gwen Longacre, who are enroute by bus to Mexico to continue reducing to writing the Trique language. There in San Andres, Chichauxtla, the Land of the Clouds, they hope to publish this fall the Gospel of Saint Mark in the Trique idiom. This is no small task in view of the fact that this is the first language of five pitch levels to be found in the world. Bob and Gwen, however, are going forth in His power, as they return to Mexico. Bob has let God's revival in Houghton extend to him. Thus it is with confidence in God that they return with Roberta, age 3, and baby Bill to build a home, study the language and be living witnesses to the power of the Gospel in the State of Oaxaca.

Ethel and Frank Robbins, who are also Wycliffe translators in Mexico feel a long way from their Indian village of Quiotepec. They left Quiotepec, August 9 with a burrow for their cargo, a saddle horse for Ethel and Sara Louise and their informant. Pray for Pancho, the informant, whom they covet for the Lord. Well, traveling may be rough over those slippery mountain trails, but Frank and Ethel are eager to be back. Frank not only studies the language but he fixes sewing machines, flashlights, and guns—all to the glory of God.

If we could hop over to Haiti we'd see several Houghton ambassadors in action. Henry ('40) and Betty Carlson Ortlip ('42) are busily conducting the Bible school for boys. (Baby Karen is speaking Creole more willingly than English.) During the girls' school last summer, praying was the predominate activity. Consequently, there was conviction, resti-

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Letters to the Editor

Houghton, New York

August 4, 1951

Dear Fellow Members of Houghton Faculty and Staff:

"He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us."

When we expect great things from God, trusting in His almightiness, His victory over Satan and all his hosts, His willingness, His perfect love—provided we rejoice that He should glorify Himself and none other in this matchless giving—God can work, and God will work. I can say even more. Right now God shall work and none shall hinder Him. Even the unbelief of some can't stop Him, for the set time is come. . . .

How do I know? "Faith is the substance of things hoped for." The faith meant is the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, communicated to us. This faith has been recommunicated to me daily since July 15 at 7 o'clock in the morning. Then, in His sovereign purpose God came to me with indubitable assurance and accompanied them with the spirit and voice of praise. The exceeding abundantly was promised—by Him who cannot lie. . . .

My friends and fellow-workers in this vineyard of God, the set time is come for God to work in Houghton—and none shall hinder Him.

"Abraham staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God."

No more I stagger at His power Or doubt His words, which cannot move.

In Him there is nothing we cannot have. He shall supply all our needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Christ in us is power, is rest, is peace, is health, is contentment, is supply—the supply of students and of money, yes, the supply

Just a Glance

BY DOW ROBINSON

"For whom He foreknew; He also foreordained to be conformed to the image of His Son. . . . We all with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are transformed into the same image from glory to glory even as from the Lord the Spirit" (Romans 8:28; II Cor. 3:18).

May I ask you a personal question? How much time daily do you spend—alone—with the Lord? God desires that you be made as much like Jesus Christ as it is possible to make a saved sinner. For, when you were saved God the Father handed you over to the personal care of Jesus Christ so that Jesus might fashion you into His own image. When this work is completed He will present you perfect to God the Father (from Dr. C. A. Ries).

Are you giving Him the opportunity to mold you into His image through your Bible reading and prayer? If your life is inconsistent, your spiritual influence on others negligible, your testimony hollow or circumstances run your life, just check a moment and see how much time you spend alone with God. Your growth in grace, apart from unusual experience, will progress in proportion to the time you spend alone with God.

As you have so often heard, "God's commands are His enablings." And in this vital realm of daily communion with God you will find no exception. For God has provided two definite, simple channels for use in fellowshiping with Him. As you daily meditate upon and probe into His Word and pour out your soul to Him in prayer you are being fashioned into the image of His Son.

Yet the more these two methods are used the more you will see that the two channels become, in reality, one essence. In other words, the ideal is to turn your Bible reading into prayer.

The following points for turning your Bible reading into prayer which have helped me greatly come from T. H. Selk of Columbia, S. C.

1. "Take commands as promises." (If God commands a certain thing He has already made a provision of power.)
2. "Let the passages suggest praise or prayer." (See Psalm 63.)
3. "Ask God to explain the different passages." (He will do this directly or through others to the degree you need them explained.)
4. "Claim direct promises from the Bible for yourself."
5. "Ask to be kept from sins of Bible characters, or that their good qualities be produced in you."
6. "Pray in the exact words of Scripture."

The Holy Spirit not only will unfold the meaning of the Word to you but also will draw you out in prayer in hitherto unrealized depths. Just try it and see. You'll never prove God's power until you step out on faith and create the situation through which He can exhibit His power.

Time spent alone with God will enable you to continue in the fulness of His Spirit. Hebrews 4:12 speaks of the Word as "living and active" and as "quick to discern the thoughts and intents of our hearts." If you lay bare your heart to the Lord day by day, the Spirit will point out any traces of sin in your life and protect you from the stifling, blinding smoke of unbelief and indifference.

Time spent alone with God will enable you to discover His will for your life. Romans 12:2 exhorts: "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that ye may prove the . . . perfect will of God." As you explore the Word daily and pour out your soul in prayer, God is able to impress upon you His perfect will for your life.

Time spent alone with God will enable you to walk as a consistent witness and to have fruit produced in your life. These are natural signs of maturity in Christ. The Christian who has hasty, infrequent, and shallow devotions exhibits doublemindedness, instability, and too often, feigned spirituality. Your moments alone with God are your most important moments of your day. Without them a life pleasing to God is impossible.

This homely advice comes from "Aunt Effie" Kellersberger who challenged us last November at our Missionary conference. Speaking of your daily Bible reading, she says: "Read it over; think it through; write it down; pray it in; pass it on." Turning your Bible reading into prayer will help accomplish this in your life.

See You There!

MONDAY, October 29

7:30 p.m. Oratorio Rehearsal, Chapel

8:30 p.m. Wesleyan Freshman Orientation,

TUESDAY, October 30

9:00 a.m. Chapel, Dr. Paine

7:30 p.m. Student-Body Prayer Meeting,

WEDNESDAY, October 31

9:00 a.m. Chapel, Expression Club Program

7:30 p.m. PURPLE-GOLD FOOTBALL

GAME, WELLSVILLE

THURSDAY, November 1

9:00 a.m. Chapel, Mr. Failing

6:45 p.m. Class Prayer Meetings



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To Build a Float

BY GEORGE HUESTIS

Oh, yes, homecoming! The big football game of the year, the alumni banquet, the homecoming queen, but the biggest and best, the parade down Main Street and then up the college hill to the campus. What a sight! Float after float passes by; some big, some small; some homely, some beautiful; but always the inevitable outstanding float, the one we build.

Now just one moment you say. Why, pray tell, was your float so outstanding? The answer to this question will gladly be given by any McKinley house boy, not that we're proud you understand, it's just that we're good and we know it. As the literary representative of the above mentioned illustrious group, I'll now set forth in black and white, the reasons why our float was the people's choice.

One fine evening—well, not quite evening, it was closer to midnight—the boys assembled in the room of the terrible three (Denny, Rupprecht, Huestis) to lay plans toward the end of producing the best float, and just

incidentally, walking off with the first prize of \$15.00. The conversation ran something like this:

"Get your dirty feet off my pillow," screamed Denny.

"And why should I?" retorted Ed Danks, "My feet are cleaner than your head."

No one laughed; Danks had told the truth. Displaying his paternal instincts though, daddy Chuck (our affectionate name for Charles Hunsberger) soon quieted down his restless brood.

"Let's get down to business now," said Chuck in a firm tone.

"Yeh, speaking of business," piped up Bob Denny, "who's the garter who put the moose head in bed with me last night?"

Silence reigned until the two guilty villains, Suetterlein and Hobbs, could contain themselves no longer, and gave way to violent laughter. In the brawl that ensued, a radio was kicked apart, three watch crystals were broken, and Dave Suetterlein suffered two bloody noses. Both his heads with their respective noses are doing fine now.

Six such brawls, three overturned beds, and a black eye later, our unusually peaceful meeting came to an end with the McKinley-house boys having decided to build a float depicting Dean Brandt side-saddle on the huge replica of a sign-out card. With a novel idea like that, how could we go wrong, but things went wrong from the very beginning. Dean Brandt, for some strange reason, refused to ride to fame on top side of a sign-out card, Alan Johnson caught hay fever rounding up a hay rack as a base for the float, Dick Dole got bit in the nose by a horse he tried to hitch to the wagon, and Roy Partridge went insane making the ten-by-eighteen-foot replica of a sign-out card.

Our troubles had only begun. Where could we find the needed material and man power for such an enormous project? As for materials, some of the following suggestions were heard:

"Why don't we sneak across the street tonight, and rip the roof off the barracks?"

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Science Dep't. Gets New Lab Equipment

Through the kindness of Chester Gretz, a Houghton graduate, used scientific equipment has been purchased for the college from the Elam Bible Institute, formerly of Hornell.

This is how it happened: The Genesee Wesleyan Junior college at Lima, N. Y., closed due to a drop in student enrollment, sold their buildings and equipment to the Elam Bible Institute, of which Chester Gretz is dean of men.

However, since the Bible school has no science department, they desired to sell the equipment. Chester then suggested Houghton and Roberts Wesleyan colleges as buyers.

Thus the physics department has acquired a spectroscope, an analytical balance, a sextant, a Ballopticon projector with microscope attachment, two large laboratory tables, ten chairs, D. C. rectifiers, colorimeters, and many parts for experimental and demonstration apparatus.

The zoology and botany departments will divide test tubes, watch glasses, culture plates, organic stains, glass slides and slide boxes. The new desk will be installed in Dr. Rork's botany office, while a sliding microtome for making microscopic sections goes to the zoology laboratory. Both departments will share in the use of an electrically operated dry-air sterilizer for laboratory glassware.

Senate Ponders Jan. Graduation

On the Student Senate agenda last Monday night was the consideration of a request for commencement exercises in January and several routine committee elections and appointments.

Representing the graduating class of January, 1952, Herman Showers requested that the Senate investigate the possibility of commencement exercises in January. The prospective graduates, he said, felt that the expense of an extra trip back to Houghton and the inconvenience of missing a week of work would make the inauguration of such a policy desirable. Furthermore, many students feel that graduates should not leave the college without some kind of recognition for their completion of their degree requirements.

The ensuing discussion brought out the fact that there would necessarily be a small audience for a January commencement, not only because the class is so small, but also because many students leave the campus between semesters when the exercises are held. The expense involved would limit the selection of a speaker and inconvenience many of the faculty who must rent academic gowns for the occasion.

Consultation with the administration revealed that there have been January commencements in the past, but that there has been neither a consistent demand nor a consistent policy. It is significant, Mr. George Failing noted, that some mid-year graduates have regretted their choice of January commencement exercises.

To make preparation for the arrival of Jim Vaus on our campus on Nov. 5, secure his room, and publicize his services, the Senate Social committee was chosen to work with Dow Robinson, Steve Calhoun, and Herb Mitchell. This group, in conjunction with the Public Relations office, will also prepare a welcome and a program for the 150 high school students who will visit our campus during that same week. Jim Vaus will speak to them after the banquet which will be held in their honor.

Ruth Pickering and Bob Snowberger were elected as student representatives to the Movie committee which censors films that are shown on the campus. Headed by Miss Poole, the committee consists of the faculty representatives, Professor Fancher and Ina Jackson.

Carol Woerner and Forrest Crocker were elected to meet with the deans, Henry Brandt, and Viola Blake, to choose candidates for *Who's Who in American Colleges*. These candidates are chosen from the senior class.

HC

Klub Korner

FMF Film, "O For a Thousand Tongues"

The documentary film, "O for a Thousand Tongues" was presented Wednesday night in the chapel under the auspices of the Foreign Missions Fellowship. The film depicted the work of the Wycliffe Bible translators in action with the natives of Mexico and Peru.

Part of the free-will offering was sent to the Wycliffe school.

SCIENCE CLUB

The Science Club will hold its second monthly meeting in the form of a field trip on Saturday, November 3, through the Corning Glass works.

There is an opportunity yet for you to go on this trip. If you haven't signed up already, you may do so Monday or Tuesday on the paper posted under Clubs in the Arcade. Watch the "Scoop Sheet" for particulars regarding car assignments and the hour of departure. (Don't forget—your dues must be paid first!)

A Growing Tradition

BY DR. GILLETTE

Houghton's first Homecoming was held in December, 1931. It met with such enthusiastic response that plans were undertaken to make the next one an even happier occasion.

The Houghton Star gives the following account of the second Homecoming which was held December 16,



MISS FRIEDA GILLETTE

17, and 18, 1932: "From Greenland's icy mountains, from India's coral strand, from north and south, from Syracuse, Buffalo, and Rushford, Houghton Alumnae came tumbling back for another Homecoming weekend of laughter and fun, of concerts and dedications, of meeting new faces and re-meeting old ones and recalling memories."

The activities began Friday evening with the presentation of the *Messiah* which it was hoped would become an annual feature of the Christmas season and a part of Houghton's tradition. Saturday morning the music building was dedicated. Dr. John S. Willett, president of the Board of Trustees, received the keys of the building from President James S. Luckey. Dr. Russell Carter of the State Regents department gave the

Revival...

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all gathered in the chapel where God kept working among us. Those we never thought would be saved were saved then. Our faith was small and yet Christ is doing the exceedingly abundant. In lunch lines, on campus, just everywhere, students sing and praise God. We really feel united in Him.

There were no classes today and even now fellows and girls are deciding for Christ. The church was overcrowded tonight in the spontaneous service held there and strangers stopped to see what God was doing. I never have heard such wonderful singing, and the testimonies prove that Christ lives and that He is here among us.

Many students have been making restitution for the wrong things they have done. Those of us who have known our precious Saviour have grown closer to Him. His blessings have been great. I can't begin to tell you what a privilege it is to be here and see what a change God can make in our lives and manner of living when we humble ourselves and call upon Him.

I know that your faith will be strengthened and that you will rejoice with us when you receive this letter.

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Lantern Beams

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The Lantern will shine...

Very little connection exists between owls and lanterns—or does it? Yes, in Houghton, twenty years ago, owls caused lanterns—Lanterns—to appear. Four years after that the owls were no longer to be found, but the *Lantern* has shined, at least intermittently, to the present day.

To explain, the *Star* staff of 1932 constituted itself a literary club with the appellation, The Owls, and invited others to compete for membership by submitting manuscripts of their best stories, essays, or poems. The purpose of the club was "to improve the journalistic quality of the *Star*, to promote literary interest in the school, and to encourage the writing of literary productions." They planned to aid the literary contest and to publish both a literary magazine and a songbook.

Only the magazine materialized. June of that year saw a souvenir-like booklet with a cream colored cover carrying an artistic design of a lantern emitting beams of light, and thirty-two large, wide-margin pages of belle letters, features, and comment on literature and art. Among the contributors were: the one person who has taken first place in all three divisions of the contest; one of the best poets we have had among the students; the supreme example of a person willing to rewrite his essay a dozen times if necessary to bring it to perfection; a good illustrator; a clever feature writer; and a number of others with considerable literary knack.

Right now, without the slightest doubt, inspirations are burning in clever minds, inspirations that will become the copy for the 1952 *Lantern*. The students of 1951-52 give evidence of ability to produce literary work worthy of a college publication.

The staff wants to sell the paper for 25¢. That will be made possible by the sale of 500 copies and the proceeds from the benefit program or programs which will be given.

Janice Straley is the editor and Paul Dekker the business manager. They are assisted by Cynthia Comstock, Assistant Editor; Connie Castor, Art Editor; Joyce Fisher, Proof Editor; Phil Goodman, Feature Editor; Mary Ellen Kick, Make-up Editor; and Miss Rickard, Faculty Adviser.

Copies of former *Lanterns* are on display in various buildings on campus. *Lantern* is, and that prospective publisher that all may know what *The* writers may know what it is they are going to improve upon.

dedicatory address. Other events of Saturday were a banquet and an orchestra concert. The Rev. J. S. Willett was the guest speaker at the regular Sunday morning service.

The Houghton church was dedicated during the Homecoming weekend of 1934. Of this gathering, the *Star* of December 7, notes that twelve hundred and fifty people managed to sit or stand in the building and commented, "The very crowd made the occasion an impressive one, for it caused Houghton to realize the possibilities of her ministry."

The Homecoming of 1935 was a never-to-be-forgotten day for it was on Friday morning during chapel service that a moving and dramatic scene took place. No one who was there could ever forget it. President Luckey was in Atlantic City attending a meeting of the Middle States association to present a petition for Houghton's admission into the association. A special edition of the *Star* recorded the incident thus: "The Commission has voted to admit Houghton college to the Middle States association." These were the significant words spoken by President Luckey into the telephone at Atlantic City on Friday, November 29th. A few seconds later President Luckey said, "I can hear it, I can hear it." "It" was the college bell ringing out the glad news. The congregation assembled in the chapel rose at the sound of the bell and sang the Doxology. Saturday morning a service of praise and thanksgiving was held in the church.

A Founder's Day was inaugurated in connection with the Homecoming weekend in 1936 and honorary degrees were granted at this time to Dr. Herman Cooper, assistant commissioner of education, Dr. Oliver Buswell, president of Wheaton college, and the Reverend I. F. McLeister, president of the Board of Trustees of Houghton college. This marked another significant milestone in the history of Houghton college.

Since 1939 Homecoming has been held in October in the hope that better weather conditions would make it easier for people to return to the campus. However, difficulties of transportation during the war years and the crowded conditions in Houghton during the peak years of registration caused the abandoning of Homecoming activities for a time although the Founder's Day conventions were continued.

Homecoming activities were resumed in 1949, and such new features as the crowning of a campus queen and the holding of a parade were added.

Homecoming has become the occasion of the semi-annual meeting of the Houghton Development committee, composed of friends who are invited to give consideration to plans for Houghton's future progress.

Twenty years have come and gone since that first Homecoming. Houghton has a larger family to return now. There are more buildings on the campus and more houses in the community. But more important than these material evidences of growth are the things of the Spirit. Twenty years of God's mercy and grace extended to a school established to honor God.

National Teachers Exams To be Given February 16

The National Teacher Examinations, prepared and administered annually by Educational Testing Service, will be given at 200 testing centers throughout the United States on Saturday, February 16, 1952.

At the one-day testing session a candidate may take the Common Examinations, which include tests in Professional Information, General Culture, English Expression, and one or two of nine Optional Examinations, designed to demonstrate mastery of subject matter to be taught. The college which a candidate is attending, or the school system in which he is seeking employment, will advise him whether he should take

the National Teacher Examinations, and which of the Optional Examinations to select.

Application forms, and a Bulletin of Information describing registration procedure and containing sample test questions, may be obtained from college officials, school superintendents, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, P. O. Box 592, Princeton, New Jersey. Completed applications, accompanied by proper examination fees, will be accepted by the ETS office during November, December, and in January so long as they are received before January 18, 1952.

To Build a Float

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"Why don't we dismantle Bob Denny's car?"

"What's wrong with the boards in the bridge across the creek?"

The above plans were obviously impractical, and besides someone might have seen us, so we settled on the plan that we use the knotty pine paneling in the library as the lumber for our float.

Almost as stupid, were some of the excuses the fellows had for squirming out of doing their share of work. Take some of the following, for example:

"I strained my back yesterday picking up pretty colored leaves for my girl's botany class."

"Ever since my car broke down I've been exhausted by the long walk over to the Science building."

Or this classic one by Wally Hobbs, "I've got to study."

To cut short this tale of woe, let it suffice to say that the night before Homecoming the boys of McKinley house found themselves minus a float. However, they did have a rented hayrack, a team of horses, a stable in the living room, and last but certainly not least, some ingenuity. About midnight, we pushed the hayrack down to Route 19 and then with no little effort rolled the clumsy affair into the path of an onrushing trailer truck. The crash awoke half the fellows in Panich house, but next day, Homecoming day, the McKinley-house boys entered the battered-looking hayrack in the parade with a large sign attached reading—"The Wreck of the Hesperes"—and purely for the sake of laughs, the judges awarded us first prize.

Believe me that prize money came in handy. After splitting the \$15.00 16 ways, we ended up with 90 cents apiece. With my share I bought a bottle of Sloane's liniment. You see, I happened to have been sitting on the hayrack when the trailer truck hit.

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Dr. Bert Hall to Speak To Rochester Conference

Dr. Bert Hall will be the principal speaker at the Rochester conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church, which is holding a Bible institute at the Wesleyan Methodist church in Canistota, New York from October 29-31. Dr. Hall will deliver a series of four lectures on the general theme of the Institute, "Re-emphasizing the Word of God."

Beginning Monday evening, Dr. Hall will be speaking on the subject, "The Need of Re-emphasizing the Word of God," in which he will deal with the growth of higher criticism of the Bible and the necessity of meeting it on an equal basis.

His second lecture concerns the "Method of Re-emphasizing the Word of God" by way of expository preaching. "The Application of the Word's Emphasis" on salvation and Christian growth, respectively, go to make up the two final discourses.

Then, on November 19, Dr. Hall will travel to Springville, New York to address the Christian and Missionary Alliance ministerium of western New York in which he will be dealing with the subjects of "Modernism," "Neo-Orthodoxy," and "Christianity."

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Castor Elected College's Nominee

The National Association of Manufacturers is again planning to bring 49 college students—one from each state and the District of Columbia—to its 56th Congress of American Industry as guests of the association. Stephen Castor, vice-president of the '51-'52 Student Senate, has been elected by the Senate as Houghton college's nominee for the honor in the state of New York.

This Congress, which annually attracts some 3,000 outstanding businessmen and industrialists, serves to focus attention on national and world problems, and brings distinguished speakers to the platform each year.

While the official dates of the Congress are December 5, 6, and 7, the Education Department has planned a program of special interest and significance for the students which will require them to be in New York City from Monday, December 3, until Saturday noon, December 8.

From the names submitted by New York colleges, the state association will select, by impartial means, the name of one student to be invited to the Congress. The students who are invited to be the guests of the Association receive free transportation to and from New York City, and all expenses while en route and in New York. He will attend all sessions of the Congress, including the luncheons and the banquet, and will participate officially in at least one session.

Houghton's nominee, Stephen Castor, has served as editor of the *Star*, and vice-president of the Book club, and has been an active participant in debating and college athletic activities.

Vincent Becomes Farm Foreman

Houghton college farm has a new foreman. Eli Vincent, who arrives Thursday, will attempt to fill this position on a temporary basis, which probably will become permanent. Mr. Vincent is an able and experienced man for the job.

He is coming from Emporium, New York, where he has worked for three years in charge of a farm. Before this he was affiliated with the Ford garage in Hume, New York, with his father.

A. E. C. Chairman To Speak Monday

Mrs. Carolyne Brooks, Chairman of the Alcohol Education committee, will address all teacher candidates Monday, October 29, at 9 a. m. Mrs. Brooks will speak concerning alcohol and its effects.

She has spoken in various other colleges in Western New York recently. Among these are Genesee State, Cortland State and Roberts Wesleyan Colleges. In her talks she stresses and proves by fact and figures that alcohol is harmful to the body because of its depressing effect and its far-reaching results.

An outline and leaflets will be given out to enable students to give the subject further study.

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Professors on Leave Carry Busy Academic Program

The activities of the present teachers on leave which include Professors Heydenburk, Perison, and Moon, is one of common purpose, that of working on their graduate degrees, but their whereabouts range from the University of Indiana in Bloomington, Indiana to the University of Rochester, New York.

Mr. David Heydenburk, former professor in organ and piano at

Houghton, is terminating work on his M. A. degree at the University of Indiana. He will then be pursuing studies of his doctorate degree. He has formerly done work at Oberlin college at Oberlin, Ohio.

Mr. Heydenburk is studying under Dr. Wilfred Bain, who heads the music department at the university, and who, formerly, was director of the Houghton college a cappella choir.

Along with his studies, Mr. Heydenburk has what is known as a teaching fellowship, whereby he teaches in conjunction with his studies.

Mr. Harry Perison ('49), former instructor in the music department, is now pursuing work on his M. A. at Eastman's School of music of Rochester university. At completion of his M. A. degree Mr. Perison will be eligible to return to his teaching position at Houghton.

Mr. Wesley Moon, who returns to Houghton in September, 1952 as principal of the preparatory school, has a teaching fellowship and at the same time is finishing the final year on his doctorate in education at the University of Buffalo.

for God to supply two small rooms of three beds each for mothers and three isolation rooms? Dr. Marilyn has faith in God for these, as well as for adequate water supply.

It is a long address—Protestant Mission, Katwa, Butembo, Kivu, Congo Belge, Africa—but it would be a letter of encouragement to Edna Goughon ('46). She has a home of her own now. Think of Edna training four native boys to do her housework. She must devote her time to teaching and also to book-keeping.

India is reaping the benefits of the ministry of Alton ('32) and Ruth ('33) Liddick. They are on furlough now. May God grant them His rest of mind and body. Vera Clocksin ('43), however, is busily passing out pills at Sanjan, Thana district of India, while Floyd and Hazel Banker offer the only hope for caste-bound India. Hazel Jones, with her jeep and house trailer travels from village to village, thus carrying medication and the message among those who would otherwise not be reached.

Rudolph Rabe ('50) and his wife are somewhere among the Hindus, but they are so surrounded by those thirsting for Living Water that we can't pass through the throng of benighted souls.

Betty Jackson Atwater's mother and father are still laboring in Dalat, P. M. S., Indo-China. Mrs. Jackson says, "We have all been made to feel the necessity of walking softly before God lest we, too, fall into temptation."

Bill Smalley ('45) and Jane Adams Smalley ('46) can be found at Mission Evangelique, 329 rue Frere Louis, Saigon, Indo-China. The North Laos people, whose language no missionary yet speaks, are the ones with whom they are working. Bill has a big linguistic task, but the English major and Greek minor and the discipline that they taught him will be helpful. Bill, by the way, was a former editor of the *Star*. Jane has new activities with Carol Jane, nearly 2½ and William Allen, seven months.

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College Receives Gift Of Historic Documents

A file of the New York *Weekly Tribune*, a *Documentary History of New York State*, and other valuable historical papers and books have been recently obtained by Dr. Gillette for the college library. The *Documentary History* was bequeathed to the school by Mrs. Ethel Tuttle of Short Tract, who had requested before her

death that the history be placed at the college.

When word of the gift came to Miss Gillette from Mr. William K. Drury, incidental mention of some New York *Tribunes* was made. Upon investigation, the papers proved to be a complete file of the New York *Weekly Tribune* from 1845 to 1880, as well as a limited number of New York *Weekly Times* which the school decided to purchase for the library.

Alderman Contributions

The student body contributed \$148.53 after Friday morning's chapel for Dick Alderman, a senior, whose parents' home was destroyed by fire two weeks ago. All of their possessions were lost.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Alderman have five other children: two girls, 14 and 9; and three boys, 11, 5, and 1.

The total amount of money, clothes, and household goods will be determined after October 24, the deadline for receiving these gifts.

Talent Review...

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and present the bronze trophy cup to the winner. Miss Bernice Boel, mezzo-soprano featured in "Moments of Melody" each Saturday night over WJSL, will also sing, accompanied by Dick Meloon. The master of ceremonies will be Richard Schnorbus, ('51), who is now taking post-graduate work.

Tickets for those who have not obtained them may be purchased at the door for 25 cents. In conjunction with the Homecoming weekend activities, Station WJSL will sell commercial recordings of distinctive Houghton music of high quality, unbreakable records, prepared by the Howell recording studios of Buffalo, N. Y.

They feature the A Cappella choir, singing "The Holly and the Ivy," arranged by R. Boughton, and "Search Me, O God," arranged by Charles H. Finney; the male quartet, singing the Houghton college "Alma Mater;" and "Come Back to Dear Old Houghton," played by the trumpet trio.

These records will be on sale the night of the Talent Revue. Proceeds from the sale of records and Talent Revue tickets will be used to purchase new equipment for the production studio of WJSL.

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15 Work-Loan Positions Created

Under a new approved plan fifteen work-loan scholarship positions have been created by the administration to aid students in financing their way through college.

Of the fifteen, eleven jobs have been filled by the following persons: David Ball, David Barnett, Stephen Calhoun, Theodore Crossman, John LaCelle, Nancy Phillippe, Elmer Prentice, Lawrence Richards, Malcolm Starks, Charles Stuart and Shirley Weyer.

Broken down, eight of the scholarships are for men students: three janitors, one furnace fireman, and four maintenance and repair men. Seven are for women students: two cleaning services, three food services and two clerical services. The scholarships in the men's category are \$400 and \$500, the women's \$350 and \$400.

The acquisition for the remainder of the jobs will be determined on the basis of financial need, personal qualification and scholarship. The jobs will also provide experience for the recipients in assuming responsibility.

Civil Service Examinations Announced For Students

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for Student Aid (Trainee) positions in the fields of chemistry, physics, mathematics, metallurgy, and engineering, paying yearly salaries of \$2,650 and \$2,875.

This examination is of special in-

Houghton's Academic Program To Be Rated

Mr. Ewald B. Niquist, former director of admissions at Columbia university, will examine Houghton's academic program November 13. Dr. Niquist of the University of New York is an assistant commissioner in the state education department.

Mr. Niquist will examine the courses of study, teacher loads, classroom and laboratories, graduation requirements, etc. It is the responsibility of the state department to make a periodic report in order to be certain the colleges of the state are satisfying the minimum state requirements for certification.

terest to sophomore and junior college students in the above fields since the Student Aid Trainee program offers to them the opportunity to participate in special training programs of the various Federal agencies and to become acquainted with the work of these agencies, while they are still attending school.

To qualify in the examination, applicants must pass a written test and must have received one-half (for jobs paying \$2,650) or three-fourths (for jobs paying \$2,875) of the total credits required for a bachelor's degree in their specialized field. Age limits, waived for persons entitled to veteran preference, are from 18 to 35.

The college placement office has more detailed information about the Student Air Trainee examination. Information and applications may also be obtained from most first- and second-class post offices, Civil Service Civil Service Commission, Washington regional offices, or from the U. S. ton 25, D. C. Applications will be accepted in the Commission's Washington office until December 4, 1951.

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