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Clippings from our Exchanges

For any freshmen who may still have a complaint or two over initiation activities this year we point to the rather ingenious devices employed at Eastern Nazarene to acquaint greenhorns with the proper sources of authority. Quoting from the Oct. 12 issue of *The Campus Camera*:

"Dressed in their oldest clothes, smeared with soot, mint jelly, and merchurochrome, blind folded and roped together, the new students of E. N. C. displayed a disheveled and unprepossessing appearances as they were herded into the gymnasium Friday evening. A special slide had been prepared for the 'children' as well as a rope swing. After being put through their paces, they were thrown bread-crusts and served water while they watched the audience line up for a buffet lunch of sandwiches, coffee, and candy."

Contrast the foregoing with any description available of the New Students' reception at Houghton. But that is not all, for following is a brief outline of the later activities of Freshman Week proper. Two differences are evident: (1) a shortened period of initiation, and (2) a delaying of hostilities until after freshman class organization. Some food for thought there: *and not bread crusts by any means.*

Marion College played host to an International Relations Convention Oct. 14, where representatives from Miami University, Notre Dame, Northwestern University, Manchester College, and other institutions discussed current problems and their

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Seniors See Alfred Bow to St. Lawrence In Colorful Nite Play

by HORACE BRIGGS

6:15 and all is well! Cars are in front of the Administration building and dignified seniors in an undignified way are scurrying about attempting to find the correct vehicle. The reason? A trip to the Alfred-St. Lawrence football game for 8:15 p. m. Oct. 29.

The 30 miles to the scene of activity goes rapidly for some and not so rapidly for others (they didn't have dates), and at 7:30 there could be found on the 50 yard line portion of the bleachers a mixed group: some waiting for the game to start; others wondering what has happened to Ed Holley.

For a time Coach McNeese is worried about losing his hat, but by the time the scoreboard reads Alfred 0, Opponents 13, the hat is pulled down over his ears. Not a chance of losing it.

Prof. Shea had intended to give a little speech, or at least buy some peanuts so as to have some ammunition to pelt unenthusiastic rooters, but he thinks better of his intentions as the game gets under way, and con-

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SPOOKS IN ANNUAL CONCLAVE

DEATH OF ALMA GLUCK IS CAUSE IN CANCELLATION

Plans to Fulfill Engagement
In Spring; Vienna
Choir Coming

DIES ON ANNIVERSARY

Alma Gluck Zimbalist, famous singer of opera, died Thursday October 27, 1938. She was the wife of Efreim Zimbalist, violinist who was to appear in Houghton on Nov. 2. Her voice, heard all over the world through medium of recordings, had been loved and appreciated.

Because of her death Mr. Zimbalist, has been forced to postpone his appearance in Houghton until next spring. However, he will appear definitely then.

The death of Mrs. Zimbalist came on the anniversary of her husband's debut in America when he played the *A Minor Concerto of Glazunoff* with the Boston Symphony on October 27, 1911.

Due to the postponement of this Artist Series' number, the Vienna Choir Boys will be first to appear upon the chapel rostrum for the current season. Their concert is slated for November 25, and should attract many alumni as well as out-of-town Artist Series' patrons, since the concert comes at the same time as annual Home-coming week-end.

Our Service Flag Lest We Forget

In World War days, when the campus was planted with potatoes, and two days every fall were devoted to digging them and storing them in the gym, a service flag was made and hung as a background for the chapel platform, in honor of all the boys who represented Houghton College in the war.

The flag is red, with a rectangular white field in the center. Eighty-three blue stars, representing the enlisted men, are scattered about the white field. Whenever another Houghtonite volunteered, another star was added. All the stars have not yet been sewed on. The three gold stars in the center are for Curtis Rogers, William Russell, and Harry Meeker, who died in the war. Toward the left are three red triangles representing the men in Y. M. C. A. work.

For many years after the war it was the custom to have Armistice Day services on the slope by the three evergreens, with the flag on exhibition. This custom ought to be continued. The vagueness of the faculty and ignorance of the students as to the flag is appalling.

Hilgeman's latest (not original): Homer was not written by Homer but by another man with the same name.

Even the Staff Ought to Study

Even a *Star* staff has to study at times in spite of varied opinions to the contrary, and one of these momentous occasions is soon to arrive. Blame for such a revolt against the apparent usual order of procedure must be laid to those professorial brain-teasers designated "mid-terms".

Thus, due to the scheduling of the said mid-semester exams for November 8-10 there will be no *Star* published next week. For you who are more technically minded this means that there will be no issue dated November 9, but that the next four page layout will be ready for consumption November 16.

HC

Yesteryear Parade Flits by As Caught In the Camera Eye

"Who's that?"

"Remember him?"

—were the frequent remarks last Friday evening, Oct. 28, as Prof. Willard Smith "reeled" off his motion picture panorama of Houghton college life at a Boulder benefit program.

Mixing choir tours featuring baggage stower Bob Hale ('37) with Freshman Weeks of three years accumulation, and skip days with campus winter scenes, the 50 minute feature held the attention of nearly 300 students and faculty members who came with the fond hope of seeing themselves flicker across the screen.

Contrast held the title role with a fine supporting cast starring "Walt" Sheffer in greenhorn attire, Bruce Densmore, capable Abe Lincoln musketeer, and "Feather" Gabrielse, anchor man and rope-gather for the victorious class of '42 tug-of-war team. Although many of the "Stand-ins" were unknown to most of the younger portion of the audience, all were well received.

Outstanding was the deep feeling which seemed current in every heart from lordlist senior to most humble frosh when pictures of the late President Luckey flashed on the screen.

Between reel changes Vance Carlson's originality depicted on lantern slide advertisements of the '39 Boulder kept the audience amused with such classics as the cartoon of a late-comer seeking a copy of the newly sold Boulder edition, and weeping "genuine cry juice" at being unable to exchange \$2.50 for a personal issue.

HC

Robert Renwick Giving Shakespearean Recital

Robert Renwick of Cuba, N. Y. will give a Shakespearean recital next Monday evening on *Henry the Fourth*. The recital was given last spring with great success at the Wellsville library.

Mr. Renwick, who is the son of

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CLEVER HALLOWE'EN CELEBRATION HELD WITH COUNCIL PLANNING AND INGENUITY

CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 2

Artist Series program featuring

Zimbalist postponed until spring

Friday, November 4

Varsity - Freshman Basketball

Monday, November 7

Robert Renwick giving Shake-

speare recital in chapel at 8 p.m.

November 8, 9, 10

Mid-semester examinations

November 25-27

Home-Coming Week-end

Friday, November 25

Vienna Choir Boys, first Artist

Series number

Ghosts Flitted-- And Ghostesses

by CLIFFORD BLAUVELT

"A-haunting we will go" was the cry of nearly three-score pranksters early Tuesday a. m. as they (for the most part) unsuccessfully attempted to dodge the beam of Eddie Hall's flashlight and the glare of Prof. Stanley Wright's eyes.

Deserting the warm beds for the frosty air, fellows and girls alike turned out en masse to celebrate according to tradition. The cold, misty breezes failed, however to dampen high spirits or the fervor of reckless daring and excitement.

The worthy dean of men successfully held the fort—or rather the "ad" building against occasional onslaughts. There were a few casualties reported. But for the whole, he kept the edifice "not open for business."

Meanwhile, Miss Driscoll ably guarded "No Man's Land." And when danger lurked wearing cow's clothing, she took full command of the situation and soon had the terrorist hoofing it for home.

Eddie Hall covered the campus quite commendably in keeping the attacks of the opponents well-scattered. Following the usual outburst of noise and commotion, the ghostesses scrambled for bed leaving the shivering ghosts to disband and gather a few hours of slumber.

Dr. Douglas' Embalmed Cats
Provide Atmosphere
For Dungeon

'FEATHER' BOBS APPLES

Houghton campus suddenly awoke Monday evening to find ghosts were not the only ones who prepared to carry out plans for celebrating Hallowe'en. The Student Council also had its hand in the night's events.

Accordingly, at approximately 8:15, Houghton collegians in various modes of attire began to drift into the recreation hall which was gaily decorated with cornstalks and leaves underfoot and streamers, pumpkins, cats, and witches overhead.

Following the grand march of these in costume, the throng trooped up to the administration building. No longer did dull and uninteresting class rooms greet their eyes. Instead, there was a dungeon which contained the mangled corpse of Harold Ebel and several of Dr. Douglas' pet embalmed cats. There was a corn field with real spooks, graveyard, museum, a room devoted to playing games, and another for telling fortunes. To top them off, there was a German band of unknown origin which played rare old melodies.

Having made a tour of inspection, the group turned its attention to the chapel where they were entertained still further. Prof. Schram in the capacity of master of ceremonies, entered riding a "horse". Convincingly portraying the lazy farmer whose only ambition in life seemed to be to look at a paper and "expectorate" occasionally in the direction of a bucket.

A reading, "The Highwayman", was given by Keith Sackett in spite of inappropriate sound effects. George Hilgeman offered a melodramatic presentation of "No, No, a Thousand Times No!", singing or speaking, according to your interpretation.

The Hootin' Tooters made their debut with "The Old Apple Tree in the Orchard". The quartet is composed of Blauvelt, Taylor, Weaver,

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College Ranch Plays Leading Role In Keeping the DORM Costs Down

Probably everyone knows about the "Dean's cow," but do you know all about the thirty-six school cows (I don't mean educated ones)?

On the school farm high above and a mile directly behind the college campus, these animals browse peacefully in their efforts to furnish the dining hall patrons with its entire milk supply.

Forty-nine acres (1800 bushels) of oats, twenty-nine acres of buckwheat, eight acres of wheat, and eighteen acres of ensilage corn were raised this past year to feed the farm's livestock, which, besides cows consists of four horses, 450 laying hens, fifty hogs, and young cattle. The hens

furnish practically all of the eggs devoured in the dining hall. The pork you eat at the dorm comes from those hogs raised very economically—upon the garbage of the kitchen. A certain amount of veal and beef is also procured from the farm.

An executive board, composed of Mr. John Cott, Prof. F. H. Wright, Prof. S. W. Wright, and Prof. H. L. Fancher, manage the farm's affairs. Under their supervision the Prutsman family, with the aid of a hired man, operates the farm. Pay is on the basis of salary as the only product marketed is milk sold to cheese factories during the school's summer vacation.

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EDITORIAL

TOWARD WHAT?

It is not strange that one of the best selling books ever published was a simple formula telling how to be a successful master of people. The desire to succeed at something has been the consuming passion of man ever since the world began, and whenever a quick easy path to that place has been found, the finder has become the hero of the day. Needless to say, there have been few such heroes.

Perhaps you are reluctant to class yourself with such a seemingly materialistic mob. Need it be materialistic? We leave that to each of you. The very fact that you are in college denotes for most of you that you desire to make the most of your life. That's certainly a human, if not a commendable trait.

We are often told by those who know from experience that if we ever expect to be successful, we must have an objective. There must be a goal toward which our efforts are concentrated.

"Oh yes," you say. "I'm going to be a doctor." That is a noble aspiration, but do you think that you comprehend what that means? Can you picture a doctor whose conversation is characterized by careless English and superfluous slang?

You're going to be a teacher. What kind of a teacher will you make if you dislike books, and study only as much as is necessary to make the grade?

You're going to be a missionary. Are you a missionary now?

You're going to be a minister? Are you learning each day how to better follow your Lord so that you can soon lead others?

What are we driving at? Just this. It's easy enough to picture oneself in the hazy future as a success. It's quite another thing to be able to see the steps that lead to that position. As commendable as it is to have a distant objective it is equally important that we have one we can attain in the near future.

If we're freshmen, may we see ourselves a few months hence as those who have learned to enjoy life a little more because of what we have learned. May our speech be finer if necessary. May our actions be a little more becoming to college people. If we're sophomores or juniors, we should have developed further those qualities which label one as college material. And if we're seniors, do we feel that we can soon take our places beside other men and women of the world, holding positions that require all there is of one?

It is said of the prodigal that "he came to himself." He didn't stop there. Action followed. Let's do some honest self-analysis ourselves, and then begin today to do the small things that will show real progress toward a definite objective that's not too far away.

L. C. W.

Inter-Class Debates Scheduled to Renew Battle Over Trophy

A reference to the schedule of student chapels published in last week's issue reveals that annual intramural debate contests are only a few weeks away, the semi-finals being listed for Nov. 30 and Dec 7 respectively.

The two upper classes and the sophomores have elected their representatives, while candidates for the freshman two-man team were selected after a series of tryouts under the direction of the Forensic Union.

Results of elections appointed Everett Elliott and Edward Willett senior argumentators, Thelma Havill and Walter Sheffer, junior representatives, and Jesse DeRight and Leon Wise to lead the sophomore onslaught. Chosen as freshman contestants from a list of fifteen candidates were Norman Mead and Melvin James.

First of the debates will be between sophomores and freshmen, with the senior-junior combat slated for the following week. Final battle will be fought on Jan. 11 to determine possession of the cup.

Class of '39 rooters are hoping for a third straight victory and permanent possession of the trophy which they have won for two consecutive years.

Questions for the initial discussions have been decided. The underclass contest will be over the issue of "big-business", while the Monroe doctrine in streamlined version will provide the clash for the sage-intelligentsia conflict, in which the seniors will uphold the affirmative.

Underground Excursion Is Thrill for Geology Fans

by BERNICE BAUER

It was Thursday, Oct. 27, 1938. Clink-clank-r-rumble. Three mining cars scurried along the 26-mile railway at the frightful speed of eight miles an hour. "Oohs" echoed along pitch-black channels as sparks flew from the 220-volt cable only six inches over white-capped heads.

The geology class and some members of the science methods class, with Professors Rork, Burnell and Tucker, stepped again on terra firma, 84 feet beneath the surface of the earth. They were inspecting the intricacies of Oakfield gypsum farms.

Water was dripping—drip-drip—from little stalactites over their heads. They peered down another fifteen-foot gulf to see seven feet of crystal clear gurgling water. Here was the mouth of a pumping station from which 45,000 gallons of water were hurled to the surface each minute.

Again, crouching beneath live wires and detecting a distinct odor of dynamite, excited spectators peered into a most spooky channel. From places such as these, miners extract an average of 26,000 tons of gypsum per acre, leaving channels six feet high.

The air here makes an ideal air-conditioned room, maintaining a constant year-round temperature of 56-58 degrees. This strata of gypsum (chemically, hydrated calcium sulfate) was formed in the antediluvian period, and extends under Lake Ontario to Hamilton, Canada.

Safely deposited once more on ground level, the Houghtonians, protected by long-white coats, watched through dust clouds as the rock was poured into 120-foot towers. A novel container like a telephone booth filled with electric plates cleared the air of dust. With dark glasses the spectators now beheld a fiery cavity the size of one of our seminar rooms. It

PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

Edwin Charles Holley

"Don't-call-me-Pop". Holley came to Houghton, where he completed his high school course in June 1935. He entered the college department in September, having decided upon a minor in English. While here he has been a member of the chorus, Ministerial Association, and the Convocation Choir of 1936 fame.

"Ed" was born in Pulteney, New York on June 13. He attended a private high school at Brockville, Ontario, for a while; concerning which he remarked, "It was strictly religious—no monkey-business—we couldn't even have dates!"

Edwin has enjoyed college very much, and claims that these are interesting and helpful years. And, incidentally, November nineteenth marks the end of the six years of Mr. and Mrs. Holley's married life.

He has been pastor of the Bliss and Eagle M. E. Churches for the last three years, and is serving in the same capacity this year.

Robert Lewis Homan

How can anyone forget the young man that used to open the library doors every morning at 7:30 (not one minute before), when you had been waiting patiently fifteen minutes for the doors to open? This individual, in case you haven't guessed already, is Robert Homan.

Robert was born in Forestville, New York, June 21, 1917. There he attended grammar and high school. In the latter he participated in the boys Glee Club, mixed chorus, Boy Scouts, Hi-Y club, orchestra, band, Student Council, track, and basketball.

In the fall of '35, he entered Houghton as a music major. Here, he has been in the College Choir, Little Symphony, the Music Club, W. Y. P. S., and the track team. He has also been a member of the College Quartet for four years.

Of Houghton he states: "Next to home, it's the grandest place to be."

Wm. Harold Jessop

It gets cold early near St. Johns, Newfoundland, as William Jessop first discovered on Oct. 13, in the war torn year of 1914.

After a few years, he entered grade school at Grand Falls, Newfoundland, but moved to Canada at the age of 8. He completed his grammar school education at Melbrook, Ontario. He then attended High School at Springville, New York where he played some baseball and football, and was in the cast of the senior play.

After his high school graduation, Bill went to Alfred University for a year, and entered Houghton as a sophomore in 1936. He is a religious education major and has been a student pastor at Centerville and Farmersville Center.

Bill says, "Houghton College has meant much in the shaping of my religious career."

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was a portion of the furance.

In the paper mill, tons of old newspapers were churned in a rather unappetizing mass, which workmen fought for the privilege of cleaning. (Their turgid anxiety had been aroused one day when a lucky laborer found a diamond worth 200 dollars in the sediment.)

At last, the finished product. Beautifully veneered wallboard, real wood imported from Finland, and varnished surfaces of birds-eye maple with artificial knots made them wonder at the cunning of mankind.



by "Hi TOOTHILL"

With the ten week's exams only a week away, it seems altogether fitting that I should give you a few good questions as conditioners or samplers. Are you ready? The first interrogation is "If it takes a white elephant five days to walk out of an East Indian jungle backwards, how far will a pea need to fall to split a shingle?" And the final question, bearing upon the same subject matter is, "If it requires two hours for a twelve-year-old boy to pedal a bicycle across the Susquehanna River in a sidewise direction, how many pancakes will be needed to shingle a lampost?"

I propounded these brain-ticklers to the "Sphinx-faced Scholar", Warren Woolsey of the Seminary. He just assumed his *masque immobile* and looked at me. I wonder—is he crazy? He didn't seem to know the answers. Poor fellow. (The answers to these questions will be found on page six of this issue)

Remember George "Bilgie" Hilgeman? He wrote this column last year but was sometimes too modest to publish his own remarks. George took Zoo 1 last year, and after extensive research concluded that an octopus must be some kind of a guy with eight faces. (For those who don't see the light too quickly, it comes from the Greek *okto* meaning eight and from the New York vernacular *puss* meaning mug or face.)

Has anybody seen "Casey"? The rumor is going around that "Casey" is a great lover of chicken especially in sandwich form. One night, after "Casey" had returned from a week end at home, the mighty mite of the book store found that great chicken-eater, Daniel K. Fox, and together they straight-way consumed said sandwiches. Symptoms: Pains in the tummy. Malady: Ptomaine in the Gastric Domain. Condition of the patients: Fox cured. The little *ptomaines* found him uninhabitable. Kahler improving, but needs rest. Any disturbance before complete cure might necessitate an operation to remove a glass eye. "Casey" says "Be brave, my little chickadees, I shall soon return", or maybe "stand fast, my little chickadees, I shall soon return", or maybe "stand fast, my wooden Indian, and don't let the termites get you!"

Did you ever watch a group of people when a speaker announces, "That reminds me of the travelling salesman," "the politician who addressed a group of convicts", or "the southern judge who had an illiterate colored stenographer"? I watched the faculty members when Doctor Paine began to tell his tall story of the "Paul Bunyan" school. Wise old pedagogues begin to assume the customary joke stance or posture. Laugh wrinkles slowly intrrench themselves around the mouth, and the eyes take on a gleam of mingled expectancy of mental gymnastics, and anticipation of sly, but choice bits of mirth from the fountains of great personalities of mythology. They look down at their shoes, and prepare their minds to receive, weigh, and classify these gems of the spoken word. Then when the climax breaks with a surge like the incoming tide, the soul is bathed in sweet nectar, and the ripple dignified acknowledgement begins to pulsate through the hall.

Ingersoll, Cronk Claim of Being Sole Houghtonians Born in Town Contested

Life is full of surprises! At least such was the experience of Miss Grace Terry when she was confronted with the fact that Houghton was not her birth-place, as had been her life-long impression.

In fact, Miss Terry maintains that there are at present a minimum of twelve persons, including Mr. Ingersoll and Mr. Marshall Cronk, who were born and "fetched up" in Houghton. Miss Terry affirms her statement with an exact list of these individuals.

This group is only a small portion of those in the township who claim it as their place of entrance into the world, Miss Terry affirms. By way of authority, reasonably dependable we think, Miss Terry declares that not only was she born and brought up here at Houghton, but that her only experimental knowledge of the outside world occurred during a three week visit not many miles distant during her childhood.

On the other side of the controversy Mr. Ingersoll sticks to his stated belief (see the *Star* Oct. 19) that he and Mr. Cronk are the sole life-long residents of this township, his original idea being, to point out that most of Houghton dwellers come from out of state—or at least out of town.

Let a mountain be made out of a measly molehill we will conclude that Houghton is not the only hometown of honored, perhaps famous individuals.

PEOPLE OF HOUGHTON AT FUNERAL OF MR. LOFTIS

Peter B. Loftis, our well known local industrialist, died suddenly at his home on Saturday evening, Oct. 22. The funeral service was held at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church of Fillmore on Tuesday, October 25, and interment was made at the Houghton cemetery. A large number of the faculty and residents of the community attended the service.

Since 1889, Mr. Loftis has lived in Houghton and since 1912 his main business has been the manufacturing of Gee's Improved Minnow Traps which has become a nationally known product. His connections with the college have always been very friendly, two of his daughters having attended school here. Mr. Loftis always helped the college in any capacity in which he was able.

HILGEMAN LEADS

In the students prayer meeting, Oct. 25, Mr. George Hilgeman, urging all Christians to testify and witness to others said, "We must avail ourselves of every opportunity, for it may mean salvation or damnation to those to whom God has given us the charge of speaking."

Using Mark 16:15,19,20 as a basis for his remarks, Mr. Hilgeman asserted: "We have a parish here—those around us—as well as a parish on the foreign field."

THANK YOU!

I wish to express my thanks to all my friends in Houghton for their many expressions of friendship during my recent illness.

Kenneth W. Wright ('34)

To all those who helped in any way in making the Halloween Party a success, the Student Council says: "Thanks!"

COLLEGE QUARTET HAS HEAVY FALL ITINERARY

The college quartet continued to carry out its heavy schedule Sunday, Oct. 23 with two services and two broadcasts at Olean, N. Y.

Leaving the campus at "sun-up", they hastened to fill their date with the "ether" at 8 a. m. The Wesleyan Tabernacle was the scene of the morning service with Dr. Paine bringing the message to Rev. Norman's congregation.

In the afternoon the quartet again broadcasted this time through the courtesy of Rev. Harold Warren pastor of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church. In the evening the warblers conducted the young people's meeting back at the Wesleyan Tabernacle and then assisted Dr. Paine with the evening service.

On Thursday night, Oct. 27, the quartet accompanied the college pastor, Rev. E. W. Black, to Appleton, N. Y. for a "Harvest Day meeting" there at which Rev. Black was the speaker.

Last Sunday the quartet was again on the road, this time at the Baptist Church in Forestville in the morning, and at the M. E. church in Farmersville in the evening. Dr. Paine spoke at both services. The pastor at Farmersville is Rev. George Jessop, who is a senior.

College Infirmary Scene Of Emergency Operation

Miss Jennie Dolph ('42) was operated on in the College infirmary, Oct. 28, at 1:40 P. M.

Miss Dolph had been suffering from abdominal pain since Tuesday evening. She entered the infirmary Thursday at 9:30 P. M. when it was believed she was suffering from a ruptured appendix. Because of Miss Dolph's critical condition, she was unable to be moved, and it was necessary to convert the upstairs' front room of the infirmary into an operating room.

The operation was performed by Dr. Robert Lyman assisted by Dr. Rose of the Fillmore Hospital. Dr. A. H. Lyman administered the anesthetic, and the college nurses, Miss Emelene Ballard and Miss Pauline Crosby, assisted with the operation.

The operation was very successful, and revealed the fact that the appendix was not ruptured. Miss Dolph is in a serious condition, but she is progressing very well. A quick recovery is expected.

President, Dean Attend State Educational Meet

President Paine and Dean Hazlett were present at the recent convocation of the University of the State of New York held in Albany Oct. 14. The general theme of the occasion was "The Elementary School Lays the Foundation of Education", and commemorated the three-hundredth anniversary of founding of the first common school in New York State.

Addresses were given by many outstanding educators. Music was furnished by the Georgetown Central School Band. Old students will remember that Houghton College Choir was featured at the convocation of two years ago.

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PERSONNEL

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Marion Angie Jones

"Parlez-vous le Francais?"

She certainly does, for she plans to become one of those French teachers who knows how to say "Oui, oui, monsieur," and sometimes "Non, non." Therefore, during her stay at Houghton, Marion has been a member of the French club.

She's also one of those people who have a state scholarship. They say one has to be intelligent to have one, and Marion is no exception to the statement. In high school at Belfast, she was valedictorian of her class, member of the student council, took part in the senior play. It's too bad that Marion is a commuter, for otherwise she would probably have been a prominent member of the Expression club here.

If you don't already know, Marion comes from Oramel, and she was obviously not burned up in that well-remembered fire. Marion says: "I can't be thankful enough for attending a college like Houghton."

Robert Newton Lytle

A very pleasant Christmas present arrived in the person of Robert Lytle. Bob was born on December 26, 1917 at Angelica N. Y.

He attended Waverly High School, and became the editor of the paper there. The Forum Club which corresponds to our Forensic Union was of special interest to him. Stamp collecting was and is a favorite hobby with Bob.

When asked how he heard of Houghton, it is no wonder he knew it so well, for he has two sisters who graduated from here. He is majoring Religious Education. Bob is the president of the Foreign Mission Fellowship, and was also president in his Junior year. He is also an active member of the W. Y. P. S. and holds the position of Religious Editor of the *Star*. He has felt a call to be a missionary to China as his life work.

Victor Samuel Murphy

Born in Bookville, Pa. way back in May 1919, a minister's son, "Vic" has moved about frequently. He spent his first three years of high school at Johnson City. From there "Vic" came to Houghton where he graduated from the seminary and went on to Houghton college in 1935.

While in college, "Vic" has been active in Pre-Medic club, Forensic Union, Orchestra and has won varsity letters in basketball, baseball, tennis and track, being varsity captain of the basketball team last year. He was editor of the '38 *Boulder* and has held the office of class treasurer for three years. This year we all know him as Lecture Course manager.

He is preparing for the teaching profession or medical field and has chosen the multiple major of General Science, Chemistry and Education with a minor in Mathematics.

"Vic" says, "I think Houghton is as good a school as I know of for any fellow."

High School Seniors of Last Year Serve in Courtesy Tea

The high school girls began a series of courtesy lessons with a tea in the reception room of the dormitory, the afternoon of Monday, the 24th. Two courtesy skits were presented, one of which showed the need for the lessons in courtesy, the other demonstrating good and bad table manners. Tea and cookies were served while Miss Owlett played the piano. Three of last year's high school seniors, Esther Fulton, Genevieve Rathbun and Bertha Reynolds, served. The tea was under the general supervision of Miss Pool.

Sunday Services

Character Study

A character study was the subject of the Sunday morning meditation, Oct. 30. Speaking on "The Boy Who Never Had a Chance", Rev. E. W. Black said, "Jephthah was wronged in his birth, and in what he suffered. Nevertheless, he did not give away to circumstances, nor seek revenge, but kept faith in himself and in God. God honors those who honor Him. If you are willing to suffer and endure, He is willing to promote you."

"Whittled Off"

"God doesn't want the whittled-off end of nothing of your life; He wants your best," stated Rev. C. I. Armstrong, in the W. Y. P. S. service, Oct. 30. Using David's sacrifice at the cave of Adullam as his theme, he said that God is looking across the centuries down into Houghton, N. Y. and asking for your consecration for time and eternity.

Work To Do

"The Christian has a specific work to do," remarked Rev. Black, Sunday evening, drawing lessons from the life of Samson. Here is a solemn warning, he said; "Don't play with the Tempter." Here also is encouragement: "God is waiting for the penitent cry of the backslider." "Let God have his way," was the conclusion.

Getting Christ First Is Appeal of Rev. DeWeerd

"Spiritual awakening must be among young people" stated the Rev. Mr. James DeWeerd of Gastin, Indiana in his chapel address on Friday morning, Oct. 28.

Before the address, Rev. C. I. Armstrong and Raymond Lewis, assistant to Rev. DeWeerd, rendered a duet selection entitled *Jesus, Blessed Jesus*.

In introducing his subject, *The Claims of Christ on Youth*, Rev. DeWeerd read from Eccl. 12:1-3. His talk was divided into five distinct parts: the spiritual aids to happiness, crime and youth, the energies of Christianity, the advantages of finding Christ early, and the cost of not being a Christian.

Rev. DeWeerd stated that by "getting Christ first" one would receive the highest peace in life, everlasting joy and far-reaching success, "Christ pleads with us for our lives" and we should "make sure of Heaven and Jesus Christ early."

The fear-inspiring poem *Face to Face* added color to the appeal as well as the many other quotations used.

Rev. DeWeerd is now engaged in holding revival services at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Fillmore, N. Y. where the Rev. George Failing is the pastor. Rev. Lewis is in charge of the music.

One Aim and One Purpose Stressed by Rosenberger

Do we still consider consecration a legal duty or do we consider it a privilege? Dr. H. E. Rosenberger asked in chapel, Oct. 26.

Paul, he stated, did not consider that he "laid his all on the altar", but rather that what he gave up was as refuse, put on the rubbish heap, in comparison to what he received from God in return.

A few do not have a monopoly on God, Dr. Rosenberger asserted, but God has a monopoly on only a few.

Ourselves As God Sees Us

by ROBERT LYTLE

"Today in one of my classes we had a great discussion concerning the role of the church in society. They tried to say the church should have dancing, card playing, and other such worldly pursuits in order that more would come to church. I said they definitely should not have them. At the end of the period they said that science is disproving more and more of the Bible every day and to such an extent that not many believe it."

Thus read a letter received from a Houghton alumnus now attending a school which does not cleave to the principles that Houghton holds dear. "I actually enjoy and love", he continued, "to talk of Houghton and how I stand."

How thankful we here at Houghton should be that our college is true to the last phrase of her tripartite slogan: "Fundamental in belief". Instead of the Bible being scorned and scoffed at, it is upheld as the guide-book for each life.

How foolish it is for men—even though they be brilliant scientists—to disclaim God's Word. A little child whose knowledge is extremely limited may as well contradict the words of his father as for modern science to deny the Word of God, who is the Author of all science.

Many famous people of the day acknowledge the Bible. Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor, and Mr. Roger Babson, perhaps the great statistician of the present age, state that only a revival of Bible Christianity will save modern civilization. Dr. Albert Einstein, whose name has become a household word in America, says, "The Bible is and must be the basis of our social life in these troubled times."

After all, we are not asked to understand the Word of God. That would be impossible. The Bible cannot be circumscribed by human thought, for now we are told, we can know only in part.

Perhaps Martin Luther's counsel of which Prof. Leroy Fancher reminded us in chapel could well be repeated: "The Bible is no joke. If you cannot understand it, take your hat off to it."

Miller Answers Questions Vital to Young Christians

Dr. Miller in his message to the newly established evangelistic group last Saturday evening answered several questions vital to young Christians.

How can I best study the Bible? How can I approach people with the Gospel? and Can I be a Christian and attend dances and movies? were among the queries propounded.

Dr. Miller answered these by pointing out practical study methods, and in the cases where judgment was involved referring the wondering believer to the word of God for a safe guide of conduct.

New Bible Dedicated

A unique feature of the morning worship Sunday, Oct. 23, was the dedicatory service for the new pupil Bible, the gift of Mr. F. E. Brigham. The service included appropriate hymns, responsive readings, and prayer. Mr. Marshall Cronk, chairman of the Board of Trustees, made the speech of acceptance.

Purple Closed Color Series Friday With Score of 31 Against Gold 24

Half Closes with Tie Score;
Purple Forges Ahead
In Second Division

Friday afternoon, Oct. 28, while a handful of spectators stood around in overcoats shivering on the sidelines, the Purple stalwarts came out on the better end of 31-24 speedball score, to be the first color champions in Houghton's speedball history.

This was the end of a two-game series, the Purple fellows taking the first game by a closely contested 2 points.

Playing in bitter cold, the two teams fought with a much greater show of interest than was manifest in the first game, which resulted in a decidedly better type of game.

From the opening whistle to the final gun the contest was a nip and tuck battle with the Purple cohorts holding a slight edge over the Gold men. The score see-sawed back and forth during the first half with neither side getting more than a 4 point margin. The half ended in a tie score.

In the second division the Purple captured a 6-point lead which they did not relinquish, and the game ended with their adding another counter to make the final result read Purple 31, Gold 24.

The Purple ball-slingers featured a fine passing attack which time after time took the Gold men off their feet. With wily "Willie" Olcott on the receiving end of most of the heaves into the end zone. The Gold speedball artists used an attack no less ferocious and their passing was slower and surer than that of their opponents.

Timely booting by "Dave" Paine pulled the Gold banner out of a tough situation on several occasions. With the exception of Olcott's heavy scoring the chalking up of points was quite evenly divided between members of the various teams.

Football—

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centrates upon getting warm. Perhaps the speech will turn up later.

Funny how the Alfred band seems to be playing Houghton songs, or were they for Alfred. We were planning to cheer for Alfred, but Al McCartney turns out to be the one man cheering section (Eylers' cheering turns to ridicule after the first St. Lawrence touch-down), and has that sophomore McCartney got a pair of lungs! But the half is over now, and here is Ed Holley, also with cold feet.

"Popcorn! Candy! Peanuts!"

"Say, boy, throw some peanuts up here", yells Park Tucker. Up they travel and come to rest in Tucker's hat—for a few minutes that is, then they are no more.

Down towards the center of the Houghton gang is Miss Burnell cheerfully explaining the rudiments of the great pigskin game to an innocent lass who professes not to know what those big, rough boys are doing with their war helmets and that poor oblong piece of expanded leather.

Perhaps we should be courteous enough to look in on the rest of those '39 cherubs, but St. Lawrence has just run that intercepted pass back 70 yards for the final touchdown and an Alfred rout, and the consensus of opinion has it that it is time to go home. But we will stop just long enough to watch "Wee Willie" Grosvenor "chew the ears off" the St. Lawrence fullback, and then it is "All aboard!" as twelve cars of cherubs "cher-up" off Houghton-ward.

Hallowe'en—

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and Hilgeman playing mouth organ, slide whistle and jews harps respectively, Blauvelt taking the solo work.

Chills and thrills worked overtime as "Casey" Kahler told his best ghost story to the accompaniment of eerie, flashing beams of light. Bob Homan, "Red" Hill, Densmore, and Grosvenor sang "Down by the Old Mill Stream" with pantomiming by Jesse DeRight.

One of the crowning features of the evening's performance was a little impromptu apple ducking by Lloyd Elliot and "Feather" Gabrielse. Aided by Prof. Schram, "Feather" got the wettest part of the bargain.

Then back once more to the recreation hall hurried the merry-makers, and finally after the doughnuts and punch had been consumed, the satisfied crowd dispersed and departed for points unknown.

Soph Recital Shows Precision, Technique

The music department presented the Sophomore music students in a recital on October 27, 1938 in the chapel. Fine performances characterized the program. Eleanor Fitts, playing the "Adagio" from "L'Arlesienne" by Bizet, displayed an excellent technique. Theodore Gast presented selections from Bach with fine precision and expression. The program was:

Vocal—Princesita J. Padilla

J. Theodore Hollenbach

Piano—To Spring Edward Grieg

Isabel Sessions

Flut—Le Cygne Camille Saint-Saens

Florence May Barnett

Piano—The Harmonious Blacksmith G. F. Handel

Gladys Wellman

Vocal—The Heart Workshops

Gustav Holst

Lucille Moore

Piano—Allegretto J. Hayden

Vernice Richardson

Vocal—Ye Merry Birds

Ferdinand Gumbert

Mildred Proctor

Piano—Preludio IX

Fugue IX J. S. Bach

Theodore Gast

Violin—Adagio from L'Arlesienne

George Bizet

Eleanor Fitts

Piano—May-Night Selim Palmgren

Ruth Richardson

Vocal—Caro Mio Ben

Giuseppe Giordani

Doris Carter

Piano—Seguidilla Albeniz

Virginia Crofoot

Vocal—Hills LaForge

Earl Sauerwein

Renwick—

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Judge Walter Renwick, is the head of the Cuba playshop, and his interpretations of Shakespeare's characters have made him famous locally. All students and their friends are urged to hear this cultural recital.

The recital will be given Monday night, Nov. 7, at eight o'clock. Clubs meeting that night are requested to conclude their programs as early as possible to allow members to attend this recital. There will be no charge for admission.

Shearer: I woke up last night with a start; I thought my watch was gone.

Walsy: Was it?

Shearer: No, but it was going.

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FANCHER CITES A FEW GERMAN EXPERIENCES

Wurtemberg, home of Martin Luther, particularly interested Professor Fancher during his tour of Germany this summer, he stated in chapel on Oct. 17. He told of his experiences during his travel from Berlin to Wurtemberg, a distance of about seventy miles.

Reaching his destination on Sunday afternoon he went, after a church service, to the house that was the university in which Luther had been a professor. Here were pictures of Luther, original editions of his work, his study. Everything was well-preserved.

Two churches at Wurtemberg were of special interest: the Castle church, where Luther's "95" theses are in Latin, and where the great leader is buried; and the City church, where he often preached.

Said Prof. Fancher: "It impressed me in how many places scripture appeared in Germany; at youth hostels, on church doors, and in the various homes." He remarked on how wonderfully the Lord had directed both in his decision to go and during the trip itself.

Plastic Surgery Offers Hope of Houghtonians

Trade in your old faces for new features and new futures! Come to Expression Club and learn how to increase your social prestige; don't be a wall-flower; stop feeling inferior; come and find yourself before it's too late.

"Everybody's Doing It," Expression Club's contribution, Oct. 24, to the solution of Houghton's psychological problem stresses a beautiful face for any figure. Wall Street is no longer the index to our prosperity; the office of the Plastic Surgeon is now the main artery of American life. Artists, school teachers, socialites and telephone operators, the backbone of the nation, all meet here on common ground.

Besides this comedy skit, Leon Wise gave a reading "A Friend", and Raynard Alger offered a coronet solo "Oh Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star."

After the program entertainment the club resolved itself into a business meeting during which several new members were accepted.

Everyone is cordially invited to the next meeting of the Expression Club. An excellent program is being prepared for your enjoyment.

SCHEDULE OF MID-TERM EXAMINATIONS

Tuesday, November 8

- 8:00—9:00 Classes scheduled at 8:00 T. T. S.
- 9:30—10:30 Classes scheduled at 10:30 T. T. S. Freshman Theory Comp. and Rhet. (Dean Hazlett's section)
- 11:00—12:00 Classes scheduled at 9:00 M. W. F. Voice Methods Comp. and Rhet. (Dr. Small's section)
- 1:30—2:30 Chemistry 1 (Sec. A and B) Chem. room and A25 Instrumental Methods Adv. Homiletics
- 2:30—3:30 Freshman Bible (Sec. A&B) A25, S44, S45, S46 Orchestration, Adv. Philosophy, Current Economic Problems
- 3:30—4:30 Classes scheduled at 10:30 M. W. F.

Wednesday, November 9

- 8:00—9:00 German 1 (A&B) Rooms A25, A31
- 9:30—10:30 Psychology (Sec. A&B) Rooms A25, A31
- 11:00—12:00 Classes scheduled at 11:30 M. W. F. Eng. Lit. (Dr. Small's section)
- 1:30—2:30 Comp. & Rhet. (Miss Richard's sections C. D. E) S46, S45, S44
- 2:30—3:30 Zoology 1 (Sec. A&B)
- 3:30—4:30 Classes scheduled at 8:00 M. W. F. Eng. Lit. (Hazlett's and Richard's sections)

Thursday, November 10

- 8:00—9:00 Classes scheduled at 9:00 T. T. S.
- 9:30—10:30 Classes scheduled at 11:30 T. T. S.
- 11:00—12:00 Class scheduled at 1:30 M. W. F. Money and banking, Surveying
- 1:30—2:30 Public Speaking Room A25, Rural Community
- 2:30—3:30 Music Appreciation, Hygiene for Women

Purple Nosed Out Gold on Wed. 18-16 Before Big Crowd

Consolidated speedball forces in the persons of Purple and Gold teams turned in a close score of 18-16 to the Purples favor in Wednesday, October 26's initial encounter.

A strong west wind during the first half caused the defenders of the eastern goal to play a wholly defensive and losing game, but since there was a change in goals the score was evened before the second period. Here the hastily organized Purple under the leadership of Captain Gilbert exerted their power with Crandall, Olcott, Eylar and Sackett carrying the attack into the enemy territory with a resulting lead in the game.

A concerted Gold drive in the closing moments brought Captain Bob Torrey's "gold shirts" within two points of their opponents lead, but was a last minute struggle barely sufficient to gain a coveted victory.

The players appreciated the enthusiasm shown by a bleacher crowd larger than has witnessed any of the previous intramural games this season.

Exchange—

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significance. Convening this last week-end at Marion—Oct. 27-30—is the fourth annual session of the National Young People's Holiness League.

The Tower, Wheaton College annual was given first class honor rating in competition with the colleges and universities having a 1000-2500 enrollment, according to *The Record* for Oct. 25. Judging was done by the National Scholastic press association. Feature commended photography, but criticized were senior individuals in caps and gowns. Future Boulder staffs take note.

Aspiring Houghton males who could possibly journey to Keuka College and wangle a date for Nov. 10 would undoubtedly attend the concert by the Vienna Choir Boys, scheduled to appear on the Keuka campus at that time. But the extra fifteen days of waiting until the singers arrive in Houghton Nov. 25 will perhaps be easier to absorb than the trip to Penn Yan and return.



IN THE SPORTLIGHT

by VICTOR MURPHY

Two big speedball victories for the Purple side makes the first mark in their favor on the recording books of the color classics for the season '38-'39. Gold deserve some credit for spirit, but otherwise they were plainly outclassed by the "vicious violet volleys" whose ball advancing could not be stopped. The royal colors were hung in the closet for several months rest until the basketweavers will vie for another year with a Golden attempt to break the Purple monopoly of the hardwood and varnish.

Two teams are in the warm-up stages in preparation for a varsity-freshman engagement Friday night. The yearlings claim two members of last year's champion High School team in the persons of Marve Eylar and Dave Paine who with the pick of about 70 freshmen fellows ought to be able to line up a formidable outfit of fearless Freshmen foragers. In defense of upper class laurels is found in addition to last year's team which is almost intact after only one graduation from its ranks, a squad of letter-minded sophomores seeking a berth on the varsity express. There are also those new students who have brought with them transferable service to add to Houghton's teams.

The women's varsity suffers a few losses from graduation, but with a varsity-defeating, past year's Freshman squad supplementing those remaining, a better team ought to be expected. "Jerry" Paine doubtless has no equal as a scorer, while Mabel Hess and Lois York will probably prove effective back court players in warding off any attack which Freshman girls might propose.

Varsity hopes are based on the hope that all the green has not yet worn off their opponents, but since such will probably not be the case, the struggles size up as close ones.

Pre-Medics Investigate Large Buffalo Museum

Pre-Medic club members took to the road the evening of Oct. 28 with a trip to the Museum of Natural Science located in Buffalo, N. Y.

In individually absorbing their own lecture said enthusiasts visited the Hall of Man, the Hall of Astrology, the Hall of Physics and Chemistry and numerous other exhibits in the huge building.

Many of the displays are exceptionally unique and detailed and have involved a great deal of expense in construction. Unusual was the transparent materials electrically illuminated showing the various organs of the body.

For those anatomically minded there were the disarticulated skeleton, the moving skeleton and various models showing the processes of breathing, sound production, and the circulation of the blood. Electrical exhibits included the electric eye, the ultra-violet ray, and the phenomena magnetism and high voltage electricity.