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Baseball

The Purple and Gold crossed bats on the Cott ball field May 5th for their fourth consecutive series. The Gold which emerged on the long end may be thankful, however, that the Purple aggregation lost team work in the first inning. This in the mind of the writer partially accounts for the Purple's defeat.

Despite the cold and at times drizzly north west wind that swept down over the most uneven and rough pasture lot, the boys put up the best type of baseball that has been seen in Houghton since the present system of athletics has been organized. One could not help but read the mind of that player who crouched to encircle the little sphere in his glove, only to see it bounce off a high spot and roll defiantly away. Will we not all join with him in saying that good things come slow? Then boys we'll have no alibi for our errors.

Everyone, I am sure, were impressed with the dash that both teams showed. The Gold captain grouped his heavy swatters in the first six positions which no doubt worked havoc with the Purple defense in the first inning. The Purple captain scattered his hitters and this combination worked effectively.

There were not many individual stars. The game from the beginning showed itself to be a mound battle, both boys pitching formidable ball. We are glad that the purple has been strengthened by Leffingwell. He comes to us with marks of an experienced man and the future games promise to be a pitched dual that no loyal Houghtonite can afford to miss. Old students can you imagine a pitcher comparing with the colossal Burnham whose characteristics are poise, self-control and consistency? Answer your question then verify it with your presence at the remaining games. Some good pick ups and pegs were made in the infield. Henshaw, Williams, and Fox particularly featuring in these. The outfielders as a whole did not do as well, however Flint and Westcott pulled some sure hits out of the air. Too much praise cannot be given

to the receiving end. LaVere and F. Bedford performed exceptionally well and we are satisfied that a big advancement will be shown on their part before the series is over. If any are inclined to knock our catchers just try donning their armor and stop a few sizzlers for yourself and you'll change your mind, we are sure.

Score by innings:

Gold 3 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1

Purple 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0

	Runs	Hits	Errors
G.	6	11	8
P.	3	5	3

H. S. Junior-Senior Banquet

The Seniors assembled in the green and white studio, shortly after eight o'clock Saturday evening, and were given slips of paper, with a question on one side and an answer on the other. In this way partners for the evening were obtained.

The Juniors had prepared an entertaining little program. Alton Cronk rendered a piano solo in his usual brilliant style; Ruth Rockwell gave a piano-logue, "Out to Old Aunt Mary's"; Florence Fish a vocal solo; Alice Davis a reading entitled, "The Freckle-face Girl"; the Junior Class Song concluding the program.

From the studio we proceeded to the dining hall which was beautifully decorated in the Senior colors, violet and white.

After a delightful repast, Ruth Rockwell, toast-mistress, in reduced Esther Hall who toasted the Seniors.

Winifred Fox toasted the Juniors. Elsie Bacon's topic was, "Juniors we are—Seniors we will be". Lowell Fox gave a toast on "After High School—what?" "Relation of A Ladies to School Life" was Agnes Lapham's theme. Vanus Rosback introduced his toast, "Grit", with the remarks, "Grit is not a Democratic ideal, and I'm not feeling very well myself."

After a very enjoyable evening, the Seniors vote the class of '26 royal entertainers.

Neosophic Society

At the last meeting of the Society two of the numbers on the program were not rendered, but the others were well given and much enjoyed.

Agnes Lapham gave a very interesting history of our school. It will be a strange circumstance if there are not many who visit the site of the old Seminary because of the account given. Ruth Rockwell talked on "Houghton in Spring". A pretty piano duet was given by Elizabeth Thayer and Theos Cronk. "What Houghton Has Meant to Me" was Florence Fish's subject. The benefits of Houghton's influences and environments are almost innumerable.

The Sophomores have prepared an extremely interesting program for next week. We shall expect to see you in attendance.

May Concert to be the 22nd

The final and most popular number of our lecture course, the May Concert, is to be given by the music and oratory departments on the evening of May 22. The date as first given out was May 15, but owing to a conflicting date with the Harmonizers, this date has been advanced a week. The May Concert has always proved to be the best attended of any of our school attractions, and consequently a full house is anticipated.

Students' Prayer-meeting

As usual the students gathered in the chapel for their Tuesday evening prayer-meeting and there they met God. The spirit-led leader, Helen Davison, read from Isaiah 53, and brought out some wonderful truths. These services are incentives to a closer walk with God. Oh, the blessed privilege of witnessing for Heaven's King in prayer and praise.

Rev. Long, our evangelist, who is home for a few days, radiated love to all by being present.

Sophmores Entertain

The Athenian Literary Society has been favored with another class program, this one given by the College Sophomore class. Like the Freshman program, this, also, was miscellaneous, consisting of two speeches, a reading, the class song, and several selections by the stringed orchestra.

The Sophomore class is to be congratulated on the number of its musicians. Six of the eight musicians of the class were present and gave four numbers.

The President of the class gave a little talk on the great Finnish runner, Paavo Nurmi. He told how this man broke thirty one world's records on the American indoor courts. The emphasis was placed on the fact that Nurmi was not extraordinary at first but that his success is the result of self denial and practice. The implication was made that if Nurmi could make such accomplishments, Houghton students ought to be able to do something along this line.

Wit and good sense characterized Clinton Donahue's speech on "Houghton's Benefits to Me." He emphasized the social benefits, the fact that the teachers haven't been too hard, and that in Houghton one can find the way to live, that way being service to others found through Christ.

Next week's program will take up German and French politics. Speeches will be given on Von Hindenburg and the French Cabinet. A week from Monday, the Athenians hope to have a social gathering.

Track and Field Day Postponed

Requested by the faculty, the Athletic Association voted to postpone the Annual Track and Field event one day. It will be held next week Thursday, May 14th.

A New Voter

Announcement has been received of the arrival of Paul Edward son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilford E. Kaufmann, on April 23rd. Mr. and Mrs. Kaufmann live in East Orange, New Jersey.

Attend the M. S. Class!

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Please read the following conditions carefully.

1. The contest is open to graduate and undergraduate students, men and women, who are enrolled in college or university in the Spring of 1925.

2. Contestants must have worked for at least two months in the Summer of 1925 in some industrial or agricultural pursuit as regular laborers.

3. It is suggested that each manuscript be a record of the experiences of the contestant together with his personal interpretation of the industrial situation that confronted him.

4. Manuscripts must be typewritten and not over 4,000 words in length. The Nation reserves the right to cut any manuscript printed. The manuscript winning first prize will be published in The Nation, which reserves the right to print the others if desired.

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6 Manuscripts must be submitted not later than October 15, 1925. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded in December, 1925.

7. Contestants need not be Nation subscribers.

Another Purple Party

Again the Purple side celebrated the fact of its existence with a party Friday night at the Camp ground. The original plan was to hold the party at Portage, but weather did not permit, so the plans were altered at the last moment.

The first part of the evening was spent in the dining hall where we held several boxing bouts, followed by some well-contested wrestling bouts, after which the refreshments were served by that committee.

After supper the meeting was adjourned to the auditorium where various speeches and stunts soon passed the time away. Gibbin acted as master of ceremonies so well that it was agreed that his future life should be devoted to Barnum and Bailey's sawdust circles.

Again we moved to the dining hall where table games were played until time for the party to break up. Everybody left declaring the affair a huge success in spite of the bad weather and a near raid by some of the daring female members of the Gold side.

A Bible Conundrum

A teacher being asked how many scholars were in his Sunday School, replied: if you multiply the number of Jacob's sons by the number of times which the Israelites compassed Jericho on the seventh day, and add to the product the number of measures of barley Boaz gave to Ruth; divide this by the number of Haman's sons. Subtract the number of each kind of un-

clean beasts that went into the ark; multiply by the number of men that went to seek Elijah after he was taken to Heaven. Subtract from this Joseph's age at the time he stood before Pharaoh; divide by the number of stones David selected to kill Goliath. Subtract the number of furlongs that Bethany was distant from Jerusalem; multiply by the number of anchors cast out at the time of Paul's shipwreck; subtract the number of people saved in the Ark, and the remainder will be the number of scholars in the school. How many were there?

HOUGHTON LOCALS

Cecil Huntsman has purchased Professor Ries's Ford coupe.

Dr. and Mrs. Willett and son of Syracuse are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Washbon for a few days.

Mrs. Grant Steves arrived Tuesday evening to care for Miss Mary Steves, who is ill with rheumatism.

A number of friends gathered at Mrs. Bowen's Tuesday evening to celebrate LaMont LaVere's birthday.

Mrs. Mattoon has returned home from Horicon where she has been visiting Rev. and Mrs. Royal Woodhead.

A small party of friends gathered to celebrate the twenty-eighth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Washbon who have been spending the winter with their daughter, Mrs. Sicard, of Aberdeen South Dakota, returned home Monday night.



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Purple Evens Count in Second Game

The rejuvenated Purple baseball team evened the series to one each by winning the second game on Wednesday afternoon by the score of 1-6. The game was played part of the time in a driving rainstorm and consequently dampened the ardor of the spectators and the efficiency of the players.

The Purple's 5 runs and 11 hits were well scattered through the first six innings but in the lucky seventh they garnered 5 hits which all crossed the plate as counters, after which none of their runners reached the initial sack. Leffingwell, the new Purple hurler, pitched his second game of the season, and while he went the whole route, allowed 15 hits, struck out 7 batters, and gave 3 bases on balls. His support was rather poor, however, as the Purple have 12 errors chalked against them. Wescott playing his first game at short for the Purple, and Fox made the only double play when Wescott caught a liner and tossed it to second nabbing the runner who had been forced. Lennox and Bedford of the Purple made the only two extra base hits of the game, each garnering a two bagger.

Moshier starting his first game for the Gold did some excellent pitching for the first six innings when he was relieved by Burnham who had one bad inning, the seventh. The Gold, however, started a rally in the last of the seventh when Leffingwell walked C. Howland. F. Howland and Henshaw, Moshier, and Roth got hits and Flint walked which brought them five runs. The Purple tightened then, and although the Gold sent over another counter on the ninth they were still four runs short. Burnham's playing both on first base and in the box was outstanding, he collected 15 put-outs and two assists while he struck out 5 men.

Batteries

 Gold—Moshier, Burnham, LaVere
 Purple—Leffingwell, F. Bedford

Box score—A. B. R. I. B. P. O. A. E

Gold 43 6 15 19 16 11

Purple 45 10 16 19 14 12

Stolen bases—G. 6, P. 15

Two base hits—G. 0, P. 2

Struck out by Leffingwell 7, Moshier 1, Burnham 5.

Miss Hampe attended the wedding of Miss Oneida MacMillan and Rev. Rufus Gleason at Levant, Wednesday, May 6th.

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Our second platoon was sent to carry ammunition and rations to the front line and renewed their experiences there. The first lieutenant of that platoon, Michael J. Hayes, had already on our first arrival at the Vesle distinguished himself in action which won for him the distinguished service cross. It was the first platoon, however, which found itself in the most serious situation. It was sent to assist G company in an attack on the village of Bazoches.

It was a characteristic riot with more thrills than are furnished by more general attacks. The fellows from F company found themselves overwhelmed by sheer numbers. There was not only a counter barrage but a persistent

counter attack. A few lines from an account by one of the boys—one of the youngest in the company—a German-American who spoke English rather poorly but fought in as good American style as the others, will give you a good glimpse into the midst of the action:

"We certainly were outnumbered about eight to one, but we managed to keep them down. I and Dave Lowenthal and Al Lewis had to protect our flanks from our machine-gun which was spitting some fire on the Huns. The grass was high and now and then some of them would stick up their heads and see how close they were to our position. And, believe me, I had my eyes open. I knew it was my life or theirs. All of a sudden a German stuck up his head and I took aim at him. Before I had time to shoot I was shot by a sniper from behind. The bullet went through the rim of my helmet. It dazed me for a few minutes and I told Dave I was hit. In a few minutes I had my real senses. I put on my helmet and took my rifle to stand for more action when my partner, Al Lewis, hollered he was shot. He asked Dave to bandage his wounds—only five of them—but the

bullets were too thick, so taking his gun again for more action he said, 'the hell with it!' Dave was sore because his best friend was shot and said, 'I'll get that bastard!'

His concluding statement in the account of this particular incident is, "We kept on picking off more Huns." When the village was taken those who were left of the F company platoon held a flank position outside the town. I was informed by one of them that they repulsed one or two counter attacks and that the enemy was in their rear as well as in front, finally an attack was made in which the Germans placed American prisoners before them for protection while they attacked, and in this manner succeeded in capturing such as remained of the platoon. Such of the wounded as escaped were carried by their comrades or managed to keep along with the others in the hike that night to Laon, behind the German lines. Al Lewis, the corporal previously mentioned, saved his life by walking—and he was wounded in at least five places, some of them in the legs.

On the night of the 28th we moved back on our way to Sergey where we were to be re-equipped in preparation for the Oise-Aisne offensive which began a few days later. As we were going out in single file toward Sergey I counted the men who were left of the company which went into the Vesle two hundred strong less than three weeks before. There were ninety-four some of whom had already been in the hospital and returned to us. There were a few, possibly half a dozen, on duty with the field kitchen or elsewhere.

Graves-Hess Wedding

Miss Gertrude E. Graves and Phares B. Hess, assistant cashier of the Home State Band of Huntington Beach, California, were married at six o'clock Saturday evening, April 4, 1925, at the St. Cecilia chapel at the Mission Inn in Riverside. The wedding was attended by the mother of the bride, Mrs. S. E. Graves; by her sister, Mrs. George H. Strachan, and brother-in-law, George H. Strachan; and by the brother of the groom, Tillmar Hess, of Santa Barbara. Following the wedding ceremony the bride and groom left for Catalina Island where they spent their honeymoon. Since their return they have been at home to their friends in Huntington Beach.

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