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## Clippings from our Exchanges

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In *The Keukonian* Miss Ina Fix gives one word of advice to girls accepting blind dates from Penn Yan. "If you get a blind from Penn Yan," she warns, "get one early before the supply of tuxes is exhausted. You know, nothing is certain but death and tuxes, and in Penn Yan you can depend only on the former."

Campus fads;—At Macalester college in St. Paul, coeds have taken up wearing different colored sweaters each day of the week. Monday's the sweaters (and the campus) are blue, with every shade in evidence about the halls. Coeds turn yellow on Tuesdays, green on Wednesdays, and then rosy on Thursdays. Friday is obviously a day of rest and gladness. *The Keukonian*

Wooden it be funny to hear a blockhead on the official board propose like this: "Willow may me? I pine for you each day. I'm tired of being shingled. If you want to be the elm of my life, its oak-ay by me, Maple I birch-a you're the most poplar girl in America, huh? If I nail you, it's saw-right with me if we have hammer eggs every morning—just a plane square meal. I'll buy a fir coat to spruce up with. Don't keep me waiting more than tree days, honey please. *The Echo*

But then it didn't take Josie college of St. Lawrence university long to discover that when she turns her boy-friend down he is left to pine away and balsam.

Recently a poll, which included 3,720 students of 223 colleges, was taken to determine the effects of a certain college outline. Students who used these outlines in the perusals of their studies were examined to see if the outlines were definite aid to improved grades. The results when published showed that the poll was not "without its dissenting votes". One student admitted failure but added that the outline probably would have been a great help if he had read it.

Harvard university has removed one more obstacle to aid the absent-minded professor. Curbings have been removed from the sidewalk ends in Harvard Yard. Gentle inclines will take their place, banishing toe-stubbing forever. *Fiat Lux*

Definition: The Japanese national hobby—collecting China.

—*The Lamorn*

## German Club Chapel Shows Movies of Lake Constance

The German club conducted chapel Wednesday, March 2, with Clyde Meneely, president, in charge. After some introductory remarks by the president, Ramon Barnes showed moving pictures of Lake Constance in Germany, put out by the German International railroads. Many beautiful scenes and activities around the lake were shown.

## Dr. Paine Holds A Full Schedule Speaking Tour

Speaks at Wheaton College  
Annual Washington Day  
Banquet in Buffalo

### Returns Monday, March 7

Spends Week in Vicinity of  
New York City and Long  
Island as Speaker

Dr. Paine attended the annual Washington day banquet of Wheaton college given by the Buffalo chapter of Wheaton alumni Tuesday evening, Feb. 22. Other banquets were held throughout the United States. The announcement bulletin termed it a banquet table three thousand miles long. The main dinner for college students was held in the Hotel Stevens, Chicago. Mr. Cameron, assistant of Henry Ford and well known for his connection with the Ford Hour, was the principal speaker.

The Rev. William J. Jones, pastor of the Baptist Church of Cassadaga was the toastmaster. Other speakers were Professor Fred H. Leach of Toronto, who spoke on "Christian Education in Canada" and President Paine, whose subject was "A Need for Education That Is Truly Christian."

The group attending the Buffalo banquet included many loyal supporters of both Wheaton and Houghton, among whom were the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cole, Seward Wells, Mr. and Mrs. William Coleman, Dr. and Mrs. M. Erving Crisswill, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Paine.

Dr. Paine, accompanied by the college quartet, attended a fathers and sons banquet in Jamestown, N. Y., Feb. 25. It was held in the Holy Trinity Lutheran church. Dr. Paine spoke on the subject of "Christian Athletics." The quartet also contributed by singing several numbers.

With a rather full calendar of speaking engagements, Dr. Paine left for New York City on Tuesday morning, March 1.

In the evening he opened his itinerary by speaking in the Alliance auditorium to a New York Youth Christian organization. His subject was "A Recipe for Power."

March 3 found him speaking before a Bible class at Woodhaven.

The National Bible Institute claimed him as their guest chapel speaker on March 4. "Our American Famine" was the subject of Dr. Paine's speech given before the Westchester Young People's Rally in Yonkers, N. Y.

He returned to Brooklyn on Mar. 5 to address the Ridgewood Youth Christian center.

Dr. Paine will climax his tour with a full schedule on Sunday, March 6. The Stony Brook school will claim him as their chapel speaker in the morning. He will speak in the Little White Church, Melville, Long Island in the afternoon and conclude his trip by speaking at a Gideon meeting in the Eighth Avenue Mission, New York, in the evening.

Dr. Paine will return to the campus on Monday, March 7.

## Stiff Lip, Eddie!

The college is sorry to learn that Edward Willett was forced to undergo an operation for mastoid Sunday, Feb. 27, in the Hospital of the Good Shepherd, Syracuse, N. Y. His condition is reported "as good as could be expected." He complained of ear trouble for some time. However, no one suspected his real condition.

"Eddie" is being missed in the many activities of which he is a part. The *Star* wishes you a speedy recovery, Eddie.

## Ho'ton Men's Debate Squad Starts Travels

"That the National Labor Relations Board should be employed to enforce arbitrations in all industrial disputes" is the subject which will be debated by the men's debate squad on their annual tour. In discussing the question Walter Sheffer stated that the principle of justice should be substituted for the rule of force which we have now, while Frederick Schläfer disagreed, on the grounds that such a board would tend to develop into a Fascistic government.

Everett Elliott, Frederick Schläfer, and Walter Sheffer will represent Houghton. Edward Willett, fourth member of the team, is forced out due to a mastoid operation. Although handicapped by Willett's absence, the team will start Monday, Feb. 7 on the trip, including Hiram, Oberlin, Ohio Wesleyan, and Carnegie Tech. finishing at the tri-state tournament at Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania.

## Station S. G. G. Broadcasts Professor Quiz Program Among Pajama-Clan Group

"Station S. G. G., Senior Gaoyadeo Girls, is on the air," the suave voice of Esther Bohlauer announced. "The drug store on Driscall street presents Professor Quiz." As Prof. Quiz, alias Emma Rae Bechtel, stepped to the microphone she glanced at the studio audience. Attired in bright and beautiful pajamas with curls and face creams in all too obvious evidence, they were a peculiar looking bunch. However, the prof. managed to find a few intellectuals among them who could answer her questions. "Perky" John Smith seemed to know all the answers while Marion Smith, one of the Smith girls, was not at a loss for words. She definitely proved that a ten year old about five feet eight inches tall is peculiar but only a prodigy. Rowena Peterson and Dean Driscall also earned a reward for their interviews. The announcer again came to the mike and reminded the audience to "top at Driscall street for 'something good to put in one's mouth,' and so everyone left with lollipops in profusion.

This program, given by the senior girls, was preceded by a brief business meeting held by Rowena Peterson, president of Gaoyadeo, in which Miss Driscall gave a short talk.

## Keuka College Debate Team Visits Houghton To Discuss U. S. National Labor Relations

### SENIOR RECITALS

Oct. 20	7:00 P.M.
James Buffan	Clarinet
March 17	7:00 P.M.
Walter Ferchen	Piano
April 21	7:00 P.M.
Jeanette Frost	Violin
May 16	7:00 P.M.
Lora Foster	Piano
May 18	8:00 P.M.
Marion Brown	Voice
Date uncertain	
Doris Bain	Voice
June Powell	Voice

## Gosling/Sauce Theme Of Expression Playlet

Over a hundred were in attendance at the monthly meeting of the Expression club which was held in the chapel last Monday evening. George Hilgeman, president of the club opened with devotions, reading from Psalm 51. A short business session followed during which twelve new members were admitted into the club.

Dr. Small, the special speaker of the evening, discussed the value of expression to the individual. He pointed out that there are some impediments of speech which can be corrected. This is necessary for it is true that one reserves his first impressions of a person until he has heard him talk; and first impressions are often lasting. Therefore, it is for the individual's own good to rid himself of all possible speech hindrances as early in life as he can before they become too deeply imbedded.

Miss Lenoir Masteller, accompanied by Miss Luella Patterson, sang a humorous selection concerning connotations of words.

A comedy skit entitled "Sauce for the Goslings" concluded the program. The setting for the story was taken from a refined home of a large town. The cultured parents attempt to break their children of using slang but to no avail. The son, Bob, has a guest friend from college for whom his sister, Beth, has taken a great liking. Bob has told him how refined his parents are. What he does not know is that they, under the direction of his grandmother, have conspired against him. They want to show him the coarseness of his own language. When the guest arrives, they pour out their best slang phrases until both the son and daughter are ready to repent. The unusually clever lines had the audience in laughter from beginning to end.

Those who took part in the skit were:

Mr. Taylor	Elton Kahler
Mrs. Taylor	Mabel Hess
Bob, the son	George Hilgeman
Beth, his sister	Hilda Giles
Grandmother	Rowena Peterson
James Ward, Bob's friend	Harmon LaMar
Maids	Norva Bassage

## Keuka Women Decry NLRB; Houghton Team Defends Affirmative Case

### Debate Is Non-Decision

## Buckley and Hammel, Keuka Debate; Donley, Roughan Are Houghton Speakers

In the first home encounter of the season, the girls' varsity debated the Keuka varsity Tuesday night, March 1, on the Pi Kappa Delta question—resolved: That the National Labor Relations board should be empowered to enforce arbitration in all industrial disputes. In this non-decision debate the affirmative was upheld by the Houghton team of Lois Roughan and Ellen Donley. Edna Buckley and Naoma Ruth Nammel composed the Keuka team, and they were accompanied here by Professor Kelchner of Keuka.

Lois Roughan opened the debate for the affirmative by giving a brief history of industrial disputes. Her case rested on three issues: that the present system of arbitration is inadequate and that the enforcement of arbitration would facilitate peace without conflicts. She concluded by outlining the plan and proving its workability.

Edna Buckley opened the case for the negative by declaring that present conditions do not justify a change and that the present law is unfair, citing cases to prove the point. She declared that strikes over the recognition of unions cannot be submitted to arbitration.

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## Men's Chess Tournament Finishes Second Round

Chess playing has always aroused some interest among Houghton fellows, but previous to this year enthusiasm never reached a very high level. This year several of the fellows got together and organized a chess tournament. The tournament has been running for about two weeks at present and is nearly over. Twelve fellows were originally in the contest.

The contestants were paired off and each group played a set of the best two out of three games. Results of the first round follow:

George Charlesworth defeated John Smith, Willis Elliott defeated James Ganther, Herschel Gamble defeated William Jessop, Hayes Minnick and Willard Cassel forfeited, John Ellis defeated Gerald Beach, Miles Weaver defeated Ralph Black.

In the second round: Elliott defeated Charlesworth, Ellis defeated Weaver, and Gamble slid into the semi-finals because of the forfeited games.

This is the present standing of the tournament which will be over in another week.



## Willis Elliott Is the Speaker at Student Ministerial Association Chapel, Feb. 23

"We are vines of God's planting," declared Willis Elliott speaking for the Student Ministerial association in chapel Feb. 23.

The program opened with music by a violin trio composed of Charles Foster, Jeannette Frost and Harold Skinner, accompanied at the piano by Luella Patterson. After the scripture reading by Everett Elliott, a mixed quartet composed of Mastellar, Looman, Homan and Crosby sang "Just When I Need Him Most".

Willis Elliott, the speaker of the morning, discussed "The Deeper Spiritual Life". Taking as his text the eighth to eleventh verses inclusive of the eightieth Psalm, he declared them to be a figurative picture of the history of Israel. From the ninth verse, "—and didst cause it to take deep root," we learn that in the Psalmist's mind Israel's deeprootedness was in God.

"The Psalmist's viewpoint of Israel's history is from God's viewpoint."

Great men are invariably connected with great events. Although Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt was only made possible through the word of the Lord in the mouth of Moses.

As "vines of God's planting" we can be deep-rooted only in God through a life fully surrendered to his will. The result of complete surrender is fruitfulness.

### Freshman Debate Team Visits Caneadea Grange

The freshman debate team, composed of Lloyd Elliott, Leon Wise, Jesse DeRight and Ruth Richardson, debated in the Caneadea grange on Friday evening, Feb. 25.

The debate was on the question of the advisability of having a unicameral legislature in New York state. Lloyd Elliott and Leon Wise upheld the affirmative; Ruth Richardson and Jesse DeRight the negative. The rebuttals were delivered by Wise and DeRight.

By a vote of the grangers the decision was given to the negative.

### "What Is Light?" Asks Professor Pryor in Talk

"What is light?" was the theme of the chapel service conducted by Professor M. J. Pryor, Thursday morning, Feb. 24. This theme was developed in a very interesting manner by experiments with light, pieces of glass, and chalk dust. The beauty of the sunlight is shown by such a simple thing as glass. Then Mr. Pryor applied this to the scriptures, showing that Paul revealed Christ by living a simple, clean life. He said, "Whatsoever makes manifest is light."

### Arlington Visscher, ex'40, Is Regular Symphony Member

Arlington Visscher, teacher of violin in the Music Department of Eastern Nazarene college, Wollaston, Mass. and a student at the New England conservatory of Music, has recently been appointed as a regular member of the symphony orchestra of the New England conservatory. Mr. Visscher played the violin while attending college here (1936-37). This is the instrument he will play in the orchestra.

### Kenneth Wilson Is Elected to Editorship of 1938 *Lanthorn*

At a meeting of the students of the English Department Monday, Feb. 28, Kenneth Wilson was elected editor of the *Lanthorn*, the college literary publication. The business manager will be elected, and the staff chosen at a later date. Many contributions are expected, stated Mr. Wilson.

### Dean of Theology Keeps Busy With Full Schedule

Houghton's Dean of Theology keeps busy making contributions to neighboring church congregations. On February 20 and 27 Professor F. H. Wright preached in the Christian Temple at Wellsville, N. Y. On Tuesday evening February 22 he addressed an adult group in the Greenwood High School on Social Pathology in Relation to the Present Crime Situation. Wednesday evening of the same week he assisted in the services at the Pine Hill Church near Buffalo and on the following Sunday evening in the revival services in the M. E. church in Allentown, N. Y. Sunday, March 6 he will preach at Hermitage, N. Y. at 10:30 a. m. and address the Brotherhood class of adult men in the Pike Baptist Church at noon.

### Kenneth Wright Reports On Condition of Willett

Kenneth Wright ('34) writes us from the Hospital of the Good Shepherd, Syracuse University: "Edward Willett had an operation in this hospital on Sunday, Feb. 27, on his mastoid, which was found to be infected by the streptococcus. His condition is as good as could be expected at this writing, and it would seem that this operation should do much in clearing up the trouble that he has been suffering."

"This year I am working in this hospital as a bacteriology interne. I expect to intern in the Genesee hospital in Rochester, N. Y., next year. I will be glad to be remembered to all my friends in Houghton."

### Three Deer Grazing on Hill Hold Attention of Passers-by

One might have thought that Houghton was a tourist spectacle had he been walking down the main street on Wednesday afternoon. Every little way knots of people were standing looking toward the western hill. Invariably one person in each group would have right hand outstretched pointing toward something. Cars passing through were seen suddenly to drive slower and inevitably the right hand stretched itself out and the word "look" could be heard. What was the excitement? Three deer grazing on the hillside.

It is said that deer are becoming numerous in this section. On a recent Saturday sixteen were counted on or near the Burr farm a mile and a half above the village. On the Clark farm deer are frequently to be seen, and a little while ago it was reported that if one were to place himself by a certain brook on the Molyneux farm at sunset he could see numbers of deer come down to drink.

There has been agitation for open season on deer in Cattaraugus and Allegany counties, but as yet that has not materialized.

## Personnel of the Seniors

### Ruth Walton

The humming and droning of airplanes being tested for World War service furnished the atmosphere for the birth of Ruth Elizabeth Walton in February, the month of famous people. The place was Hammondsport, N. Y., and the time, Feb. 26, 1917.

Being a minister's daughter, "Ruthie" naturally spent her school days in a number of places. Andover, N. Y. was privileged in introducing her first days of school and in granting her a diploma. Here her school newspaper, *The High Herald*, claimed her attention. She graduated as valedictorian of her high school class in 1934.

In the fall she registered at Houghton as a freshman. The ensuing years have found her active in the Forensic Union, the Boulder staff, and the French, Latin, and Expression clubs. In her freshman year here she won second place in the poetry division of the literary contest. A course in Syracuse University kept her busy last summer. Occasionally her cleverness has been exhibited in the feature column of *The Star*.

After a little encouragement, Ruth admitted her ambition was to take a post graduate course in order to pass her swimming requirements. She also hopes some day to visit relatives in England.

With the deepest sincerity, Ruth says: "I am glad I came to Houghton." Her friends agree wholeheartedly with her and wish her the greatest success in the future.

### Margaret Watson

Fall was the season, November 16 the day, and 1915 the year when Margaret Esther Watson came to make happy a home in Perry, New York.

Margaret spent the first eight years of her school life attending a district grade school nearby. From there she went to Perry high school. During these four active years she played basketball, was a member of the glee club, and participated in the senior play. She also had the outstanding honor of being elected president of the senior class.

After graduation Margaret entered Houghton college where she has become one of the most popular members of the student body. She has played basketball for four years—class, varsity, and Purple-Gold. She was captain of her class team three years, of the Varsity and Gold teams during her junior year, and of the Gold again this year. She has also been a member of both the dorm and student councils, and her club activities include Expression club and Social Science club. She sang in the chapel choir one year.

"Margie" has chosen for her majors social science and education and is taking a minor in English. Giving her statement concerning her four years here, she said, "I'm glad to have had the privilege of attending Houghton, and I am thankful for the opportunities she has given me."

### Marcus Wright

Marcus Wright was born on May 27, 1916 in Moravia, N. Y. A country school gave him the inevitable start in education which he continued at Moravia high school. Here he participated in various musical activities: orchestra, band, and glee club.

Throughout high school he was interested in dramatics and public speaking. This interest was manifest in the plays in which he took part and by his winning of the senior oration prize.

After graduating he took a P. G. for a year and then worked for a year in a drug store.

His first year of college work was gained at Cazenovia seminary where dramatics, chorus, basketball, and tennis occupied his leisure time and where he became a member of the Lyceum fraternity.

He came to Houghton in 1935 as a sophomore. For two years he was a member of the cappella choir and in his third year of membership in the Social Science club, as president.

Having majored in education Marcus hopes to find a job teaching young hopefuls English or Social Science.

Of Houghton Marcus says, "I came to Houghton rather unexpectedly but have enjoyed her friendly attitude throughout my college career. I shall miss my friends, yet I am anxiously looking forward to the life of a teacher."

### Margaret Wright

The following announcement appeared in the village newspaper of Central, South Carolina, on October 15, 1916:

"Born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wright, a bouncing baby girl, Margaret Ellen, on October 14, 1916."

And Margaret has kept right on bouncing! Her early life was spent in several places, mainly in Central, S. C., Millview, Pa., and Odessa, N. Y. In the fall of 1929 her family moved to Houghton and she necessarily followed their example.

Her high school days at Houghton signified her ability in leadership. She belonged to the glee club, played on the basketball team, and was elected as secretary of the high school student body in her junior year. Her religious activity was focused on the Light Bearers of which she was president for two years. Margaret was vice president of her senior class and was also chosen as valedictorian.

Margaret's college days have been active, her extra-curricular activities concentrated on the Social Science club, Expression club, and the W. Y. P. S. in her junior year and this year she is vice-president of the Social Science club. Margaret's athletic activity consists mainly of basketball and she has played on her class team for two years.

In her senior year, Margaret was elected to the student council and was entered as a member of the "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". She also won the state scholarship this year.

Regarding Houghton, Margaret says: "Houghton is home to me in all that that means. I don't know what I am going to do next year but there is One who knows and that is enough for me."

### Richard Wright

Last year when Richard Wright was presented with a trophy which honored him as outstanding in athletics it was a reward well deserved; for athletics have played an important part in Dick's life. While attending high school at Chazy, N. Y., he took his greatest pleasure in spending all available time at a cabin located in the woods along Lake Champlain. Days spent in hunting, fishing and trapping were not only enjoyable but also profitable, for five deer are represented by as many notches on Dick's gun. More conventional sports occupied his attention in their various seasons: football, basketball, baseball and tennis.

In his college career the record he has made is impressive—in basketball a major sport, he has played four years with his class team and also on the Gold quintet. This year he captains both teams. He has proved himself a valuable asset to the Gold team, having dominated the pitcher's box with no meagre efficiency. Added to these are his attainments in

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## Journalism Schools Are Hit by President Hutchins of Chicago

Dr. Robert M. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, delivered a scathing attack on schools of journalism today and described them as "the shadiest educational ventures under respectable auspices."

Dr. Hutchins addressed the Inland Daily Press Association, in convention here, on the subject, "What Education Cannot Do."

He likened journalism with public service, charm, personality and "how to get married and like it," as subjects which colleges cannot teach.

Schools of journalism, he asserted, "exist in defiance of the obvious fact that the best preparation for journalism is a good education."

"Journalism itself can be learned, if at all, only by being a journalist."

The Chicago president told the Inland Press members that "what education cannot do is to prepare men and women for specific jobs," and that "all it can hope to do is to train their minds so that they can adjust themselves to any job."

The "pursuit of knowledge for its own sake," Dr. Hutchins continued, is "being rapidly obscured in colleges and universities and may soon be extinguished."

"Public life is concerned with action adapted to immediate concrete situations. It is impossible to learn how to deal with immediate concrete situations except by dealing with them. It is impossible to import these situations into a college curriculum."

"Just now there is a lot of loose talk going around in educational circles about the public service," he said.

"I hold that it is impossible for a college to prepare men directly for public life."

"Now, if public administration is not a subject-matter that can be taught in colleges, are the colleges helpless to assist the country through the preparation of men and women who will be intelligent public servants? By no means."

"The colleges have a direct and conspicuous service to perform in this connection. They can give their students an education."

"If they should do this they would find then that they had done the very best thing that could be done for the country and for public service."

### Beatrice Bush, ex'38, Visits Campus Friends, Feb. 28

Miss Beatrice E. Bush (ex'38) visited friends on the campus Feb. 28. She was in company with the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Bosworth, noted Missionary Alliance evangelists, for whom she had been pianist the last two years.

"Bea" was a pianist, accompanist, and outstanding student of the class that entered Houghton four years ago. She was a student here two years.

The evangelistic trio left Houghton Tuesday morning for Clarion, Pa., where they begin a revival campaign.

### Extension Department Active Latter Part of Month

Andrew West spoke in Bliss, Morton Corners, and Boston on Sunday, Feb. 20. The trumpet quartet composed of Messrs. Jones, Grosvenor, Taylor and Pugh assisted in the services. The trio, Jones, Grosvenor and Taylor, assisted in the regular services at the Christian and Missionary Alliance church in Andover on Feb. 27. Francis Whiting spoke.



# JAPANESE SITUATION DESCRIBED IN LETTER

## Mail Is Censored; Japs Duped, Misinformed; Gunfire Constant

Tokyo, Japan, Feb. 1 '38.

Dear Friends and Co-Laborers:

Greetings from Sunrise Land. Christ is still the same wherever we may serve Him. The Holy Spirit bears witness this morning, and we praise Him for peace in our hearts, despite the unrest around us. Our little home has proven to be "a blessed retreat, where we our Savior meet."

As I write there comes to my ear the sound of machine gun and anti-aircraft practice. Occasionally, there is a shot that sounds more powerful than the others. We stop a moment to wonder, then are reminded that there is no promise of tomorrow, or even of the next hour. Just one minute at the time we live—a minute of trust and security in God.

No doubt, you have wondered and wished for more news from this land, and how we have desired to give it to you. However, we have been impressed continually with the responsibility of our mission as "Ambassadors of THE KING", and not as those who would bring reproach upon His name by becoming entangled in politics.

Incoming and outgoing mail is censored, even magazines, and I expect you know more of the truth of the situation in China and abroad than we. Nothing comes to our eyes or ears, but what the government desires. Up to this time all of it has been more of a mystery to us, but we are impressed that the time has come for us to open to you our burdened hearts. This letter goes with the sincere prayer that it may reach you safely, and help you to realize as we do how much Japan needs Christ.

The dear people here so near our hearts and very lives are duped and misinformed. They are bound by years of superstition and custom; no one has the right to think for himself, but is the tool of the militarists. We see parents sending their young sons to the front with shouts and smiles. We see beyond that to nationalistic spirit by which Japan has been known, even to something more deplorable: It is a religious duty to defend one's country. Did you realize that to the average Japanese his is a religious war. It is his duty to exhaust himself to put down Communism. To him Japan has the divine mission to set right existing conditions. To him the person who falls in battle becomes a god and meets his parents and friends at such and such a shrine. We see people going to these shrines by the thousands. In fact, the government requires that all school children make regular visits, and at certain holidays everyone is expected to go. It is decreed that on February 12th, the beginning of "Spiritual Mobilization Week", every person in Japan must bow toward the Emperor. The Emperor is reputed to be a direct descendant of the sun-god, and to bow to him, of course, is to worship him, the infallible one.

From this you will readily see that a Christian, a real truly born-again man, cannot be a dutiful citizen of this land. Does this statement suggest to you what is so real to us? Not for distant, even at our very door, is the persecution of the Church. Experienced friends with whom we have counseled have concurred in the belief that if Japan succeeds in her present attempts, so far as the government is concerned there will be no place for Christian-

ity. She does not want Western ideas; she wants nothing that will prevent the government being first in the hearts and lives of the people. Within the past week, two churches have been closed because the pastors, when interviewed by officials and asked their position, dared to say that their God came first and that they were not in favor of war. Recently, a missionary was compelled to leave because she expressed her disfavor to Christians bowing at the shrines. Some natives have been thrown into prison, and much publicity has been given to the Professor at the Imperial University, a Christian who sought to direct his students aright. He was forced to give up his position, but with dignity and assurance, he delivered his farewell message, not flinching or wavering, fully aware of the fact that all doors are closed to him, so far as places were interested to note that the newspaper said he was a clean man, did not engage in any habits or carousing and that he was dearly loved by his students.

Last Sunday we had the privilege of hearing Dr. Robert Laird of the United Church of Canada who has been making an extended observation tour through different countries. Using his own words: "I found insidious persecution in Korea and in China, and it is fast reaching Japan proper.... In my world tour the thing that has impressed me most is the fact that the freedom of the gospel of Jesus Christ is in the balance."

Is this the time for us to give up and say there is no use? Please, please, in the sight of God, don't even consider such a thought. Just rehearse what the persecutions of the past have meant to the propagation of the Gospel. We know that some have ceased to pray or to care, but we cannot believe that our people have lost their vision for a sinful world to that extent. A friend who lives near us has labored sacrificially alone for thirty-eight years receives only a small part of her much-earned salary. Not a word of complaint but often her eyes are filled with tears, and I doubt if any of us can fully realize her inward sufferings. A Holiness missionary family who have been here for many years said this was the first Christmas they had failed to receive gifts from churches at home. They were not murmuring, but expressing burdened hearts, and their dependence upon God at this time when more prayer and interest are sorely needed.

Daniel fearlessly obeyed, and it meant the convincing of his superior. How much we need Daniels in Japan! Yes, there are many of them. But, there are many more, even missionaries, who are taking the compromise road. Our hearts cry out for more of God to be enabled to impress upon our brethren here the need of standing boldly for the whole truth. We cannot—we must not—we shall not compromise!

God has sent us here (day by day he bears witness to this fact); He has given to us the glorious message of salvation; He has rewarded the efforts of our people by giving a group of honest, whole-hearted believers; He looks upon us today and expects that we don't fail them, but above all—He yearns for us as professed believers that we fail not HIM.

Beloved, we feel so frail, so lacking in ourselves. Please pray that we may have divine wisdom to be "wise as serpents, yet harmless as doves." Pray not that these hard things be removed, but pray, pray much, that natives and aliens alike we may bodily and victoriously meet each one.

During the early part of March,

our annual conference will be in session. From the time you receive this letter, please join us in special prayer for this session. Some changes are to be made and the policy of our church in the future will be determined. The people need encouragement and strength, so we are also trusting that this may be a great time of Spiritual refreshing.

From the periodicals you have noted that one of our assistant pastors has been called to the war. His name is Kimura San. Up to this time he has not been permitted to write back to us, so we don't know his condition. But, he is in God's hands, and he needs our prayers in a great way that God may use him. We tried to impress upon him the great responsibility of letting his light shine. Did you know that the soldiers cannot take their Bibles, and not a tract can be placed in their comfort bags? There are many Christian soldiers who have been called, and one has written back that words from the "Book" which he had memorized had meant so much to him. He dared not name the Book. But, God is working, Praise His name. One of our Pastors, Mamiya San told us that a man with whom he had been working and praying for years, but had not surrendered had written home from the front that he had given his heart to Christ. You will rejoice with us that Kimura San does not have to carry a gun, but is in the transportation chore. You should have seen his face shine when he expressed his gratitude because of this.

We praise the Lord for good health and the fact that so far the change in climate has been helpful to the whole family. Edward Sterl is growing rapidly and is much stronger than when we were in the U. S. How our hearts ache for those around us who are having so much physical trouble. As a rule people look healthy enough, but they have no resistance. During the first two weeks of January over a thousand people died with flu, and we hear this week that measles and mumps are raging in the schools. They seem not to know how to keep warm or how to protect themselves. Health education is sadly lacking. We are horrified at the pools of blood-stained phlegm with which people literally polka-dot the streets.

Of course, you know that it is impossible for us to reach everyone with a letter of this kind, so we are requesting that you help us enlist prayer partners. Please enlist all those who know how to pray!

We would appreciate a letter from you. We cannot promise to answer each one, but will do our very best, with the many responsibilities upon us as the only missionaries here. Your testimony will brighten the way and cheer our hearts.

Yours for Christ in Japan,  
Sterl and Marie Phinney  
3622 Nichome, Nagasaki,  
Naka-cho, Toshima Ku,

## Taxation and Finance Group Debate at Pike Grange

A debate team under the supervision of Mr. Harold Boon appeared before the Pike grange Saturday evening, Feb. 12. The question for debate was "Resolved: That New York state should adopt a retail sales tax." The affirmative side was upheld by Elton Kahler and Walter Sheffer; the negative team consisted of Lois Roughan and Allen McCartney. No decision was made. Margaret Watson accompanied the debaters. A short program preceded the debate and a box social followed it.

## LETTERS To The EDITOR

Student comment on chapel programs sometimes includes a disfavor toward the frequency of sectarian speakers and an opinion that short assembly on Monday is unnecessary.

There is an unconscious tendency for us to apply our concept of the high school assembly to the college chapel. But most of us, after considering it further, will agree that the chapel hour means much more than a period of entertainment, or an interim between classes. It is a necessary period of devotion—a time when routine responsibilities can be placed aside and the mind can be centered, in the relaxation of worship, upon the One who gives peace, serenity, stability—and guidance for daily tasks.

This proper observance does not exclude the importance of educational and entertaining programs. Rather it should serve as a point of orientation for all our activities. Chapel assemblies at Houghton are designed to make a lasting contribution to Christian college experience. The benefit we derive depends upon our attitude toward these daily opportunities.

## Not Peddlers or Bums But Merely Goed Canvassers

"No hawking or peddling without permission."

Such signs are posted frequently at the limits of villages, which have been infested with tramps or other maladjusted mortals, who have gained their livelihood by ringing a doorbell and praying that the lady of the house will put into practice her benevolence code.

This is a warning to Houghton villagers and faculty members whose houses have attics and cellars. A group of brave and well-adjusted young ladies from Gaodyadeo hall have been appointed to act on an artistic committee. Plans have been made for a complete canvass of town and campus for contributions of furniture, plants, tapestries, lamps, or money that will go toward beautifying the reception room of the dormitory. Artistic additions to this cold room would give it a home-like atmosphere, and this would make it much more pleasant for the 120 young ladies who live there and receive guests. If you have any large or small donations, the girls who will visit you will be glad to receive them.

The solicitor-general of the campaign is Mabel Hess. Her aides are Lora Foster, Mary Helen Moody, Margaret Brownlee, Arlene Wright, Esther Hart, Margaret Schlafer, and Betty Bryant. We have promised them that they will be received graciously when they call on you. If you do not have an attractive lamp with an ultramarine shade, discarded when you bought that six-way indirect floor lamp or some novel piece of art, please give the girls some which will go toward new draperies and davenport covers.

## LARKIN CLUB

The Larkin club, consisting of women from the village, from farms, and from surrounding communities, met at the home of Miss Grace Rickard on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 23.

Mrs. Gertrude Clocksin recently fell on the path leading from the highway bridge to the main road and broke her left arm. The accident occurred on Wednesday evening.

## 'What Do You Eat?' Ask College Seniors In Forensic Meeting

With "What Do You Eat?" as the topic for the February session of the Forensic Union, president Edward Willett opened the meeting with devotions.

Sanford Smith led the discussion by speaking extemporaneously on "Food Consciousness and American Health". He was followed by Margaret Browlee, who spoke on "Conditions Existing Before the Pure Food Law", and Melvin Bates, who discussed "Crime Against the Pure Food Law", pointed out how manufacturers tried to beat this act of legislation.

Three victims on this all-senior program gave the impromptu for the evening. Elton Kahler tried to convince his audience of "The Advantages of Eating Slowly," using himself as an example. Walter Ferchen related the story of "Why I Eat My Spinach," and Norva Bassage concluded, appropriately enough, by giving "The Attributes of a Good Cook."

Parliamentary drill was conducted by Dean Thompson, during which the members employed their newly gained knowledge to propose legislation. Carol Driscoll presented the forensic humor, which proved to be as delectable as the rest of the program. Howard Andrus gave the critique of the evening in his usual witty (f(p)unny) style.

Jeanette Frost, accompanied by Lora Foster, furnished the evening's music by playing two violin solos, Cesar Cui's "Orientale" and "Souvenir de Wieniawski" by Haesche.

The singing of the *Alma Mater* concluded the program.

## Surprise Birthday Party Given for Mrs. Bowen

The high school senior class gave Mrs. Bowen a surprise birthday dinner at the dining hall Tuesday, Feb. 22.

After dinner Marvin Eylet gave an excellent rendition of In the Garden of Tomorrow. David Paine, president of the class, made a brief speech in which he paid several tributes to Mrs. Bowen. The dinner was given in appreciation of her four years of untiring service which Mrs. Bowen has lent the class Mrs. Bain was called upon to give an impromptu speech in which she said she had enjoyed working with the class during the two years she has been advisor.

## Ho'ton Professors to Aid in A History of Three Counties

A history of the three counties of Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Allegany is being projected by the historians of Chautauqua county. Dr. Douglas has consented to write a description of the flora and fauna of the three counties; Miss Gillette, a history of Houghton college; and Miss Rickard, a history of the newspapers of Allegany county.

## Celia French Conducts Student Prayer Meeting

After reading I Peter 3:1-17, Celia French spoke briefly on "God First" in student prayer meeting Tuesday evening, Feb. 22. She pointed out that through the ages the men who placed God first in their lives were successful. Each one must prepare for the work God has him to do and then do that work well.

Sylvia Thompson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beverley Taylor, is ill with the chicken pox.



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## The EDITOR'S DESK

IT'S UP TO YOU!

It has been stated previously that the students council is eager to work upon any problems or needed improvements which the students observe and present to us. If you, as an individual, feel that some phase of student life is unsatisfactory, that you are not getting a square deal, that student rights are not being represented or considered—if you think that a certain action will advisably change and better Houghton student life—let us know about it.

Your council is now functioning by a system of committees through which recommendations are made and action is taken. In order that you may know to whom to refer your suggestions these committees are given below. In each case the first member as chairman is chosen from the council; the other members have been selected from the student body at large.

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These committees are at your service. Use them. Agitation for any improvement needs direction. And these are your representatives. Matters not falling into any of these divisions you may present to your class representatives.

From time to time the council will report through the *Star* upon its activities and plans. Meanwhile let's work together and get things done. *The Student Council*

F. G. S.

### HOW'S YOUR PERSONALITY?

The article entitled "Amusements and Personality" by Henry C. Link—*Readers Digest*, March 1938, page 37—is a strong argument in defense of recreational activities, those of an athletic nature in particular. From a personality study of 20,000 young people in the United States by 80 psychologists emerges the significant fact that games and amusements which contribute most to personality are those involving activity and physical exercise. Since action and the participation of other people are required factors in the stimulation of personality development, participation in five or six sports has been found to be more helpful than concentration on one or two. Strenuous games develop conversational ease and pleasant informality. All such activities instill confidence and ease in the presence of people. In summary, fun requiring participation is conducive to relaxation

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## Personnel of the Seniors

### Hebert Stevenson

The infant born June 26, 1915 in Mooers, New York was christened Herbert Herman Stevenson. As Herbert advanced in years, he attended the local grade school and high school, from which he received an honorary medal at graduation. While in high school he was active in track, basketball, baseball and glee club. "Steve" also played clarinet in the Plattsburg boys' band, which won the state championship in 1932. During his senior year in high school he was the president of his class.

In 1934 Steve enrolled in Houghton as a freshman. While here, he has participated in class basketball, baseball and volley ball. For two years he played in the college band. Forensic Union; for four years a member of the Social Science Club. During his freshman and sophomore years he played in the college band. This year he belongs to the German club. He is majoring in social science and minoring in English. His practice teaching is in economic citizenship.

During his four years in Houghton, Steve has not only won many friends but is well liked by all who know him. When asked for his statement regarding his *Alma Mater* Steve replied, "I am glad for the contrast Houghton has given me with the outside world."

### Leona Strickland

On June 16, 1915, Leona Strickland was born in Lockport, a city famous because of the giant locks of the Erie Canal located there, and the surrounding fruit country.

From childhood Leona has been interested in music. She took music lessons from the time she was eight years old until the time she came to college, and she has been especially interested in duet and quartet work.

While attending Lockport high school Leona was an active member of the choral club. Since coming to Houghton, Leona has belonged to the college choir and to the Y.M.W.B.

When asked to give a statement about Houghton for the *Star* readers, Leona obligingly wrote the following—"College days have been happy ones for me. The memories of Houghton will remain, for my life has been spiritually blessed the past four years.

"It is my aim to let my life 'express the Holy Gospel I profess,' not only here at Houghton, but wherever I may be."

### Louise Strong

"I feel that the friends I have gained and the contacts I have made in Houghton in the past four years have added something to my life which will be lasting," confided Louise Strong, resident of Markee Dormitory soon after her January graduation from Houghton college.

Louise started her education in Appleton, New York where her grammar school days were spent. After obtaining her eighth grade diploma, she entered Barker high school. Her ability in playing the trombone immediately won her membership in the band and orchestra. Barker high school band was a huge success and traveled to Syracuse twice to participate in the State band contests. Louise was also interested in the library club and dramatics. She acted in the capacity of student stage manager of the senior play during her last year in high school.

While a student at Houghton college Miss Strong continued the musical field by playing trombone in the college band. She entered the social science department and obtained a major in that field and a minor in English.

Although she was graduated from

Houghton in January, Miss Strong expects to remain in Houghton for a period of time.

### Dean Thompson

The varied career of Dean Vincent Thompson began in Lisbon, N. Y., on Feb. 8, 1917. The first six years of his life he spent on a wheat farm Saskatchewan, Canada.

After various peregrinations the Thompson family finally settled in Watertown, N. Y., which has been Dean's home for ten years.

During this time Dean's desire to write made itself evident. At the tender age of eleven, equipped with a chum as manager, he wrote and displayed "The Tragedy of the North", the gloriously gruesome account of the death of a great bull moose at the hands of or rather the teeth of a pack of ravenous wolves. His picture in the city daily and a column write-up were Dean's first bid to fame.

In the Watertown high school Dean was awarded a state scholarship and membership in the National Honor society. Although his activities then were mainly scholastic he did play the clarinet in the orchestra and acquitted himself humorously if not artistically therein.

After high school Dean came to Houghton, where his mother had attended seminary. Sometime during his four years he became "Jeevie" by which name he is popularly known to his classmates.

In Houghton he has been active in several fields of extra-curriculars, among them a cappella choir, basketball, track, and debate.

Among executive positions he has held are those of presidency of the student body, of the athletic association, and of his class during his sophomore and junior years.

He has been chosen along with six other seniors to represent his class in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

"Jeevie" still wants to write for his living and hopes to take up this work in the field of magazine or advertising copy.

"Pipe dreams of Oxford or Harvard vanish when thinking of maybe never having met the finest bunch of folks ever."

### Leland Webster

As he looked at a Canadian dime, given him over the book store counter, Leland Wesley Webster remarked, "Hmmm, I can see Canada from my home town." Although he was born at Oswego, New York, Nov. 10, 1916, and has lived in many other towns, his home town now is Chateaugay.

After attending grade school in two different places, he went to high school in Morristown, where he played basketball, baseball, and tennis; worked on school publications; and took part in several plays.

In 1934, Leland came here "because of the high standards of Houghton." While here he participated in the Student Ministerial association, Social Science club, *Star* staff (as business manager this year), Boulder staff, and such class athletics as basketball, volley ball, softball, and touch football.

In the footsteps of his father and grandfather, he will become a minister, and hence he would like to go to Drew seminary to continue his studies.

MR. X ALSO SAYS

I hear Joey Louis knocked out another fellow. That "husky brown bomber" must "pack dynamite in each glove," unless he eats corn flakes with sliced bananas. 'Course, if he does—that explains it all. Look at Lamar.

## The HOKUM WEAKLY EFFORT

by Mr. X

If Walter Winchell can have such famous "subs" as Sonja Heinie, Edgar J. Hoover, Toscanini, Dorothy Lamour, and Charlie McCarthy, I suppose Georgie has the right to have me do the column. For the sake of my health, I—ah—shall remain throughout as Mr. X....

The most interesting facts do come out in classrooms! The other day in Doctor Boon's labor problems class, George Charlesworth, one of our leading history majors, was asked to outline the labor union situation in the 1850's. Georgie, in his customary manner, hemmed and hawed a bit, and then answered, "In the first place, the Civil war began in 1850." Poor Georgie! After the laughter subsided he enlightened the "studes" to the fact that the American history class had not as yet reached that point.

Another classroom anecdote goes thusly and deserves much sympathetic attention, especially from Miss Fancher. It seems that this present semester is the first time that the sophomores have ever had Miss Fancher for a prof. "How do you like her?" Ken Eyer asked Bob Torrey one day after Ed. Psych. class. "Aw—not so hot," replies our Robert, "twice today I dozed off and she caught me both times."

All of which reminds me of a joke somebody told me about the one college student who asked another: "Why don't you cut classes and go to the show with me?" "Can't," retorted the other, "got to catch up on my sleep." (This is just in case you haven't heard it before.)

Having wracked my brain and numerous aged *Stars*, I have come to an amazing conclusion—we're all more or less maniacs. Now don't get excited; here's what I mean:

1936—

"Knock, knock"

"Who's there?"

"Machiavelli"

"Machiavelli who?"

"Machiavelli nice husband if ya need me."

Grrrrrr! What utter nonsense!

1937—"What's this?".... Should I take a piece of this? Nope...going too fast...How about some of this? Afraid not...can't stop...Just a dash of this, eh? Sorry, in a hurry...Take a little of this, then. No, got to roll along."

"I'll bite."

"Rolling stone gathers no moss."

Ohhhhh...Horrors...what utter, utter nonsense! What intellects these mortals have....

1938—"What is a home without? ...a mother? Oh! woe and great big tears of feeling sorry for us. How can such things go on?"

Now that Dr. Douglas' husky (?) disciples of feline anatomy have carted the coffins from the truck to the Zoo lab, we can tell by various sense stimuli that there is plenty of activity in the place. If you give the proud owners of the "cuddly little butterballs" a bit more time maybe a few brilliant bits of appellation will develop. Who knows?

I guess I'll close now with one on Walt Sheffer. In soph class meeting last Monday, Walt, who is chairman for the soph-senior party, was asked to give a committee report. His first words were: "In the first place I will have to fix up a date with Miss Burnell." The evil sophs laughed and was his pan maroon. Xodus.



## Lowell Fox, "Red" Frank Send Letters for Alumni Sports Week

This is athletic week in the Alumni column. Six coaches have been requested for articles or problems of the athletic director in the high school. The letters of those who have responded are printed here:

### "Foxie" Discusses Trials And Tribulations of Basketball Coach

Few professions provide more real satisfaction; few professions can inflict more mental agony than coaching. In making that statement I have in mind especially the man who reaps the rewards, or stoically (sometimes) bears the sorrows of the high school basketball coach. No man in the teaching profession bears a greater responsibility, but on the other hand no other enjoys a greater privilege. He is in a position to contribute more to the character building of his young pupil than any other. The "right" man for the job is an invaluable part of the academic program of today; the "wrong" man can inflict, often unknowingly, irreparable damage.

Because of an excessive interest in athletics, it has been my lot to have known many types of coaches. The failures are few though, as well they should be. In connection with this group who relegate sportsmanship to a second rating, this thought strikes me. Do most school boards in selecting a man for the position of high school coach, choose their man because they see in him a builder of character, or because they see him as a potential builder of championship teams? And while in that subject isn't it true that from a remunerative standpoint, the coach's yearly increments are in direct proportion to the numbers in the "won" column.

During the past few years it has been my privilege to have been closely associated with a man who in guiding the destinies of the high school athletic teams, teaches sportsmanship first. That he is a successful teacher was proved to me during the past season by the little incidents which stand out among many other of their type. During the heat of battle of championship game, a game which one basket might decide, I saw the captain of the team, on a pay which called for a fast "break" down the floor, pause to help a badly "jarred" opponent to his feet, and then call the referee's attention to the injured condition of the other. The play went "haywire" but the team must have increased considerably in the opinion of both friend and foe.

On another occasion the "second-stringers", composed largely of freshmen, had by a remarkably fine display of courage and steadiness, earned a tie with a worthy opponent. The officiating, as is often the case in preliminary games, was a little weird. A large crowd was not at all backward in expressing itself. Conditions in the gallery (the official for some reason was not improving) because such that the game was discontinued with the score tied. In the dressing room afterward, the topic was not "that comeback we made", nor was it the "that ref". No! These youngsters were bemoaning the lack of sportsmanship on the part of their supporters.

I envy that coach. In my estimation he is rendering to young America a service of which he can justly be proud.

Lowell B. Fox

### "Red" Generally Charges For Information Free To STAR Readers

It has always been interesting to watch the Alumni news. Your sport column should be even better; I really felt honored to be asked to contribute toward it.

I will leave it for others to write on "How To Produce A Winning Team" or to describe the suffering involved in a close game two weeks before contracts are dealt out. I wish only to repeat a few principles of coaching that have been garnered from looking at athletics objectively and from suggestions thrown out at coaching schools and clinics.

1. Playing ability is the least important requisite of a coach.
2. Properly executed fundamentals are the basis of good teams.
3. Few high school coaches have a trainer. It is up to the coach to get his team in condition and to attend to minor injuries.
4. Most coaches take themselves too seriously. The world was several thousand years old before organized athletics were fashionable.

5. Training rules have no educational and little athletic value; it is usually better to build up a tradition of every man being in shape to play his best game.

6. Kicking a payer from a team for infraction of training seldom does the man or the team any good. He will become worse and the team suffers the most.

7. Hire good officials and then back them to the utmost. It is your prerogative not to rehire if they prove unsatisfactory; and it is bad on the morale of the team to be analyzing constantly the decisions of the referees. It should be the coach's duty to prepare his team to play and the official's job to handle the game.

8. If a player does not do the right thing in a game, it is likely that he has not been thoroughly schooled.

9. Some coaches berate their players for failure to make baskets; this is evident foolishness since no player tries to miss.

10. Prepare your team during the week before the game, instructing each player as to his responsibility; then dispense with the impassioned oratory the minute before the contest.

11. Get the team on the floor on time; plan the warm-up so that it will not be wearying to the spectators and start the game at the set time.

12. Athletics are planned to develop players physically and to give them a life situation of competition. The competition must be fair but every ounce of effort should go toward winning. Often a boy's first (and sometimes only) success experience will be in a sport. It is worth while if it gives him confidence in himself.

Generally I charge for this information, but to you it is free.

Devell Knox, Pa

Should a man's two-button single-breasted coat be worn open or buttoned? If buttoned, which ones should be used?—*Fashionable*.

Button the two lowest buttons.—*Saint Louis Dispatch*.

Nonsense! Button the two top buttons.—*New Yorker*.

Children aren't happy with nothing to ignore, And that's what parents were created for.

—Ogden Nash

## EDITORIAL

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Do you like to read, listen to the radio, play chess or checkers? These indoor amusements are harmful to the personality, caution Dr. Link, because they produce the introvert. Indulge in social activities. Of the two evils, become an extrovert with the old personality smile on your face and a long list of friends in your address book. Look at it this way: you have to learn to work and play with people to like them.

How's your personality?

—HC—

## DEBATE

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Miss Donley concluded the affirmative case by proving that the proposal outlined by Miss Roughan was sound both in theory and practice. She declared that we must have some force to protect the national welfare of the public demands. The loss of supply and demand, she said, would eliminate discrimination on either side.

Miss Hammel concluded the constructive speeches, saying that public opinion cannot be relied upon. Who wants compulsory arbitration? It has failed, she said, and there are better methods. She concluded by stating that present conditions are better handled than they could be under another system.

In the first rebuttal, Miss Buckley asked how compulsory arbitration can be enforced, and summed up the case for the negative.

Miss Donley concluded the debate by summarizing the case, showing the inadequacy of the present system and proving the soundness of the proposal.

—HC—

## PERSONNEL

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track, varsity tennis, touch football, speedball and softball. In all, he was well qualified for his positions of sports editor for the *Boulder* last year and assistant sport's editor on the *Star* this year.

Dick's activities have been in no way confined to the field of athletics. In high school, he participated in all class plays. In Houghton he has been an active member of the Expression club for four years. He also sang in the chapel choir for one year.

Scholastically Dick is ambitious. He will complete his college course in June with a major in social science, in which field he has participated actively through the medium of the Social Science club. Next year he expects to take graduate work at New York university for his Master's degree and later for a doctor's degree in zoology.

As a high school student, he spent all vacations working in the Atlantic and Pacific stores. The summer of his college sophomore year he spent as an attendant for Socony Vacuum Co. Last summer found Dick, with cap nonchalantly perched over one ear, piloting a yacht for J. C. Clark, a judge from one of the New York city courts.

### Esther Bohlayer Conducts Student Prayer Meeting

"There is no place to put our trust but in the living God," Esther Bohlayer declared in student prayer meeting Tuesday evening, March 1. Reading from the twenty-third and twenty-fourth Psalms and from Matthew's Gospel she brought out the fact that rest and peace are found when one casts himself wholly into God's loving care.

## Sunday Services

### "God's Proprietorship"

Dr. John Paul spoke from Romans 12:1 and 2 on Sunday morning, Feb. 20. Speaking on the subject of God's Proprietorship, he said that the Christian belongs to God by creation and by redemption and that he should also be His by consecration. Consecration is voluntary, so one must choose to be only partly yielded or wholly yielded to God.

There are two distinguishing marks of complete yieldedness. The first is that one is yielded for anything. The second is that one's consecration is made in order that one may be transformed. He concluded by urging his hearers to exchange their best for God's best.

### "Door of Opportunity"

"Even though the door of opportunity may open, it also closes," said Wesley Nussey, leader, in the W.Y. P.S. meeting Feb. 20.

Using Matthew 25:1-13 as the basis for his talk and using "— and the door was shut" from the tenth verse as his text, he pointed out that the doors of opportunity close unexpectedly for all. Those who fail to take advantage of the opportunity may never have another chance. "Don't turn down the opportunity of serving Christ."

### "The Prodigal Son"

In the last message of Houghton's two-weeks series of revival meetings Sunday evening, Feb. 20, the Rev. John Paul spoke from Luke 15:11-24 concerning the prodigal son.

He showed that the prodigal is comparable to the wanderers of the world while the elder son represents the element in the church who are not interested in leading souls to Christ. It should be the prime motive of each Christian to tell others of the Christ who died to save them from sin.

### "Why Christians Fail"

The reasons why Christians fail were delineated Sunday morning, Feb. 27 by the Rev. E. W. Black. Speaking on the parable of the sower and the seed he pointed out that the sower is the Christian worker, the seed the Word of God, and the field the hearts of men. The purpose of the parable is to show the effect of the Gospel on different classes, the difference being not in the seed but in the soil which receives it. The Gospel is proclaimed and many hear it, yet "the condition of the attitude of the hearer determines the results."

### "The Sower and His Seed"

Katherine Parks took for her text at W. Y. P. S. Sunday night, Feb. 27, the parable of the sower and his seed. She compared the seed to four types of individuals. Only those who obey the Word of God can become fruitful Christians.

The group agreed to subscribe to the *Wesleyan Young People's Journal*.

### Illustrated Lecture

The Rev. Mr. Black inaugurated his first series of illustrated lectures on the experiences of the Israelites and their relation to the New Testament. Speaking from Exodus chapters 5,6,7, and 8, Mr. Black told of the faithfulness of the Lord in helping the Jews along their journey. Even today, he said, Christians leave for the land of Canaan, then go back to their old life—yet Moses so led the Jews on a three day's journey that they couldn't return, but had to go all the way with the Lord. Christians today should take the Lord at his promise and not look back.

These illustrated lectures will be presented for the following six Sundays.

## Mrs. Clarke Speaks At Mission Meeting

The Mission Study Club had as guest speaker Feb. 28 Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke, returned missionary to Africa. Mrs. Clarke spoke on "Lights and Shadows in the Mission Field." First dealing with the dark side of the picture, she spoke of the difficult travel conditions in 1900, the hot climate, the yellow fever and malaria, the hard languages, strange customs and heathen superstitions which add to the missionary's problems. Secret orders necessitate cautions, too.

In speaking of the light side of the life of the missionary, Mrs. Clarke revealed the hunger of some natives for the gospel. The native Christians sometimes show their appreciation to God by the giving of gifts. Teaching young people is one of the great joys of the missionary. Mrs. Clarke read the two verses, "For without me ye can do nothing," and "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." "Pray for Korea and Japan," she said; and also, "The door is wide open in China."

Shall we not say anew to Him, "I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord."

Over mountain and plain and sea. I'll say what you want me to say, dear Lord,

I'll be what you want me to be."

—HC—

## President Paine Continues Study Talks on Psalms

President Paine continued his study talks on the Psalms in chapel Tuesday morning, Feb. 22.

After reading the seventh psalm, Dr. Paine pointed out its three sections. First, David protested to the Lord concerning his innocence of what he is being accused. He does not ask for help if he is really at fault. Second, David rests his case with the Lord to deliver him. Third, he proclaims to men that a sinner will find the natural consequences of his transgression coming upon him. God's laws were made to run the universe and not to be transgressed.

The lesson taught is that the One who was wise enough to construct the earth is wise enough to know its laws.

—HC—

## "Men of Faith" Is Topic Of Prof. Tucker's Address

Chapel was in charge of Professor Perry Tucker on Thursday, Mar. 3. The subject of his address was "Men of Faith."

Elisha was a man of faith trained under the great teacher Elijah. When the city of Jericho was suffering from poisoned water, Elijah put salt in the source. "He went to the source to get the right results."

A modern prototype of Elisha was John Wesley. After two years of missionary work in America, he realized he had not yet gone to the bottom of things in his own life. After conversion he went on to obtain the experience of entire sanctification. The knowledge of one book was sufficient for his every need.

John Wesley was rejected by his father and his brother because of his convictions. As a result of these convictions, however, he later founded the Methodist denomination which has grown so large today.

—HC—

Elmo Corsette ('33) has established dental parlors at Springville, New York. He was graduated from the dental department of Western university last June.



# COLOR SERIES BEGINNER SPLIT BY ONE-BASKET MARGINS

## Paine, Crandall Are High Scorers for the Evening

Neither Side Has Runaway  
In Men's or Women's  
Part of Fracas

The current Purple-Gold series was inaugurated Friday night, Feb. 25 with two close and interesting games. The Purple girls took the opener 25 to 23 and the Gold fellows captured the main event 38-36.

In the girl's game the Gold co-eds started off with a bang and tallied seven points in the first four minutes. Then the Purple girls called a halt and talked the situation over; after which they began clicking and brought the score up to 7-5 at the end of the quarter.

In the second quarter the Purple feds fairly outdid themselves putting in basket after basket and holding the Gold down to one basket. The half ended 14-9, Purple. The next half was close until the very end. The Gold put on a spurt and took a point lead in the third quarter, but with less than four minutes to play "Gerry" Paine sank two of her trusty one-hand shots to put the Purple co-eds in the lead. A last-minute foul shot did not help the Gold team much and the game ended 25-23.

Both teams should be commended for their fine defensive play and sparkling passwork. "Gerry" Paine led the scoring with 12 points, with "Peg" Schlafer of the losers runner-up with 11 points.

The second game got under way amid band-playing and cheering from the gallery. It started as a strictly defensive game at which both teams seemed aptly adept. Both teams showed some flashy floorwork but they missed many shots. The first half was close with the scoring rather low and just about neck and neck. Both teams displayed fine passwork but could not make their passes click under the basket. At the half the Gold was leading 12-10.

Due to the large number of top-rate players on the Gold team Captain Wright tried a different style of play. An entirely new team was put in each quarter; one team using a zone and the other a man to man defense. This seemed to work well because there were always fresh men on the floor.

The second half started out with a faster type of playing on both sides. Both teams seemed refreshed by their brief rest and began tallying point for point. The passing combination of Paine to McCarty to Wright accounted for several Gold points. The third quarter ended with the Gold still leading 24-21.

In the last quarter a fresh Gold team took the floor and a fresh barrage of baskets was opened by both teams. First one side made a basket and then the other with the Gold keeping a slight edge over the Purple. The crowd went wild as the Tuthill brothers began clicking for the Gold and Crandall started sinking "kangaroo" shots for the Purple.

The score was 37-34 in favor of the Gold at 3 minutes to play. Then Mix sank a much needed foul shot as the result of a Purple technical foul for an extra time out. The ball began changing hands quickly as the closing seconds of the game came in sight. With seconds to play Taylor tallied another basket for the Purple. At the bell the Purple was making a desperate effort to tie the score but the game ended 38-36, Gold.

Crandall led the scoring for both sides with 10 points; Eyler, Wright and Harlan Tuthill tied for second

## Purple Secondaries Trim Gold Reserves

The newly-instituted second team Purple-Gold series got under motion Monday afternoon, Feb. 21, when the Purple reserves handed out a severe lacing of 48-22 to their Golden-garbed adversaries. The personnel of the Gold quint furnished a major surprise as captian Wright withheld the fair-sized regiment for service in the regular series inaugural.

After pulling out their opposition in the opening minutes, the Purple cagers settled down to amass their basketball fortune in a business-like fashion. The Gold representatives' lack of experience placed them at a distinct disadvantage, but they were well supplied with the element of fight and kept their opposition from doing much relaxing or coasting. Although they were equipped with a fairly formidable zone defence, the Gold hoopsters proved to be woefully impotent in their action.

"Doug" Schaffner tapped the mesh-maulers with 13. "Whitey" Prentice followed with 11. "Red" Hill stood out for the losers.

## And If You Do Not Believe This, Try It!

The editor  
Was used to receiving  
All sorts of letters.  
And he said  
That in the same mail  
There came one that told him  
He was a superman  
And ought to  
Run for Congress  
Where supermen go—  
Sometimes;

And another that brought him  
The sad news that he was a  
"Dog-gone fool."  
And the editor said:  
"I don't get excited  
About either of these;  
I just  
Add 'em together  
And divide it by two,  
And that leaves me an ordinary  
Sort of chap  
With a fair batting average."  
It's a good thing to know how  
To play the game without paying  
Too much attention  
To the yells from the bleachers.  
Pax vobiscum.

—Hudson Banks.

## Fire Momentarily Threatens Dining Room of College Inn

Fire threatened the College inn for a few minutes on the evening of March 1 when a candle flame ignited curtains in the rear dining room shortly after supper. Only prompt action by Howard Eyler, Dr. Small, Elisabeth Eyler and others prevented a serious outbreak. Dr. Small seized a mat and beat the flaming curtains while Mr. Eyler hurried in with water which reduced the flame to insignificant sparks. Damage consisted of a few ruined curtains, scorched walls and a water damaged sewing machine.

place with 9 points each. It is interesting to note that the Purple made a better percentage of their shots, having an average of 25.5% while the Gold had an average of 22%.

## Star Editorial Is Reprinted In Ithaca College Ithacan

In the January 21 issue of *The Ithacan*, the weekly paper of Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y., appears the reprint of the editorial "Modern Marriage" from the January 15 edition of *The Star*, with the following introduction:

"The Ithacan takes great pride in presenting an article from *The Houghton Star*. We believe that this article is of special interest to students of any university or college. It is printed here in its entirety."

The *Star* wishes to thank *The Ithacan* for its courtesy and to fervently agree that the subject should be of special interest to students of any university or college.

## Does Houghton Operate A Matrimonial Bureau?

In the last five years 260 persons have been graduated from Houghton college. Of these 79 have married. Of the 79 all but 26 (that is 53) have chosen Houghton brides or bridegrooms. To be detailed:

Year	No. in Class	Marriages Inter-Ho'ton
1933	56	26
1934	54	15
1935	40	19
1936	64	11
1937	46	8

Seventeen other persons from these classes appear headed for the honeymoon altar, and unless "there's many a slip" fifteen of these will be inter-Houghton.

Write, we know, is written right  
When we see it written right.  
But when we see it written rite  
We know it is not written right;  
For write to be written right,  
Must not be written rite or right,  
Nor yet must it be written wright,  
But write, for so it's written right.

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## SPORT SHOTS

by  
Jack Crandall

While European diplomats are cagily courting each others favor in a time of severe crisis Houghton's sport state enters the last phase of its 1937-38 cage and court cycle with its annual civil war—the "conflict of the colors". This year the number of the combats has been abbreviated but everything points to an elongation of interest and enthusiasms.

Nothing is quite so magnetic and attractive to the general public as the fall of a long term champion, the dethronement of a monarch, the crash of a monopolist or a change in the general order of things. The possibility of a revolution in the forth-coming series is much more than remote. Why go to Spain or China to catch a first-hand glimpse of rebellions? Drop around to Bedford gym and watch the golden gladiators challenge the power and authority of the purple pharaohs.

With the cream of the local crop of ball-bombers tangling on the hardwood, the clashes should produce the highest calibre of court covering and drape dissecting of the season. Let's terminate this banner campaign with a royal flourish! Respond to the "call to the battlefront."

It might be profitable to delve into the archives of our athletic antiquity and familiarize ourselves with the historical back-ground of the color classics. Turning the sports pages back a decade and a half we find that in the 1923 series the Purple, piloted by Arden Burt, conquered the gladiators, bearing the golden banner in a series extending the seven game limit by squeezing out a two-point triumph in the finale. In a renewal of court relations the next year the golden representatives toppled the title holders. They were led in their successful assault by "Eddie" Williams. The metallic-shaded machines, manned by "Hank" Henshaw, repeated its performance.

The ensuing era was characterized by purple prosperity—a three year period in which the Houghton basketball kingdom was off the gold standard. During these years of "purple plenty" Lowell Fox directed their activities. Then with "Long Jim" Fisk at helm, the golden tide swept over the realm of the pharaohs, completely submerging them for the next brace of seasons.

The pharaohs emerged from the "diluvium period" stronger than ever and for the succeeding sextet of seasons have been able to hold back the golden tidal wave. During this span of six series the dark-clad contingent has been captained by "Pete" Albro, "Bill" Farnsworth, "Bob" Rork, "Steve" Anderson and "Walt" Schogoleff (two years).

Will the winning streak be snapped?

## Rev. O. G. McKinley Leads Monday Chapel Service

The Rev. O. G. McKinley gave a short talk on Psalm 92 in chapel Monday, March 7. The outstanding thing in the chapter is the fact that the Lord makes sweeping promises and if we accept them in our lives we will be happy always. There is encouragement in taking God's way and we will never regret it. The reward of the wicked is death.