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Meeting of Local Board of Managers for Houghton College

The Local Board of Managers for Houghton College held their first session Thursday morning, January 31, 1924, at Houghton College. This Board consists of a representative from each conference in Houghton territory ---from the Michigan Conference, Rev. E. F. McCarty, who is also missionary secretary of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, from the Rochester conference, Rev. F. S. Lee, who is also President of his conference; from the Leekport Conference, Mr. Glenn Hall; from the Allegany, Mr. Fleming Perrine; and from the Champlain Conference, Rev. H. J. Allen, who is also president of his conference.

The Advisory Board of the College make recommendations to this Board who in turn make recommendations to the Book Committee, meeting next week in Syracuse.

Class Dines in Banker's Honor

Mr. Floyd E. Banker, alumnus of the class of '22 who stopped here en route to India was regally dined by his class at Mrs. P.S. Bowen's, last Saturday evening. After the roast pork dinner, a social hour was enjoyed. The class banner which was to be given to the first member who entered the bonds of matrimony was awarded to Mr. Banker. The class also read their class letter which is the most extensive one of any class which has ever gone from these halls of learning.

Mr. Banker is one of Houghton's outgoing missionaries. He will sail for India on the tenth of February, and upon reaching there will be united in marriage to Miss Hazel Rodgers, another of Houghton's alumni. Floyd has been unavoidably delayed in sailing several times, but we trust there will be no more hindrances and that God will give him a safe passage to the country where he will take up his life's work.

As this is leap year all the Houghton belles ought to ring out.

Revival Services in Houghton

President Luckey's Faith Increases

President Luckey has been obliged to raise his goal for the registration for the year inasmuch as his former goal has not only been reached, but has been exceeded. The college department now numbers one hundred nine, while the seminary department has the total of two hundred two. However, there are some duplications in the two departments as some students are taking both college and seminary subjects.

The student body welcomes heartily into their midst for the new semester, Willard Williams of Rushford and Kenneth Storms of Sandusky, our new college men; and Geraldine Northup of Geneva, Lester Chellis of Plattsburg, Walter Waters of Hague, and Mr. Bass of Macomb, our new Seminary students. Also George Morse, one of our oldsters, is again with us.

Mid-Year Elections!

Student Body, - Wed., Feb. 6
Boys Ath. Ass'n - Wed., Feb. 13
Athenian Society - Mon., Feb. 4
Neosophic Society - Mon., Feb. 4

Purple Strengthened

The chances of the Purple both for basket-ball and track and field have been immeasurably strengthened with the return of George Morse to school. George has been the outstanding Purple track and field star for the past three years, having practically won the meet for his side last year by piling up the grand total of 19½ points. He has also been a star member of their basket-ball squad and will, beyond a doubt, fill the center or a guard position this year.

Clarence Flint has returned to school after his long illness.

In so many ways God has especially favored Houghton and is putting His seal on the work here. The pastor, Rev. J. R. Pitt, is respected by everyone; companionable and fatherly with the students; faithful to the church in living and preaching Holiness. He is surely God's man for the place. By faithfully preparing the ground, planting the seed, and by cultivation, a harvest time is at hand. Since so many of the college students remained here for the necessary two years to obtain their degree instead of entering some other college where the work could have been completed in one year, and since many of these are saved and sanctified young people, who have instituted praying bands, and have done much personal work among their classmates, the time for an ingathering seems to be now.

After considerable prayer and deliberation the committee decided to invite Brother John W. Cooper of Binghamton, N. Y., to assist in the reaping, whose services could only be secured from Jan. 20 to Feb. 3. The house has been well-filled almost every night although during the first week examinations were in progress, one of the busiest and heaviest times of the year. Students found by putting God first they had time to serve God and to seek Him---and time for the necessary work.

Bro. Cooper is a man of large and varied experiences; a man who knows and practices the Bible, "a man of One Book". His messages are exceptionally forceful; directed by the Holy Spirit to the enlightenment of all who hear. The people are enabled to see and feel there are only two classes of humanity, saint and sinner; two places of future existence, heaven and hell. No one goes to sleep or wearies or wishes him to cease speaking. Particularly is he strong in his altar calls. Just by invitation under the Spirit's help following close dealing in the ser-

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Editorial

[We are greatly indebted to Virgil J. Hussey for this editorial]

Ever since the formation of the world in which we live, strife or competition has been one of the natural tendencies of mankind. At first this strife was usually brutal, marked by fierce and bloody conflicts, saturated with the odious feelings of hatred and fear. But, as a better state of civilization forced itself upon the human race, man forsook his barbarous ways and, to a very great degree, sought after those things which would substantiate the blessings of peace and good will. He abandoned the bloody arena, renounced the inhumanity of the lists and inaugurated, in their stead, games and skirmishes which would test the strength and prowess of the participants but which would accomplish their purpose in a well-disposed and amicable manner.

Today we take great pride in asserting that the American people are a liberty-cherishing and peace-loving people, believing in friendly contests and condemning those who forward the causes of ill-feeling. It is true that the American nation has participated in many great wars from time to time; but they have not been for the purpose of conquest; they have not been for the

purpose of testing one nation's endurance against that of another; they have been fought and won in defense of the spirit of liberty and that ever-welcome spirit of peace.

As a result of this great, loving spirit of peace together with the feeling of competition, we have today a number of contests which are played in all friendliness and sympathy to those engaged. We meet upon the basket-ball floor, as rivals it is true, but not as rivals whose aim it is to blot out the other fellow's life. We meet as rivals who wish to compare strength, nimbleness, prowess and quick thought. We are not enemies! It should be understood that we are friends and that the slight disputes which sometimes arise on the basket-ball floor are not serious but are quickly forgotten by the ones whose ideas differ.

In view of the facts stated above, I would ask---Why is it that we are so slow to grasp the real significance of athletics? Why do we seek to put down this great part of our lives which brightens the intellect, strengthens the body, and enables us to aid our fellow man? And, as a concluding thought, I would demand---Why are not intercollegiate athletics a benefit rather than a hindrance?

Don't Read This!

THE HUMAN RACE can do SOME GREAT THINGS but WE KNOW at least one THING THAT the STAR STAFF is unable TO ACCOMPLISH and that is TO PUBLISH A STAR when the REPORTERS forget or have SOMETHING ELSE to do OR MAKE THE excuse that THEY DON'T have time TO EVEN HAND in the copy WHICH HAS been assigned TO THEM not to mention BRINGING IN anything THAT THE EDITOR or his ASSISTANTS did not happen TO THINK OF. It can't BE DONE REPORTERS and others. I THANK YOU for your CLOSE ATTENTION.

STAR NOTICES

The members of the athletic teams which have not as yet been announced, will be published next week along with the squads which will represent the sides in the first game taking place on that night.

We are still unable to find out what the consensus of opinion is concerning the "Star" in its present form. A few letters have come in, some complimentary, some adverse, but they have been too few to decide for certain whether you as a whole approve of the paper or not. Write to us.

The printing department of Houghton College has a new and larger press in sight and provided that it is purchased we will be able to enlarge the weekly next year with the understanding that both the student body and the alumni supports us as well or better than they have this year.

Denton Crowl Will Lecture

Eighteen years of unusually successful experience in addressing over a million and a half of his fellow Americans in every state in the Union has conclusively proven Mr. Denton Crowl to be an outstanding figure of powerful influence in molding public opinion.

This growing power naturally brought him to the attention of not only great statesmen and prominent thinkers but to the Metropolitan Press. Three great newspapers, added him to their staff. For two years he has brought increasing honor to these great independent papers by his profound, thoughtful and progressive leadership on great questions.

As a speaker possessing daring courage, a marvelous voice, and a keen sense of humor, he absolutely dominates his audience with the ease of the master sculptor molding clay.

Mr. Crowl will speak to us on February 4, upon one of his two subjects, "The Master Workshop", or "Two Times Two".

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Native of Japan Lectures

Yutaka Minakuchi, native Japanese orator and student of international affairs, delivered his gripping message "The Borderland" in the Houghton College chapel last Friday evening.

The audience, as a whole was delighted with his work. At first the sentences seemed to come with effort as if he were speaking under strain but before long a change was perceptible, and in his closing paragraphs, he literally held his audience spellbound under the masterful and unimpeachable quality of his oratory. His voice rang out, carrying to his listeners the message which was upon his heart. Although his pronunciation was not perfect, his command of the English language was

faultless. His manner was that of highly restrained emotion but it was with little facial expression. In fact he spoke after the manner of a true Japanese almost stoically.

The first section of his speech was devoted to the making and proving to his audience three important points: first, the militarism of the Japanese nation of today is a borrowed product, brought to them by the so-called Christian nations of Europe; second, militarism in Japan is dying a swift death; third, democracy, or the feeling of equality, is the form of government which is replacing it. In proving this last point he compared Japanese conditions with the progress of the United States in universal suffrage and organization of labor.

In speaking upon the question of immigration between our republic and the empire of Japan, he said that it is an entirely domestic matter. His suggestion to the Japanese people in America was to cease segregation, and to learn the language, religion, and ways of the people in whose country they are living.

As to the method of establishing Mr. Minakuchi advocated; first, the establishment of a universal language, the Anglo-Saxon, and second, a universal religion---the religion of Jesus Christ.

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Chapel Again

Our regular chapel services were resumed again Tuesday morning, the opening day of our school work for the second semester. To conduct these services we have been privileged to have Reverend J. W. Cooper, our present evangelist. Speaking through the power of the Holy Ghost, he has brought us some God-directed messages from the Word. Tuesday morning he spoke from the Lord's word, "Follow thou me", and Wednesday on the power of God in salvation. These messages are stirring our hearts and especially assisting in the revival efforts.

The order of chapel speakers for the coming week is:

Monday---Dean Wright

Tuesday---Miss Bessie Fancher

Wednesday---Prof. LaVay Fancher

Thursday---Rev. Pitt

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mon, the altar is filled every night, and thank God, not by the same individuals although some have required longer time than others to find satisfaction. Many, very many are rejoicing in a definite knowledge of conversion or sanctification.

Bro. Cooper has no fad or hobby except to locate sin whether spelled with three letters or four, and to get individuals to see that the Bible promises deliverance from both. If they meet the conditions they will obtain victory and freedom. Then it is their business to serve God under the unction and direction of the Spirit.

A healing service was held Sunday afternoon at which time a number were anointed. Just how many received help we do not know. One who has required glasses for sixteen years has found healing for her eyes. Another, having had infantile paralysis is being benefited and expects permanent relief. We are expecting still greater results as the meetings continue.

Kitterman and Fancher to Officiate

Mr. Harry Kitterman, Physical Director of Houghton College, will act as referee for the Purple-- Gold series of basket-ball games. Prof. LaVay Fancher will assist him from the umpire's position. Other officials will be: Mark Bedford and Clyde Dougherty, timekeepers; Ernest Crocker and Kenneth Gibbin, scorekeepers.

Rev. A. D. Fero of Dixonville, Pa., is visiting his daughters, Mrs. Gilbert Clocksene and Miss Eudora Fero.

Dorothy Peck and Ruth Luckey were at home over Sunday.

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James Reddy of Canadea called at C. W. Hill's, Sunday.

Mrs. Wilson Robbins visited in Cuba Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. John Crawford and daughter Mildred are visiting relatives in town.

Edmond Peck of Syracuse spent a few days at home the first of the week.

Local ice houses are being filled this week. The ice is about ten inches thick.

Virginia Hussey of Jamestown was the guest of her parents last Thursday and Friday.

Frank Henshaw and Kenneth Gibbin spent the week-end at their respective homes.

Wilbur Clark left Tuesday for his home in Venice Center, N. Y., on account of sickness.

Earl Tierney, Edward Williams, and Maurice Enty attended the auto show in Rochester, Saturday.

Alice Molyneaux returned Monday evening from Sayre, Pa., where she was called by the serious illness of her mother.

Morning Watch, Thursday, Jan. 24

"And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled." Acts 4: 32. "This kind goeth not out only by prayer and fasting." Matt. 17: 21.

God is continually blessing His people in Houghton just as He does His people everywhere. However, today is a special day. The morning watch prayer meeting was begun at six A. M. and it will not close today. While the saints were pouring out their souls in intercessory prayer, the burden of the lost settled down with groans, fears and pleadings intermingled in a glorious, heavenly, harmony known to those who are spiritually-minded and recognized as of God even by sin-darkened minds. Fasting and praying brought God into our midst. Conviction has seized the students, and we are looking forward to the salvation of each unsaved one and the sanctification of each believer.

Mrs. English and Grace Jordan of Driftwood, Pa., were in town, Friday and Saturday. Mrs. English visited her son, Erwin.

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Houghton's Alumni

Previously we have considered two of the older alumni of Houghton, but this week we are to take one who has just recently left here to receive his degree at Cornell.

Charles Pocock entered school in Houghton in 1919 after graduating from high school at Falconer, N. Y. Here he spent three years of his college life and during these three years, he formed many lasting friendships. He was liked by every boy and girl who knew him and he was also a good scholar. In the fall of 1922 he went to Cornell for his degree because our school could not yet grant degrees. He was given full credit for his work taken here, but he did not have his language credits all in the same language. Therefore, he has spent a year and a half in Cornell. On Tuesday, Feb. 5, he graduates from the College of Arts Course, having his major in Economics. Upon leaving there he expects to take a position in his home high school at Falconer, where he graduated. He will be Professor of Mathematics and coach in athletics. The students, faculty, alumni, and many others of Houghton wish him the best of success.

Change in Athletic Ruling

The official board recently made public the fact that the official ruling concerning the scholastic standing necessary for participation in athletics had been changed. The ruling is now in substance as follows: first, the general school average is now only required to be seventy rather than seventy-five as before; second, the passing of every subject is required; third, students entering in the middle of the year will be allowed to play, but weekly records will be taken of their work, and if these records are low for any such period, they will be suspended from all athletics for a period of two weeks, in which time they are privileged to bring up their average. Re-examinations are at the discretion of the teacher and the board.

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