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## DEATH CLAIMS HOUGHTON PRESIDENT

### National Holiness Convention To Be Held in Houghton

Leading Ministers, Educators Will be Present At The Conference

#### FIRST HOUGHTON MEETING

Advancement of the Holiness Movement Will Be Discussed

The Seventieth Annual Convention of the National Association for the promotion of Holiness will be held here April 20-25, inclusive. Dr. C. W. Butler, President of the New John Fletcher College is the president of this international organization.

Since this is a nation-wide convention it is expected that 200 will attend the meeting. The sessions are to convene at the church, with the exception of the chapel addresses.

Dr. Z. T. Johnson, President of Asbury College; Dr. J. H. Long, president of Greenville College, of Greenville, Illinois; Dr. Robert Lee Stuart, President of Taylor University and Dr. C. Hoyt Watson, President of Seattle Pacific College, Seattle, Washington, will address the students during the chapel program.

Among scheduled topics to be discussed are: "The Outlook for Holiness in the Older Churches," "Attaining Proper Educational Standards," "Moses in the Light of Archeology," and "The New Testament in the Light of Archeology."

The personnel of the Association is indicated by those scheduled to deliver the addresses. Rev. Joseph H. Smith, probably the oldest member to be present, is reputed to be the outstanding teacher of holiness in America. Rev. C. W. Ruth, Dr. John Owen, and Dr. Peter Wiseman, all outstanding exponents of Bible and of Scriptural holiness, will deliver messages at the convention.

The history of the National Association will be given by an older member, W. W. Cary, President of the State Association of Kentucky, on Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Gideon Williamson, graduate of John Fletcher College and President of Eastern Nazarene College will give the message Wednesday night.

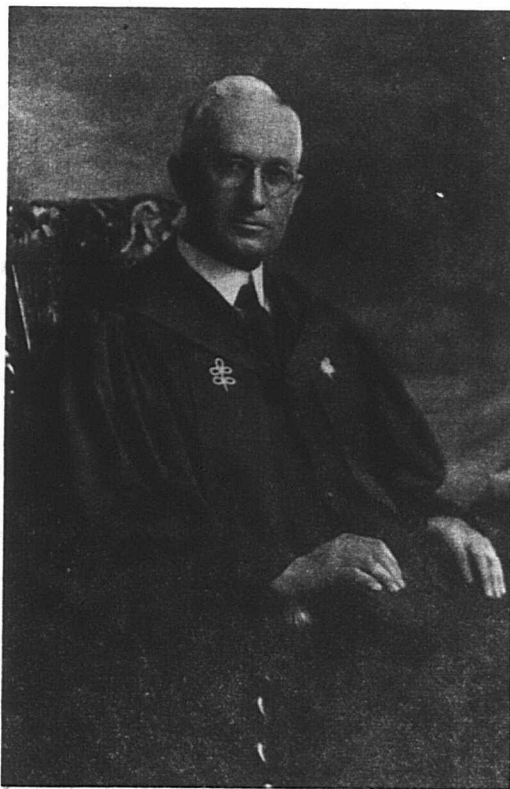
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### Next Star Will Be Edited in Form of a Memorial Tribute

In memory of the late Dr. James S. Luckey, a memorial edition of the Star will be published next week.

Included in this special edition will be a two-page pictorial insert depicting the various stages in the career of President Luckey. The rest of the issue will contain accounts of service, tributes, and incidents from the life of the man who made the college.

This edition will be mailed to the friends and alumni of the college.



JAMES SEYMOUR LUCKEY, A.M., Ph.D., LL.D.

### Choir Returns from 1937 Tour of Pennsylvania, Middle West

Amidst an array of spring regalia and with many brandishing pillows, the Houghton College A Cappella Choir set forth April 2 on its annual spring tour for points west. Not according to the usual custom, the sun beamed on the departure.

The first concert was in Endicott, N. Y., in the Union Methodist Episcopal Church.

Chester, Pa., was the next stop. The choir sang in the Third Presbyterian Church.

Sunday was a full day with three concerts in Philadelphia and one in Darby, Pa. In Philadelphia, they appeared in Bethany Presbyterian Church, the Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church, and Temple University. In Darby, they sang at the First Presbyterian Church.

For their concert in the First Baptist Church at McKeesport, Pa., the choir took their longest ride—250 miles.

Wednesday was spent in Toledo, Ohio, where they appeared at the Toledo Gospel Tabernacle.

Thursday, the choir sang in the Moody Memorial Church, Chicago.

Three concerts were held Friday. The first program was given in the Chicago Evangelistic Institute, where Gordon Clark ('35) is a student. The choir then sang in the Chapel at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois. The concluding concert of the day was at the Second Baptist Church in Chicago.

The engagement at Eastern High School in Lansing, Michigan on Saturday was attended by the Fosters,

Betty and Dean Sellman, Clissie, Jean Leitzke, Esther Watrous, Elissa Lewis, Anna Stowe, Hazel Crocker, Duncel and others.

Dr. D. O. Fuller's church in Grand Rapids was packed morning, afternoon, and evening Sunday. The audience was enthusiastic about the choir, who had cancelled an appointment in Detroit to appear here.

Buffalo, N. Y. was visited on Monday, April 12, and a concert was presented in the Prospect Avenue Baptist Church.

Houghton was the next objective, and here the choir rested for a day before returning to Buffalo to sing at the Eastern Music Educators Conference.

Twenty concerts were presented in churches of at least four different denominations, and in five institutions of learning.

### Stockin, Salutatorian; Riggs Valedictorian of Senior Class

Senior honors were announced Friday night at a "party" for the senior class in the Music Hall auditorium. Isabelle Riggs was chosen Valedictorian; Gordon Stockin was given Salutatorian. Honors of *Magna cum laude* were awarded: Isabelle Riggs, Jane Zook, Merritt Queen, Cecil Elliott. *Cum laude* was given Gordon Stockin, Robert Luckey, Hazel Fox, Esther Fancher, Elizabeth Ratcliffe.

Dr. Paine announced the honors after a brief speech of commendation and advice to the class.

### Faculty and Students Alike Join With Family in Deepest Sorrow Over the Passing of Dr. Luckey

#### His Faith!

Faith of our fathers! living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
When'er we hear that glorious word!  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to Thee to death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free:

How sweet would be their children's fate,  
If they, like them, could die for thee!  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to Thee to death!

Faith of our fathers! we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife:  
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how,

By kindly words and virtuous life:  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to Thee to death!

—Frederick W. Faber

HC

### Lockport Conference Annual Meeting Held Here During Vacation

The Rev. J. R. Pitt, pastor of the Houghton Church, has accepted a pastorate at East Aurora, N. Y., it was announced in the annual session of the Lockport Conference held here from April 6-11. However, as previously arranged, Mr. Pitt will continue his work here until after the close of school in June.

Two other changes in the conference were announced. Rev. J. R. Redstone (theol.'33) formerly of the Chestnut Ridge Charge near Lockport goes to Driftwood (the work left vacant by the returning of Rev. and Mrs. Price Stark to Africa) and Rev. Theodore Pagett will supply the work at Cadwells, formerly cared for by Rev. Arthur Osgood ('36).

Mr. Arthur Osgood ('36) received the rite of ordination at the Sunday morning service. He is thus the fourth member of his family to be ordained into the Christian ministry, the other three are Rev. Dennis Osgood, of the Champlain Conference. Rev. George Osgood ('33), pastor at East Leon, N. Y., and Rev. Chester Osgood ('35), post-graduate student here this year. The ministers taking part in the service were the Revs. J. R. Pitt, E. L. Elliott, A. A. Hickok, O. G. Wyman, Maurice Gibbs, Wm. Osgood (father of the candidate) Geo. Osgood, A. J. Taylor, and Chas. Sicard. Before his ordination Mr. Osgood preached for five years. His pastorate being at Cadwells, N. Y.

The conference was opened on Tuesday evening with a sermon of (Continued on Page Four)

And Representatives Prominent Church Officials Attend Rites

### Church Packed to the Doors

Neighboring Colleges Send Delegates Sunday To Funeral

Dr. James Seymour Luckey, for nearly thirty years president of Houghton College, died at his home at 5:15 p. m. on April 7, 1937. He was 69.

With him at the time of death were two of the three children: Ruth Luckey, and Robert Luckey. Harold Luckey of Allentown, Pa. came immediately.

Hundreds of telegrams, telephone messages, and special letters informed faculty members, church and college officials of President Luckey's death. In addition twelve hundred post cards were sent to the student body and alumni, and notices telephoned in to the Associated Press spread the news to Houghtonites scattered over the country.

Though Dr. Luckey has not been well for several months, the actual passing came as a distinct shock. As someone remarked, "We have always had President Luckey, and it seemed as though we always would have him."

Funeral services were held in the Houghton Church on Sunday, April 11, at 2:00 p. m. A group of friends numbering over 1000, including about 150 students, were gathered at the church at 1:30, while at the home of the deceased president the faculty of the college met with the family for a Scripture reading and prayer. Immediately afterward, the procession made its way to the church, where, on the walk outside the building, the faculty formed a guard of honor for (Continued on Page Four)

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### Ruth McMahon Receives W. G. R. Radio Contract

Miss Ruth McMahon, senior in the Houghton College Department of Music, will present a series of radio concerts over WGR, Buffalo, on Saturday afternoons from 3:45 to 4:00. Her concerts consist mainly of classical and light operatic selections. She is accompanied by Richard Chamberlain.

After an audition last summer, Miss McMahon was offered a series of weekly programs. But it was not until three weeks ago, however, that she was free to accept the offer.

Previously Miss McMahon had broadcast from station WHDL, Olean, and WKBW, Buffalo.

She finds broadcasting enjoyable. Fan mail she received showed how well her broadcasts were received.

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## Editorial

Accurate estimation of the influence of our choir tour is not possible.

The group returned Tuesday from the longest itinerary ever formerly attempted and one might conclude, judging from past experiences, that the greatest tour has been concluded.

Such an assumption is verified. For while though such success is not measured by financial returns—expenses were more than equalled—but rather by the power of the Christian testimony, both hosts and the choir members themselves feel that the represented Christian ideal was accepted as such.

Expressions overheard complimented the choir not only on musical talent, but also on the Christ-reflection in its individuals. "They could not sing as they do," it was said, "without the Spirit of God in their lives."

As a climax came the greatest musical triumph of the College when the Eastern Music Educators' Conference gave unqualified approval of the concert given Wednesday morning in Buffalo.

A. W. L.

### JAMES S. LUCKEY'S LENGTHENING SHADOW

Houghton College is the lengthening shadow of a great soul whose passing is sincerely mourned throughout this region. Simple in his faith, rugged in his courage and inspired in his vision, James Seymour Luckey came to Houghton at a time when there seemed little hope of that institution ever going beyond the seminary stage.

Then his faith, courage and vision began to unfold! From a secondary school Houghton became a fully accredited college and today is scholastically accepted on a par with the other institutions of higher learning.

James S. Luckey has been its only president. Houghton College's ideals have been his ideals! Never has he faltered! When others doubted, it was President Luckey who found the true way. He never intruded himself upon others yet up and down the valley people felt his presence in no unmistakable way.

It is not in a physical plant, however, that Houghton has reared its greatest monument to him but rather in that unseen, but omnipresent achievement which we call character. To him education without character was a failure! He knew that spiritual values were more essential than mere pedagogic principles and as a consequence Houghton College from its campus plateau, casts its benign rays over its student body and every alumnus with all of the freshness of the pure morning sun.

President James S. Luckey has gone but his spirit and the fine, wholesome traditions which he built into Houghton will never die. A consecrated man and a leader whose greatness will loom as the years cast their perspective upon him, Houghton deeply mourns his loss, but goes forth, strong and resolute in the all abiding faith which was his.

To the job of perpetuating the vital Christian truths which he visualized, the friends of Houghton dedicate themselves anew. It is a challenge, yet a privilege . . . a lengthening shadow . . . which will be brightly lighted by the "torch" which he carried so devoutly and so unswervingly.

—The Perry Herald

## Unique Lanthorn Is Being Planned by Frosh Class Staff

This year's Lanthorn will be new in design and contents, promises Walter Sheffer, who was recently elected editor of this literary paper by the freshman class. Jack West was chosen business manager.

The Lanthorn is an annual magazine, containing stories, essays, and poems written by students, and has been published in past years by the Owl's Club. This will be the first time that the freshman class has published the periodical.

Vance Carlson will serve as associate editor. Assistant editors are Doris Veazie, Ellen Harmon, Donald Kauffman, and Robert Stanton. Edna Bartleson is assistant business manager, and Robert Burns is subscription manager.

The page size of this year's Lanthorn will be similar to that of the popular Reader's Digest. Included in this magazine will be the prize-winning material from the Literary Contest.

Copy is still being accepted for publication and opportunity is given for any student to have his work printed.

## Houghton Village Divided Into Four Fire Districts

Public education concerning fire protection was discussed at the monthly meeting of the Volunteer Fire Association, held at the home of Robert Wheeler, Fire Chief, on Wednesday evening, April 13. Such education is being carried on here. Cards are being printed which will give the location of the fire districts, instructions on turning in the alarm, and precautions which are necessary.

1. All property north of the road running from Mrs. Lois Smith's house to the Greenberg cottage.
2. The rest of the campus and the College Hill road.
3. All property on the River Road north of the contemplated fire house, which will be built on the lot between the Lindquist and the Slade homes.
4. All property south of the fire house.

To turn in the alarm, a warning blast should be given, followed by a series of blasts corresponding to the number of the fire district.

A more detailed explanation will be given on the cards which are being distributed.

### STAR CHAPEL

A major calamity was averted in Wednesday morning's chapel when John L. Lewis' head refused to burst behind the scenes at the appropriate time despite the frantic efforts of Walter Sheffer. Finally, in desperation he yelled, ex tempore, "It won't go off." The failure of the pistol to fire, brought to an end the impromptu skit introducing the Star staff to the student body.

William Muir, Frederick Schlafer, and Edward Willett spoke.

### MUST NOT PRAY FOR HITLER

A very curious thing has happened in Germany. The Scriptures enjoin prayer for those who rule over us, but no one is allowed to pray for Hitler. Recently a pastor was censured for praying that this ruler might be granted "guidance to his spirit so that he may submit humbly." This was interpreted by the Minister of Culture as an implied criticism of Hitler's policies. —The Presbyterian

You will want a copy of the 1937 LANTHORN.

## PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

Florence Elizabeth Stone

Where was she born? Oh, she's a Buffalo gal.

How old is she? She made her debut during the fiscal year of 1916.

Tell me more. The wanderlust struck her while she was still in grade school, so she moved to Williams-ville. Athletics and dramatics were her chief interests as a high school student. She was graduated from high school in '33.

What are her club interests? Social Science, French, Expression clubs.

Is she athletic? I'll say. Listen to this: Class Basketball for four years, Varsity Basketball, Purple Basketball, Track, and Volleyball.

What is her major? Social Science.

What is her minor? English.

Any Statement? No. Don't tell any one, but she said that she had had a lot of fun going to college.

—HC—  
Florence E. Wright

Dean Stanley W. Wright's daughter Florence was born in West Chazy, Clinton, New York, on January 11, 1914. Her grade school education she received in a small country school near Forksville, Pennsylvania.

Miss Wright spent one year of her high school in Odessa and the remaining three here, in Houghton Seminary. During her four years of high school she sang in the Glee Club, became secretary of the junior class, and graduated as class valedictorian. She spent the winter of '32 in the luxuriant warmth of Florida.

The WYPS, Latin club and Social Science club have her name on their membership rolls. This year she is an assistant librarian—her favorite occupation is reading books—and next year she may take up library work in Syracuse or University of Michigan. Her plan for the future is to become a librarian. Miss Wright's statement, which she admittedly tried to keep free of "flowery writing", is: "I appreciate Houghton a lot and I know the opportunities I have enjoyed here will mean more to me in the future."

—HC—  
Jane Elizabeth Zook

Jane Elizabeth Zook was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on January 17, 1915. She attended grade school in Chicago, Illinois, high school in Lockport, New York, and college in Houghton.

Jane seems to be accustomed to do big things in big places. At Lockport, a high school of 1200 students, she was vice president of the junior class, secretary of the senior class, and on the staff of the Forum (a magazine published four times a year) for two years. She was a member of the Choral and Dramatic Clubs, and the high school basketball team. At her graduation Jane was awarded the College Women's Club prize, which is based on scholarship, extra-curricular activity, and general abilities.

In college Jane's activities have included membership in the A Capella Choir for two years, Chorus for two years, Oratorio Society, and Pre-Medic Club. She was vice president last year of the Pre-Medic Club, and this year is president. In addition, Jane has been treasurer of her class for the junior year, Organization Editor of the Boulder, and Chem. lab assistant for three years. Concerning her selection as one of the five seniors who have received the special recognition of election to membership in the Who's Who in American Student Bodies, the Star recently stated: "Jane Zook, a prospective medical student, has displayed superior schol-

## LITERATI



### Hope

M. EVANGELINE CLARKE

First Prize 1932

The moon  
trails  
its threads  
of pure silver  
through the  
ebony  
mist of  
tall fir trees

### Shadows

RUTH BURGESS

First prize, 1931

Clouds shadows  
Making mountains seem patchwork  
quilt  
Spread over the knees of a giant.  
Pain shadows  
Seeming cruel etchings done in  
black  
Upon the whiteness of a face I  
love.  
Moonlight shadows  
Using pine and maple trees and  
all night things  
To weave for lovers a carpet of  
black and silver.  
Death's shadow  
A thick black fog in which we all  
are lost  
Till His love lights the way.

### Pictures

FLORENCE LONG

First Prize, 1928

Dark shadows gathering,  
Purple mists rising,  
Evening star sending her light;  
Silvery moonbeams,  
Velvety blackness,  
Whippoorwill calling,—  
'Tis night!  
Rosy clouds, silver-edged  
Dazzling the eye,  
Golden light flowing,  
All darkness gone;  
Heavenly brightness  
Filling the sky,—  
'Tis dawn!

George Hilgeman, while on choir tour, was called to his home in Williams-ville, N. Y. on April 10 because of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Carl F. Hilgeman. Mrs. Hilgeman died early last Thursday morning. The funeral service was held in the Randall Memorial Baptist Church of Williams-ville on Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Louise Gleason returned to her home in Troupsburg, N. Y. upon the death of her mother, Mrs. Floyd Gleason.

Mr. Perry Henry, father of Gerald Henry, died on April 3 at his home in Bliss, N. Y.

The Houghton Star, together with students and faculty, extend to Gerald, Louise and George a most sincere expression of sympathy.

astic ability in each of her studies—a fact uncommon among science students."

Her formal statement follows: "I couldn't begin to express in one statement my gratitude for what Houghton has meant to me, but one of the biggest privileges that have been mine during my college career has been membership in the Choir."



## ALUMNI CORNER

### Alumni Return For President's Funeral

Among the alumni and old students who were present at the funeral of President Luckey are the following. It was obviously impossible to get a complete list.

Rev. Dean Bedford, Dr. Ward Bowen, Rev. and Mrs. Clark Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Spencer, Mrs. Mildred Houghton Morgan, Mrs. Esther Bush Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pocock, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcox, Rev. David Rees, Mark Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Steese, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rounds (Marjorie Ackerman), Kenneth Gibbin, Morella Wilsie, Paul Vogan, Melvin Ferns, Edward Dolan, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hudson, Silas Molyneux, Alton Shea, Malcom Cronk, Alden Van Ornum, Mabel Farwell, Richard Farwell, Isabelle Hawn, Eileen Hawn, Dorothy Trowbridge, Esther Brewer, Gertrude Wolfer, Richard Hale, Elizabeth Hill, Vernon Saunders, Florence Clissold, Lawrence Strong, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hussey, Clair Carey, Orven Hess, Esther Burns, Melvin Ferns, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Stevenson, Willard Stevenson, Paul Vogan, Homer Fero, Bertha Fero Jones, Vera Barker, Arthur Baldeck, Frances Hall, Clifford Mix, Ivone Wright, Frances Hotchkiss, Harriett Remington, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Christy, Glenn Donelson, Vivian Gordon, Elton Wiles, George Wolfe, Gerald Scott, Olive Weatherell, May Collins, Esther Burns, Esther Tomlinson, Iola Tomlinson, Thomas Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Doty, Esther Brayley, Janet Donley, Kenneth Wright, Clair McCarty, Paul McCarty, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Moon, Frances Hall, Lowell Crapo, Valgeane Luckey, Alice Goodemote, Keith Farner.

### Rev. George Failing ex-'39 Returns to Fillmore Charge

Rev. George Failing, (ex '39) has returned to Fillmore to resume his pastorate at the Wesleyan Methodist Church after a six weeks' leave of absence. Rev. F. H. Wright has been filling the vacancy.

Mr. Failing has spent the last few weeks of his absence as a period of rest and change, vacationing with his parents in Florida. He intends to preach for at least another year; but whether he will attend college again is not definitely decided. His parents returned with him for a short visit.

### Goldie Davidson Moore '28 Writes from Enid, Okla.

"I am working hard on a piano solo, Rachmaninoff's *Prelude in C Sharp Minor* for Friday night," writes Goldie Davidson Moore ('28) of Enid, Oklahoma in a recent letter to friends in Houghton. Other duties include taking care of her daughter Jean, aged 4, and son Willard, aged 2. Her husband, W. Mitchell Moore, is principal of the Booker T. Washington High School at Enid.

Her letter expresses the desire to visit Houghton, for which she advances two good reasons—to see old friends and to enjoy the weather. "Personally," she says, "I enjoy the weather at Houghton better than in any other place."

*The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life; but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.* —Prov. 10:11

### Rinda Bartlett '36 Accepts Hague Teaching Position

Rinda Bartlett, '36, and at present a post graduate student at Houghton, recently accepted a teaching position in her home town, Hague, N. Y.

She received the appointment during spring vacation to instruct in history and English.

### Richard Rhoades ex-'35 Will Teach at Oakfield

The following story appeared in the Buffalo Evening News of March 26.

"Fredonia, March 26. — Richard Rhoades, of Hamburg, a senior in the music department at Fredonia State Normal School, has been elected to the position of music supervisor in Oakfield for next year. Mr. Rhoades will be graduated from Fredonia State Normal in June and he will assume his duties in September.

"Mr. Rhoades has been active in curricular and extra curricular activities while at Fredonia. He is a member of the symphony orchestra, the dramatic club and the glee club."

Mr. Rhoades was a student here from 1931 to 1934. In 1935 he was married to Aleene Shaus, also a former student here.

### Mrs. Walter Alexis '32 Pens News of Falconer

Ruth Burgess Alexis ('32), 129 E. Mosher Street, Falconer, New York, sends a sprightly account of their "platinum blonde, blue-eyed" son, mentions other alumni and comments on Hallowe'en and the Star.

"You really want to know what we are doing? For one thing we have done away with our alarm clock. It just hasn't been of the slightest use since Bobby arrived. He's an early riser, but it's no worm he's after. About seven o'clock he lets it be known that he is ready for a dish of cereal, two slices of bacon, a slice of toast with some milk. Then there is our breakfast to get, followed by the son's bath. While he takes a nap I hustle. When he wakes up, the marathon is on. He can walk alone, but much prefers to have one finger to hang to as he covers as much territory as it is possible for a boy of one. Lunch is catch as catch can. Then there is another nap for the master of the house, and again I hustle. (Just now I had to get Bobby out of the coal pile.) And now I grabbed him away from my garbage container in the kitchen. He was eating celery leaves. Now he is howling. When Walter gets home from school the fun begins for both Walter and Bobby. By the time our son is in bed for the night, Walter and I feel as if a tonic might set us up.

"Walter, as doubtless you know, is principalling and teaching at the North Side School in Falconer for the fifth year. He has a fine new school building this year.

"Walter saw Arthur France at the Schoolmaster's meeting in Mayville lately. And Willett Albrow and his lovely wife met us in Jamestown one Saturday lately. Lawrence Benson drops in here whenever he wants to—he claims it is a sort of a habit."

As a postscript, Mrs. Alexis added: "You and I have some unfinished business which perhaps we can take care of some future Hallowe'en if Professor Wright still harbors a cow."

(The alumni committee is not disclosing which member it was to whom this was written.)

The Star, Mrs. Alexis said in conclusion, is exceptionally good this year.

### Magdalene Murphy '35, Orrel York '34 Engaged

The engagement of Miss Magdalene Murphy ('35), and Orrel York ('34), was announced at a party in Wellsville, April 3. Mr. York is principal of the high school in Chester town, N. Y. Miss Murphy has been instructor of music in Bliss High School for the past two years. She has accepted the position of Music Supervisor in Chester town High School for next year.

The marriage will probably take place in June.

### Choir Meets Alumni And Other Friends of Ho'ton While on Tour

The following alumni and old students were seen by various members of the choir personnel during the recent tour.

At Endicott: Forrest Merrill, Grace Mersereau, Inez Hills, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Graham. In The Philadelphia area: Philip Anderson, Mrs. Clara Belle Lang and two children, Mildred and Lena Hunt, Theos Cronk, and Alvin Paine. In the Pittsburgh area: Pritchard Douglas, now research chemist for the Murphy Stores, Inc., Mr. and Mrs. Ray Perry, and George Neu. At Lansing: Carl and Mildred Vandenberg, Royal and Nora Woodhead, Florence Clissold, William and Charles Foster, Elizabeth and Dean Sellman, together with the members of the Wesleyan Church, who are vitally interested in Houghton, and Will Carpenter, son of E. D. Carpenter of Lacona. At Moody Memorial Church: Silas Bond, son of the late President Bond. At Buffalo the choir was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith, Rev. James A. Bain, Allen Smith, Eunice Brown and Rosaline Church-ill.

There were present many of the alumni and friends of the college whom we could not meet, and we are very glad they could be there.

### BLESSED EVENTS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Verne Dunham, (h.s. '34) of Cherry Creek, N. Y., a daughter, Vaughn DeEtte, on March 25. Mr. Dunham is pastor of the Baptist Church.

Born on March 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Mason Sherman of Marcellus, New York, a son, Roger Hale. Mrs. Sherman was Beatrice Hale of the high school class of '17.

Born on April 1 to Mr. and Mrs. H. Hugh Thomas of Ellington, New York ('30 and '29) a son, Homer Hugh III.

### Student Prayer Meeting

In students' prayer meeting Tuesday, April 13, Dr. Paine drew some beautiful thoughts from the Psalms. In the fortieth Psalm he found the description of our former condition and of our salvation. We were lost in an horrible pit from which there was no help from some outside source. The Lord heard our cry and brought us out and established our goings. Although we may not know all about the way we will be led, we now know that there is something solid under our feet and we know and can trust the Guide. Psalms 125:1 shows how safe we are if we trust in God, for we are like the impregnable Mount Zion.

*Stop the next freshman you see and order your copy of the 1937 LANTHORN.*

## RELIGIOUS WEEK

### Evangelical Student

### OUR NEW PASTOR



REV. E. W. BLACK

May the subject of this sketch be introduced to the reader by a portion of Scripture? It is Jeremiah 9:23, 24. Close under the signature of his name you will find invariably this Scriptural reference. While its message is carried to others it reveals the basic philosophy of the man himself.

Rev. E. W. Black, still on the sunny side of fifty as he characteristically puts it, is from the country of many distinguished ministers of the Gospel, the Southland. The Rev. and Mrs. Black are blessed people for they have seven children. "Blessed is the man who hath his quiver full of them!" The oldest son is the pastor of the W. M. Church in Concord, N. C.; while three children are practically through high school and one in college.

In the 1935-1936 edition of "Who's Who in the Clergy" will be found the name of Houghton's new pastor. He has served a number of the principal churches in the North Carolina Conference such as Gastonia, N. C.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Asheville, N. C.; Roanoke, Va.; and Kannapolis, N. C. The growth of these churches under Mr. Black's ministry attests to his ability as a pastor and preacher. His fidelity to the Scriptures and his zeal for the souls of men are testified to by the hosts of men and women throughout the church at large reached by his ministry to various churches, campmeetings and conventions. The warm spirit of camaraderie and good executive ability have played no small part in making him the efficient and much-demanded man of God that he is. He has occupied for years a number of the prominent offices in his conference, having been elected five times to General Conference.

Though deprived of collegiate training, he has as others made "full proof of his ministry" by faithful study and diligence. Besides his ministry in the pulpit he has written several monographs. Among these are the following: "Which Does the Bible Church Government or Come-outism"; "God's Financial Plan"; "The Storehouse Plan"; and "Where Are the Dead?"

The Rev. Mr. Black will assume his pastoral duties here in August following his own conference session. In the meantime the present pastor will continue to serve the church.

### Our Sunday Services

#### Easter Sermons

In his Easter morning sermon the Rev. Mr. Pitt preached from "Because I live, ye shall live also."

He said, "God is pleased to have us emphasize the power of Christ's blood, but he is not pleased to have us put all of the emphasis on that. His blood reconciled us to God, but his life saves us. If he is not living, there is no Christian life, for the secret of the Christian life is Christ living in man. Thus the resurrection of Christ is one of the great focal points of our faith."

"But God's investment in us is not for us to consume upon ourselves. Christ lives in us the life that he lived in his own body, causing us to share in his sorrows and his pains as well as in his joys. This one goal, Christ, is the only source of real satisfaction in life, and it is centered in the resurrection life."

#### April 4

"Are you looking for the coming of the Lord, or are you looking for the Lord who is coming?" was the thought-provoking question which the Rev. J. R. Pitt proposed to his congregation on April 4, in his sermon on "The People of God in the last Last Days." To those who center their interest on an event, the "blessed hope" becomes a matter of discussion, speculation, even contention, he pointed out, but to those who look for a Person, the "blessed hope" is a momentary experience.

In the evening, he continued the same subject, speaking on "Our Hope" which is Christ himself. He asked and answered a question which arises in many minds: "why do we not get our prayers answered as the disciples did? The answer was: are our lives lived in Christ as theirs were, or do we take for granted that things we do or say are all right without consulting the Lord about them?"

#### April 11

On April 11, the Rev. I. F. McLeister preached on the subject: "Holiness Meets Its Challenge", taking for his text I Thess. 5:1-25 "Love holiness" was the theme of the sermon. He mentioned God's love for holiness, Christ's love for holiness and his own love for holiness. "Holiness is the challenge of youth," he said. "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord."

In the evening Rev. George Osgood ('33), speaking from the text "Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you," (Jas. 4:8) pointed out that this is done through prayer and meditating on things spiritual. Christian experience," he said, "is like a well ever flowing."

#### A TEST OF CHARACTER

There is something finer than to do right against inclination; and that is something nobler than reluctant obedience; and that is joyful obedience. The rank of virtue is not measured by its disagreeableness, but by its sweetness to the heart that loves it. The real test of character is joy. For what you rejoice in, that you love. And what you love, that you are like.

—Henry Van Dyke

#### MONEY

A London newspaper offered a prize for the best definition of "money". Here is the prize-winner: "Money is an article which may be used as a universal passport to everywhere except heaven, and as a universal provider of everything except happiness."

—Wesleyan Methodist



## Senior Sages Take Volleyball Title in Win over Academy

The finale of the volleyball matinee melee saw a sizzling senior sextet outblast and dethrone the reigning academy array. By scores of 15-12 and 15-8, the "sages" emerged victorious in this playoff tourney to grab the championship laurels in the second annual class series in this increasingly popular sport.

Determined to maintain their titular supremacy the high school net-men struck quickly. Before five minutes had "gyrated by" the Sem six was enjoying a comfortable 7 point lead. Both teams seemed far from being in the pink of condition. The "Sages" managed to diverge from their phlegmatic and over-cautious style of play long enough to bear down and overcome their opponents imposing lead. Faced with the sudden reversal of circumstances the academy aggregation were attacked by a bad case of "jitteritis" and the collegians continued their point-getting activities to capture the opening tilt 15-12.

Between games a conference of the McCarty men restored their morale, and they reeled off five straight tallies. But this had little or no effect on the sturdy Sages, and they retaliated. The game progressed with the collegiate net-men creeping up, then passing their bewildered adversaries. A championship was in the offing and the Seminary youngsters were over-tense. As the senior score mounted to 10 the Academy squad blew up. The Sages coasted to victory and the 1937 title 15-8.

The strategic tactics of "Walt" Schogoleff, the cooperative, steady play of "Bob" Luckey and the retrieves of Foster and Smith featured for the winners.

### Portage Sunday School Has Party for Children

Fifty-four members of the Sunday School at Portage of which Miss Hillpot, Ann Schlegel, Harold Hull, Wesley Nussey have charge, met for a social last Friday evening in the schoolhouse at Portage. The activities of the evening consisted of games followed by light refreshments.

Miss Kartevold had charge of the devotions, and Harold Hull conducted the games. Miss Hillpot supervised the refreshments. Miss Kartevold quite gained the hearts of the little folks by means of the motion songs which she taught them.

The Sunday school, Miss Hillpot reports, is doing nicely. The attendance averages between 32 and 39 each Sunday.

### Executive Literary Board Nominations

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### Holiness Convention

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Dr. Iva D. Vennard, President of Chicago Evangelistic Institute, will conduct the devotional exercises on Education day, Thursday. Dr. Vennard is a noted student of prophecy.

Dr. C. W. Butler, President of the New John Fletcher College, will speak on "The Challenge of Holiness Education" on Thursday afternoon.

Dr. J. A. Huffman, Dean of the Divinity School at Taylor University, will lecture on Archaeology. Dr. Huffman is the author of numerous spiritual books.

There will be a Missionary Meeting on Saturday afternoon at which Rev. Lela G. McConnell, who founded a mission at Mt. Carmel, Kentucky, will report.

The association maintains a missionary society whose monthly publication is entitled "The Call to Prayer." Chief mission stations are in China and Africa.

John Paul Mackey, song evangelist is to have charge of the music for the convention. Local talent will assist him.

It was through the efforts of the late President Luckey that this convention was brought to Houghton. The invitation was extended through Professor Frank H. Wright at the 69th meeting of the association held at Cincinnati, Ohio.

The association seeks the promotion of scriptural holiness.

### Dairyman's League Banquet Held in Dining Hall

The Dairyman's League of Allegheny County held its seventh annual banquet in the Houghton College dining hall last Thursday evening. About 227 guests were served.

The toastmaster, Lloyd Robinson, introduced Prof. K. L. Turk of Cornell University who spoke of the work done in the field of cow testing at the state school. Mr. E. K. Eastman, editor of American Agriculturist, and Mr. Foster, head of the Farm Bureau in this county, also spoke.

Musical entertainment for the banquet was directed by Arlington Vischer. Richard Chamberlain played piano for the ensemble composed of Mr. Vischer, Miss Jeanette Frost, Mr. Charles Foster, Miss Barbara Cronk, Mr. James Buffon, and Mr. Harold Skinner.

Also included in the program were solos by Wayne Bedford, Ruth McMahon, and Clara Jane Linn. Mr. Chamberlain accompanied Mr. Bedford and Miss McMahon. Miss Alys Jane Holden accompanied Miss Linn.

### Gwen Blauvelt Gets Contract To Teach in Bliss

Miss Gwendolyn Blauvelt, the second music student of the class of 1837 to secure a teaching position for the coming year, signed a contract with Bliss High School, Bliss, N. Y., just before the spring vacation. She will instruct in rudiments of music, harmony, and history of music.

In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Miss Blauvelt will conduct a junior chorus, glee club, and the orchestra.

### VILLAGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Cronk attended revival services conducted by Malcom Cronk for Rev. David Rees in Elmira during the spring vacation. Mrs. Mary Lane Clark addressed the Travel group of the fortnightly Club of Hornell last Tuesday night. Her subject was Africa.

Mrs. Ruth Wilson celebrated her eightieth birthday April 11 at the home of Charles Burr. Two brothers from Castile were present.

Miss Ethel Van Cise spent several days in Washington, D. C. last week at the Cherry Blossom Festival.

### Lockport Conference Held

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encouragement by the Rev. Maurice Gibbs of Forestville. From Wednesday until Saturday business meetings were conducted each morning and afternoon. The evenings were given to preaching except Saturday which was devoted to the annual missionary service. A communion service was held on Wednesday afternoon, an Educational Service on Thursday morning, a Connectional service on Friday morning and a memorial service for the Rev. Francis Markell on Saturday morning.

Among those chosen to preach were: Rev. Maurice Gibbs of Forestville, Rev. Geo. Norman of Olean, Rev. Chas. Sicard of Hess Road, Rev. Noah Shaffer of Higgins, Rev. David Anderson of Bradford, Rev. E. L. Elliott, of Levant, and Rev. I. F. McLeister of Syracuse. Rev. A. A. Hickok of Ellicott was in charge of the communion service. The Rev. Mr. McLeister gave the Connectional address, and preached on Friday afternoon and Sunday morning.

The officers of the conference were changed but little. Rev. E. L. Elliott of Levant was elected president for the sixth consecutive year. Rev. A. J. Taylor of Cattaraugus is Vice President; Rev. J. R. Redstone of Driftwood, Sec'y; Rev. Walter Rea-dette, Ass't Sec'y; Rev. George Failing of Fillmore, Statistical Sec'y; Rev. Maurice Gibbs of Forestville, Tithing Sec'y; and Rev. George Osgood, Treas. Rev. E. L. Elliott is the representative of this conference on the Board of Managers of Houghton College. He was elected last year and will continue in office three years more.

Between fifty and seventy-five ministers and formally appointed delegates were present. Among them were several former students: Rev. and Mrs. Adrian Everts of the Allegheny Charge near Rushford (h.s.'34) and (ex. '38); Rev. and Mrs. George Osgood ('33) of East Leon; Rev. George Failing (ex '39) of Fillmore; Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Redstone (theol. '33) of Driftwood, Pa.; Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Gibbs ('11) and ('12) of Forestville, N.Y.; Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Elliott ('11) and ('11) of Levant, N.Y.; Mrs. Diana Ferns Wyntan ('23) of Lyndonville, N. Y.; Ruth Howard ('20) of Cattaraugus, N.Y.; Elmer Hudson ('23) of East Aurora, N. Y.; Alice Mosher (h.s. 27-28) of East Leon, N. Y.

The Conference, at the suggestion of Rev. Chas. Sicard of Hess Road took a definite stand against the proposal of President Franklin D. Roosevelt to change the personnel of the Supreme Court. A resolution was ordered sent to Senators Copeland and Wagner to uphold the Constitution of the United States and to oppose any change in the Court.

The Conference will meet at Fillmore in 1938 on Wednesday, the second week in April. The Conference will thus be shortened one day.

### Educational Service

The Educational Service of the annual session of the Lockport Conference was held Thursday morning under the supervision of the Vice-President of the College, H.L. Fancher. After prayer offered by Rev. I. F. McLeister, President of the Board of Trustees, Professor Fancher presented to the conference Professor F. H. Wright, Head of the Theological Department, who spoke concerning the spiritual interests of the College, and of the development of the new work leading to the B. D. degree.

Dean Paine then told of the scholastic gains during the past year—of recognition given to the choir and the success of the debate teams, as well as the advanced standing given to Houghton among Colleges and Universities of high rank.

After a vocal number, pleasingly

rendered by Olson Clark, Miss Frieda Gillette, speaking on financial matters, told how God often had brought to the College definite help in answer to prayer. She urged that the Conference endeavor to erect as a memorial to President Luckey, the continuance of a fully paid budget.

A desire for continued co-operation between the members of the Conference and Houghton College seemed to be the dominant note of the service.

### Missionary Conference

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Lockport Conference met for their annual session at the time of the regular conference. Upon the resignation of Mrs. H. C. Bullock, who has held the office of president for a number of years, Mrs. George Osgood of East Leon was elected to the office. Mrs. George Norman of Olean was chosen secretary.

Business meetings were held at various times during the afternoon and early evenings from Wednesday until Saturday. On Saturday evening, the Africa demonstration was given and also missionary addresses by Mrs. Opal Lenore Gibbs and Miss Ione Driscall.

The missionary supported by this conference is Rev. Price Stark, recently returned to Africa. Pledges were taken on Saturday evening for his support.

### Missionary Address

The feature of the Conference which attracted the most interest and leaves the most lasting impression because it was visual was the missionary demonstration of the African mission stations, given in the recently completed basement.

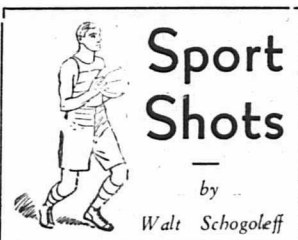
Those attending were divided into groups of twelve and assigned to guides who, after giving a brief geographical survey of the mission stations of the Sierra Leone district, transported their charges into dark-est Africa.

Leaving the railroad station at Makeni, the travelers visited the four major mission centers: the Kamabai girls' school, the Binkola boys' school, the Clarke Memorial Biblical Seminary and the Kamakwie medical headquarters. These stations were in reality rooms in the basement, equipped to represent the stations. At each station were persons representing the missionaries: Kamabai, Miss Driscall and Mrs. Neighbor; Binkola, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Fancher; Clarke Memorial Biblical Seminary, Prof. and Mrs. C. A. Ries; Kamakwie, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Paine; translators, Gerald Beach and Warren Woolsey. Those representing the natives as students at the schools or as patients in the hospital were: Mrs. Chas. Slade, Gwendolyn Fancher, Margaret Fancher, Priscilla Ries, Joan McKinney, Alice Wright. The guides were: Esther Fancher, Margaret Wright, Victor Murphy, Jack Crandall.

The native costumes, the native properties, and the efficiency with which each carried out his part gave the affair an aspect of reality.

### Missionary Service

Mrs. Opal Gibbs ('12) returned missionary from Japan and Eastern Organizer of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, appealed for consistent and continuous interest in bringing souls to Christ. "Do you wonder why people don't come to the altar at revival meeting time?" she asked and answered it with another question: "Did you do anything to try to win them when revival meetings were not on?" If we are seeking the souls of men in 'Jerusalem' she said, "the foreign work will prosper. Some of us spend more time preparing a program and seeing that it goes well than in trying



Old man winter had to take a back seat as fair damsel spring was heralded on the campus with a medley of outdoor activity. The sun had been obliging enough to remove all vestige of snow and encouraged workers to prepare the athletic field for the spring program. Upon surveying the situation, "Tex" decided that foreman Halsted and the gym force could do with some help. Consequently the freshman gym class performed the necessary manicuring of the campus. Now that the track, baseball diamond, and tennis courts are in conditioning process, the athletes co-operate in keeping the ground in the best possible condition.

Since the spring term is so short, practice for the track meet, baseball series, and tennis tournament should be started as soon as possible. However, a word of warning should be given to over-zealous athletes to start in slowly. Many a promising track star has ruined his chances by straining a muscle or tearing a ligament. It would be a good idea to see "Tex" and prepare for the event systematically. Some of the baseball men had better be careful and not burn them in too fast. Too much steam now will likely result in a glass arm. Don't aggravate Charlie Horse.

This year the final track meet on Track and Field day will be preceded by two warm-up meets. Anyone who wishes to participate in any of the events should register with the captain of their team. These preliminary meets will not only make Track and Field day more interesting because of the improvement in the participants, but will also be of value to the contestants and keep out those who have not adequately prepared. The Star last year campaigned for this change in a series of editorials written by "Andy".

A twilight softball series will be introduced this spring. Ther will be two teams—the frosh and juniors in one, and the sophs and seniors in the other. The games will occur after dinner.

to win to Christ the little boy or girl next door."

Ione Driscall ('27) furloughed missionary from Africa, gave a number of prayer requests, particularly for the native Christians, and for more native workers. "Would God open doors," she asked, "when He has no one to send?"

### Dr. J. S. Luckey

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the entrance of the family.

Rev. J. R. Pitt, pastor of Houghton Church and personal friend of President Luckey, conducted the funeral service and preached a Spirit-inspired sermon. He was preceded by fitting tributes from Dr. I. F. McLeister, President of the Board of Trustees of Houghton College, Mr. Mark Bedford, president of the college class of '25 and representative of the alumni of the school, and Rev. E. G. Dietrich, member of the Wesleyan Methodist Book Committee and of the college Executive Board. Details of the service will be given in the memorial issue of the STAR.

Interment was made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Houghton.

Don't forget to order your '37 BOULDER!