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Three Young Artists Will Appear in Joint Recital

Josephine Antoine, Soprano; Kurt Brownell, Tenor; Mary Kalayjian, Pianist will appear on Artist Series January 17

These young musicians will give a unique musical treat to the Houghton audience in their joint recital. Their program will include famous duets for soprano and tenor. The brilliant careers of these musicians attest their excellent musicianship.

Prominent musicians are watching the career of the young soprano, Josephine Antoine, with keen interest, and so far their prognostications for success have been justified. Miss Antoine is a native of Boulder, Col., where she had her early musical training. She is a graduate of the University of Colorado, and, while she was working for a Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Literature, she was studying singing with Alexander Grant. She put herself through music in college by giving piano lessons, which fact attests to her excellent musicianship.

Her first public appearance was in the Colorado Chautauqua series where she sang with the well known harpist, Albert Salvi. Two years later (1929), Miss Antoine won the Atwater Kent Scholarship, competing in Colorado, in Texas, and finally in New York. This was followed by study with Mme. Marcella Sembrich at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, and later at the Juilliard Graduate School in New York. Miss Antoine has just received for next year the Juilliard Scholarship for the fourth time.

Miss Antoine's first experience in opera was at the Juilliard when she appeared in 1932 in Pergolesi's "La Serva Padrona" and Flotow's "Martha." This past season she appeared in the revival of Handel's opera Xerxes and had the distinction of appearing at the performance of Cimarosa's "The Secret Marriage" which opened the Chamber Music Festival in the Library of Congress, Washington D. C., under the direction of Albert Stoessel, April 3. Another important engagement was that of soprano soloist in the annual performance at Carnegie Hall of the Messiah by the Oratorio Society of New York, of which Albert Stoessel is conductor.

Miss Antoine was soloist last season in two concerts of the New York University Glee Club under the direction of Prof. Albert Greenfield in New York, and one at Richmond Hill. She also appeared in many cities in concert.

As a radio artist, Miss Antoine had much success in five broadcasts over Station WJZ. On May 6 she sang with the Bamberger's Little Symphony under the direction of Philip James over WOR, a song which A. Walter Kramer wrote for Lily Pons.

Miss Antoine was heard with great success in the Cimarosa opera at the Worcester Festival in October.



BROWNELL and KALAYJIAN

Kurt Brownell has always been a singer. Born in a suburb of Chicago, his vocal abilities brought him—a curly red-headed youngster—to St. Peter's Church as soloist while he was still a boy soprano.

With such a beginning, it is not surprising that Kurt Brownell, after years of study with the great artist-teachers of this country and Europe, should occupy a prominent place in the ranks of the singers of today.

In 1931, Brownell won the coveted Walter Naumberg Prize. As a result of this, he made his New York debut in Town Hall, and was enthusiastically acclaimed by the critics.

He was engaged as leading tenor of the New York Opera Comique, and his immediate success in many roles caused him to be chosen by Werner Josten for the unique honor of creating the role of Grimwald in the American Premiere of Handel's "Rodelinda."

Kurt Brownell is an artist singularly endowed, not only with a voice of rare beauty, but with a style and personality that inspired one critic to write, "When McCormack and Gigli are memories, the music world will be acclaiming Brownell!"

Dark, dynamic and petite, Marion Kalayjian presides over the piano, not at the piano. Born in a small village in South Dakota, of an Armenian father, and a Norwegian-American mother, she showed signs of musical genius at the age of two. Five years later she gave her first concert and since that time has been constantly before the public.

She graduated from the Juilliard School of Music in 1929, after three

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Starks Appreciate Column

Please tell those who are responsible for the Alumni Column that we think it just the thing. We look eagerly each time to find out who will have written in that issue.

Helen Stark

Class Debate Lead by Sophomores

"Resolved: That Houghton College should sponsor a system of intercollegiate athletics."

Starting the debate "tournament" the Sophomore team defeated the Freshman team, 3-0, Wednesday morning on the question; "Resolved: That Houghton College should sponsor a system of intercollegiate athletics."

Marian Whitbeck and Harold Boon spoke for the Sophomores, and the Freshmen were represented by Tim Butterfield and Merritt Queen. The debate was the first of a series sponsored by the Houghton Forensic Union, and a large silver loving cup will be presented to the team winning the series.

Speaking on the side of popular sentiment, Miss Whitbeck and Mr. Boon had little trouble in building a strong case, logically. Very few of the points offered by them were refuted, in the opinion of the three judges who gave a unanimous decision for the affirmative.

The case, as presented, for the affirmative, held two main points: first, such a program would benefit the students, by creating school spirit and at the same time removing the social division resulting from the system used at the present; it would broaden the social influence and be of definite recreational value. The second point contended that the College would benefit, from the advertising received from increased Alumni interest and further consequent development of the college educational program.

The negative side attempted to prove other points rather than refuting those made by the opposition. Such a program was labelled "financially impossible," because initial cost and upkeep would be prohibitive. Revenue would be insufficient for continuation and incidentals of insurance, transportation and coaching would be left as a further burden to an already staggering institution.

Two speeches and one rebuttal was allowed from each team. One of the subsequent incidental happenings provoked the audience to some mirthful enjoyment. A canine visitor became sufficiently enthused during the course of the debate that he so far forgot his surroundings as to traverse the center aisle, vociferously ejaculating keen pleasure and appreciation.

CARD OF THANKS

Through the STAR I wish to express my great appreciation to the faculty, students, and townspeople, whose many acts and words of sympathy did so much to help me through the sad days of my mother's illness and home-going.

M. Belle Mose

It is not doing the things we like to do, but liking the things we have to do, that makes life blessed.

—Goethe.

Purple Girls Eke Out Last Minute Win 20-18

Captain Hall of the Gold Was High Scorer with 10 Points

Purple Boys Swamp Gold Team 49-23

Acting as Captain in Bob Rork's absence, Bill guided the Purple team to an easy and decisive victory in the Series opener. Orrell York was high scorer with 12 points and Bill followed with 11. The first quarter was productive of real basketball and close playing. Each team played fast and checked closely and accurately for it was three and a half minutes before Willie Mein could sink the first basket of the series. Charlie Benjamin kept the Gold in the running and Cronk put them ahead as he got away from Dick Farnsworth but the Purple had command of things and led at the whistle 8-6.

McCarty replaced Zahny for the Purple and then things began to move. Assuming a pivot position Clair faked and passed with such speed that both teams were dazzled until York got the ball a couple of times and uncoiled himself for a couple of short shots. Gannon had to leave the game at this point and was replaced by Spence Moon. The Purple speeded up and ran way ahead so that at half time the score stood 23-8.

Nelson and Morrison replaced York and R. Farnsworth to start off the second half for the Purple, while Stamp began scoring for the Gold. Both teams played ragged in the first part of this half with the Gold scoring quite a bit. As the period drew to a close however the Purple went on a scoring spree with Bill Mein starting. The score at the end of the quarter stood 37-16 for the Purple.

In the last period the Purple shifted back to the best line-up of Bill, Dick, Clair, Orrell, and Bill Mein

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Cronk and King Present Sonata Recital

A very interesting recital of sonatas for violin and piano was presented Monday evening, December 18 by Professor J. Stanley King and Professor Alton M. Cronk.

The program consisting of:
Sonata, E Minor Veracini
Sonata, A Major Brahms
Sonata, E Flat Major Mozart
was very well received by the audience. This reception was especially marked as it was the first recital of its nature to be presented in Houghton.

At some time during their musical careers, all great composers, interested in chamber music, wrote piano and violin sonatas. The distinguishing feature of these compositions is that both instruments have solo parts.

Deets Frank led her Purple squad to victory in the last period of the first series game Friday evening in what proved to be a neck and neck race until the last seconds of play. The Purple team came from behind where they had trailed the entire three quarters and forged ahead to win the game in the last minute.

As the game started off in the first quarter Myers made the first point on a foul shot but the Gold soon took the lead when Vera dropped in the first deuce of the game. This started a fast quarter which featured neat passwork on the part of Hall, Donley and Green for the Gold. The Purple were unlucky on their shots while the Gold made theirs count, so that with Hall and Donley clicking as never before the quarter ended 9-5 for the Gold.

Very much the same play started off the second period, for the Gold passed through and around a Purple team that acted stunned. They were getting the tip off, but couldn't make it work for points. As the quarter drew to a close the Purple spurted up, however, and, with a couple foul points and a basket or two from Babcock who managed to get loose from Swetland who had her entirely snowed under before, closed up the gap and the score at half time read 14-12.

To start off the second half Babcock went in at center but it did no good, for the Gold repeatedly boxed her up although they were forced to foul to keep the Purple in check. Captain Hall had the ball most of the time and ran wild with it but was unable to sink her long shots, as was also the case with Babcock who shot long ones, being unable to get near the basket. At this point Ratcliffe replaced Bever and went to forward position in an effort to increase the Purple's scoring ability. The quarter ended, however, 16-14 in favor of the Gold.

Babcock featured in the last quarter to net two from over her head which tied the score and put the Purple ahead while Myers added another. The Gold stayed in there nevertheless and were only one basket behind when with 10 seconds to go Hall and Donley took the ball up to their basket. Vera shot once, twice, and three times, but each time the ball dropped back, and then the whistle blew and the Purple won 20-18. What a game and what a series this Girls' series ought to be!

Purple	Gold
2 Frank	Hall 10
8 Babcock	Donley 6
0 Sheffer	Green 2
1 Bever	Underwood 0
0 Ratcliff	Swetland 0
9 Myers	
20	Totals 18

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Editorial

We have heard some discussion of a joint-post office on the hill. Some of the ideas expressed are: a joint post-office department; a box-system managed by the school, providing part time work for a student; and a lock-box system. The location of such a dispensary has moved from the book-store to the main hall and to the business office.

We see points in favor and in opposition to such plans, but should like to suggest a plan of our own. A box-system in the main hall could be had very easily, because there is a pigeon-hole rack about the school building. It was formerly used for faculty mail. This could be used for Librarian's notices, faculty notices to individual students, Dean's notices, office notices, formal invitations as Junior-Senior banquet, mail for students coming in general delivery for the college; and anyone wishing to get personal mail this way might have it brought up with the college mail and sorted at the business office.

Individual boxes would not be needed but the boxes could be labeled alphabetically. This plan is used in other colleges and seems to work satisfactorily.

New resolutions are now mostly broken.
Everyone makes them, only to break them again.
We didn't expect to keep them when we made them.
Yet there is a good idea behind it all.
Each resolution bespeaks the desire of one to improve.
After each unconscious refraction
Resolve to win by will over habit and fancy.

If we were like Will Rogers and knew only what we read in the newspapers, we would be entirely ignorant of some things. (But if we were like Will Rogers we would be writing for bigger papers and getting well paid for it too.) One thing, which we think of now, we would not like to hear only thru the papers, anyway. If that were the only medium, we would indeed be ignorant. But, in the halls and about the campus we hear about the band. And it is almost all favorable. Everyone enjoys it at the basket ball games and it has been a real help whenever it has been given the opportunity. We would like to announce right here that Houghton has a real band which is worthy to represent us and to state our appreciation of the work that Mr. Rhoades is doing in that organization. We hear that some new music is forth coming, originating with members of the band. We offer our heartiest co-operation and encouragement.

Boys' Game
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and had possession of the ball most of the time. They passed the ball for many minutes without attempting to shoot and then let up, and the Gold added a few scores.
Purple Gold
11 W. Farnsworth Benjamin 8

0 Zahniser	Cronk 5
10 McCarty	Stamp 2
12 York	Gannon 6
0 Morrison	Moon 0
0 K. Farnsworth	Burns 2
8 Nelson	
8 Mein	
49	Totals 23

Faculty Hears Students' Plea

Proposition demanded by student opinion, discussed by student committee and faculty.

A new epoch was marked in student government history on December 13, 1933 when the student council committee brought the request that the Boulder subscriptions be included in the student activity fee, in the first conference of faculty and representative students in the history of the school. A long established precedent was broken when the question was discussed by faculty and the student committee in a regular faculty meeting.

The vote taken later by the faculty decided against including the subscription next semester, but it is believed the body is favorable to including it next year. It was intimated that it would be done with a revision of the subjects now covered by the fee. The argument against including the subscription next semester is that it is not ethical or legal to add to the fee after it has been advertised as a certain amount.

The privilege of a student committee convening with the faculty was granted by the faculty at a request from the student council several weeks ago. It is believed that this committee will be able to explain student views and opinions on changes demanded by the consensus of student opinion, and in this way a better understanding of faculty views will be secured.

The committee which may be reasonably enlarged, now consists of three members from the student council: Winona Carter, Paul Allen, and Alton Shea. The student council has requested them to take the question of the girls' wearing stockings during athletic contests to the faculty this week.

CHAPEL MARCHING

Marching out from chapel leaves something to be desired, both on the part of the spectators, and on that of the marchers. It must be somewhat discomforting on the part of one side or the other to have the opposite group a half line, a full line, or possibly two ahead. This fault can be very easily remedied, simply by going back to methods of a few years ago. When the number in the two converging lines is not equal why should not those at the end double up, thus marching two abreast? This can be accomplished by one waiting a moment for the person directly behind him.

Such an arrangement would be more expeditious, and present a better appearance.

Professor Ries Takes Inventory of World Affairs

In the first chapel service of 1934—Wednesday, January 3,—Professor Ries gave a discourse, which was the result of an inventory of world affairs.

The world realizes that something of tremendous moment is pending. Social, political, and religious affairs all point to a change. What will it be?

Prof. Ries gave Bible references in connection with national and world events, proving that prophecy is being fulfilled continually.

Evangelical Student

Christmas is over and our memories of it suggest a few thoughts which we may carry with us through the year.

As we recall the familiar story of the truce that was made on Christmas Day during the World War when two opposing armies dropped their weapons and, though not able to speak the same language, came together in the space that separated them to spend the day in friendly games, we are touched with the beauty of the Christmas Spirit. Yet this is not the only truce that Christmas Day has brought about; there are doubtless hundreds of truces every year. People decide to forget the meanness of other people and thereby, perhaps unconsciously, become bigger themselves. Did you notice how the wreaths changed peoples' dispositions and the snow lighted up their faces as the greeted each other on Christmas morning? It almost seemed as if the angels had come again to gladden our spirits with the "good tidings of great joy."

A lovely spirit to express on Christ's day? Of course, and one easy to express, too—on Christmas Day. Still, Christmas, by the nature of its name alone, is not a day for truces; truces savor of continued war and had the Spirit of the Author of the day prevailed throughout the world during that Christmas season nearly two decade ago, the World War would have abruptly ended then.

So then let us retain this Spirit of joy and of peace through the new year, and turn our truces into never-ending treaties by partaking of the love which Bethlehem's Babe has taught us. If we do otherwise, we scorn that Spirit that we are so willing to accept as noble on Christmas day.

We may talk as much as we please about goodness; the fact remains that morality without Christ is only a dead reckoning as evidenced by the fact that the rich young ruler who came to Jesus, as recorded in Mark 10, was morally perfect, but Jesus said unto him, "One thing thou lackest." Some times one thing means everything.

What was the one thing which the young man lacked? He had kept all the law—more than most of us can say—yet he lacked "one thing."

Surely it was not eagerness or earnestness, for he ran to Jesus asking "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" It was not reverence, for he knelt down before Jesus and called Him "Good Master." This was real reverence and humility for him a Jew, to be kneeling before another, for he was accustomed to having others kneel before him; and here he was on his knees before the poor Man from Galilee, Jesus of Nazareth.

What, then, did he lack? He called Jesus "Good Master." Jesus said, "Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, that is God." Why did Jesus answer the young man in such a manner? Was it a reproof for his salutation? No! Jesus seized upon the point to open the whole question of salvation. He said, in substance, "You call me good; very well, if I am good, then I am God, for only God is good. You call me Master; very well, then if I am your Master, you must surrender all to me, yourself and all you have, and come and follow me."

It was too much. The young man was silent. By his silence he refused

to affirm what Jesus said. He refused to acknowledge Christ as God and as Master; and he refused to surrender all and take up his cross and follow Him.

He had morality of the best sort, but he lacked Christ. He lacked Christ because he refused to acknowledge Him as God and, second, as Master of his life and possessions.

Unless you and I recognize our need of Jesus Christ to satisfy that need, our righteousness is but "filthy rags" in God's sight.

A New Leaf

He came to my desk with a quivering lip—

The lesson was done—
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he said,

"I have spoiled this one."
In place of the leaf all stained and blotted,

I gave him a new one, all unspotted.
And into his sad eyes smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering soul—

The old year was done—
"Dear Father, hast Thou a new leaf for me?"

I have spoiled this one."
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,

And gave me a new one, all unspotted
And into my sad heart smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

—Kathleen R. Wheeler

Houghton No Dull Place During Holidays

With thirty men working on the new CWA project on the campus and about the same number in the village, the printing shop going at full speed, the business office staff at work as usual, and the few remaining students busy at various jobs. Houghton was not unusually depressed during the Christmas recess. In fact, according to those who either live in town or remained here, the place was fairly lively.

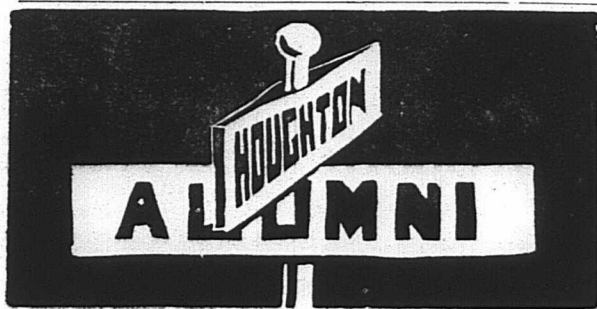
Lowell Crapo, Barnard Howe, Jack Reed, and Alex Spooner remained in Houghton. Evangeline Clarke and her friend, Mr. Banta, were here during the vacation from Boston, where they both are attending school. Mr. Banta is a resident of California.

Professors Frank and Stanley Wright cut their usual supply of stove wood. Malcolm Cronk visited Princeton, Philadelphia, and New York City. Prof. Cronk and Orrell York spent some time at the post office each day anxiously awaiting the mail bags to arrive. Kenneth Wright, Bob Luckey, and Gordon Clark spoke at a Watch Night Service in Higgins Sunday evening. On Tuesday, the day before school opened, Clark visited Franklinville.

Thus, on the whole, Houghton was a busy place. With the return of the student body comes the return of the usual events connected with school life.

POTTER-MASKER

Mr. and Mrs. Ora J. Masker of Paterson, New Jersey, are spending their honeymoon in Florida. Mrs. Masker, who was formerly Miss Rena Potter, Houghton, '32, will be remembered by many of the students. The wedding took place the twenty-sixth of December, last. Mr. and Mrs. Masker have the good wishes and congratulations of the student body.



Florence Kelley Visits Venice Italy

Our American party of twelve neared the Italian border after hours of riding through the gorgeous mountain scenery of Austria. On board the well-filled express from Vienna was an international group speaking various languages, but a jolly crowd that already were on friendly terms. A gay, fair-haired Austrian gravely declared to an American girl watching the landscape from the same window that the only English he knew was "Patty cake, patty cake, Baker's man."

Soon a vivacious Viennese woman joined in the conversation and contributed much to its progress for she spoke German, French, English and Italian. The young woman was on her way to Venice for a two days' sojourn. She planned to spend some months in Rome, refreshing her knowledge of the Italian language. A young Italian airman who spoke some English was among the crowd and others equally interesting. National barriers had temporarily broken down.

Shortly before nightfall, our eagerness to see Italy was rewarded by a glimpse of short sturdy figures in olive green uniforms. Then came the hour at the customs where passports were scrutinized, luggage hurriedly unlocked and Austrian shillings exchanged for lire and centesimi. We were without question in a different country. Old grey stone houses, often dilapidated dotted the mountain sides that almost immediately became barren and treeless in sharp contrast to the verdant forest-clad ranges of Austria and before we reached Venice the mountains decreased in height to the vanishing point.

About ten o'clock the evening of August 8, we piled our baggage on the station platform at the outskirts of that ancient city and waited while two black gondolas drew up beside the platform to take us aboard.

That first evening under a glamorous full moon, along the Grand Canal, was one of thrills. We were actually in Venice, the long-dreamed-of city of romance. Sounds of gay laughter and song came to our ears across the waters. Another party of Americans glided by; we were tempted to hail them as fellow-countrymen. On our left were the houses made famous by the occupancy of Browning and Byron. Further on the right we passed the city market. From the Grand Canal the gondolier guided our craft noiselessly and skillfully into one of the 122 narrow street canals of Venice. There we turned sharp corners in and out among the water streets, momentarily expecting to ram the side of a passing gondola. But no, we had underestimated the skill of a true gondolier. Whenever he reached a sharp turn he let out a loud call of warning. Standing at the back of the gondola, he steered us through the narrow waters, past other boats with such assured unconcern that we quickly learned to feel safe in his hands. We passed

under bridges, the most famous being the Bridge of Sighs. Shortly afterward we found ourselves by an open door. We had reached our headquarters, the Pensione Minerva.

In the morning we visited a glass factory watching men working with the molten masses and furthermore viewing the display of beautiful expensive sets of glassware in various colors and artistic designs. Venice is world famous for unusual skill in glass work. We next visit a lace factory where girls sit bent over all day making the finest kind of laces and linen embroidery for which Venice is also famous.

We were now in St. Mark's Square, then center of Venetian life and pride. As we looked across the wide open space dotted with human figures, we were surprised to see hundreds of grey pigeons flying lazily above and alighting in flocks on the arms and shoulders of anyone who would feed them.

Across one end of the square extends the colorful front of St. Mark's, with its five domes rising in air, its rich mosaics, and with four bronze horses above the main entrance. This is the only complete set of antique bronze horses in existence. They were made by a Greek sculptor of the third century B. C. and each weighs a ton. The Fourth Crusaders after sacking the city of Constantinople, brought them with other spoils to Venice, when the French troops under Napoleon invaded Venice they carried the horses to Paris, which several years later returned them. Again during the World War they were in danger and were hurriedly sent to Rome, at the time the Venetians covered the front of St. Marks with sand bags lest its beauty be destroyed by Austrian guns. Thus St. Mark's is wrapped up with the history of the city. Built of brick in the 9th century, it was later faced with marble and adorned with treasures brought from various ancient nations. Like much of Venice, the foundation of the cathedral was made of oak piles driven into the water. But as they had not yet petrified, the floor has always been uneven and the edifice is in frequent need of repair. Only recently a section of the left side was opened again to the public after having been closed several years for repairs. Now the right aisle is being scaffolded.

We had been warned that women must wear hats and long sleeves to enter an Italian church but our guide forgot to mention that socks weren't acceptable substitutes for hosiery hence we had difficulty in getting two of our girls past the inspection and when inside the building they saw someone eyeing them, they hastily retreated to the center of our group affording considerable amusement to the rest of us.

In the left foreground of the cathedral rises the tall clock tower and opposite it, the brick campanile or bell tower which chimes at certain hours of the day. Around the square, facing the cathedral, the long buildings are filled with alluring little

shops on the main floor.

In the late afternoon or evening large colorful umbrellas lure one to sit at the tiny tables beneath and while waiters bring drinks and delectables to tempt the appetite, nearby an orchestra completes the most romantic of settings. Along the Grand Canal are the wine gardens where the mild breezes from the waters, the moonlight above and the slow-gliding boats awaken the slumbering poet in us all.

One forenoon we climbed the golden Stairway of the Doges Palace, an extending from St. Mark's to the Grand Canal. Once the seat of government of the Venetian Republic, it is now a museum. Many rooms contain large wall paintings by Titian and Tintoretta and some are filled with military relics from the Middle Ages.

Another day we wandered into the old part of the city among the narrow, smelly streets. We were on our way to the Rialto Bridge led by memories of Shylock. We were disappointed, however, to learn that the bridge was not built until fifty years or more after Shakespeare's play was written. But it was in the Rialto district and among the shops that line both sides of the bridge are to be seen noisy natives haggling with the merchants over their prices, doubtless much as in the days of Shylock.

Decaying Venice is stepped in imposing building in a soft tan color. Memories of the past and holds many a thrill for the student of history and the lover of art. With regret we left her, longing to return some future day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Shipman are to be congratulated on the birth of a son, Joseph Carlton, Jr. "Joe", Sr., is a member of the class of 1933.

At the home of the bride's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Pitt, Winnifred M. Tyler became the bride of Edward F. Glor on December 28, 1933. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Pitt. Mr. and Mrs. Glor will reside at Alexander, N. Y.

Miss Ruth Luckey, who teaches at Utica, N. Y. visited her parents, President and Mrs. J. S. Luckey over the holidays.

Mr. Theos Cronk was home from Westminster Choir School, Princeton, N. J., for a few days at Christmas time.

Miss Frances Zimmerman recently returned to Saulte Sainte Marie, Mich. She has been caring for her sister. Mrs. Paul Steese and son Peter Beckler.

Miss Evangeline Clarke and Mr. Dean F. Banta, who are attending Gordon Theological College at Boston, Mass., visited Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke during their holiday vacation.

ARTIST SERIES

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years as a Fellowship pupil of the great pianist, Josef Lhevinne.

Later in Paris where she was studying with Isidore Philipp, Marian Kalayjian won the Fontainebleau Premiere Prize, her Paris debut, and another year's study on the continent.

Since her return to the United States she has had several extensive tours.

The beauty and brilliance of her playing, combined with an attitude of having discovered some joyous and beautiful thing which she wishes to share with her listeners, captivates critics and audiences alike.

An Open Letter

12 Howard Street,
Wellsville, N. Y.
December 17, 1933.

"Houghton Star",
Houghton, N. Y.

My Dear Friends,—

Born at Tullar Maternity Hospital, Wellsville, last Wednesday morning, December 13, '33, a daughter Phyllis Jeannette, to Mr. and Mrs. Orville Knox of Wellsville. Weight—6 lbs, 15 oz. Her mother's name was Marie Dudley, before her marriage to Mr. Knox.

I would like to suggest and request through the columns of the "Star", a shower of cards for both Orville and Marie, anything appropriate: Christmas cards, or otherwise. Orville is in Jones Memorial Hospital; has been since June 20, except for four weeks of the time.

Your friend, and one of the old students,

(Mrs.) Mary Dudley

Editors Note: Mrs. Dudley states that Mr. Knox is suffering from tuberculosis which was contracted from over work in the oil refinery. She requests prayers of the friends. We regret that there was not room to print the entire letter.

THIS HASN'T GOT ANY NAME

When with voice untrained and squeaky, you sing that sweet refrain, "Gid-dap Napoleon, It Looks Like Rain,"—when with fingers stiff and clumsy, you strum the old guitar, or with conscience drilled and ready you shun a rank cigar, when you dress immaculately, and get your lessons well, or gain the tender glances of the town's most honored belle, you sort of figure then and there—"I sure am full of pep. I'm 'bout the most important guy that ever lived." And yet you haven't done a single thing to help some other bird. You haven't even cheered him up with an inexpensive word. With all your profound learning, how much better it would be if you would step into the limelight, so that all your friends might see the value of your character, the brightness of your rep., and if deep within your nature you have any source of pep! Now the season is upon us when we turn to basketball. Are you ready to respond, friend when you hear the captain's call? Will you boost our sporting standard, will you give us of your best? Will you pledge to never fail us in any crucial test? If you will, old man, we're with you. You're starting in the right. Get your battle-gear and armour, and let's enter into FIGHT.

—Virg. Hussey, '27

"What's in a Name?"

Tuesday morning, January 9, Prof. Douglas gave a very clever chapel talk in which he disclosed the hidden meanings of names, some of which hit pretty close home.

He said that many foreign families coming to the United States took the English meaning of their name, rather than keeping their own. Other names have arrived at their present form in a more roundabout way by omitting a letter here and there and tacking one on in its place.

However, after all is said and done there are several names prominent on our campus that cause no little wondering as to their origin.

Orchestra Gives Concert at Rushford

The College Orchestra presented a program of varied music, Wednesday evening, January 10, in the Rushford High School auditorium.

The musicians and their presentations were well received by the fair-sized audience gathered.

The program consisted of:
Overture, "The Merry Wives of Windsor" — Nicolai
Selections from Martha Von Flotow
Trombone Solo, "Spirit of Joy"

Harold Korff — Smith

Vocal Solos—

"Calm as the Night" — Bohm

"Who Is Sylvia" — Schubert

Orven Hess

String Quartet—

Allegro con brio from Quartet opus

54, No. 1. — Haydn

Prof. J. Stanley King, First Violin

Ivone Wright, Second Violin

Richard Rhoades, Viola

Harold Elliott, Cello.

Selections from "Carmen" — Bizet

a. March of the Smugglers

b. Toreador's Song

c. Habanera

d. Gypsy Dance.

— H C —

Prexy Gives Second Talk on "Formation of Man"

On Thursday morning, January 4, President Luckey gave the second in a series of talks on "The Formation of Man." This talk, however, was given in a somewhat different style than the first. President Luckey called on various members of the student body to give the answers in a review of his first talk. As he gave his second talk he also asked the students' opinions, occasionally referring to a faculty member.

The second talk closely followed the first. Conversion is a thing of transcendent value because it is important that a person get into those relations of life that God intended him to have from the beginning.

A few minutes were spent in talking about God and what is meant by the words "in His own image", found in Genesis. It was decided that God gave the first created human beings the same spiritual attributes as He Himself possessed. By these they were able to distinguish between right and wrong. After they sinned the Spirit of God departed from their hearts. This left them with depraved hearts or uncontrolled by the Holy Spirit.

— H C —

PIANO RECITAL

Monday, January 9th, five students of Miss Hillpot, and Professor Kreckman, gave a piano recital at 3:30 p.m. The following is the program:

Grace Mersereau—"Largo" by Handel.

Lois York—"A Fairy Dream" by W. E. Haesche.

Barbara Cronk—1st Movement of "Moonlight Sonata" by Beethoven.

Ruth Wright—"First Waltz in E Flat" by Durand.

Armeda Bullock—"Gondolieri" by Nevin.

The first four rendered a quartet number entitled "Lustpiel Overture" by Hiler Bels. With this the program was concluded.

This was a very good recital and we hope to hear again from these people.

Squirrel Food

Cracked by Two Nuts

Where are the tales of Sherlock Holmes?
And where's the "Scarlet Letter" now?
Where are those precious calf-bound tomes?
And e'en those bound in cheapest cow?
Where's Omai's song of verse and bough?
Or Raffles' yarn of midnight pelf?
Where's Smithkin's "Essay on the Plough?"
All vanished from the Open Shelf!

Pray tell me, too, where Pickwick roams?
And where's the Bacon-Shakespeare row?
And Mister Stoddard's foreign domes?
And L. J. Libbey's "Broken Vow?"
Where's "Down the Danube in a Scow?"
And Brother Oremm on troll and elf?
And where's the "Way to Make a Bow?"
All vanished from the Open Shelf!

ENVOY

Where's Bismark's letters to his Frau?
The wars of Ahibelline and Aulf?
They've even pinched a hymnbook—Wow!
It's vanished from the Open Shelf!

—Boston Transcript

"All right, Bob, now you ask me how to get down from an elephant. Understand? All right, shott!"

"Oh, I say, Buster, can you inform me as to the best way of getting down from an elephant?"

"Why, my dear boy, I'm surprised at your ignorance. You don't get down from an elephant; you get it from a goose."

Why do you like bowlegs?

They give a man such an arch look!

Dear Miss Clix:—

I am a girl of eighteen years, a Sophomore in college. Last year I went with a fellow here in school who is my ideal. For convenience I shall call him John. Last spring we went steady. As summer vacation came we wrote back and forth for a while and then it finally ceased. When we came back to school John hardly spoke. Now he barely recognizes me when we meet.

A Frosh fellow has been trying to go with me but I want John back. Can you tell me how to get him?

Sincerely,
Perplexed

My Dear Little Perplexed:—

Your problem seems to be one which several are encountering.

You did not tell me if John is going with another girl or not. We shall have to presume he is.

My advice to you, Perplexed, is

this: Go with the Freshman. He is but a child to you, a mighty Sophomore. Make him believe that he is all there is. You know how the men eat that up. While you are doing this John will be watching. His indifference is but a shield behind which he watches all your actions. Being a man, nothing could draw him from his shell quicker. Use the freshman for a bait and your sucker will be hooked.

But then, Perplexed, examinations are but a few days away. Let this the new semester. Then you will matter hang until the beginning of have time to work with concentrated effort in this affair.

Also, spring is not far away and you probably know only too well that Oscar Wilde's "In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love" is only too true.

Sincerely,
Clara Clix

Council Deliberations

Using the stiff-jointed, dull language generally employed in reports of this kind, it could be said that the Student Council is continuing to function in 1934. Suffice it to say that it is "carrying on"—a fact well proven by last Friday's peppy meeting.

The student chapel programmes arranged by the student chapel committee have been planned for the remainder of the school year. The following is the plan:

Jan. 17-31-Interclass Debates.
Feb. 7-W. Y. P. S.
Feb. 14-Freshmen
Feb. 21-High School
Feb. 28-Ministerial Association.
March 7-Language Clubs
March 14-Music Club
March 21-Pre Medics.

March 28-Easter Play
April 18-Star Staff.
April 25-Owls.
May 1-Expression Club.
May 9-Boulder Staff.
May 16-Student Council.

Dean Wright reported for the faculty that the petition regarding the addition to the Student Activity Fee had received due consideration. The faculty took no decided action in regard to this addition for next year but the Dean expressed the belief that since it was almost unanimously approved by the student body, it was quite probable that the faculty would back the students in this addition. However, the faculty consider that the addition would be unlawful this semester since this item is not mentioned in the catalogue.

Having consulted several handbooks and catalogues, the committee working on the student government

project, has formulated a list of several innovations which are due consideration. Time permitted the discussion of only one of these in the Student Council meeting—namely, whether girls should be allowed to participate in athletics without stockings.

In trying to come to some conclusion as to why a rule regarding girls wearing stockings was formulated, the council decided that it was undoubtedly to protect the moral standard of the school. If so, the question is, is it doing it? Wheaton College allows this practice and yet maintains moral standards as high as Houghton College. Since the boys in our school are allowed to go without stockings it hardly seems logical that the girls wearing them will hold up the moral standards. Then too, there is another thing to think about. Each student is bound to see stocking-less girls during the summer and the presence of stockings on the gym floor only calls attention to a peculiarity in Houghton athletics.

The idea of stockings in basketball is antiquated and corresponds with the pictures one sees of women all bundled up, riding bicycles in the "gay nineties". Since those days athletes have learned the importance of freedom in playing. Stockings impede movements of players and, therefore, they should no be compelled to wear them.

High School Notes

The group of History C students known as the "Reds" received a treat from their opponents, the "Blues" consisting of homemade candy. Most of the candy was good but when the "Reds" bit into some innocent looking candy they found it full of cotton, salt and acorns. The five History C students with the highest standings are being given the privilege of teaching the class. Each of the five students is given one half-hour. The five students in order of standing are: Margaret Wright, Dorothy Krause, Jack Crandall, with Lois York and Adrian Everts tying for fourth place.

Prof. Steese is teaching a review class in Geometry for those who wish to take regents in January.

The Senior Class are planning on ordering their pins as soon as everyone is paid. The pins are cleverly designed. Some of the girls are getting necklaces instead of pins. Money for pins must be in by Jan. 19.

On the Friday night before vacation the High School girls played the Theolog girls. The Theologs won 15-14.

The High School students enjoyed several parties of the season before vacation. The High School as a group, after caroling with the college gang, gathered in the Reception hall of Gaoyadeo.

Mrs. Eyler's class of peppy Sunday School girls participated in a delightful taffy pull at the home of their entertaining instructor.

"I have not seen such spiritual hunger, on any of my previous trips. The old complacency is gone out from under many, and they are seeking for a new basis of life."

—E. Stanley Jones, *Pentacostal Herald*, Sept. 20, 1933.

(When Mr. Jones and other missionaries spoke in Chicago last fall, twenty-one thousand people gathered to hear them.)



Sports

Is there any doubt as to who will take the Girls' Purple-Gold Series? The lower hall comments seem to be quite varied and enlightening. Most folks figure that the Gold girls should have won the first game because they outplayed the Purple decidedly. Others figure that they won't have a chance once the Purple and Babcock get under motion. It's going to be interesting regardless wro wins, and a great series should result.

As for the boys' series, the Purple have it cinched right now although the Gold ranks look for more power next semester, especially in Red Frank who, it is rumored, may return to school. Red was the best guard ever seen in action for the Gold and would certainly strengthen the present aggregation.

Who said they have Lion tamers out in California. They are all in the circus if there are any for surely Stanford has none on its football squad. Lou Little led a band of determined players into the Rose Bowl and brought them out victors in the greatest Rose Bowl upset in years. The Lions out-smarted "Tiny" Thornhill's Indians all the way through, for their line playing on the yard line was not the only piece of smart football, but also the only touchdown was ideal football brainwork on the part of the whole team and especially Barabas. After smashing the right side of the line repeatedly, the Lions crossed things up and went to the left. As Barabas dropped back to the 20 yard line, every man took out his opponent and Barabas raced 20 yards to a touchdown, victory, and fame. We say three cheers for Columbia and the East.

New Haven Conn. Old Yale alumni interested in college sports are all up in the air over the Yale football team, which they think is a group of young traitors.

Members of the varsity had the nerve recently to say that they played the game for experience, fun, and associations they gained as much as to win.

The oldsters hold that, especially where Harvard is concerned, there is only one reason for a football team, and that is to beat the enemy.

The student players, on the other hand, insist they came to college for something else besides being gladiators.

East Lansing, Mich. Michigan State College just missed spoiling a long record of victories on the basketball court for Notre Dame here last week.

It took three overtime periods for the Notre Dame varsity to win the contest 34 to 33.

The victory was the twentieth straight for the Irish.

Moose Krause, Notre Dame center, won the contest when he sank two short shots from the floor in the third period which had begun 30 all

The International League baseball magnates decided to retain the playoff system by a vote of 7-1, but they are to be carried out in a slightly different manner. There will be no division of the league into Northern

and Southern sections and the team at the top of the league when the season closes will receive the pennant. The first four teams will engage in the playoffs and the winner will meet the American Association team for the Little World Series.

Dr. Paine is helping out again to add zest and excitement to our athletic activities. At present he is rounding up a Faculty Basketball squad. Some receive this news with a smile and others give it its due. However it is taken, we must realize that if such a team is whipped into shape, it will be a formidable foe to all teams it plays.

"HUMILITY" THEME IN PRAYER SERVICE

In his picture of "The Last Supper" Da Vinci portrays Simon Zelotes at the foot of the table. Using this as an example of humility, Mr. Aubrey Arlin gave a very inspirational talk in the students' prayer service Tuesday evening. Mr. Arlin said that in taking one's place in the Master's service he must work in the spirit of humility, no matter how small the place of service may be. The Master's blessing will come only as a result of service rendered in the proper spirit. He does not reckon people as the world reckons them for He once said, "The first shall be last and the last shall be first." Who knows but what the lowest place of service may be as important in Christ's sight as the highest.

Mr. Arlin appealed especially to his classmates of the Senior Class to remember this as they leave Houghton to take their various places in the world.

The many spontaneous testimonies given, following Mr. Arlin's talk, were very inspiring and Christ seemed to speak through them.

We Bet You Didn't Know

The James River in Virginia contains the only known specimens of the "fish that cannot float." This strange fish has no air bladder, and, therefore, when it stops swimming it sinks to the bottom.

Probably the slowest moving piece of machinery in existence is a certain wheel of the great clock in the former Imperial Palace in Potsdam, Germany. It revolves about once every 500 years.

There are infinite possibilities in names, as suggested by Prof. Douglas notwithstanding that in the United States, one tenth of the countries' population uses only 25 different surnames, one quarter uses only 200 names, one third uses only 400 names, and one half the families of the nation have a total of 1800 different surnames. Two thirds use 2500 surnames. And that despite the fact that America is the "melting pot of the world."

Approximately 1,700,000 men and 1,300,000 women in the United States wear wigs and toupees.

Miss Wolfe gave the girls in her English IV class some advice: "Be-ware of flatterers." Well, they say experience is the best teacher.

HOUGHTON—COLE

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Cole announce the marriage of their daughter, Nellie Hazel, to Mr. Willard Houghton on Wednesday, the twenty-third of August, nineteen hundred and thirty three, at Ellington, New York.