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New Faculty Members Added to School Staff

The school year 1953-54 brings to the campus an impressive group of new faculty and staff members. Six of the new faculty have positions in the music department.

Mr. William Allen of Aberdeen, South Dakota, is associate professor of piano and theory. Mr. William Allen received his B.Mus. and M.Mus. degrees from Northwestern University. He has completed the residence requirements for a Ph.D. in music from Eastman School of Music and expects to receive this in January 1954.

Mr. James Baar comes to us from Chicago, Illinois, where he has for many years been the supervisor of music in the Chicago Christian High School. He has also been teaching in Chicago Musical College, from which he had previously received his B.Mus. and M.Mus. degrees. Mr. Baar fills the position of associate professor of music and music education.

Miss Esther Saxon has recently received her M.Mus. degree from George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. She also received her bachelor's degree from there, after attending Trevecca Nazarene College, also in Nashville. Miss Saxon, who makes her home in Fruitland Park, Mississippi, is instructor in piano and theory.

Mr. Albert Schroer is associate professor in voice. He has most recently been teaching in Mansfield State Teachers College, Pennsylvania. Mr. Schroer received the Bachelor of Sacred Music and A.B. degrees from Bluffton College, Ohio, and his M.A. from Ohio State University. He expects to receive his Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State College in January, 1954.

The new members of the music faculty include one part-time instructor. Mr. W. Hugh Lucas, of North Chili, New York, will be coming to Houghton on Saturdays to give instruction in voice.

Among the new members of the academic faculty we have Mr. Charles Davis, of Terre Haute, Indiana. Mr. (Continued on Page Three)

Alton Liddick Becomes Public Relations Director

Mr. Alton Liddick has taken over the Office of Public Relations Manager for the college. He replaces Rev. George Failing who is on leave of absence and has accepted the pastorate of the Marion College Church, Marion, Indiana. Mr. Liddick was formerly the superintendent of the Wesleyan Methodist Mission in India.

Mr. Liddick announces that the campaign for college development this year will include paving of the roads, landscaping, and preparation of the Sandra Kay Farwell Memorial Park.

Mr. Liddick also reports that the Extension Office, a division of the Public Relations Office, will have new headquarters in the old Dean of Men's Office. The Dean of Men is cooperating in its establishment. The Extension Office will channel all requests from churches for student talent, and will also handle students' requests for pastorates and other Christian service. Any who are interested in extension work are asked to register their name and talent either in the Public Relations Office or in the Office of the Dean of Men.

—B. S.

Freshman Display Talent in Review

Comic commercials sparked the Freshman Talent Program, Wednesday evening, September 23. The commercials were presented at intervals throughout the program by a quartet of freshman boys who called themselves the "Four Flat Freshmen from Foster Flat."

The program opened with a song entitled "The Little Red Caboose." Everyone, including the audience, took part under the leadership of John De Santo and Donald Birney. A skit was presented by "The Maplecrest Mad Maids," Mary Schmidt, Mary Fowler, Martha Mowry, Irma Bailey, Kathleen Dickenson, Claire Moshen, Beverly Riddle, and Margaret Speer. Following the skit, Robert Woodburn gave a reading, "De Thanksgiving Blessin'".

The program struck a more serious note with Nancy Sacks' accordion solo, "Just a Little Talk with Jesus", and a vocal solo, "How Lovely are Thy Dwellings", by Marjorie Dyer, accompanied by Betty Lawson.

A quartet consisting of James Hill, Samuel Paine, John Reist, and Irwin Reist sang "Hush, Hush, Hush", and Arnold Nicholson played a violin solo "Jealousy", accompanied by his (Continued on Page Three)

Prep School Enrollment Rises to 52

The Houghton Preparatory school began classes this year on September 1, with a total enrollment of fifty-two, which is an increase of three over last year's number. Nine states and the Dominion of Canada are represented by the twenty-nine boys and twenty-three girls who comprise this year's student body. Of this number, New York claims thirty-five; New Jersey, four; and Canada, five. More than half of the students board here on the campus.

The faculty and administration boast two new members, Mr. Charles Bowser, who received his M.A. from Penn. State, is serving as teacher of English, and is also filling the position of Dean of the High School boys.

Mrs. Ruth Davis, from Philadelphia, Penna., is the new Dean of the High School girls. The Steese Cottage has been completely remodeled to serve as living quarters for the high school girls, and also includes an apartment for Mrs. Davis and her daughter, Judith.

—N.K.

Evangelical Author Conducts Fall Services

Tonight the third of our special meetings will be held, with the Rev. Lon Woodrum again speaking.

Mr. Woodrum, of Oklahoma City, as well as being an evangelist, is also a writer of poetry, fiction and novels.

He has traveled over one million miles in the field of evangelism, having preached to audiences of more than 20 denominations in the United States and Canada.

As a poet he has written eight volumes of poetry, including "I Will Sing My Song" and "Stars Over the Storm." His poetry has been used on all radio networks, and has appeared in the "Congressional Record" as well as many anthologies. It has also been published in many national magazines, and in "Masterpieces of Religious Verse."

His novels include "Of Men and of Angels," which was a winner in Zondervan's International Fiction Contest, and was chosen as book of the month by the Christian Herald's Family Bookshelf. He also wrote "If You Hear a Song" and "Inherit the Earth."

Mr. Woodrum writes a syndicated column for Sunday School periodicals and has written fiction for church publications for many years. He has lectured widely to various clubs, high schools, and colleges.

Services will continue to be held in the church at 7:30 p.m. until October 11.

—N. B.



Rev. Lon Woodrum

"Fish - Net" Highlights New Student Reception

The annual New Students' reception, sponsored by the Student Senate, was held in the college chapel Friday evening, September 25. Richard Castor, the senate president, opened the program with a short speech outlining the benefits each student receives from the Senate.

The first part of the program consisted of the introduction of the new faculty and staff members, conducted by Dr. Arthur Lynip and Dr. Willard Smith, respectively. In reply, Professor Schroer, associate professor of music and director of the A Cappella choir, spoke briefly on behalf of those introduced.

Robert Hardy was the master of ceremonies for the second part of the program. After explaining "why we are all here," he introduced Carolyn Makey, who gave a reading entitled "Billy Brad and the Big Lie". Billy insisted that it was either "a big bear, a cow, or at least a noisier-nois" who ate the missing cake.

John Zavitz was the "self-appointed protector of the music department's somewhat shaky reputation." His number was *Ginonina Mia*. Derold Kaine, and Little Cyclone (son of Harry Kaine), played *Inflamatus*.

"Fish net" presented Sergeant Scot Friday (John Zavitz) in a skit where "only the facts were changed to protect the faculty and the students." In this skit Mr. Zavitz again tampered with the reputation of the music department.

Helen Bergeman delighted her audience with a lively rendition of *I'm Falling in Love with Someone*. Before her solo she explained that the white dress she was wearing was the one Miss Burnell had worn at her graduation in 1909.

Louis Knowlton played a viola solo, *Air on a G String*, by Bach, and Marilyn Canfield presented as a piano solo Chopin's *Fantasy Impromptu*. The final number was a duet by Dr. Lynip and Miss Hubbard, consisting of several ballads.

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College Welcomes New Dean of Men

Houghton College welcomes the new Dean of Men, Mr. Robert O. Ferm.

Although Mr. Ferm is new to most of us, he is not new to the college. After graduating from here in 1939, he received his Th.M. degree from Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City. In 1943-44 he taught philosophy and church history as a substitute teacher at Houghton.

Mr. Ferm is a man of many trades. Before his conversion, he was experienced as a beautician, carpenter, dance orchestra musician, and undertaker. He has since been in the ministry, pursued his studies, and been a member of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

Mr. Ferm's wife and four children, aged eleven, ten, eight, and seven, will join him here in the near future. He plans to build a home for himself and family in this vicinity.

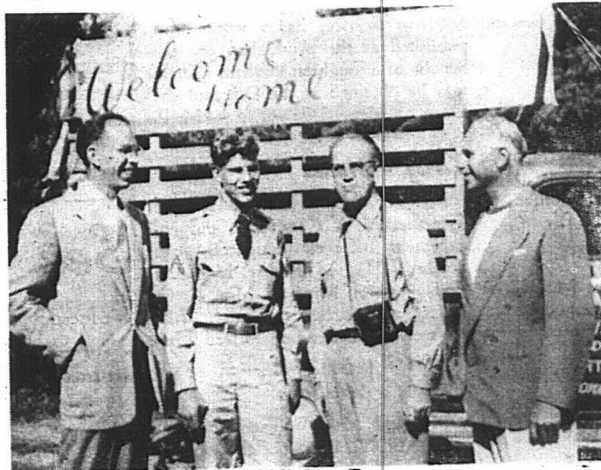
In addition to his many trades, he has earned an M.A. degree from the University of Buffalo, and is now working on theses leading to the degrees of Th.D. and Ph.D.

Republican Caucus Nominates Officers

Dr. Willard Smith, business manager of Houghton College, was nominated for Supervisor at the Republican caucus held September 24 at the Caneadea Grange Hall.

Other nominations included Claude Bidwell, Town Clerk; Charles Davis, Road Supervisor; Glenn Wingert, Tax Collector; Allen Smith and Harland Hale, Justices of the Peace; Harold Esterbrook, long term Assessor; Robert Curran, short term Assessor; and Milton Fox, School Director. Dr. Bert Hall presided as chairman of the caucus.

—J. R.



Left to right: Dr. Arthur Lynip, Pfc. David Mills, Rev. Edward Angell, Dr. J. Whitney Shea.

Houghton Welcomes P.O.W.

All of Houghton joined Mr. and Mrs. James H. Mills, Sr. ("Pop" Mills) in rejoicing last August 24, for on that day they received official word that Pvt. David Mills had been released from a communist prison camp in Korea.

The good news which was broadcast on the 11 p.m. news report August 23, was brought to Mr. and Mrs. Mills, David's parents, by Mrs. Emma York. Praise and thanksgiving were offered for this answer to Houghton's prayers for David's safety.

Pvt. Mills, who enlisted last Oct. 6, on his seventeenth birthday, was captured April 24, while serving as

rifleman in company F, 15th regiment of the third division.

On the night of his capture, the enemy started a heavy artillery attack about eight o'clock. By midnight the trenches and bunkers were gone. Then, with the sound of whistles and horns, the Chinese were all over the G.I.'s.

David kept going until he had no more ammunition, and all his buddies were dead. Just as he tried to get out of his hole, a communist soldier jabbed a burp gun in his back.

Although the communists questioned him about the UN position,

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What's This?

Today nearly two hundred newcomers to Houghton College draw from their mailboxes a small, folded journal still exuding the odor of printer's ink. This is, as subscribers, their first introduction to the Houghton STAR.

If you are now viewing our college newspaper for the first time, perhaps you are wondering just what part it is going to play in your college career. According to STAR policies formulated a couple of years ago by a special committee, "The STAR shall be published in the interests of the students, faculty, administration, alumni and friends of Houghton College." If you belong to one of these groups, this is your paper.

As one of the three student publications presented by the student body of Houghton College, the STAR is a mirror of college life in our day. Originally published as a small, monthly journal, it gradually assumed the form of a weekly newspaper. During recent years, however, a reduced enrollment and rising publishing costs have necessitated a cut in STAR production. (You know, of course, that subscription to this paper is included in your student activity fee. A drop in student enrollment results in a curtailed budget for your newspaper.) This year you may expect to receive an issue every two weeks.

Concerning the type of material to be presented, we realize that we are almost breaking tradition by not listing a number of innovations which we hope to introduce. The reason for this omission is our purpose to keep the STAR flexible enough for improvement. In other words, if you have an idea that the staff finds acceptable for incorporation into our program, we want to be free to accept your suggestion.

Some of you will experience more intimate contact than others with the publication of the STAR. We trust that all of you will, in one manner or another, receive recognition in its pages at some time during your stay at Houghton. If you are wise enough to keep your copies, you will accumulate a kind of "diary" of your sojourn here which will no doubt furnish you (or your children) with many laughs in years to come. Back numbers are also valuable as reference material: for instance, maybe someday you will be editor of the STAR, thumbing through back issues for inspiration!

If we can present a well-rounded picture of Houghton life which will temporarily alleviate your disappointment at not receiving a letter from home, and will help you to forget (also temporarily) your anxiety over a coming test, we shall feel well rewarded for our efforts.

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The STAR-gazer

Editorial Note — We have on our campus a certain character who has many occasions to view the stars (of more than one variety). With this issue, we begin a series of discoveries made by our STAR-gazer from back issues of the Houghton STAR. Many of the articles to be reprinted will be of a serious nature, acquainting the readers with some of Houghton's traditions, while others — well, others will be similar to the following items, gleaned from the October 2, 1925 issue.)

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Once again students have gathered from town and village to our good old campus. When it has not been raining, each one of us has felt a drawing to the out-of-doors. When can one look out of the library windows and not see the boys knocking flies or playing football? As we see them running up and down, we almost feel that we have no need of a gymnasium. Yes, and as we look out of the back windows we see the tennis courts occupied and others waiting to play.

But the fun which most of us enjoy comes immediately after supper. Who hasn't played or a least seen others play "Three-deep"? What is more exciting than dashing wildly around and sometimes slipping on the damp grass while trying to escape an earnest pursuer? When two or three

couples get to running, the fun increases. And how we do enjoy hearing someone yell, "Flay her, there. Flay her.", or another "Help me, help me." These are but a few of the joys of "Three-deep." We are all sorry when the bells ring to call us to our studies.

THE NATURE STUDY CLUB

Did you ever hear of the Nature Study Club? It is a new organization of the High School department, and is under the supervision of Miss Rork. At the first meeting the following officers were elected:

Pres. — Gerald Burr
Vice Pres. — Phillip Lowry
Sec. & Treas. — Thelma Crandall
Reporter — Pauline Ellison

The club had planned upon having a hike Thursday afternoon, September 24th, but owing to the rain the hike was postponed; and instead the club met in the science room of the High School and listened to a very interesting talk by Miss Rork on insects. She showed the club several fine specimens of moths, butterflies, and many other insects.

We are sure that the Nature Study Club will be a success, and that much benefit and helpful knowledge will be derived from it.

Engagements

Frick - Kreckman

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kreckman of Houghton, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynette, to Ralph Frick ('54), son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Frick of New York City, N. Y.

Castor - Wike

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wike of Schaefferstown, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Diana Edith, to Richard Castor ('54), son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Richard Castor of Sheridan, Pa.

Seeland - Hove

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hove of Buffalo, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann ('53), to David Seeland ('53), son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Arthur Seeland of Jersey City, N. J.

Stevens - Crowley

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Crowley of Auburn, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice (ex '55), to Richard Stevens ('56), son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon B. Stevens of Rochester, N. Y.

Pollock - Pollock

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur M. Pollock of Mannsville, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Emma Ruth (ex '55), to Gerald Pollock, ('55), son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Pollock of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sullivan - Latona

Mr. and Mrs. Seary Latona of Bladell, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sue, to Larry R. Sullivan ('55), son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sullivan, also of Bladell, N. Y.

Swithers - Harris

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Harris of Elmira, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Anne, ('54), to David Swithers ('54), son of Mr. and Mrs. George Swithers of Nanticoke, Pa.

Dean Lynip Announces Selective Service Info

All college men who filled out a selective service blank at the time of registration have had their local boards notified of their entrance into college by the Office of the College Dean, Dr. Lynip stated recently. He also said that this year students may request transfer of physical examination by a release signed by the business manager. It has formerly been necessary to have the release signed at Belmont.

A five-page pamphlet, *You and Selective Service*, has recently been published at the print shop for the benefit of Houghton students. These may be obtained at the Office of the Dean of Men.

Kurtz - Mabes

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mabes of Syracuse, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Joan Louise ('55), to Robert L. Kurtz ('53), son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Kurtz, missionaries to India. Mr. Kurtz is now attending Alfred University.

Starks - Wallace

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Cambridge, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Josephine ('54), to Malcolm Starks (Jan. '54), son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Starks of Norfolk, N. Y.

Eltscher - Makey

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Makey of 95 St. John's Parkside, Buffalo, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Suzanne ('54), to Louis R. Eltscher III ('54), son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis R. Eltscher Jr. of Gibsonia, Pa. The couple plans a late summer wedding next year.

Prospects for Class of '75

PARENTS

Dr. and Mrs. Floyd Reese
Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Paine
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wakeman
Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gilbert
Mr. and Mrs. F. Gordon Stockin
Mr. and Mrs. George Wells

NEW ARRIVAL

Jo Anna June 9, '53
Stephen William, Jr. June 16, '53
Eugene July 15, '53
Kara Lea Aug. 24, '53
Lora Beth Aug. 25, '53
Darlene Adelle Sept. 22, '53

What Is Success

Success! All seek it, but few find it. Some know not for what they seek, while others clearly see the goal.

We might ask, "What is success?" Success is prospering; prospering in the thing we set out to do. What have you set out to do this year? Can you expect to prosper?

The psalmist declares of the righteous man: "Whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." This is so, he asserts, because that man both seeks God's will and conforms to it, thus placing himself in the stream of Divine blessing.

Here is a truth we do well to apply as we face this school year. Uzziah, the young king of Judah, discovered this key to prosperity. Holy Writ declares in II Chronicles 26:5, "As long as he sought the Lord, God made him to prosper." Observe the source of his prosperity: "God made him to prosper." There was a Divine element in his efforts.

What a glorious record of achievement he left! See him going forth in obedience to God, warring against the foe; observe him as he "breaks" down the walls of the enemy. Besides building up the towers of Jerusalem, he dug life-preserving wells. His name spread throughout all the land, striking fear into the hearts of his enemies. When he obeyed Him, God prospered him and he accomplished what he set out to do.

Uzziah's seeking was in the right direction. God had first place, and His smile was the paramount joy of this young seeker. The fact that Uzziah sought the Lord did not necessarily persuade Him to bless this young man, but it did bring the seeker into the place where God could undertake for him.

Observe the increase in prosperity of the king's enterprises as he persisted in the seeking habit. God made him prosper, in verse 5; "God helped him," in verse 7; "he was marvellously helped," in verse 15. The Divine enabling was sufficient to meet each new situation as it came, bringing out His child more than conqueror. A sense of need led the youthful king to the Divine Enabler. Divine favor and help were lost, however, when he became independent and self-sufficient.

Have you tackled something too big for you alone? Then give God a chance to help you. Form the habit of seeking His presence, guidance, strength, and wisdom. Depend on Him and He will trust you. Let us bring our requests boldly unto the Throne of grace to find help in time of need. Only with God's help can we be confident of success this year.

— J. R.

See You There!

Wednesday, Sept. 30 — Sunday, Oct. 11 —
Special Meetings, Rev. Lon Woodrum
Saturday, Oct. 3 — 2:15 p. m. Purple-Gold football game
Sunday, Oct. 4 — 6:40 p. m. W.Y.P.S.
Tuesday, Oct. 6 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Rev. Lon Woodrum
Wednesday, Oct. 7 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Rev. Lon Woodrum
6:45 p. m. F.M.F. -S24- Prayer Groups
Thursday, Oct. 8 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Rev. Lon Woodrum
Friday, Oct. 9 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Rev. Lon Woodrum
Saturday, Oct. 10 — 2:15 p. m. Purple Gold football game
Sunday, Oct. 11 — 6:40 p. m. W.Y.P.S.
Monday, Oct. 12 — 7:00 p. m. Torchbearers
Tuesday, Oct. 13 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Dr. Paine
7:00 p. m. Class prayer meetings
Wednesday, Oct. 14 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Ella Woolsey
6:45 p. m. F.M.F. -S24- Prayer Groups
7:30 p. m. Mission Study, Ella Woolsey
Thursday, Oct. 15 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel
Friday, Oct. 16 — 9:00 a. m. Chapel

Good Old Summertime!

"Where can I find a Houghton student?" Were anyone to ask that question during the summer months, the most accurate answer would be, "Most anywhere!" Indeed, Houghtonians could be found from California to Florida, Alaska to England.

Dick Castor found himself living close to Napoleon as he worked in an insane asylum. (Valuable experience for a Student Senate president.) Cathy Hider "buried" herself at work in the Clarke Casket and Vault company! Hazel Shorey could have been found in a factory, sewing what she aptly describes as "old maid's clothes."

Quite a group from our alma mater headed for Alaska this vacation. Bill Green and Dave Finney found Alaska a pleasant route to jobs they procured in Ohio. Numbers of our classmates worked as camp counselors, waitresses, secretaries, and in factories of various enterprise. Lorraine Hall sought her fortune in an assembly line for making railroad flares, while others contributed to the manufacture of such articles as switchboards and TV sets.

New Faculty Members

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Davis is associate professor in English. For the past ten years he has taught English at Stony Brook School for Boys, New York. Mr. Davis received his A.B. degree from Indiana State Teachers College and his M.A. from the University of Chicago.

Mr. Richard Price from Bear Lake, Pennsylvania, was graduated from Houghton in 1952, and is now back as instructor in mathematics and physics. Last year Mr. Price did graduate study at Pennsylvania State College and lacks just two hours of the requirements for his M.A. degree.

Serving as part-time instructors in academic subjects are Rev. Edward Angell and Miss Elizabeth Eyer. Miss Eyer is instructor in Christian education for this semester, and Mr. Angell will teach classes in Biblical Theology and Pastoral Methods.

Two new faculty members are located in the library. Miss Gertrude Burton is assistant librarian in charge of loan and cataloging. Miss Burton, whose home is in Appleton, New York, has had many years of experience in public school work and for the past three years has been librarian of the Cohocton Central School, New York. She received her B.S. degree from Keuka College and M.A. degree in social studies from Albany State University. Miss Burton expects to receive the M.S. degree in library science from Genesee State College for Teachers in 1954.

Miss Florence Kelly of North Bangor, New York, is now supervisor of technical processes in the library. Miss Kelly did some of her undergraduate work at Houghton and for some time served as Dean of Women. She received her A.B. degree from Oberlin College, Ohio, her M.A. from the University of Michigan, and a B.S. in library science from Albany State University. Miss Kelly has been librarian of the Malone Central School, New York, for the past several years.

New staff members for this year include the following: Miss Ruth Cowles ('47), assistant registrar; Mrs. Ruth Davis, dean of Preparatory School girls and part-time worker in the Office of Public Relations; Mrs. Lenore Patmore Ekar (ex '55), bookstore secretary; Mr. George Heustis ('52), general maintenance; Miss Carol Kreckman ('53), library assistant; Miss Florence Miller, secretary to the music department and instructor in piano; and Mrs. Ellen Stopp, secretary in college development. Miss Patricia Keeney, who came to Houghton last January as secretary in the registrar's office, is now secretary to Dr. Lynip.

— M. P.

Impressions of a Frosh

I am sitting alone in a rumbling railroad car with blackness encompassing me on every side. There is an unbroken sheet of starry velvet outside my window, for all the world has disappeared except me and the darkness which engulfs me. For the first time in my life I am all alone, only the Lord and I. We are traveling through the blackness from one invisible place, already forgotten, to another one, equally invisible.

Worries spring up into my mind as I sway onward into the mystery of darkness of newness that is before me. Back at the station I have left my parents, and with them, most of what has been familiar to me throughout my life. Through my mind, however, runs a line from a song: "Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home."

After "years" of traveling, during which time an old life has passed away with the hope that many things will become new, the darkness parts and I have arrived at Houghton. "This is the way; walk ye in it"—and here I am. I look around at Mother Nature, the handiwork of the purposeful Maker of heaven and earth, and know that He has brought me here for His purpose.

I wander around the campus in a daze of new experience, and in that confusion I find others. We are all bewildered, so we get together and make friends; and after meeting enough people, suddenly the daze disappears and I am left an integral part of Houghton. I find that there are many people I know well, for in that first loneliness I had made close friends, some of whom have since become beacons of warmth, still encouraging me although the bewilderment is gone.

It has been easy to fit in, for "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another" (I John 1:7).

— J. P.

"Learning is an ornament in prosperity, a refuge in adversity, and a provision in old age."—Aristotle

Music Groups Organize

Several vocal and instrumental organizations of the Music Department offer the opportunity for students to use their talent. Any student may join these groups, which are: Chapel choir, A Cappella choir, Oratorio society, Band, Orchestra. Emphasis is being placed on the Orchestra.

The Chapel choir, directed by Mr. James Baar, will take part throughout the year in several special chapel services. Its members will fill vacancies in the A Cappella choir.

The A Cappella choir, under the direction of Mr. Albert Schroer, will make its usual spring and week-end tours.

The Oratorio Society, composed of students and members of the administration, is the largest group. It will present its annual Christmas Concert December 13, under the direction of Mr. Baar.

The new brass instructor, Mr. William Allen, will direct the Band, which has its concert scheduled for December 2.

Mr. John Andrews, director of the Orchestra, and Louis Knowlton, manager, are making plans which include numerous outside performances in nearby central schools. The annual concert has been postponed until the spring. In addition, the Orchestra will accompany the Oratorio society and present some Concerto performances.

In addition several concerts and recitals have been planned, with four Artist Series during this semester. Miss Esther Saxon will present a piano recital November 11, which will be the first Faculty Recital of the year. Mr. William Allen will also give a piano recital on November 18.

The first of the Artist Series will be held on October 21, with the Buffalo Symphonette returning. Dorothy Maynor on November 6; Daniel Wayenberg, pianist, on December 4; and Raul Spivak, pianist, on January 13, completes the list of artists to appear here this semester.

— L. V. A.

Student Senate Holds First 1953-54 Session

The election of officers to fill the vacancies of those not returning to Houghton this year was accomplished by the Student Senate Monday evening, September 26. The Senate elected Professor Richard Price as Rec Hall adviser, Fred Speirs as treasurer of the Senate, William Green as a member of the publicity committee, and Dorothy Beuter as Chaplain.

The senate decided to meet the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month at 7 p.m. in S-27. Richard Castor, president, was authorized to appoint a committee to work with the Dean of Men on the matter of sign-out cards for the men's residences.

The senate approved that the Boulder have charge of the election of the Home-coming queen and her attendants, and that the A.P.O. plan the evening entertainment for Saturday of Home-coming weekend, October 24.

A discussion of the suggestion that the Torchbearers, F.M.F., and A.P.O. be granted official representatives to

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Freshman display . . .

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sister Alice Nicholson.

The closing act was a monologue, "A Christmas Carol," spoken and acted by John De Santo. Donald Birney was the master of ceremonies.

— S. P.

"Fish-net" . . .

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Following the program, refreshments were served in the newly-finished lounge of East Hall. The room was decorated with autumn leaves and bouquets of lavender and white hydrangeas. Cake, punch, and ice cream were served in pastel shades of pink and green.

New Typewriter Presented to School

The Public Relations Office has acquired a new Royal typewriter since the close of school last May. The ministers who attended the disciplinary course sponsored by the college last spring presented this machine in appreciation for the services which Houghton renders the pastors of the area.

— B. S.

Wedding Bells . . .

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| Margaret Rogers ('53) | John Austin ('54) | | June 1, '53 | Wellsville, N. Y. |
| Lois Bailey ('53) | Ronald James ('53) | | June 2, '53 | Fuller Seminary, Pasadena, Calif. |
| Delores Boyd | John Venlet ('54) | | June 5, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Arlene Sandherr | Richard Hasler ('54) | | June 6, '53 | Fillmore, N. Y. |
| Frieda Nicholai ('53) | Harry Litzenburg ('52) | | June 13, '53 | Eastern Baptist Theol. Sem. Phila., Pa. |
| Frances Dobson ('55) | Pvt. Darwin J. Ellis | | July 18, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Lee Tenison (ex '55) | Albert Runge ('53) | | Aug. 8, '53 | Eastern Baptist Theol. Sem. Phila., Pa. |
| Kristin Whiting (ex '56) | Gerald Jack (ex '54) | | Aug. 15, '53 | Marion College, Marion, Ind. |
| Jeanne Hotaling ('53) | Richard Sadler ('53) | | Aug. 22, '53 | Arcade, N. Y. |
| Frances Brooks ('53) | William Smith ('51) | | Aug. 22, '53 | Gordon Sem., Boston, Mass. |
| Charlotte Holly ('53) | Robert Evans ('53) | | Aug. 26, '53 | Columbia Bible College Columbia, S. C. |
| Mary Belle Bennett ('53) | Harold Chapman ('52) | | Aug. 28, '53 | (unknown) |
| Coral Martin ('53) | Arthur Rupprecht ('52) | | Aug. 29, '53 | Philadelphia, Pa. |
| Ann Johnston (ex '54) | Paul Sterneman (ex '55) | | Aug. 29, '53 | St. Paul Bible Institute St. Paul, Minn. |
| Lenore Patmore (ex '55) | Albert Ekar ('54) | | Aug. 29, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Marjorie Kurtz (ex '54) | Ronald Ulrich ('54) | | Aug. 29, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Gloria Moshen (ex '52) | Vernon Alexander ('53) | | Aug. 30, '53 | Fuller Seminary, Pasadena, Calif. |
| Marion Hawley | Thomas Harris ('54) | | Sept. 1, '53 | Cuba, N. Y. |
| Pearl Luke ('55) | Charles Hershelman ('55) | | Sept. 4, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Phyllis Cameron (ex '54) | Wayne L. Owens | | Sept. 5, '53 | Providence Bible Institute Providence, R. I. |
| Dorothy Reedy (ex '56) | John Nelson (ex '56) | | Sept. 5, '53 | North Chili, N. Y. |
| Lu Anne Hughes (ex '55) | Ronald Willey ('55) | | Sept. 18, '53 | Houghton, N. Y. |
| Doris Price (ex '55) | James Scott (ex '54) | | Sept. 26, '53 | Prescott, Ontario |

New Students Give Recital

The annual New Students' Recital opened this year's musical season Monday evening, September 21, in the college chapel.

Six pianists of the freshman class, Margaret Shears, Mary Lee Rodeheaver, Allene Horne, Paula Ries, Becky Ledden, and June Stevenson, presented works by Chopin, Bohm, Matthews, O'Donnell, and Tcherenpne.

James Rhodes sang *The Holy City* by Adams. Harker's *How Beautiful Upon the Mountains* was presented by Eula Gillette, contralto. Sopranos Marjorie Dyer and Sylvia Allen were introduced in vocal solos *Morning*, by Speaks, and *Thanks Be To God*, by Dickson, respectively.

Miss Janis Hildebrandt, a sophomore transfer student majoring in violin, presented a movement from Mozart's *Sonata No. 7, Allegro moderato*.

— J. P.

East Hall Receives Gift of Mailboxes

A set of metal mailboxes has been installed on the first floor of East Hall as a memorial to the late Rev. Calvin R. Stopp. The gift was presented by Mrs. Calvin Stopp and children, and Mr. and Mrs. George Burd of Canisteo.

Rev. Stopp was the pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church in Canisteo, N. Y., prior to his death last year. He also served for a time as a member of the board of directors of Houghton College.

The one hundred occupants of East Hall now receive their mail through the new mailboxes rather than those in the old administration building, as formerly.

Football Squads Organize

"Can Gold do it this year?" Such a question is being asked by football experts all over Houghton Campus. The 1952 season closed when Purple's eleven won their third straight victory over a seemingly outclassed Gold squad. With Gold having lost five of its last year's starters, the skies look very dark indeed for its chances.

On Saturday, October 3, at 2 o'clock, both teams will take the field in front of Luckey Memorial Building. Much of the new power possessed by both teams is in the form of Freshmen players. Certainly the outcome of Saturday's game will be a prediction as to who will clinch the 1953 series.

Among those coming back for Gold this year is John Essepian. Together with halfbacks Ralph McConahy and Dick Castor, John will lead the Gold parade of running and passing. A much lighter Gold line will have to meet heavy Purple chargers this season. At center position will be Bernie McClure. At his sides as guards will be John Stewart and Fred Kennedy. Coming back as ends are Chuck Paine and Jay Butler. Four new freshmen will line up in the backfield also as possible alternates. They are John Johnson and Frank Estes as quarterbacks, with the twins, John and Irvin Reist, as halfbacks.

A slightly different Purple squad will greet the new season. Seven of last year's players are returning to attempt a repeat performance. They will be supplemented by both line and backfield freshmen. Bob Baird's running and passing of last year has given him first claim to fullback position. At his right and left in the backfield will be Charles Gosling and Jim Little. Freshman Ray Gamble will be at quarter. Johnny Venlet, "the man with the educated toe," will return as ace guard. Wayne Ostrander is a new addition to the opposite side of the line.

Purple recently discovered a sticky-fingered frosh named Leon Arnold. Reports are that he will be the new man to watch as end. Other ends include John Valk and Bill Roeske who will team up with Arnold in a

combination that will be hard to beat.

Purple defense has also new additions. They are big Howard McGlauffin and Bob Kreidler as guards. Dallas Decker along with Tom Harris will also add their weight in pushing against the lighter Gold offense.

— J. L.

Boulder Staff Begins Work

The adviser and the general staff of the 1954 Boulder have been announced by Lea Voorhees, editor. Professor F. Gordon Stockin is faculty adviser. The editorial staff, headed by Miss Voorhees, includes: Janice Johe, literary editor; Marith Reinertsen and William Van Hoven, literary assistants; Daniel Eastman and Mary Beth Mead, art editors; Benjamin Pattison, photographer; Roberta Swauger, makeup editor; Dorothy, Cushman, scheduling secretary; and Joan Krisher, executive secretary. The associate editor will be next year's Boulder editor, who will be elected this month.

For assistants, Donald Cronk, business manager, has chosen: Donald MacNeil, assistant business manager; John Essepian, advertising manager; Joan Mabes, subscription manager; Linda Lombard, assistant in subscription department; Doris Kaiser and Betty Jané Sadler, secretaries.

Individual pictures for the Boulder will be taken from October 12 to 23. A vigorous campaign is now being carried on for advertising. Non-student subscriptions will be available soon. Student subscriptions are covered by the student activity fee.

Students Suggest Names for Inn

The Twin Spruce Inn, originally named for the twin spruce trees beside the road in front of the inn, is seeking a new name. Because of the widening of the highway through Houghton, the trees were cut down.

Suggestions from the student body for a new name include:

John Seeland — Mosey Inn
John Zavitz — Gone Spruce Inn
Diane Clinton — Dew Drop Inn
Beverly Strube — Lazy Susan
John Essepian — Sep-i-Inn
Bob Driscoll — The Hub
Linda Lombard — The Kampus Korner
John DeSanto — The Silver Dollar Salon

Ken Hall — The Greasy Spoon
Scott Webber — Jockey Street Cafe
Ben Pattison — The Spruceless Inn
Vivian Dunkerton — The Copper Pot

Jim Little — No Spruce Inn
Jeanette Lamb — The Main Drag Inn

Merle White — The Walk-Inn
Bob Fidler — Ptomaine Tavern
Ken McCaw — The Mixing Bowl
Tom Mullen — Stump Inn
Larry Green — The Last Resort
Don Rhine — The Hut

Ron Hagelman — The Lamplight
Bob Grinnell — The Jockey Club
Lou Armstrong — The Hash Shop
Dallas Decker — Strumble Inn
Ron Miller — Bide-a-Wee

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Houghton Initiates Frosh

Freshman initiation last week, ironically enough, gave the impression of senior superiority. "Mind Your Manners" for the debutantes meant Sunday best clothes including hats and gloves for the girls, bow ties and polished shoes for the fellows.

Emily Post centers were stationed around the campus where inter-

rogations were made into proper procedures of etiquette, obedient services rendered to the honorable sophs, and reasons put into writing why Charles Antel's Formula No. 9 should be used for the hair.

Houghton Welcomes . . .

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David told them he would never reveal any information.

Because of head and leg wounds, David had to be carried in a stretcher. However, after fifty days at an aid station, his wounds healed, and by the time he was released, his leg was only a little stiff.

While in the camp, he ate mostly miller, peanuts, and rice, and also had to attend communist propaganda classes.

David had had so many good things happen to him that he didn't dare hope for his own release when he heard about the prisoner exchange.

He returned home by ship and plane, and was welcomed by the entire town, with about fifteen cars escorting him from Caneadea.

At a reception in David's honor held at the downtown park the evening of his return, he was publicly welcomed back to Houghton by Pastor Angell and interviewed by Dr. Willard Smith.

David is now home, but will leave for Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, about October 10.

— J. B.

Student Senate . . .

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the Senate resulted in a decision to table the question for the present.

Serving on various committees in connection with the Student Senate this year, other than those newly elected, are as follows: Dr. Nelson and Dr. Ries, faculty advisers; Betty Jane Sadler and Donald Cronk, representatives to the Student Affairs Committee; Helen Banker and Jerry Angevine, representatives to the Cultural and Spiritual Life Committee.

Other events included a spelling bee and quiz held Monday evening, both of which were credited to the poor sophomores. A talent show Wednesday night featuring piano, violin and vocal solos, a quartet and monologue climaxed the official debut of the freshmen into Houghton society.

— D. R. C.

"Up! Up! my friend, and quit your books;
Or surely you'll grow double;
Up! up! my friend, and clear your looks;
Why all this toil and trouble?"
— Wordsworth

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