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THREE-DAY MUSIC FESTIVAL IS HELD ON CAMP GROUND

Lynch Again Adjudicator For Orchestra Day

The Seventh Annual Genesee Country Music Festival began Thursday May 18, on the Houghton camp-ground with orchestra day in which twelve orchestras of this vicinity participated. J. Leo Lynch of Binghamton was adjudicator for the day and also led the massed groups.

This year, as an experiment, a recording was made of each school's performance. This recording can be purchased by the schools to help them hear how they sound to others and in what ways they should improve. The college will also use these recordings in connection with methods classes to give the students an idea of the kind of groups they will have to deal with in actual teaching and illustrate problems that might arise.

After the individual orchestras in the afternoon, several instrumental soloists from the high school groups made recordings.

The massed orchestra held a rehearsal under the direction of Mr. Lynch in which they played "Roll Off," a march by Sousa; "Slavonic Dance," by Valikov; and "Entree de Procession," by Baptiste.

A marked improvement was noted over last year's orchestras in spite of the difficulties caused by the lack of heat in the auditorium.

Choral Day

On the second day of the Music Festival, Choral Day, Friday, May 19, (Continued on page two)

PORTVILLE AGAIN PLACE FOR ATHLETIC BANQUET

Fifty-six of Houghton's "Purple Pharaohs" and "Golden Gladiators" donned their royal robes and golden crowns and assembled together for another gala evening at the Cogswell Inn on May 20th.

Following the dinner, Jack Crandall gave one of his characteristic speeches relating the athletic activities of the year.

Loran Taylor played several trumpet solos after which the speaker of the evening, Mr. Willett Albro, was introduced. Mr. Albro is a former Houghton student and athlete.

Victor Murphy, president of the association, presented Coach McNeese with a jacket after which the awards of the year were given out. Letters were awarded for varsity basketball, tennis, track and baseball. Mildred Shaner, Arlene Wright, and Clifford Blauvelt were admitted to the "Big-H Club."

The climax of the evening came with the presentation of jackets to Gerry Paine and Victor Murphy who had proven themselves to be the most outstanding athletes and had shown the best co-operation and sportsmanship throughout the year.

Band Director



Popularly Nominated Councilors Selected 1st Time Under Plan

At the class meetings held Tuesday morning the students of the freshman, sophomore and junior classes employed for the first time their prized privilege of electing Student Council representatives from their own nominations.

The six members selected from the junior class are: Lenoir Masteller, Mary Helen Moody, Ann Madwid, Wesley Nussey, Lester Paul and Wilson Worboys. The sophomores chose as their four representatives Margaret Stevenson, Ruth Shea, Lloyd Elliott, and James Evans. George Huff is the only freshman selected at present, since there was a three-way tie among the Misses Ferchen, Stockin, and Wells, requiring another election.

This method of selecting the council members is an experiment which the present body secured for the benefit of the students.

Orchestra Has Last Of Home Concerts

On Thursday evening, May 18, the Houghton College Little Symphony, under the direction of Professor Alton Cronk, presented the last of the 1939-40 series of home concerts in the college chapel. The evening's soloist, Walter Whybrew, first trombonist of the Symphony and head of the brass division of the music department played Alchansky's Concerto for trombone.

Especially well played were the Mozart "Overture to the Magic Flute" and Dvorak "From the Western World". The Mozart composition was particularly well performed having all the delicacy and nuance this composer requires.

A final group of Johann Strauss which included the overture to "Der Fledermause", a perennial favorite, brought the evening's program to a close.

The audience was of good size and applauded very enthusiastically.

EDITORIAL BOARD CREATED TO AID IN STAR EDITING

Two Freshmen Rated Jobs For the Coming Year

Mr. Wesley Nussey, newly elected editor of the 1939-40 Star has been busily scanning the list of possibilities for his staff of assistants with the work next year. The field was large and his choices had to be finely drawn but at last he has been able to select his co-sufferers.

Already he has begun to make improvements on the paper by establishing for the first time an editorial board which will act as a group of consultants and in addition each will be responsible for some part of the weekly routine. Among other duties will be the writing of editorials, taking and engraving new snapshots, making the layout of the entire paper, and the reading of the copy as it comes to the office. Those chosen for this new board are: Lester Paul, Don Kauffman, Walter Sheffer, and Kenneth Wilson.

The remainder of the staff is as follows:

Make-up Editor Alan McCartney
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Feature Editor Jesse DeRight
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It is worth noticing that two of this year's freshmen have proved themselves worthy of positions on the editorial staff for next year.

8 Seniors Are Elected As '39 Representatives For Honor Society

The faculty has recently made its selections for the Houghton College Honor Society. To be eligible these members must maintain at least a Cum Laude average for their four years' work and if they are transfers must attend Houghton at least two years and the grades for those years are taken.

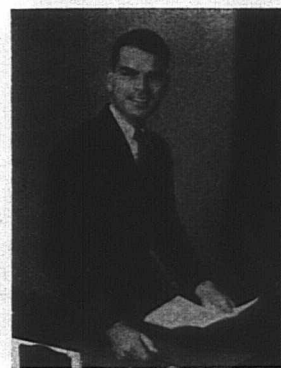
Because of the unusually high number of Magna Cum Laude's this year all of the allotted number have been chosen from this group. Ten percent of the class is the maximum that may be selected. This year the full quota of eight students were awarded the honors.

Those with honors this year are: Edward Willett, Harlan Tuthill, Frederick Schlafer, Clyde Meneely, Robert Lytle, Anna Fillmore, Willis Elliott and Everett Elliott.

The organization was first begun in 1935 when two members were chosen, and for that reason one member is selected each year from the class that graduated ten years ago. Miss Alice Pool has been the one selected from the class of 1929.

Gordon K. Bell, State Regent, Dr. Paine Featured Speakers On Commencement Schedule

Year's Speaker



Local Appearance Is Termed Among Best In Choir's Programs

Friday evening, May 19, marked the erection of another milestone of musical attainment by the Houghton College Choir. This home concert was the culmination of a strenuous year of activity.

Once again the sincerity of both the choir and conductor attracted favorable comment. Much credit belongs to Prof. E. C. Schram, the director who obtained a mature, vibrant tone quality, as well as a contrasting range of dynamics. Great depth of tone quality was particularly noted in the male voices. Rhythmic vivaciousness elevated the interest of the audience.

The program consisted of fifteen cleverly arranged numbers ending with the traditional benediction. Early Latin and English selections were contrasted with the classic and modern compositions. *Salvation Is Created; Hail True Body*, and *O Thou in Whose Presence* were outstanding. However, the negro spirituals and *While by Our Sleeping Flock We Lay* with its effect proved very popular.

The processional was enhanced by the organ playing of Mr. Theodore Hollenbach. Acknowledgement should be made also of the fine solo work of Miss Shirley Fidinger in the traditional *Song of Mary* as well as the work of Miss Luella Fisk and Mr. Richard Chamberlain. The quartet of Veazie, Updyke, Eyler, and Chamberlain should also receive plaudits.

Highest honors belong to Mr. Schram, the conductor, for his faithful work in the vocal department. His interpretations were refreshing and proved to be very outstanding. Many thought his efforts were rewarded by the best home concert ever yet given.

Festivities To Open As High School Class Day Comes

DOTY IS MISSIONARY

Many and varied are the activities for the seniors. Festivities formally begin with the high school class day exercises on Friday morning, June 3. Listed on this program are the valedictory address by Warren Woolsey, the salutatorian's address by Ruth Fancher, and orations all of which will be interspersed by vocal and instrumental numbers. Rev. F. T. Littorin will pronounce the invocation for the program.

Exercises Friday evening will be conducted by the Theological Department at which time the Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest will also take place. Rev. Clyde Meredith of Holland, Michigan will speak, and a men's chorus conducted by Mr. Schram will assist.

The college class day program on Saturday, June 4 will officially open Commencement activities for the college department. At this time Harlan Tuthill will speak as valedictorian, Everett Elliott as salutatorian Lois Roughan will give the mantle oration, and Edward Willett the class oration.

Officers for the coming year will be elected and classes reunited at the Alumni banquet Saturday evening in Gaoyadeo dining hall.

Dr. Paine will present the address at the Baccalaureate service on Sunday.

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NOTED BUSINESS MAN, PERSONAL WORKER, IS SPEAKER FOR CHAPEL

Charles E. Gremmels, outstanding Christian layman and business man of New York City, was the chapel speaker Monday, May 22. After a brief introduction by President Paine Mr. Gremmels gave a humorous, worthwhile talk based on the verse: The Lord hath need of them.

He emphasized the importance of not only bearing our own burdens, but of helping others bear theirs. The surrender of everything, not head first but heart first, means the fulfillment of all of our needs. The Lord has need of us to be faithful, to go through this Christian school and go out as living witnesses for Him.

For 36 years Mr. Gremmels has led a life of service. He has 3200 "tricky tracts" which he distributes, tracts to be placed in a train, a telephone booth, or a writing desk. He has something for the body and soul of every person he meets. He hoped his words might encourage someone to action, for as he said, "The fields are white to harvest."

After chapel, Mr. Gremmels showed some of his tracts to those who were interested.

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EDITORIAL

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

How few times do we realize and appreciate the efforts that someone else has put forth for our entertainment and benefit. This fact is nowhere more a reality than on our own campus in connection with the artist series program which is planned from year to year for our enjoyment as students.

What we receive from our college career is not simply that which is gleaned from books but rather in addition an appreciation of the finer arts of life. For this very reason the college has instituted an extensive program of renowned musical talent which would seem almost an impossibility to secure for Houghton with her limited finances. Nevertheless it is arranged and planned for the benefit of the students.

The artists which appear on our platform are no doubt the best to be obtained and there is an inestimable amount of effort expended each year to secure the best for the students at a price that nearly all can afford. These same distinguished artists, if performing elsewhere, would demand at the very least three to four dollars per seat, and that not the best. Yet when we as students have such a fine program all arranged for us we fail to appreciate it enough even to attend. If some doubt the quality of our program we would suggest that a comparison be made with other colleges, at the same time investigating the admissions charged for some of their concerts.

Yes, we as students owe to ourselves, as well as to those in charge of these talent presentations, our presence at the various programs as the artists appear on our platform from time to time. If we fail to take advantage of this display of talent while we are here we shall be the losers.

Old students, who are coming back next year, set an example for the new students by attending the artist series numbers and in so doing not only gain personally but show those in charge how much their efforts are appreciated.

D. K. F.

THE WAY OF PROGRESS

Once again, as groups and as individuals, we pause to balance the books for a school year, rich with activity. Results will differ. What do we find? Success or failure? Satisfaction or regret? Progress or stagnation?

One phase of student activity which has received almost universal student attention is the organization for student government. This attention has been varied.

The Council has had as its primary objective the improvement of student welfare, more efficient and enjoyable conditions working together. Its efforts during the past year have been expressed in part in the direction of the Hallowe'en party, installment of a speaking system in the dining hall, acquisition of the reception room as a waiting room for fellows on frosty mornings, installation of French doors in the halls for the girls, additional bleachers in the gym, drinking fountain in the music hall, and open library Saturday afternoons. Promises have been made for pencil sharpeners in the halls, the refinishing of the library table tops, and the possible completion and equipment of the recreation hall this summer.

Contrary to the voluntarily blind attitude of some, the Council has been "doing something." Perhaps the last re-

Chamberlain Is Outstanding At Voice Program

Richard Chamberlain, a senior in the music department, gave his recital, May 16, in the college chapel. Not only was it one of the outstanding of the student recitals but it was of such a high standard that it approached, if not equalled, the art of many professional artists.

The program was diversified, revealing his versatility in all fields of vocal music. The art songs seemed to be more outstanding than the operatic numbers.

The program was as follows:

I	Mighty Lord and King	Bach
	Invocation of Orpheus	Peri
	O Cessati di piagarmi	Scarlatti
	Il Mio bil foco	Marcello
II	Litany for Fast of All Souls	Schubert
	Wir Wardelter	Brahms
	Wir Melodia Zieht Es Mir	Brahms
	Morgen	Strauss
	Wie Sollten Wir Gehein Sie	Halten Strauss
III	Si la giurata fide	Puccini
IV	Avant le Cenema	Poulenc
	L'heure Esquisi	Hahn
	Nocturne	Head
	Floods of Spring	Rachmanioff
V	Vocalise	Ravel
	Cargoes	Dobson
	Ah, Death the cooling light shall be	Paxson
	Sailormen	Wolfe
	David and Goliath	Malotte

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the twenty-five schools represented doubled the registration of Orchestra Day. There were twelve girls' choruses, one boys' chorus, nine junior groups, ten mixed choruses, and two A Cappella choirs.

Dr. John Finley Williamson of Westminster Choir School was the adjudicator for the third consecutive year. He led the massed chorus in four numbers, "Where'er You Walk" by Handel, "Send Out Thy Light" by Gounod, "O Morn of Beauty" by Sibelius, and "As Torrents in Summer" by Sir Edward Elgar. Dr. Williamson took this opportunity of the assembled groups to congratulate the supervisors upon the great advancement of the choruses in the past three years. He said, "The choirs now sing in tune, musically, and intelligently."

Many of the groups uniformly dressed made a neat, yet colorful appearance. The Wellsville A Cappella choir was probably the most outstanding, not only because of its gold satin surplices over black gowns, but

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BLAUVELT WILL BE ASSOCIATION HEAD

The election of officers for the Athletic Association and managers of Purple and Gold teams was conducted at a student body meeting following chapel on Tuesday, May 23. This year's Association which was composed wholly of seniors will find all the positions taken by new members who according to the election are:

President	Clifford Blauvelt
Vice President	Paul Wolfgruber
Secretary	Geraldine Paine
Varsity Manager	Roy Klotzbach
Purple Managers	
Kieth Sackett, Dorothy Faulkins	
Gold Managers	
Kenneth Hill, Helen Morse	

COMMENCEMENT —

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day morning, while Rev. P. D. Doty of Romulus, Michigan, former superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in India, will speak at the evening missionary service at the church.

Climaxing the college year for the seniors in all departments will be the annual commencement on Monday morning, June 5, at 10:00 A.M. Speaker for the event will be Regent Gordon Knox Bell of the State Department.

Campus Religious Bodies Have New Officers for '39

The tellers of several college organizations have been busy counting ballots of late. The W. Y. P. S. elections revealed that the new President of the leading campus society is Lloyd Elliott. Other officers are George Huff, Vice President; Thelma Hall, Secretary; Hayes Minnick, Treasurer; Ruth Shea, Social Secretary; Theodore Bowditch, Extension Secretary, and Norman Mead, Devotional Secretary. These men and women, together with Henry Ortlip, new president of the Y. M. W. B., form the W. Y. P. S. Cabinet for the next school year.

Charles Foster is the new Vice-President of the Y. M. W. B. and Hayes Minnick is its Secretary-Treasurer.

Lester Paul will head the Ministerial Association for the next semester. Helping him will be Lloyd Elliott, Vice-President; Joy Palmer, Secretary; Kenneth Hill, Treasurer; and Warren Babcock, Star reporter. The program committee will be headed by Hayes Minnick. Allan Gilmour and Marjorie Roberts are the other members of this committee. The social committee is composed of George Huff, Henry Ortlip, and Louise Balduf, with Mr. Huff as the chairman. The courtesy committee is Cary Fulkerson.

Sages' Sauce

BY BRUCE DENSMORE

The other day I happened into the art studio where Mary Helen Moody was busy making Arlene Wright a new face. Fenton Bennett noticed green on it. Miss Moody informed him that it was mold. Fenton didn't know it was molding clay.

If you saw the second soft ball game you probably noticed that Casey had a little trouble with his trousers. Belts aren't necessary Casey if you have a magnetic personality.

This is for Fritz Schlafer. Closed to the public.

Once at a dinner in a foreign country the diplomats of several countries appeared in full dress. The American ambassador being democratic didn't wear braids, swords and other trinkets but merely a tuxedo. One of the diplomats walked up to him and mistaking him for a butler said "Call me a cab." Willing to comply our ambassador said smilingly, "O.K. you're a cab." Enraged the foreigner went to the host and told him what his butler had done. "Butler" replied the host, "that is the American diplomat."

He returned and began to apologize profusely. "That is all right," said our representative, "if you had been better looking I would have called a hansom cab."

Wah! During our recent Music Festival it seems that Nesbitt was hounded by autograph seekers. Well it brought results. One of the girls was prompt and although the festival didn't close 'til Saturday still she had her letter to him postmarked on Saturday night.

In content it was:

"Dear Durwood, (Nesbitt)

I am writing this for English class. How many more years do you have in Houghton and then where are you going for your medical work? How long before you will be a doctor? As soon as you are I will come to you. Susie I"

LANTHORN Listed As Good Publication

The Lanthorn, college literary publication, has once again proved to be a valuable addition to the Houghton scene. Sales on the production already total about 200 copies, according to George Huff, of the sales staff, and the disposal of another 100 copies is in prospect.

From pointed and witty discourse on friendship, past snap-shots of country villages, and heart searching experiences on a mountain top, all in essay form, the reader is led to poetry which reveals an able and sincere expression of poetic feeling. The short stories also display clever insight into human feelings and motivation.

Most outstanding feature of the anthology appear to be the editorial footnotes, which keep the publication from seeming at all self-conscious or affected by reason of its unprofessional origin.

Editor of this year's Lanthorn is Jesse De Right, who incidentally placed second in the short story division of the 1939 literary contest. Business manager is Paul Krentel.

Taking first places in the divisions of the literary contest were Kathryn Anderson, essay, Helen Gregory, poetry, and Lois Bailey, short story. Miss Anderson is a senior while both Miss Gregory and Miss Bailey are members of the freshman class.

minder was the resultant student nomination and election of Council representatives last Tuesday.

Perennial criticism of the Council seems to have become a school tradition. Much of it has been needed and deserved by an inactive Council of the past, and has produced a healthful result. Some of it, founded upon ignorance, has been unnecessary and destructive.

The Student Council has been glad for the constructive interest shown. It is grateful for student co-operation freely given by many. The completed projects, originating mainly in much-desired student suggestions, have been made possible through the excellent, whole-hearted co-operation of the faculty, who often have granted more than was requested.

Surely the co-operative successes of the past year claim for the Student Council the respect and confidence of all students. The future of student government at Houghton depends on you. Sincere co-operation is the high way of progress.

F. G. S.

Farewell Party Is Given to Wright, To Leave Soon

A reception under the auspices of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary society was given to Dr. Kenneth Wright, Friday evening, May 19. A gift of \$75 was presented to Dr. Wright for the purchasing of medical equipment.

Dr. Wright, who was graduated from Houghton in '35 is planning to sail for London, where he will spend six months in advanced medical study, preparatory to his medical missionary work in Sierra Leone.

Many friends of Dr. Wright from the community, college, and surrounding vicinity gathered in the Houghton community hall for the tureen dinner which was served.

Dr. Wright is now an interne in the Genesee Hospital, Rochester, New York.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 31
8:15 Joint Orchestra-Choir Concert
Thursday, June 1
8:00 Oratorical Contest
Friday, June 2
10:00 High School Class Day
8:00 Theological Class Night
Bible Reading Contest
Saturday, June 3
10:00 College Class Day
12:00 Class Reunions
2:00 Alumni-Varsity Baseball and Tennis
5:30 Alumni Banquet
8:15 Concert by Senior Music Students
Sunday, June 4
10:00 Baccalaureate
8:00 Morning Watch
6:30 Vesper Service
7:30 Annual Missionary Service, Rev. P. D. Doty, Speaker
Monday, June 5
10:00 Commencement Exercises

REC HALL SCENE FOR S. S. CLASS FROLIC

The rain clouds hung low on Monday evening, May 22, as the Royal Sons Sunday School Class prepared for their "get together." It was decided that the roof of the recreation hall would be more nearly waterproof than the pines up along Houghton Creek.

A group of 30 fellows flocked to the kitchen to get the hot dogs and rolls as they were handed out. First there was a slap of mustard; then down they went to be followed quickly by another. This was enlivened by a mixture of fruit juices. (See Prof. Stockin for the recipe.) Imagine Gerald McKinley promising to eat another "dog" if he could have an extra doughnut to go with it.

The president expressed his appreciation in behalf of the class to Dr. Woolsey and Prof. Stockin for furnishing the food. After Prof. Stockin told his "chairman" joke, Dr. Woolsey gave the closing remarks, thanking the class for their co-operation and good attendance throughout the year.

YORK GIVEN SHOWER

A shower in honor of Miss Lois York was given at the home of Mrs. Henry Andresen on Tuesday evening, May 23. Several of Lois' friends were present and presented her with many useful things for her kitchen.

Why is an empty purse always the same?

There's never any change in it.
The Purple Pennant

ALLEN HAS JOB; OTHERS TAKING GRADUATE WORK

On Saturday night, May 13th, Sarabel Allen hurriedly signed on the dotted line. The result? She is to teach all eight grades in the rural school at Franklin Station, near Unadilla next year.

Among the several seniors who are going on to graduate school work next year are: Harlan Tuthill, at Cornell; Loran Taylor, Paul Van Ornum, and Reyburn Marra at Syracuse Medical School; Patsy Brindisi and William Grosvenor at Princeton Theological Seminary; George Hilgeman at Dallas Theological Seminary; Edwin Holley at Drew; and Frederick Schlafer at Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Paine To Be Speaker For Central and Wheaton

Dr. Paine left Tuesday, May 23, for Central College where he will be the guest speaker at their commencement exercises.

He is also to give the commencement address at Wheaton College this year, where he will be awarded an honorary degree. Dr. Paine graduated from Wheaton in 1930 with his A. B. degree and in 1931 received his M. A. degree at the University of Illinois. In 1933 he also received his Ph.D. degree with honors at the University of Illinois. This June he is to be assigned the honorary degree of Doctor of Law.

Col. Thomas Davis of San Diego, California is also being awarded a Doctor of Laws degree. Others to be presented with honorary degrees are: James Graham Jr. of China who will receive a Doctor of Divinity, and E. Schuler English, the manager of Revelation, who will be awarded the Doctor of Letters degree.

Usual Commencement Contests Are Next Week

The French awards are to be given at the French Club banquet Friday night, May 26. They consist of a bronze medal and a book on the French government distributed in the United States by the French Council. As yet no notification has been given for the German awards.

Six people are participating in the Oratorical Contest to be held Thursday night, June 1. Those speaking are: Alice Palmer, Evelyn Bryant, Floyd Sovereign, Allyn Russell, Donald Kauffman, and George Huff. Three cash prizes will be awarded totaling twenty-five dollars.

The Bible Reading Contest of June 2 will be comprised of four participants: Everett Elliott, Ruth Hendricks, Ada Stocker, and Edwin Holley. Two prizes of five and ten dollars will be awarded.

Miss Driscal Is Speaker At Tuesday Service

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ" is my testimony as I go out as an ambassador of the Lord, said Miss Driscal in Students Prayer Meeting, Tuesday evening, May 16.

Miss Driscal, who is planning to return to the African Mission Field soon centered her thoughts largely upon her work and the necessities prerequisite to entering upon it. In brief she said, "I am debtor to do the whole will of God". Therefore "I am ready".

The concluding remarks of Miss Driscal were in the form of a heart to heart talk. Enlarging upon the three great eventualities which confront every missionary she related the possibilities lying in the hopes, the joys, and the fears of her undertaking. Finally, she urged our incessant, faithful prayers as she goes out.

Seniors Are Given Formal Reception At Gaoyadeo Hall

A reception was given to the Seniors of all departments by the Anna Houghton Daughters, Wednesday evening, May 17th, at Gaoyadeo Hall with Miss Ione Driscal as hostess.

As the guests entered, they were cordially welcomed by a reception committee first composed of Miss Frieda Gillette, the Rev. and Mrs. Black, Mrs. Bowen and Miss Hilpot. Other members took their turn welcoming the guests.

Refreshments were served by Miss Rork, Miss Owlett, Miss Fitch, Mrs. Zola Fancher, and Miss Mildred Gillette.

Several times during the evening the guests were entertained by Mr. Richard Sandle who played several selections on his violin. He was accompanied first by Mildred Bisgrove and then by Mr. Alton Cronk. The string trio, composed of Miss Virginia Crofoot, Miss Elizabeth Cheney, and Mr. Richard Sandle also played.

Four Groups Aid Services Sunday

Sunday, May 21, proved to be a very profitable day for the groups of the extension department. Although the school year is drawing to a close there are those who are willing to give of their time and talents in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The "Sunshine Trio" made up of Ada Stocker, Mary Foster and Elizabeth Cheney went to Bradford, Pa. Professor C. A. Ries preached in the morning service and the evening service was that of an educational hour. A vocal trio composed of Kietha Woods, Audrey Crowell, and Harriet Kalla aided in the morning service of Mr. Loren Smith of Centerville, N. Y. A vocal duet made up of Helen Reynolds and Bertha Reynolds held an afternoon service at the County Home at Angelica. Helen Reynolds brought the message. The Wesleyan church at Olean had a vocal quartet made up of Charles Foster, Lloyd Elliott, Bruce Densmore, and Henry Ortlip. These held both the young people's and evening service with Bruce Densmore speaking in both services.

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for their fine choral performance.

Probably no groups were watched with more interest than those of the Houghton District School under the direction of the college practice teachers, Mr. Skinner and Mr. Vandenburg.

Bands Perform

Saturday, May 20, saw the invasion of the Houghton campground by a host of well over 600 gaily uniformed youngsters, all members of bands from the high schools of this section. These bands were a part of the program for Band day of the annual Music Festival.

As adjudicator for this year, the festival committee was very fortunate in being able to obtain the services of the well-known cornet soloist, teacher, and bandmaster, Frank Simon. Dr. Simon is conductor of the nationally famous Armco Band and is a universal favorite with young musicians.

Starting shortly after nine a. m. approximately eighteen bands performed for the praise and criticism of Dr. Simon. It was quite a cause for comment to hear the great improvement of the various bands over their performances of last year. Helpful criticisms and words of encouragement were given to the young musicians by Dr. Simon.

Late in the afternoon about 500 of the players from the various bands

Sunday Services

King Asa

The Rev. E. W. Black brought a message from the character of King Asa at the morning church service Sunday, May 21. At the beginning of his reign King Asa was a courageous and godly man, but before the close of his life he was persecuting both God's messenger and God's people. "King Asa's life began as a lovely sunrise, Rev. Black said, "but ended behind a dark thundercloud." God had warned Asa that God would be with him, as long as he was with God, but if he forsook God, God would forsake him.

Wilson Speaks

Kenneth Wilson addressed the young people Sunday evening through an analysis of Martha's statement to Jesus found in John 11:21 — "If thou hadst been here my brother had not died." From her words Mr. Wilson observed the tone of the reproach, the evidence of Martha's faith in the power of Christ, and the fact that Jesus had not been present. "Suffering and hardship always exist where Jesus is not," he said, and illustrated this by references to the world situation, church administration, and personal lives.

During the meeting, Mr. Edward Willett offered two vocal solos.

Seniors Recall

Sunday evening on the occasion of the annual educational service in Houghton Church four seniors, Kathryn Anderson, Clyde Meneely, Marjorie Updyke, and Robert Lytle, spoke on the topic "Why I came to Houghton." All centered their reasons for entering this school about Houghton's motto, "fundamental in belief, low in expense, and high in standards." Houghton leaves an indelible mark upon the lives of all of her students.

Bible School Has Canada Program

Thursday night, May 18, found the entire Bible School student body traveling to St. Catharines, Canada for their initial radio broadcast. The presentation was sent out over station CKTB, one of Canada's larger stations, and probably as many as six million people were reached.

The program was varied with musical numbers, testimonies by members of the group and an address given by Professor Frank Wright, Dean of the Bible School.

Students from the Toronto Bible College journeyed from their campus to St. Catharines to attend the broadcast. The studio was so well impressed by the program that the group has already been asked to return for a similar broadcast next year. Contact was also made with one student who will enroll at Houghton in the fall.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to join with my family in expressing our appreciation for the many tokens of kindness and sympathy extended at the time of our deepest sorrow.

Myrtle Bradley

gathered in the front of the auditorium to be led as a group by the famous adjudicator. With ease and showing the skill of his musical career, Dr. Simon brought out the best in the performance before him as he led them in a program of marches, chorals and light overtures.

Mr. Cronk and the festival committee are to be congratulated for the fine work they are doing to raise the standard of school music in this section of the state.

While Thinking With God

BY EVERETT ELLIOTT

In Isaiah 64:7 is given a woeful picture of spiritual laxness. The cry rings forth: "There is none that call eth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee". Here we have the picture according to Samuel Zweimer of the suppliant's opportunity of stretching forth the arms, the hands, the very fingers of the soul reaching out to lay hold of God, but none avail themselves of the opportunity.

We might well ask ourselves as we near the close of school, if we still believe God answers prayer. Do we still believe that finite man has a hearing with the infinite God? Do we still maintain that prayer is the secret of vital contact with God? Do we still recognize that prayer is a source of power over the adverse circumstances of life? We as Christians can only answer, yes, to each and everyone of these questions, but God is not content with a mere intellectual recognition of the fact of the power of prayer. God's will for every Christian life is that they shall practice the power of prayer.

Do you have problems in life which loom up before you as a mountain especially at this season of the year? God would have us present each problem to him and trust him to solve that problem for us as we do his revealed will. Perhaps you have studied diligently throughout the semester, but when exams roll around everything goes into a blur. Ask God to give you the spirit of wisdom and understanding. "If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not." Again, perhaps your summer work problem may seem insurmountable. Have you talked to God about it? God is an opener of doors. "Knock and it shall be opened unto you". Even as yet your life vocation or work may be undecided. Spend time with God that he may reveal the next part of your life's blueprint. Each and every problem may be settled by the power of prayer.

The hymn-writer says, "Speak oft with thy Lord". Let us speak often with God in these busy days that these closing days of the school year might be days of blessing in spiritual things. Pray much for God's messengers as they come to minister to us in these Commencement services. God hears. God answers prayer. God's ear is listening for the cry of the earnest suppliant. "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it", says Christ, our Master.

'Good Advice' President's Concluding Chapel Theme

In his last chapel of the school year Dr. Paine gave what he termed "a few words of advice for the summer". He read from Galatians 6:1-9, placing particular emphasis upon the verse, "Let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not".

President Paine pointed out that no matter how successful one may be in extra-curricular activities, this success does not make up for failure in studies. One must not mistake the proper values of things.

If the going is difficult, the individual should keep trying anyway since no one is defeated until he quits. It is more important to know how to work, than to have a brilliant mind and fail to apply one's self, he said.

In closing, President Paine stressed the necessity for cooperation in securing new students for the school.

Gold Get Track-Field Men's Events; Purple Co-eds Win

A smiling sun and a thunderous throng saw the galloping "Golden Ghosts" fling themselves to a decisive triumph over the determined but outclassed Purple participants in the renewal of the annual Houghton College track and field classics.

From that tense instant when the bark of the timer's gun galvanized those powerful piston-like shanks of the "Falconer Flashes" into rapid revolution down the hundred straight away until "Bob" Homan's smooth flowing stride had brought the Gladiatorial baton to the termination point of the relay duel, the track and field fracas was completely dominated by the Golden horde.

Fracture Three Marks In Cinder Circuit

Aided by ideal weather conditions the leather-lunger luminaries of the land of limber muscles and long wind made it a banner day by fracturing three track marks and one field record. Producer of a pair of these premier performances was the leading Pharaoh point-getter, the Philadelphia power-house, Kieth Sackett. In the morning he journeyed the 880 yard distance (1-2 mile) in 2 minutes 5.5 seconds, breaking the old record by a full second. Returning to the cinders in the afternoon Kieth negotiated the mile in 4 minutes and 47 seconds, breaking his own mark of 4:49 established last year. Bob Homan, the warbling whirlwind, created a new low in the 220 yard dash by reaching the tape in 23.5 seconds clipping .3 of a second off the old record.

Main factors in the gladiatorial combat were Bob Homan with a brace of victories (220 and 440), the "Falconer flashes" who in fraternal fashion split the first and second positions in the 100 yard dash and broad jump, "Big" Glen Mix, leading brawn baron who captured the laurels in the javelin and the discus and spindle shanked "Red" Ellis who soared to top honors in the high jump and pole vault.

Sackett proved to be the lone dark clad warrior to garner blue ribbons. "High" Harlan Tuthill and McCarty, the "mighty milkman," grabbed first in the 120 low and 220 high hurdles respectively to further substantially contribute to the Gold's point total. A track gladiatorial relay team circumnavigated the charcoal, coal-colored, spike scarred circle in near record time, leaving the pharaohs in their smoke.

TRACK EVENTS

Men's 100 yd. Dash	Everett Elliott	time: 10.3 sec.
220 yd. dash	Robert Homan	time 23.5sec. (record)
440 yd. Dash	Robert Homan	time: 54.4sec.
880 yd. Dash	Keith Sackett	time: 2 min. 5.5. sec. (record)
Mile Run	Keith Sackett	time 4 min. 47 sec. (record)
Women's 50 yd. Dash	Keitha Woods	time: 7:15 sec.
Women's 100 yd. Dash	Ruth Newhart	time: 13.2 sec.
120 High Hurdles	Harlan Tuthill	time: 29 sec.
Women's Relay	Purple Team (Markee, Carlson, J. Paine, B. Paine)	time unknown
Men's Relay	Gold Team (E. Elliott, L. Elliott, Evans, Homan)	time 1 min. 51.4 sec.

Prof. (after Faculty tea): "Say, those cakes at tea were as hard as iron."

Prof's wife: "Yes, I know. I suppose that's why they said, 'Take your pick' when they passed them around." Wheaton Record

PAINE, NEWHART PLAY THE LEADING ROLES

Paced by the vicious-kicking, hard throwing Jerry Paine, the somber-clad coeds outstripped the Gold feminine track and field talent 39-27. Strangely enough Miss Paine stood alone in the Purple ranks as a blue ribbon wearer. However, her two laurel-grabbing performances in the soccer-kick and baseball throw, coupled with almost complete Purple monopoly of the other places in the field events and runner-up honors in every track event gave them an impressive margin of victory.

Sharing the spotlight for the individual honors was Ruth Newhart who outshone as the veteran track and field stars as she carved out a brace of sparkling wins in the 100 yard dash and broad jump competition. Further augmenting the Gold grand total and establishing themselves as blue ribbon performers were Alice Jane Lovell and Keitha Woods, who led the parade in the high jump and 50 yard dash respectively.

Both dash duels provided photo-finishes and the most exciting thrills of the entire meet. In the 50 yard romp Keitha Woods squeezed out a 1/2 stride decision over "Ting" Sturgis while in the 100 yard frolic Ruthie Newhart beat out Billie Paine by the proverbial eyelink.

A disqualifying foul cost the metallic-garbed coeds a victory in the close relay clash. A Gold triumph in this event would have made the score uncomfortably close, providing the Purple with only a four point margin.

Eliminations Seen Finished; Purple Ahead by 2-1

Flashy white-clad warriors have been seen often recently matching their skill on the clay tops with a result in the formation of two sets of Purple and Gold teams which are still hard at it attempting to settle the final color clash of the year.

Purple-Gold tournament thus far has been in favor of the Purple in the men's games which stand 2-1 with the single matches all played off with Crandall and Prentice on top for the Purple and Murphy taking the match for the Gold.

The women's games have been almost entirely in favor of the Gold, standing completed at 4-1. Myra Thomas stands no. 2 player having taken over Helen Burr, Arlene Wright defeated Gerry Paine, and "Tish" Higgins added another victory by downing Billie Paine. The first doubles game was forfeited to the Purple, the second again going to the Gold racket swingers.

Final accounts show the scales tipping toward the lighter color's favor 5-3, but with two doubles matches to be played yet, anything may happen.

FIELD EVENTS

Pole Vault	Merwin Ellis	height: 10ft. 6in.
Men's High Jump	Merwin Ellis	height: 5ft. 4in.
Men's Broad Jump	Lloyd Elliott	distance: 18ft. 8in.
Women's Broad Jump	Ruth Newhart	distance: 11ft. 8.5in.
Women's Baseball Throw	Jerry Paine	distance: 164 ft. 6in.
Women's Soccer Kick	Jerry Paine	distance: 96ft. 6in. (record)
Shot Put	Paul Krentel	distance 134ft. 2in.
Discus Throw	Glen Mix	distance: 100ft. 11in.

2ND FROSH-VARSITY TILT SEES 8-4 YEARLING LOSS DUE TO LITTLE SUPPORT

Handicapped by a shortage of baseball material the Freshmen again lost to the Varsity Saturday afternoon, May 20, to the tune of 8-4.

Jack Crandall, winning pitcher for the Varsity, staged a nice pitching game and allowed but two hits for the losers. He had a little trouble getting his arm loosened up in the second inning, and was relieved for a couple of innings by Olcott but came back in the fourth to pitch a fine game of ball and lead his teammates to victory. Mullin of the Frosh also clamped down in the fourth and from then on gave the opponents but five scattered hits.

Both teams started scoring in the second when the Varsity took a lead of four runs only to be trailed with three in the second half for the Frosh. While Olcott was pitching in the second and third innings he allowed two hits bringing the total hits for the Frosh up to four. He also had two strike outs. The Varsity continued their scoring spree in the third by chalking up two more while the Frosh added one to their tally. Bill Olcott hit out the first home run of the season to account for one of the two Varsity runs in this inning.

During the rest of the game it looked pretty much like a pitching duel. The Varsity were able to get several men on base only to be caught off one of the sacks during their journey around. The first of these came in the first inning when Burns was really caught napping on first. Throws from Mullin to Cummings on second accounted for an unusually large number of the put-outs.

OFFICER ELECTION HELD AT EXPRESSION DINNER

The Expression club held their annual banquet in the college dormitory Monday evening, May 22.

George Hilgeman, the president of the club, after opening with prayer made a few remarks concerning the improvement of the programs and growth of the club throughout this year. He thanked all those who had co-operated in making it so and prophesied an even better year for 1939-40. He also announced that plans for next year are already in motion. Robert Renwick, Shakespearean reader who appeared on the college rostrum twice this year will be back next September to give his interpretation of Henry V.

Election for next year's officers was then held, the results of which were: President Jesse DeRight, Vice President Lenoir Masteller, Secretary Arlene Wright, Treasurer Howard Barnett, Faculty Adviser Dr. S. A. Small.

7th Color Battle Is Conclusively A Win for Gold

The Golden Gophers batted their way out of a series tie to win by an appreciable margin over the Purple squad in last Wednesday's rather loosely-played game. In the second half of the first inning, Rollman and Mullin each scored for the Gold after hits by Murphy and Gamble gave them a lift around the bases.

Neither side scored in the second inning, but in the third the purple picked up one run. Also in the first half of the fourth, Olcott crossed the plate after laying out a two-base hit and then getting the best of being caught stealing third, as Rollman threw the ball away.

In the second half of the fourth, the Gold did well by themselves as Stone made a two-base hit and scored on an error of Burns. With Russell, Tuthill, and Paine on bases, Jim Evans made a beautiful drive into center field which landed him on third and brought the other three men across the plate for three more runs. Evans subsequently scored and the count at the end of the fourth stood 7 to 2 for the Gophers.

The Purple had their best inning in the fifth, as Blauvelt and Whybrew scored on a bad pitch to the back stop. Hoyt and Olcott both laid out two-base hits and scored the first and last runs of the inning respectively. Again in their half of the fifth, the Gold chalked up five runs; one each for Stone, Paine, Evans, Rollman and Murphy.

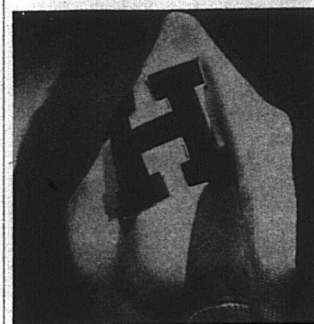
The sixth inning opened with the Gold out ahead by a decisive lead and the Purple failed to score again in either the sixth or seventh innings. Bill Olcott put himself on third base by a long fly into right field, and was the only Purple man to get on base. In the last half of the sixth Olcott replaced Hoyt on the mound after Gamble and Stone got on base. Both men scored, and the game ended 14-5 after six and a half innings. Errors were numerous, but with even a lop-sided score, the fans seemed to be enjoying the last game of the series. The umpire came in for his share of attention with a badly bruised arm—the result of getting hit with the ball while calling the strikes from behind the plate. Mr. Sweed was succeeded by Beverly Taylor ('36) who took a more cautious view from behind the pitcher.

Following is the box score of the game:

Purple				
	AB	R	H	
Burns 2b, c	3	0	0	
Blauvelt 3b	4	0	1	
Olcott c, p	3	3	2	
Whybrew cf, 2b	4	0	1	
Taylor 1b	4	0	0	
Klotzbach ss	2	0	0	
Martin rf	3	0	0	
Gilbert lf	3	0	0	
Hoyt p, cf	3	1	1	
		6	5	
Gold				
	AB	R	H	
Evans cf	4	2	1	
Rollman 2b	3	2	2	
Mullin lf	4	1	1	
Murphy rf	4	1	2	
Gamble ss	3	1	1	
Stone 3b	3	3	2	
Russell c	4	1	0	
Tuthill 1b	4	1	0	
Paine p	2	2	0	
		14	9	

Struck out, by Paine 7, Hoyt 3; Olcott 1; Base on balls, off Paine 3, Hoyt 5, Olcott 0; Hits, off Paine 6, Hoyt 9, Olcott 0; Two base hits: Olcott 2, Hoyt, Murphy, Stone; Three base hits: Evans, Olcott

IN THE



SPORTLIGHT

BY VICTOR MURPHY

From bull session to banquet room is ringing the phrase "this is a Gold year," and those who happen to be members of the gladiatorial ranks are adding, "it's about time it happened." In spite of valiant efforts last year only one major sport turned out to be theirs, but this year a better stride seems to be found for 3 out of 4 of these main sports left their victories in the Gold camp.

Baseball went the golden way only by a slim margin for the series ran into 7 games with Harry Hoyt almost turning the tables for the Purple. Track went easier as it had in the past, but who will forget the way in which basketball hung by a thread up until the end of the series. In tennis, though the Gold is ahead, the Purple men players are no doubt better, and it is on two of these men's games that the final results rest.

It can be said without a doubt that in Houghton where known teams are matched against known teams and men against men throughout the year that weaknesses in any team must be plugged lest the opponents find and take advantage of them; thus the ability must be higher and the squads more foolproof than under any other system. As a result, as is shown from the games this year, both teams can be rated almost on a level with only small indeterminable factors being enough to decide which team will get the honor for that year.

VARSITY TAKES ITS FIRST FROSH GAME WITH A 9-5 MARGIN

Friday afternoon, May 19, Houghton baseball fans witnessed the first of the series of three Frosh-Varsity contests with Whybrew and Burns the batteries of the Varsity being matched against Hoyt and Russell of the yearlings. The more experienced lads started their win by scoring in the first and second innings while the Frosh were unable to score until the fourth when they managed to squeeze two runs across the plate on a single hit for the inning and that by the first man up.

The game progressed uneventful until the sixth frame when the Varsity scored five hits and three runs. The Freshmen retaliated in the first of the seventh when Whybrew's arm began to give way and chalked up three more runs to even the score at 5-5. Olcott was then substituted and held the yearlings scoreless for the remainder of the the innings. The Varsity came back in their half and placed Evans on base with a double which finally brought in the winning run on an error by Paine at short-stop.

Hoyt who had pitched the final Purple-Gold game two days before did a fine job on the mound. Taylor, Whybrew and Russell each made two hits out of three times at bat.