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Welcome.

To all who come anew to these our portals.
Seeking within our gates the charm of knowledge,

To all we give the hearty hand of welcome.
And with that hand the friendliest of greetings.

To studyroom and classroom first of all
We bid you welcome.

That in the atmosphere of knowledge thou
Mayst learn the lesson of true scholarship.
Then to the friendship rich and true which thou

May'st find among the boys and girls of
Houghton,

Lo to that hearty friendship which of all
Earth-friendships stirs the virile heart to strength

And makes the boy a man, the coward a hero.
But thou art not, ah student, wholly blind,
And we shall see thee in a few short days,
Walking the streets of Houghton not alone.
Then to the Friend of Friends we bid you welcome,

Who rules and reigns within these sacred
halls,

And breathes his strength into the inmost
heart,

Shaping the lives of those who dwell among
us.

So now we bid you welcome. May the year
Be bright as on you go and may each dawn
Bring a new impulse inspiration born.
May all your life be bright. May sunny
skies

Attend your way 'till lessons all are passed,
And out into the sea of life you come.

And then may heaven's richest blessings
fall

Upon you till the journey all is o'er.

—Robert S. Chamberlain.

U. L. A.

Changes Star to Bi-Monthly.

The extraordinary rise in the price of paper and ink during the last few months has caused most newspapers and magazines to either advance their price or reduce their size. The Star, though it closed last year out of debt, has faced an annual deficit every year that has greatly handicapped it. The increase in cost of publishing the paper has naturally added to this difficulty. In consequence of these conditions, last June the Union Literary Association elected a committee to investigate conditions and report at the opening of school on the advisability of raising the price or of reducing the number of issues. The committee was composed of Pres. Luckey, Prof. Fancher and the present editor and manager of the Star.

After careful consideration, the committee made the following report—to not increase the price, to double instead of reducing the number of issues, to change the character of the paper, making each regular issue a newspaper instead of a magazine, and to publish a magazine number at the end of each semester. The U. L. A. adopted the report of the committee and you see the result of the change in this issue. But WATCH for that magazine issue. It will be something to surprise you.

The Students' Reception.

Worthy to be long remembered in the history of Houghton Seminary was the Students Reception given by our "Old Students" to our "New Students", Friday evening, September 15.

The original object of the event was an opportunity to "get together and get acquainted," and to have the most enjoyable time possible while doing so,—faculty, patrons of the school and students alike. And no one will attempt to deny the fact that the reception was a success with a capital S. The rooms of the Seminary building, in which the reception was held, were decorated with the foliaged greenery of Nature's outdoors, with pennants and banners adding to the attractiveness of the decorative scheme. There was an atmosphere of kindly good cheer, both in the reunion of the "Old Students" in memory of the days of "Auld Lang Syne" and in the welcoming of the "New Students"—those who have cast their lot with the Houghton student body for the coming year. Every handshake and every greeting carried with it a message of most sincere friendship.

Refreshments were served and the following program rendered.

Reading "If We Knew" Miss Riggall
Vocal Solo Miss Esther Busch

Reading "When Mother's Gone Away"
Miss Vivian Saunders

Welcome to the New Girls

Miss Florence Kelly

Response

Miss Victoria Post

Welcome to the New Boys

Mr Robert Kaufmann

Response

Mr. John Bruce

Song

Male Quartet

Address

Pres. Luckey

College Song

With a heart-felt sense of appreciation, each one departed for home prophesying there would be no room for the blues at Houghton for weeks to come. For a fact the prophecy has come true!

Pushing for Houghton.

That Houghton students are interested in their Alma Mater and its prosperity was demonstrated in Akron O. this summer. On the evening of August 26th under the banner of our school and with purple and gold about the place a few old students did their best to present Houghton Seminary to the people in an attractive and truthful way. The service was held in the Wesleyan Methodist church there and the fair sized audience seemed to catch a little of the zeal for Houghton. The program was as follows:

School Song

Purple and Gold.

A Panoramic Sketch of Houghton,

Claude Ries.

Duet Mabel Steese, Robert Kaufmann.

The Theological Dept. and Religious
Activities Wm. Kaufmann.

Duet Beulah Orrell, Mrs Emma York.

The Music Dep'ts Mabel Steese.

The Skeleton in Armor, Oration

Lawrence Spencer.

The College Dept. Pierce Woolsey.

Duet Mabel Steese, Robert Kaufmann.

A talk on the New Gymnasium

Claude Ries

The College Song.

P. E. W.

The Hartmann Recital.

For the second time in its history, Houghton Seminary has been favored by having in its chapel a musician, not only of national repute, but as President Luckey says, of international fame. Those who attended Friday night must have considered it exceedingly fortunate that Houghton is the summer home of Mr. Hartmann.

It is not appropriate that we should attempt to criticize technically the concert, especially in view of the fact that both European and American critics are unanimous in praise of this master. However,

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Editorial

Never in all the thirty-two years history of Houghton Seminary has a school year begun more auspiciously than the present year. This indeed means much to those who have Houghton's interests at heart. With the long-dreamed of gymnasium well under construction furnishing Houghton students with opportunities for developing the physical in healthful and delightful exercises never before realized, with the installation of a new printing press, with an excellent caliber of teaching power, with the entry of a splendid number of new students in all departments, with the spiritual atmosphere so healthfully manifested in our services, we surely have just reason to feel thankful.

We desire to stop here a moment and thank the alumni and old students who have stood by so loyally in bringing about our gymnasium and printing press. We in a measure realize their value and it is of no little account to a new student to come into school that is on the upgrade.

But we realize that along with these augmented opportunities comes the added responsibilities that opportunities always bring. We realize that it is no child's play to enter the lists of the college world and play well our part, much less to have the leadership of the school paper but, "we are not here to play, to dream, to drift! We have hard work to do and loads to lift,"

and would enter into the fray with the spirit of the poet, "Shun not the battle, face it, tis God's gift, Be strong."

Perhaps our readers might be interested in making acquaintance with the personnel of our staff. Our business manager Mr. Clark Warburton is a man of business tact and foresight. We believe that the U. L. A. made a wise choice in selecting him for such a responsible position. Mr. S. Miner and Mr. L. Smith are his assistants.

We are sure that Mr. Robert Chamberlain our associate editor, the greatest literary genius in Houghton, needs no introduction. We feel in him an excellent co-worker and assistant.

Another whom you will readily realize as a tireless worker and of no mean talent is Miss Florence Kelly, our organization editor.

Mr. Hopkins tho a new member on the staff has shown fine work in English classes and past contributions to the Star. We know he will tell you all about the Campus and possibly more.

Mr. Robert Kaufmann, the star third baseman of varsity fame, will pour forth his volume of athletic "lore."

Be on your guard old students and alumni for Miss Elsie Hanford our alumni editor might make you an occasional visit in the form of a little epistle.

The humorous and live little body known as Miss Helen Sicard will record the pranks and jokes.

Our latest arrival to our college junior class Mr. Arthur Russell will have charge of the exchange department.

We feel assured that we have a staff that can be depended upon to do their part but they needs must have your co-operation, patient reader, as well. Do not disappoint us but help us by your suggestions, criticisms and subscription.

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a brief appreciation might not be considered too presumptive.

The program as given below gives a fair idea of the character of the concert. Classical, it is true, but by the combination of man and the violin, it was transformed into veritable animation, pathos or laughter as it was willed. Perhaps the most appreciated, if we are to judge by the applause, was the "Variations on the G string alone", in which Mr. Hartmann displayed the unwonted genius that we had expected of him. His own "To a Wild Rose" with its almost superhuman delicacy held the audience spellbound, as did his "Cra-

dle Song"—a distinctly human and interesting work. But all the passion and fire that the master possessed was apparently liberated in his superb rendition of Zapateado by Sarasate. A word also in praise of the accompanist, Mrs. F. E. Howard, would be deserved as her work was done in professional style.

We must not forget the one to whom we are indebted for this musical treat. The energetic orchestra leader, George Hubbard, not only secured the services of Mr. Hartmann, but assumed the financial responsibility as well. We like to see more of that spirit in Houghton—a desire to improve the town as well as the school.

Concerto E minor	Nardini
a Allegro	
b Andante	
c Finale	
Adagio and Allegro	Corelli
Magyar Hymnusz	Erkel-Hartmann
Variations on the G string alone	Paganini
To a Wild Rose	MacDowell-Hartmann
In the Gondola	Karganoff-Hartmann
Poupee Valsante	Poldini-Hartmann
Intermede Arabe	A Walter Kramer
Swing Song	Ethel Barnes
Bischette	Gustave Saenger
Zapateado	Sarasate
A Cradle Song	Arthur Hartmann
Gypsy Dances	Natchez

Gym! Gym!! Gym!!!

The "Gym" is no longer a phantasmogoria" but an almost realizable reality. We are feverishly awaiting the completion. However it takes time to erect a building of such magnitude. It may be of interest to note the different apartments and structure of the edifice. The ground story is erected out of cement blocks to a height of twelve feet. Above this are red tapestry brick on the outside and buffed brick on the inside. The basement, or ground floor is to contain the heating plant, lighting apparatus, lockers and shower baths, and if kind fortune favors us by a liberal donation a swimming pool is anticipated.

The second floor is the "gym" proper. This is 40.4 ft. in width and 75 ft. long, having a hard wood floor. Ten feet above this and encircling it, is a running track having windows both above and below it, and in the top a large skylight. At this writing the twenty feet of brick above the cement blocks are nearly laid. So with the work progressing steadily and uniformly, we shall soon appreciate the advantages of indoor recreation.

Alumni Notes.

During the past summer cupid has been busy among the alumni of our Seminary.

On August 15 at 8 o'clock a. m. Miss Mary Hubbard and Tremaine McDowell both prep '11 were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Hubbard of Houghton, N. Y. by the father of the groom, Rev. H. W. McDowell. The happy couple spent their honeymoon at Chautaugua Lake. They are now living at 210 Indiana street, Greencastle, Indiana where Mr. McDowell is Professor of Literature in the University of De Pauw.

On September 4, at high noon, Miss Dorothy Jennings Prep '13 and Mr. Paul Fall our recent professor were united in marriage by Rev. Dean S. Bedford at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. E. L. Carnahan of Appleton, N. Y. The young couple went directly to Oberlin where Mr. Fall has a position as assistant in Chemistry while he is working for his Master's degree and Mrs. Fall will continue her courses in college and music. Their many friends will miss them in Houghton but wish them success in their new location.

In a letter to the new business manager, Rev. Walter Lewis, Theological '16 says. "What are the prospects for a big years work? Is the new material pretty promising? I am awaiting with much anxiety the Star." Mr. Lewis is assistant pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Glenn Falls, N. Y. under Rev. E. D. Carpenter, Secretary of our connectional boards as well as president of the Champlain Conference. His address is 11 Garfield street, Glenn Falls, N. Y. He would doubtless appreciate hearing from the old students.

Among the recent visitors of Houghton Seminary was Miss Miriam Day, college '12 who was on her way to Africa as a missionary. After the students prayer meeting in the chapel Sept. 12 a short reception was given her by the President, Faculty and students. She is now on the briny deep, let us remember her at the throne of Grace. Letters are much appreciated by those in that dark land.

Perhaps the old student holding the "highest" position at present is L. L. Babbit, a naval officer who has recently been home on a furlough and was a welcome visitor at the Seminary. He is now a member of an aviation corp at Pensacola, Florida.

Ethlyn Stebbins Prep 15 who is taking a training course in nursing at St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y. has been visiting

her sister Mrs. H. L. Fancher, for the past two weeks and renewing old friendships with her old class-mates and friends.

The many friends of Pearl Hill of Morristonville, N. Y. were glad to renew her acquaintance. She has recently been visiting Miss Grayce Steese.

Old students and alumni let us hear from you so that the alumni may know what you are doing in the world.

Chapel Talk by Rev. E. H. Post.

During chapel hour on September twentieth, the students had the privilege of enjoying a rare treat. The Rev. David Scott of Fillmore rendered a pleasing solo after which Rev. E. Hilton Post, a well-known evangelist, delivered a sermon that struck home to the hearts of everyone present. He was dramatic and forceful in delivery but what impressed the students more than anything else was his intense earnestness of purpose and loyalty to the highest standard of Christian excellence. His text was taken from II Sam. 22: 17. "He sent from above, he took me: he drew me out of many waters".

First the speaker drew attention to the greatness of the danger. Not one alone but a whole world is standing on the brink of ruin, gazing as it were into the depths of an abyss: "Some people rebel because a minister preaches perfection, but the Devil preaches perfection. He never stops short of it in the work of destruction". "I want you to understand, young people, you can't play with sin without paying the penalty. . . . Sin and the Devil will dig your grave and put you there if you don't get away from them. . . . They will not only destroy your mind and body, but will take your character and throw it away and the worst of all will be the loss of the soul, lost forever."

But there is a brighter side to this picture. There is not only a great danger but a great Saviour, a great Deliverer. Not a great philosopher such as the Eastern people worship but God's co-equal, Jesus, who is able to save to the uttermost.

"This Saviour took me, he drew me out of many waters. Not out of water but many waters, - the water of fear, of pride, of anger, and many others. He is ready to save you too. He will deliver by taking these things from our lives entirely."

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Personals.

The seating in chapel reveals the fact of a larger number of students this year than last. We are glad to say that the college enrollment is larger than usual. There are fifty members in that department, seventy-five in the preparatory, thirty in oratory, thirteen in the theological, besides those enrolled in the music departments.

We heartily welcome back Miss Hillpot, a member of our Faculty who has been spending a year's leave of absence in study at the conservatory of music in Philadelphia.

We are pleased to see the smiling face of Prof. Smith in our halls again.

Although we regret the loss of Prof. McDowell and Miss Russell yet we believe splendid work will be done by Professors H. Hester and W. Bowen.

Mrs. H. Hester takes Miss Griffin's place as vocal instructor.

We greatly miss the kind face of our librarian Mrs. Jennings.

Nathan Capen is with us again and has the honor of being a senior with his friend Clarence Barnett.

Organizations.

The Athenian Society have elected the following officers - Robert Kaufmann, president; Ira Bowen, V. president; Florer, Kelly, secretary; Harold Lee, treasurer; George Hubbard, chorister. A stationary mixed quartett will take an active part in the programs this semester.

The Neosophic Society chose these for their standard bearers; G. Visser, president; L. Hill, V. president; Miss Whitten, secretary; H. Miner, treasurer.

The Senior Y. M. W. B. held its first meeting Tuesday evening, October 3. The old officers hold their places until next January. The meeting was well attended and a good program rendered.

The prospects for the I. P. A. work are very bright. At a recent meeting Prof. H. H. Hester was enthusiastically elected president to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mr. Claude Ries. The class in the Study of the Liquor Problem taught by Prof. Hester will co-operate with the League.

Exchanges.

The Star this year has introduced some changes into its make-up. It hopes to make this year the most universally satis-

factory and beneficial to all its readers of any year to date. But to do so, it feels the need of friendly counsel and criticism to encourage the production of what is best in a college paper, and discourage a repetition of the useless or less valuable assets. The Houghton Star is grateful to all the Exchanges of the past year for the faithful suggestions received and the right hand of friendship extended. It asks for a continuation of those helpful and friendly relations, and is more than glad to establish exchange relations with other college papers for the mutual benefits accruing to all concerned.

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Well is what?
Generally speaking.—Ex.

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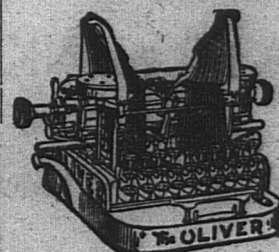
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