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Annual May Festival

The Annual May Festival, given last Friday evening in the chapel, was an unquestionable success. It is both a pleasure and a privilege to attend these annual concerts for they are entertaining and indicative of Houghton's home talent. The platform was simply and tastefully decorated and arranged. All of the numbers of the program were excellent and displayed considerable skill and appreciation.

The opening number of the program was a piano quartette, ably rendered by the Misses Myers, Crosby, Sloan, and Fish. Rapidity and action were displayed, showing the players capable of handling the selection. Following this number, Miss Carmelita Kelly sang "April Morn" so delighting her audience by her voice and manner, that she was enthusiastically encored for another song which she gave with equal efficiency and charm.

Miss Ruth Rockwell's reading "Music" from Penrod was given by that young lady in a most appreciative manner and was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. We believe that Miss Rockwell followed that long-heard instruction "Live in your characters". A second piano quartette was given by the Misses Jennings, Williams, Lupton and Storms in a most pleasing manner. Proper estimation and dexterity were unmistakably apparent in this selection. Miss Harriet Storms sang that favorite piece "Ave Maria", efficiently accompanied by Mr. Gerald Scott in a violin obligato. Miss Storms has won considerable favor in Houghton this year for her ability as a soloist.

A cutting from Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities" was read by Miss Clarice Spencer in her usual competent manner. Miss Spencer's selection was difficult but she handled it with ease and skill.

The next number of the program was more novel to Houghton audiences. A sextette from "Lucia di Lammermoor" was given by some of our most accomplished vocalists. The voices blended in perfect harmony all enjoyed it who heard.

Alfred Kreckman and Alton Cronk played a duet as only those can who

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"Gorge - ous Time"

We Juniors of the high school went to the gorge last Thursday where we spent a few enjoyable hours' outing. After walking such a distance we were tired out but "it takes a lot to down a Junior". Two of the girls descended a bank of about a hundred feet, using their bloomers as toboggans. The dust rose in clouds but they reached the bottom safely, looking like sandmen. Many pictures were snapped by our "Pussy" photographer, and we needed some light-footed person to get the best ones. Finally we gathered at the lower end of the gorge, where some of our number had already made a bridge and built a fire. The coffee was soon boiling and the hamburg sizzling in answer to the command of Ma. While the feast was being prepared, some of the girls scried the wall behind us while others waded in the creek. After having our fill of hamburg, pickles, cookies, and coffee, pairs of stockings were hung about the fire—not because Chastmas is near, but some of the girls missed their step and were obliged to go bare footed until their footwear dried. Soon the time for departure arrived, and all scrambled up the bank and onto Mr. Crouch's truck for a jolly ride home. Our colors, which were worn on our hats, floated joyfully in the breeze, while the air was filled with laughter and song. It was certainly an enjoyable time and all we lacked was cold cream for our tongues which were burned with hot coffee. Here's many thanks to our president and class mother.

Houghton Health Club

At the last meeting of the Houghton Health Club, a permanent Health committee was appointed to look after cases of sickness among children where the parents are unable to look after them.

Anyone knowing of any such cases, please report them to any of the undersigned.

Mrs. Howard Eyler
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Prof. L. J. Boardman
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H. S. Senior on a Rampage

A spirit of fun and adventure pervaded the Seniors last Friday morning to the great discomfiture of their teachers. Seniors called each other out of classes and announced that a special class meeting was to be held out on the Point at 11:15 o'clock. Although this interfered with English 4 period, every Senior was on hand, having escaped via the library and college halls. After a brief meeting, they went a short distance up the valley and spent a happy half hour playing games. All marched back to chapel and filed into the college seats. The H. S. Seniors then concluded their pranks by giving a rousing cheer for the College Senior Class.

This Is the Concluding Issue of the 1924-1925 STAR

Farewell Party

On Wednesday afternoon of this week, Mrs. Ray Hazlett entertained the Anna Houghton Daughters in honor of Mrs. Lennox. After practically all but the guest of honor had assembled, Mr. Lennox on the pretext of a trifling errand, brought Mrs. Lennox to the door. It was apparent to all present that it was a complete surprise. A short program was rendered consisting of a duet by Mrs. White and Mrs. Shroeder, a musical reading by Miss Warburton, and a few words of appreciation of Mrs. Lennox' work and life and good wishes for her future, expressed in behalf of the society by Mrs. Bowen. Then Mrs. Hazlett, carrying a heavy suitcase and acting the part of a porter, appeared. The contents of the suitcase were for Mrs. Lennox and contained remembrances from the individual members of the society. The sincere words of thanks expressed by their recipient showed that Houghton has no small place in her heart. After the suitcase and its contents had been disposed of, the ladies engaged in a short contest, which was followed by light refreshments. Then the guests departed, after having individually expressed their friendship for Mrs. Lennox and their best wishes for her future life.

Junior Frolics

Everyone in school has been watching with great interest the surprising activities of the two upper classes. People can expect the Juniors to be capable of being active and full of life; but when our sedate Seniors start cutting up, we stand aside with wide open eyes.

That's exactly what the Juniors didn't do—they kept their eyes open, very wide open in fact, but put into practice that maxim of the early bird by getting up at 4:30 last Tuesday. They gathered at the Dormitory Barn and after much suppressed laughter and scouting proceeded to the Spring where they built a fire, and prepared an appetizing breakfast of bacon, eggs, and coffee.

By the most remarkable coincidence the Seniors appeared upon the scene soon after, evidently with the Spring as their objective. School songs, cheers for the Seniors, and attempts (successful at that) at taking pictures under difficulties that would have done credit to a war correspondent, was only a part of the fun. About 7:15 the Juniors relinquished their strategic position, marched back, and at the edge of the campus formed a line and paraded by the girls' dormitory singing songs, and giving cheers for the Seniors.

This was not the only activity of the Juniors for the week, for on Thursday afternoon they embarked in a caravan of cars for Portage. A group hiked over to the cave on the other side, whether to develop an appetite or to engage in a search for treasure trove, we cannot say. Those who remained in the Park after viewing the beauties of nature for a time were seen gradually to gather in the vicinity of the car that contained the eats. It cannot be said whether the temptation proved too great or not.

After the cars that went to the lower falls and Prof. LeVay Fancher who made the trip from Houghton in 43 minutes flat, had arrived, supper was served. If actions are any indication, John Higgins, in the role of manager and cook, received a prolonged and enthusiastic ovation.

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Neosophic Society

Monday, May 25, the Society met for the last time this school year.

The History C class rendered an interesting program. An outline of the work of the Disarmament Conference was given by William Sallberg. Dorothy Brooks and Olive Benning sang one of our earlier war songs, "We Shall Meet, But We Shall Miss Him". The lives of some of our noted men were briefly sketched by Faith McKinney and Winifred Pitt. Ruth Rockwell read "The Battle Hymn of the Republic". We enjoyed immensely a vocal solo, "Keep the Homes Fires Burning" by Rosalind Churchill accompanied by Alton Cronk at the piano and Louis Baker with the guitar. The concluding number was "Current Foreign Relations" by John Paddock. The program terminated nicely with the report of our critic Miss Warburton.

Athenian Society

On Monday evening occurred the last meeting of the Athenian Society for this year. But few were present and the program was practically extemporaneous. Gladys Fawcett reviewed the life of Winston Churchill, the famous novelist; Goldie Davidson gave a discussion of Von Hindenberg, and Mr. King spoke on "The New French Executives". Miss Warburton played a piano solo, "Grande Valse Bullante".

The interest in the society this year has kept up better than usual. This has been due largely to the Sophomores and Freshman, particularly the Fresh-

men. In fact, at the present time, three of four executives of the society belong to the Freshman class. It is hoped that the society for next year will attract the attention of the upper classmen as well as that of the Freshmen and Sophomores, and that the society will be as interesting and instructive as it has been this year. Credit is due the executive committee, the program committee, and all those who have been taking part.

The library has received an attractive copy of the 1925 "Marionette", which is the third volume of Marion College annual. You will enjoy it.

Have you seen our latest magazine-"The National Republic"? This is an illustrated monthly, published in Washington, and is a review of American history, polity, politics, and public affairs. Among its contributors are: Sec. Hoover, Sec. Davis, Chairman of the American Red Cross, Commissioner of Education, Major General of the U. S. Army, Bishop Freeman of Washington, and other interesting people.

Anna Boardman Smith

Tuesday evening we were delighted to have Mrs. Anna Boardman Smith address the Y. M. W. B. meeting at 7 p. m. Mrs. Smith has spent three terms on the African field, then was sent to the Orient for a number of years.

We sat spell bound as she told us of one year's work in the Philippine Islands. She is sent to preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified. She said, "Only when we are true to Him are we true to ourselves". The Christian Filipinos enjoy the early morning prayermeeting. The morning is the time to meet God. If you want to live strong Christian life meet God early. Get ahead of the dawn, yes, get ahead of the sun.

There is only One who says "Come" no matter how far down and out one is, and all the world has the right to this knowledge.

We were indeed privileged to have Mrs. Smith in our midst. She is spending a few days with her brother, L. B. Churchill.

Theological Prayer Meeting

The Theological class met Sunday afternoon, as is customary, for prayer. The leader, Harold Webb, pointed out many pearls to be found in Romans 12:1,2, and 21.

After a couple of songs the remainder of the hour was spent in intercessory

prayer before the throne of Grace. Then some time was spent in praise. It is a blessed privilege to be a co-worker with Jesus.

How we need to be much in prayer. The harvest field is white. Martin Luther spent from one to three hours daily in prayer. What followed?

We have a conviction born of God, that He is able, and that He will answer the united prayers of His children in behalf of themselves, their Alma Mater, their country, and their work on the foreign field.

"Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

HOUGHTON LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McClintock and daughter of Titusville, Pa. have been visiting friends here.

Rev. J. C. Long is home for a few weeks' rest.

Mrs. Linquist of Jamestown, N. Y. has been visiting her daughter, Merrill Linquist.

Mrs. Anna Boardman Smith of Dayton, Ohio, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Abbie Bowen, and her brother, Mr. Churchill.

Mr. Horace Pitt of Akron, Ohio, has been visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Pitt.

Thursday evening, the Theological Seniors surprised Miss Mary Steves by inviting themselves to supper at the her room. Miss Steve's condition is improved and she expects to go home Saturday.

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Annual May Concert

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are most familiar with the ivory keys and the technique of music. This number brought ardent applause and was encored, whereupon these considerate pianists rendered a second selection equally well.

Miss Harriet Remington's reading "Daisy's Music Practice Hour" was the climax of the evening. Miss Remington held the closest attention of everyone in her audience to the finish and we would say that she gave a "perfect rendition of the piece". Only those who heard could appreciate the humor of it, and after a deafening applause she was brought back for an encore.

All regretted that Miss Hildreth was unable to sing, for all realize that she is an accomplished musician, especially in vocal work. We are sorry that she is not coming back but we shall hope for extended visits in the future.

The evening's concert was closed by "Love Songs of Olden Days" played by Houghton College Orchestra. The orchestra is a great addition to our college and we appreciate the fine selections which they have played with what is going to be expertness.

Junior Frolic

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Outsiders would hardly believe it, to see the fun afterwards, when all played "Prisoner's Base" and "Three Deep". Prof. Fancher and Prof. Hazlett proved valuable members of Miss Rork's side; the former showed his ability to steal the other side's base, while the latter had to show some fast sprinting when Mrs. Hazlett started for him.

About 9 o'clock all cars except Prof. Hazlett's and Mr. Henshaw's started for home, these cars refusing to function properly. If it had not been for Fidelia Warburton's timely discovery of that almost obsolete article, a hairpin, perhaps Frank would have been there yet. These two cars finally started out in convoy. After gradually growing dimmer, Prof.'s lights went entirely out, and as a result two cars came home "on a hairpin".

Mr. Clyde Dougherty of Mechanicsburg, Pa., was in town Tuesday.

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Rah! Rah! Rah!
Sophs! Sophs! Sophs!

Seniors Entertained

Three times in the past week have the Faculty and townspeople honored the Senior Class by entertaining them in various ways. Friday afternoon the Anna Houghton Daughters gave a reception in the College alcove for all of the graduating classes of both the College and Seminary.

Saturday evening, President and Mrs. Luckey entertained the College Seniors at a delightful dinner party. The house was decorated with the class colors and the class flower. A novel idea was incorporated in the proceedings of the evening—that of progressive table seating. After each course we changed tables so that no one sat at the same table twice. One of our greatest regrets in leaving Houghton is that we must lose the close associations with the President and his wife that have existed during the past four years.

Then again on Wednesday evening, the Seniors attended the "first informal commencement of Houghton College". It was a marked success inasmuch as only one member of the class failed to graduate. If the marks on the various members in the arithmetic, spelling, and music examinations were to be sent home, our parents and friends would certainly be disappointed with our efforts. Professor LeRoy Fancher distinguished himself as a commencement speaker, and we look forward to a great future for him in this field.

This last occasion also celebrated Allen Baker's birthday, so that cakes with twenty-one candles were cut and served with ice cream.

As a class leaving Houghton College, we are going to miss the efforts and attentions of friends here, put such occasions as have occurred this past week will leave bright spots in our garden of memories.

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