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Junior-Senior Banquet

Class of Twenty-Seven Royally
Entertains Graduates

The shades of night were falling in the beautiful little city of Perry, New York. The peaceful burghers may have been reading their newspapers; but certainly the good housewives were not placidly doing their knitting—for Perry boasts the largest knitting mills in Western New York.

Suddenly the tranquility of the scene was broken by vague undercurrents of excitement and disquieting apparitions. From the south cars of all capacities and calibers began to glide into town under cover of darkness. Mysterious strangers of all ages and degrees of pulchritude began to appear on the streets.

Ringling of the fire bells and the curfew and general panic was narrowly averted when the intelligence filtered out that this was merely the occasion of the annual banquet of the Juniors and Seniors from Houghton College, and that the handsome young prince traveling incognito in a high-powered limousine was merely Mr. Henshaw, President of the Senior class, in search

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Music Juniors Entertain

"In the spring, a student's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of—" weiner roasts and banquets. And who will deny that the faculty enjoys these affairs quite as much as the students?

On Wednesday evening, the Junior class of the Music Department entertained the Senior class and the faculty of that department at an informal banquet at the home of Mrs. Marshall Cronk. The evening was spent in very intellectual pursuits, wrongly called "musical games". For when a sign is pinned on one's back, it certainly requires a complicated mental process to tell whether one is, for the moment, a grand piano or Paderewski himself. And who could form an orchestra out of such instruments as "Crup noises" and "Mity pan"? These merely hint at the many tests of general musical information which were made.

The colors of the graduating class were used in the attractive decorations and delicious refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Bryan Foundation Again Meets With Approval

President Luckey attended the meeting of the Conservative Orthodox Colleges of America, which was held May 6th, at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. About fifteen colleges were represented at this meeting. It is of particular interest to the students of Houghton College to note that the music at this meeting was furnished by a quartet from our sister college at Marion, Indiana, and the Wheaton College Quartet. The plan for the Bryan Foundation was presented by President Luckey. The Foundation received the unanimous approval of the delegates, and a committee was appointed to confer with the Executive Board of The World's Christian Fundamentals Association on matters relating to the incorporation and the board of trustees of the Bryan Foundation. Steps were also taken at this meeting to amalgamate the Association of Orthodox Colleges with The World's Christian Fundamentals Association. It is quite probable that these two associations will meet in a joint session next year at Atlanta, Georgia. Great praise and honor is due our Heavenly Father, who up to this time is permitting the Bryan Foundation to meet with success. Let us continue to pray for President Luckey and his efforts in regard to the Bryan Foundation.

Seniors Appear in Caps and Gowns

Impressive Chapel Exercises
Presented

The Chapel exercises to which we have been looking forward for so long a time occurred last Friday when the College Seniors presented the program. Fourteen young men and women dressed in their caps and gowns marched onto the platform where they joined in singing while they raised their class banner. An unusual solemnity and dignity settled down upon the student body as the Seniors took their places.

Devotionals were conducted by Mr. Carey who is the treasurer of the class. As Miss Warburton who was to have had part in the program was called away by the serious illness of her brother, Miss Miller, the vocal instructor, kindly filled her place in rendering a piano duet with Miss Meade. The

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Annual May Concert

Very Large and Appreciative Audience
Attend

On Friday evening, May seventh, occurred the Annual May Concert, given by the students of Houghton College and Seminary. As one of Houghton's best musical events, this concert drew a large and appreciative audience from the school and town, and also from the surrounding villages.

The program began with a piano quartet Rossini's "Overture Seminars" by Ruby Hogg, Ruth Williams, Leona Thomas, and Anna Duggan. This was the first of several unusually good instrumental numbers. Four piano solos: "Chopin's Valse, Op. 42", by Harriet Storms, Chaminade's "Autumn" by Alfred Kreckman, Liszt's "Rhapsodie Hongroise, No. 12" by Alton Cronk, Paderewski's "Theme with Variations" by Miss Miller, and "Intermezzo" by the Orchestra were included in the instrumental selections. Although these were all enthusiastically applauded, the orchestra, alone, responded when they gave "Evening Star" as an encore.

The vocal selections consisted of "An Open Secret" by Rosaline Churchill; "Venetian Boat Song" by Harriet Storms and Ruth Williams; "Dawn" and "Take Joy Home" by Ralph Jones; "Cuckoo, Shall I Grow Old?" by

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Educational Rally Day

Can You Answer These Questions?

Do you love your college? Do you appreciate the advantages; spiritual, mental, physical, and social that she offers you daily? Do you want to see her grow and still keep the Banner of Righteousness floating high over all? Do you want to help keep her pure and clean in every phase of her life? Are you a loyal supporter of Houghton College?

Can you answer these questions in affirmative? We hope every student can, but whether you can or no, come and boost for Houghton next Sunday evening at 6:45 in the Houghton Church. Come prepared for a whole evening's program; and bring not only your fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, sons and daughters, but be sure to bring yourself, body, soul, spirit, and pocketbook.

H. S. Seniors Visit Niagara

Scenic Beauties Feature Entire Trip

Saturday, May eighth, was a day which had been greatly anticipated by the High School Seniors, and one which will be long remembered, it being the culmination of the Senior entertainment of a few weeks previous.

About 5 a. m. the Seniors, left by automobile for Niagara Falls, where they arrived about 10 o'clock. The beauties of the American Falls, and the rapids, skirting Goat, Luna, and the Three Sister Islands were enjoyed until noon, when a bountiful picnic dinner was served.

The afternoon was devoted to the Niagara Belt Route, which was very interesting from a scenic, geographic, and historic standpoint. Starting from the American side, trolleys cross the International Bridge, turn upsteam at the Canadian Shore, and then traverse Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Parks. A stop of one hour was made at Table Rock, near the brink of the Horseshoe

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Good Service at Belfast

Miss Lupton and Mr. Donahue
Speak at Last Meeting of
the Year

The service of the Christian Workers at Belfast Sunday evening was one of the best services of the year from the standpoint of the evident presence of the Lord. The speakers, Miss Lupton and Mr. Donahue were greatly assisted by the Spirit. Miss Lupton pointed out the blessed truths of God's leadership as found in the twenty-third Psalm. Mr. Donahue pictured the Christian life as a fight, using as a basis for his thought a number of quotations from St. Paul, the great hero of faith, especially his farewell words: "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith". There was little definite result, but one young lady raised her hand for prayer. However, we believe that His word does not return unto Him void. Thirty-three representatives were present from Houghton.

Though the evening services have been discontinued for the year, the Sunday Schools will doubtless be carried on until the close. In next week's STAR there will be a complete report of the Christian Workers' activities for the year.

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Editorial

Now Children--

Once upon a time, a certain farmer spent a certain forenoon working in the woods while he left his horse and wagon standing by the side of the road. Now in the midst of the forenoon, a shower descended with great velocity and volume, but the farmer worked on until the pangs of hunger reminded him of another duty. Upon reaching the edge of the wood, he found everything in apple-pie-order excepting only that the horse was nowhere in sight. In great perplexity he travelled down the hill to his little red barn, and there he found the faithful domestic calmly devouring a stack of oats. Being in no particular need of the wagon, the farmer decided to leave it by the road-side. What was his consternation when, in the middle of the afternoon, looking up from his hoeing, he saw the wagon coming down the hill of its own accord. Yes—that was the reason—the rawhide harness was just drying out!

Now, Children (as Professor Wright would say) right here is a lesson for you. That wagon load of Reformation history, or chemical reactions, or medieval school methods which became stranded about last February and whose draw-strings have been too water-soaked ever since to bring the load it needs to come rolling down the hill before long. This weather ought to dry the harness!

Christian Leadership

Mrs. Wells brought a message to the student body on Christian leadership last Tuesday in Chapel. Although many difficulties confront the Christian yet God sees the ultimate result and has grace enough for every need. A leader needs "a compass in his head and a magnet in his pocket". But unless this magnetism is directed by the Divine Power it avails little.

The speaker urged the necessity of tarrying before God before attempting to carry out His plans. The Holy Spirit alone can bless our labors and make them fruitful. Are we each individually in the place where God wants us?

"Looking Unto Jesus"

The student's prayermeeting was in charge of Mr. Hess. The lesson was taken from Heb. 12: 1-7 with special emphasis upon the words, "looking unto Jesus". He reminded us once more that to look at surroundings, at other people or at self means defeat; but to look at Jesus insures victory. As Noah's only outlook was an uplook, so our only outlook of hope is our uplook to Jesus.

The usual means of prayer and praise gave expression to the always fresh and ever-increasing preciousness of God's grace. One made special request of prayer for the coming commencement. Let us continue to pray for these exercises, for if we desire the blessing of God and His presence with us at this time, we must be where He can trust us.

Mission Study Class Closes Year Of Blessing

Last Saturday evening the last session of the Mission Study Class was held. The Spirit of the Missionary was the theme of the evening, a theme which has been the underlying thought throughout the year. The leader pointed out that a missionary is a man who sees the lost world from God's point of view, who loves lost men as God loves them, who believes that the simple gospel is powerful enough to bring about the renovation of men, who is willing to sacrifice, to endure hardness and to persevere in spite of every difficulty. She urged the class to BE MISSIONARY every day and all the time.

Attendance at Mission Study this year has been excellent, especially in the number of young men. Mission fields need consecrated young men, and we believe God is raising up in Hough-

ton a group whom He will send out to preach the gospel to the hungry world.

Many of the services have enjoyed the evident presence and help of the Lord. The interest taken in Missions this year, we believe, has been one of the contributing factors in the deepening of spiritual life.

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next number on the program was a speech by Miss Gifford on "What Houghton Has Meant To Us." Her usual charm and inspiration characterized the words of appreciation which she brought. Mr. Henshaw then sang in an effective manner Tosti's "Good-bye".

Inasmuch as the Senior Class of last year was the first to graduate from Houghton College it had the privilege of establishing precedents to be followed by the other classes. The Senior Class of this year, however, introduced another precedent that is most pleasing. This is known as Move-up Day. Each class filled the seats occupied by the class higher in rank. Mr. Henshaw, the President of the class, told the Juniors that the Seniors had certain other possessions which they needed no longer. He then proceeded to read the gifts from individual Seniors to the Juniors. The wit and humor introduced at this time provoked considerable laughter.

The entire class joined in singing a class song as the closing number. We rejoice with the Senior Class in its triumph and wish each individual member of the class success and happiness throughout life.

May Concert

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Harriet Storms; and "Heav'n, Heav'n" by the Double Quartet. If we may judge by the applause, this last number was the most appreciated one on the program; the Quartet was compelled to give two encores, "Don't You Scandalize My Name" and "When Apples Grow on Lilac Trees".

Three recitations were given, "Jenny Entertains" by Leona Thomas was the artless and amusing prattle of a small girl to her sister's beau. The second, "King Robert of Sicily" was of a deeper and more dramatic nature. The last, "Aux Italiens" by Mrs. Mitchell was an effective musical reading; she was accompanied by Miss Miller at the piano, and Gerald Scott on the violin.

Both the students and those who have been so faithful in training them are to be congratulated for their success in making this May Concert one of the best that Houghton has ever had.

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of a shoe emporium, and that the beautiful Hollywood queen was only Miss Gifford, pastor of the Olean W. M. Church, and incidentally also a college senior.

At about eight o'clock these various groups gathered at the new Commodore—surely worthy of bearing the name of the famous metropolitan hostelry—where very shortly they were ushered into a "converted" banquet hall, appropriately decorated and "tastefully" furnished. A slight feeling of uncertainty regarding the footing led the head of the Theology Department to wonder whether there was any present application in the verse, "The wicked stand in slippery places;" but when everyone had found his place card at the horseshoe-shaped table, nothing but festivity and jollity were observable. For once those on the outside had a slight advantage over

those on the inside. Fifty-six faces were recognizable, not counting twice Professors Fancher and Hazlett, who insisted that they were entitled to this distinction, not because of superior gastronomic prowess but because of their double relationship to the faculty and the Senior Class. Plenty of collegiate atmosphere was supplied by frequent songs led by "Chuck" Howland.

The program was equally delightful. Mr. Paul Steese as President of the Junior Class and toastmaster, gave the address of welcome. Mr. Henshaw replied in fitting words. Miss Ione Driscoll discussed and illustrated "The Length of a Broad Grin". Mr. Wilber Clark sang a vocal solo with tender lyric feeling. A varied but eloquent miscellany on the elusive subject of "And What Not!" was furnished by Mr. Clinton Donohue. The proper balance of the intellectual and the esthetic was secured by the Misses Wil-

liams and Jennings who played a piano duet. The aforementioned pastor of Olean W. M. Church amply maintained her reputation with the toast, "The Seed, the Soil, and the Sower". Mr. Scott then played a violin solo with his customary verve. President Luckey concluded with a stimulating talk on his favorite subject, "The Role Played by the Alumni".

Everyone returned home with a deeper feeling of loyalty to Houghton and a sense of increased responsibility to such an Alma Mater! The guests of the Juniors—the Seniors and the College Faculty—wish to express their appreciation for such a delightful experience and to state their belief that future junior classes will find it difficult to surpass the precedent set by the present class.

Miss Esther Haynes was in town Tuesday.

Mr. R. Mitchell and Mr. Miller were in Houghton over the week-end.

Mrs. Chauncey Armstrong is a guest of Mrs. F. H. Wright this week.

Florence Snyder's mother is paying her a visit.

Mark Bedford and Earl Tierney were here Wednesday.

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Falls. The scene viewed from the observatory at this point is one of great beauty and magnificence.

The next point of interest was the famous whirlpool and rapids where the river makes a rapid descent and a turn of more than 90°. At this point four of the more adventuresome of the boys crossed the river by means of the Aerial Cableway. Queenston Heights, where is located the monument erected to the memory of General Brock, who fell in battle on these heights in the War of 1812, was visited.

The return to the American side was made over the Suspension Bridge between Queenston and Lewiston.

Upon returning from this interesting trip, the party gathered on Goat Island for supper. About eight o'clock, the American and Horseshoe Falls, illuminated by powerful colored lights were again viewed.

The Seniors feel that no small part of the day's enjoyment was due to Prof. Wright, Mr. Henshaw, Mr. Loftis, Mr. Burnham, and Mr. Carl Steese, who so kindly furnished the means of conveyance.

Student Volunteers Give Program at Freedom

Last Sunday evening, May 9, the Student Volunteers made a trip to the Baptist Church of Freedom and there gave a very interesting and inspiring program to a full church. After a few words had been given by Mr. Geo. Clarke and Professor Wright at the request of the pastor, Rev. Harris, the meeting was conducted by the Volunteers. The program dealt with the subjects of educational, medical, evangelical and general missionary work. These different topics were discussed by Goldie Davidson, Kent Williams,



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Robert Hess and Corinne Cole respectively. A very impressive reading was given by Miss Sartwell. Songs by the congregation, by the girl's trio, and by Viola Roth and Robert Hess, gave variety as well as inspiration to the program. All appeared to appreciate the messages given. After the program those from Houghton were invited to a fine lunch at the parsonage.

The Volunteers have been asked also to give a program at Holland on the twenty-third. Your prayers for this meeting will be much appreciated.

A Great Missionary

The program at the Neosophic literary society, Monday evening, May 10, was on "James Hudson Taylor, the great missionary to Inland China."

His salvation, sanctification, and call to service was discussed by Russell LeRoy, followed by a brief sketch of his life by Mr. Smiley.

Nada Perry and Elsie Chind sang a duet entitled, "Willing Am I." Frances Wells then a very interesting talk on "Conversions under Hudson Taylor's ministry." The program was concluded by an inspiring discussion on "The End of a Victorious Life" by Grace Sherman.

Next Monday evening the Seniors will have charge of the program, which we believe will be exceedingly interesting.

Be sure to COME.

Attention Men!

"Things I wish I had known before I was twenty-one," was the subject of three addresses delivered at the Y. M. C. A., Cleveland recently. G. Leonard Fels, gave these answers:

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1. What I was going to do for a living—what my life work would be.
2. How to take care of my money.
3. The commercial asset of being neatly and sensibly dressed.
4. That a man's habits are mighty hard to change after he is twenty-one.
5. That a harvest depends upon the seed sown—wheat produces wheat, thistles bring forth thistles, rag-weeds will spoil a good pasture, and wild oats once sown will surely produce all kinds of misery and unhappiness.
6. Things that are worth while require time, patience, and work.
7. That the world will give me just about what I deserve.
8. That honesty was the best policy, not only in dealing with my neighbors, but also in dealing with myself and God.
9. The value of absolute truthfulness in everything.

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