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BIRTHDAY TIME HAS ARRIVED

College Scene Gone By

BY MARY HELEN MOODY

Glancing over past issues of the Houghton Star is one very amusing way of killing time. You can learn a lot about our "prehistoric" ancestors, their customs, habits, and humor which to say the least is unusual. Following are some backward glimpses through the pages of Houghton's "voice of the people."

In 1912 the senior class consisted of one girl, the class cheer was "Hi Yi, Hy Ky, Pink and Green, Seniors, Seniors, Seventeen" which is unintelligible to us but probably meant something to them, and R. W. Hazlett was sports editor.

The lecture course was already playing a prominent part in the entertainment of students in 1915 for there is an announcement of a novelty in lecture course numbers. The "eminent female cartoonist, lecturer, and entertainer" in the person of Marion Ballou Fisk was to be here March 15.

In this issue a prophet, looking forward 20 years, sees the prospective Houghton gym crowded with 1000 students witnessing a basketball game. He also foresees an electric railway passing through Houghton which would carry one from New York to San Francisco in a day. The Pennsylvania is doing its best to carry out this vision but it's making hard work of it.

Local News Items:

Prof. and Mrs. Whitaker were in Olean shopping last Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Cronk and family attended a concert given by the great pianist Lhevinne at Rochester, Monday.
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WORKHORSE



Willing servant of flying fingers and fevered brains is the Star office clicker-clacker which reams off the 7000 to 8000 words per Weekly issue with only an occasional balk in a millennium of syllables.

LANTHORN Is Discussed When Ex Lit Convenes

BY FLORENCE JENSEN

The editor and business manager of the Lanthorn will no longer be nominated by popular vote. This and other questions concerning the fate of the annual literary magazine were settled at a meeting of the Executive Literary board, presided over by Dr. Paine, on Tuesday, February 14.

The Lanthorn was published formerly as an individual proposition. Two years ago the class of '40 sponsored it with Walter Sheffer as editor, following a year minus its appearance. Last year the students of the English department published it by electing Kenneth Wilson, editor.

At the Executive Literary board meeting several motions were carried and definite plans arranged. They follow:

The student body, at its first meeting after the Christmas vacation, shall elect a nominating committee of three members by a plurality vote. This
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A Birthaay Present Is Our Award

Most people do not buy birthday presents for themselves, but the Star might be classed as an exception. The gift: the new heading which greets you this week.

Just as many persons as there are on the campus will probably determine the varied number of opinions which may comment upon this innovation. It is hoped, however, that readers will not reserve their remarks to themselves but will share them with the staff in the form of criticisms, objections, suggestions.

Though the style may remain somewhat similar, the actual details have not as yet had final decision, but await reader reaction to determine any needed changes.

The former plate which graced the front page came into being between eight and nine years ago, and since that time has placed its stamp of recognition upon thousands of copies as they have gone through the press. When minor details are fully decided concerning the new heading, a plate will be made, and the question will be settled for another decade, more or less.

Illustrious Notables Re-discovered When Editors Are Sought

The first issue of the Houghton Star appeared in February 1909 with Miss Allison Edgar as the editor, the name of the publication having been suggested by Professor Le Roy Fancher. Miss Edgar after graduation did the unusual thing for a Houghtonite: she made her home on a North Dakota ranch.

The second year the editor was our present Dean of Men, Professor Stanley Wright, who had also been the first business manager of the Star. Harry J. Ostlund, the third, is now a professor in the University of Minnesota, while the next in line was Professor R. W. Hazlett, who returned to Houghton from Long Island University this year to be Dean of the college.

Claude Ries was the third member of our faculty to edit the school paper.

Beverly Schulz has entered the ministry. Edith Warburton, who was the chief-of-staff in 1920 when Houghton was celebrating opening the way for securing the school charter, married Mr. Charles Pocock, present principal of the Rushford high school. The next editor, John Wilcox, held the job two years and is now president of the Rochester Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Of the seven following editors, who entered the educational field, two are high school principals and one is Superintendent.
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After Having Reached the Goal Of a 30th Birthday the STAR Now Seems Aiming at Its 31st

CALENDAR

Monday, February 24
8:15 Orchestra Concert in chapel with Concertmeister Andrews as soloist
Tuesday, February 27
6:55 Expression Club
Student Mission Fellowship Meeting
Tuesday, February 28
7:00 Student Missionary Prayer Meeting
Wednesday, March 1
7:30 First Purple-Gold games
Friday, March 3
7:30 Second Purple-Gold games

OLD NEWSHUNTER



Most recent graduate of a long line of editorial predecessors is Howard Andrus of the class of '38, familiar as "Andy" to a greater portion of the student body. His journalism was a credit to Star tradition and a source of new ideas to succeeding staffs.

ELLIOTT, WILLETT GO TO HOBART THURSDAY

Varsity debaters, Edward Willett, and Everett Elliott will journey to Hobart, Thursday, February 23, for an Oregon style debate on the question: Resolved: That the Federal government should cease to use public funds for the purpose of stimulating business.

Hobart college is located in Geneva, N. Y. and Houghton has enjoyed reciprocal debate relations with this institution for several years. A year ago the Hobart debaters discussed the National Labor Relations Board with the Houghton varsity at Houghton and returned home with the decision.

In the coming debate the Houghton team will uphold the affirmative with Mr. Elliott presenting the constructive work, and Mr. Willett conducting the cross-examination and summary.

This will be the first trip for the fellows this year and will be a warm-up combat before the coming mid-west tour which begins March 6.

First Copy Began Journey
To Printers with Single
Word — "Giddap"

HAZLETT SPORT WRITER

BY GEORGE HILGEMAN

The first Star copy was started to the printers with just one word from the business manager, Stanley W. Wright, now worthy Dean of Men. "Giddap", he said as he swung the horse toward Rushford.

During the following months, the trips were more pleasant as the result of a certain young lady's having to go to the same metropolis on business, incidentally, only on the same days that the publication went to press.

Ever since that February 1909 one goal has been in view, to become thirty years old, and the time has finally arrived. The aim is now to become thirty-one.

Returning to that first Star whose name was suggested by Professor LeRoy Fancher, we find that the paper was edited in pamphlet form and published once a month. (It was a pro-
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Faculty Approval Is Given on Nomination Proposal of Council

Nominations for the Student Council will no longer be made by the faculty except in the case of the incoming freshman class, the Student Council announced in a recent statement.

The Council has been working on this problem and has finally gained faculty approval to incorporate such a plan on a temporary basis, with permanent sanction assured if it works out satisfactorily.

According to the new arrangement the three upper classes, juniors, sophomores and freshmen, will nominate and elect their own Council representatives in the spring of each year as formerly. The original nominations, however, are to be made by the class executive committee or governing board with the privilege of submitting further names from the floor when election takes place.

In the fall the incoming freshman class will have its two non-voting representatives nominated by the faculty and voted upon by the class.

Commenting upon the innovation, Student Council president Schlafer stated that the new plan would eliminate one of the biggest talking points of Council critics—that the Council was faculty chosen.

Our Face Was Red Last Year and There Was Reason Enough for Embarrassment

Unlike individuals with birthdays which fall on the 29th of February, and who consequently celebrate once in four years, the Star is marking the second consecutive celebration of its 30th anniversary.

No one knows with whom the fault lies. It is just one of those inexplicable mysteries which happen now and again, and whose variety makes life embarrassing for the moment, but worth living after all.

It seems that sometime in the interim of February 1909, when the first Star, a monthly, came into being, and the date, February 1, 1919, someone made a little slip in volume numbers. The result was that the issue dated February 1, 1919 was labeled Vol. XI, No. 8. Simple deduction would make it seem that eleven volumes meant eleven years which, added to the difference between 1938 and 1919, would make an even 30.

But that was the rub! For the first issue was definitely dated 1909 in February, and 30 years subtracted from 1938 left 1908. Says the 30th anniversary Star on its 29th birth'ay: "By no mathematical process were we able to wedge thirty years into the interim. And was our physiognomy crimson."

To date, the mystery has persisted. Did some erring copy reader or printer lose track of the volume numbers? Or did a staff change the volume number in the middle of the year? Or what? Perhaps someday a little point of memory will click in somebody's brain, and they will recall the secret.

It often takes error to emphasize the truth, and this year it is a fairly safe wager that the Star is 30 years old in spite of what may be argued to the contrary.

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EDITORIAL

OBJECTION OVERRULED

Considerable time has passed since the Student Council has been in the spotlight for commendation or criticism.

Isn't there an old Chinese proverb that runs something like this? "Whosoever hath a horn, and bloweth it not, the same shall not be blown?" The Council is feeling just a little proud to be able to announce that it is nearer the goal line than it was a few weeks ago.

One of the most irrefutable criticisms of the Council organization by the Student Body has been the nomination of candidates by the faculty. Putting it bluntly, the "teacher's pets" had the best chances although they might not have been the choice of the students.

The Council has sensed this deficiency for some time and has put it before the faculty. As a temporary arrangement, they have agreed that the three upper classes shall nominate and elect their own Student Council members. For obvious reasons freshmen will still be nominated by the faculty. The nominations for the other classes are to be made by the executive or governing board of the class and other names added from the floor if desired.

You note above that the word *temporary* was included and perhaps you feel it is a loop-hole. However, you may be assured that it is not. You need only to prove that you can select capable members before the arrangement will be made permanent. It's up to you.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US

A silver anniversary we have had. A golden anniversary we have yet to come—we hope! But what to call a 30th anniversary is beyond the realm of our ingenuity to decide.

Back in the "good old days" when life was life in the wild and woolly precincts of the country surrounding Houghton Seminary, there came into being in the minds of a few pioneering student souls an all-pervading idea. Said they: "Our fair institution needs journalistic backing and support. It should have a 'voice of the people'." We lack a newspaper.

Commenting upon the founding in an article written for the February 2, 1934 issue of the *Star*, Prof. Stanley Wright, first business manager, stated: "That fall (1908) the stupendous project of launching a school paper was the matter of paramount interest. To this day I marvel at the audacity of those hardy souls who sponsored that movement."

And the professor continued to marvel. A little farther in the same article he remarked: "I have watched its growth with delight, its changing policies with interest, sometimes with deep concern."

Out of the melee of thoughts and opinions since that early date of inception two things become outstanding. First, since its beginning the *Star* has seen, recorded, interpreted Houghton progress. Second, its own development has not been the result of any totalitarian regimentation nor easily carried out pre-determined policy. The *Star* is 30 years old this month because there has arisen from year to year a core of interested, willing-to-work individuals who have realized that nothing comes without effort.

There remains, then, a challenge to the future!

Because there has "always been a *Star*" is no assurance that it will inevitably be so. Because there is current opinion that somehow a paper just materializes is no evidence that the process may not fail to continue.

The undisputed fact remains: the *Star* depends upon you and you and you. Whether it will be, what it will be, how it will be is your responsibility, nor does the answer lie in wishing the organization many happy birthdays to come.

Buffalo Area Youth Group Hears Choir At Conference

After industriously soaking surpluses in various bleaches to remove the accumulated soil of semester tour the choir again packed their little robe cases, boarded *Ferdinand's* *cruisin' Is-abull* and left for Buffalo last Saturday. Sixty miles and a reasonable lapse of time found the bus unloading the "Warbling Forty" in front of the Riverside Baptist church.

The occasion of the choir's singing was the Youth Rally held by all the organized Young People's Societies of Buffalo and near-by communities.

The afternoon session consisted of two groups sung by the choir and an excellent talk given by the Rev. Mr. Irish. Acquaintance with *Ferdinand* was resumed at lunch, this time in the form of extremely welcome roast beef sandwiches. After singing several groups and hearing the Rev. Mr. Cole of the Prospect Avenue Baptist church give a challenging address the choir members rushed to change into street clothes.

Emerging from dressing rooms they learned that obviously *Ferdinand* had forgotten to pass on to the subsequent bus the old adage—"If one can be here on time all can be here on time." So after forty-five minutes of waiting and mid choruses of "If all can be on time, one can be on time" the toursters jumped into the bus and bumped home.

COLLEGE SCENE —

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day night.

The *Star* changed to a bi-monthly issue in 1916. Mention is made in several issues of the new gym. "We are feverishly awaiting the completion. However it takes time to erect a building of such magnitude."

Chestnutting seemed to be the favorite outdoor sport. There must have been more chestnuts then. Other means of relaxation seemed to have been provided by the Athenian society, the Neosophic society and the Student Volunteer band.

In 1919 we notice various phases of student activity. A mock trial was held with judge, jury and witnesses in January. A library concert and the appearance of Pauline Corolla and Ricardo Bonelli were two of the outstanding musical events.

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WOMEN'S TEAM DEBATES KEUKA; SEASON STARTS

The women's debate squad of Houghton tussled with the Keuka team at Keuka college on Wednesday evening, February 15. Professor Frieda Gillette took them, accompanied by George Hilgeman, varsity debate manager, to assist in any emergencies.

Mr. Hilgeman created a difficult situation at Keuka but was well taken care of despite the awkwardness of the unexpected arrival of a man in a women's institution. (He failed, however, to cope with the emergency of a mouse in the college.)

The Houghton team upheld the affirmative of the resolution, "that the Federal government should cease to use public funds (including credit) for the stimulation of business."

Margaret Smith, Thelma Havill, and Lois Roughan upheld the affirmative case by declaring that "a continued spending policy is a dangerous experiment" socially, politically, and economically. Rebuttals for Houghton were given by Margaret Smith and Lois Roughan.

EARLY EDITORS —

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intendent of Schools in Steuben county.

Robert Hess, editor in '29, went as a missionary to the Philippines under the Christian and Missionary Alliance; he visited Houghton last Feb. while he was on furlough. Ruth Burgess, now Mrs. Walter Alexis, is living in Falconer, where her husband is teaching in high school.

Lawrence Anderson has been working in a Falconer furniture factory and "Bill" Muir is attending Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. Howard Andrus, last year's incumbent, has a position as history teacher at Rushford High School.

LANTHORN DISCUSSED —

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committee shall post the necessary nominations two days before the final election.

On the first Monday after the election of the nominating committee, a student body meeting shall be held to vote upon the nomination for editor and business manager. There may not be less than two nominees for each office who shall be selected from the freshman and sophomore classes.

The editor and business manager shall have the power to select their own staff from the student body as a whole and to choose their own faculty adviser.

Unhistorical Fantasy on a Hero

BY "CLIFF" BLAUVELT

YEAR BY YEAR PERSONNEL
(as seen this week)

Subject of discussion: George Washington, planter, general, politician, statesman, and aristocrat.

Reference sources: guaranteed not accurate according to history.

Result:

From a beautiful white brick mansion at Vernon, Va. came the yells of a newly arrived baby and on Feb. 22 (some year) George Washington added one more digit to the census of 1732. He was a spry little fellow who, according to legend, at an early age took up the vocation known as tree pruning where he made an undeniable name for himself "with his own little hatchet."

He was an honest fellow but later

went high up in the political world. He fought with the Indians and the English. He was a great friend of General Dimwittie who sent him on his first military expedition, and thus may be credited by descendants of the clan of Dimwittie with having given "young George" his start (known in educational courses as motivation).

He was a wonderful horseman, and with due respect to this it is later added that he did wonderful work at Valley Forge. His entire military career was an example of bravery and would be splendid imitative material for youthful Americans who display their courage via mental imagery a la the funny sheet.

It is reported that he threw a silver dollar across the Potomac and con-

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by "Hi TOOTHILL"

The motto of Mervin "Red" Ellis seems to be "Use your head and save your feet." It's like this:

The colossal job of taking attendance in chapel falls to Mrs. Shea and Miss Pool. The latter checks up on the reluctant men on their side of the house and our interest is with this particular section.

The chapel has become so crowded that the freshmen fellows extend practically underneath the balcony, making the job of attendance taking rather difficult. Miss Pool says that by putting her neck in low gear she can manage to account for about all of them but this man Ellis—he's as elusive as the time-honored snipe.

Rather than be orthodox and sit where he is supposed to, that gentleman of leisure parks his white calf-skin shoes in his regular chair and extends the rest of his anatomy into the room underneath the balcony. He then deftly balances on his feet a sign with the letters "HERE" so that a minimum of effort will be required by both himself and Miss Pool.

Says Miss Pool: "I trust that the white shoes belong to Mervin and I mark him present." Anyway, she can be sure that the biggest part of him is there. (I'm using my own condition as a basis for this assumption.)

In my four years at Houghton I have seen the commuter suffer from lack of publicity, due to his position as a member of the ineffectual minority. So it is my purpose in this article to educate resident Houghton students in the ways of that insignificant animal the *homo commuto*.

Here is a typical morning, especially if he resides within "thumbing distance" of the college.

7:15 Reach over and slap down the alarm clock.

7:28 Get out of bed with one last strenuous effort.

7:40 Arrive downstairs for the usual fruit, cereal and beverage.

7:50 Brush teeth—if tooth paste has not been carried upstairs.

7:51 Along comes the means of transportation—He blows his horn.

7:53 *Homo* gets out to the car for his mile dash.

7:59 Reach the front entrance of the Ad building and proceed to unload books, dinner pail and other accessories.

7:60 If all goes well, the commuter will be in class before the "gates" close.

The evening run consists of getting down town by five-thirty or soon after to get the thumb up in the air before the "pipples" all get to Fillmore for their evening meal.

The Houghton commuter has many imperfections which place him in a category considerably below that of the suburban student in larger centers of population. Dean Hazlett told us that the commuters to Long Island university were able to write a theme as they rode to school on the subway. (I suppose a look at some of the themes would bear this out.) However, not until we get a new N. Y. route 19 will one be able to write a smooth composition in six minutes.

Homo can develop his proficiency in one particular. Several seconds would be saved if he could glance at the first page of the morning paper, cut up a grapefruit, and brush his teeth at the same time. If any one intends to become adept at this he should begin early in his freshman year, else he may be cutting up the tooth brush, reading the grapefruit, and brushing his teeth with the daily paper when he tries to put on speed.

East Aurora Church Entertains Quartet

Dr. Paine and the college quartet conducted the evening service Sunday, February 19, at the Wesleyan Methodist Church of East Aurora, N. Y.

Rev. J. R. Pitt, for many years pastor of the Houghton college church, is now located in East Aurora as minister. The service was sponsored by the young people of his church in the interest of Christian education.

The evening engagement climaxed a heavy week-end for three members of the quartet, who were with the choir in two appearances at Buffalo on Saturday. Dr. Paine had also recently returned from a trip to Philadelphia and New York, where he addressed alumni chapter meetings.

Miss Moses Gives Party With True French Style

Miss Belle Moses gave a typical French birthday party February 16 in honor of Pearl Crapo. The guests were Miss Pool and the members of the French literature class.

The party was in the form of a French banquet. The menu was entirely French and consisted of light courses of delicious food carefully prepared by Miss Moses with the aid of a French cook book. The fact that the food was served by a truly French "garçon"—Charles Foster—added the finishing touch.

The party was most unique in that there was time for only the first six courses of food to be served before church; but the guests seemed very delighted to return to the Moses house after church to enjoy the remaining two courses.

Dean Hazlett Takes Trip To New York for School

Miss Hillpot and Dean Hazlett were Houghton's representatives at a meeting called by Dr. Herman Cooper, Assistant Commissioner for Teacher Education and Certification of the State Education Department, for schools giving a four-year course in music, in New York City Tuesday, February 14.

Outside of New York City there are only eleven institutions eligible to give a four year course in music. Houghton college is one of the eleven and there is little likelihood of others being admitted in the near future.

At the meeting suggestions were made for improving standards and methods of teaching music. The results will be announced within six months by Dr. Cooper. Dr. Paine was unable to attend the meeting.

PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK DR. PAINE'S ITINERARY

Early Friday morning, February 17, Dr. and Mrs. Paine left for Philadelphia where there was an alumni chapter meeting at Van Tassel's Restaurant.

On Saturday, Dr. Paine stated, they motored to New York, where a similar meeting was held at the Susan Prince Tearoom on North Lexington Avenue. The topic at the New York gathering was listed as "Castles I'd Like to Have Built in Houghton College."

Dr. Paine jovially remarked that "A good time was had by all." (He suggested in noting here that Evelyn Geer is returning with them from New York, that "we charge her for the advertising. That's good business, mighty good business!")

Indice Change Makes Steese House Highest

Some of the facts do not mean all the news. This time it concerned indices, which last week were tabulated by the *Star* in order of house ranking.

As the standings of individual fellows were listed on the original grouping, an average placed the Russell house at the top with a 1.923 and the Randall house second.

By virtue of vaulting into the 3 point division, Jesse DeRight added enough to the total for the Steese house to lift them from a rather obscure sixth position to the top of the ladder with a 1.931. This pushed the Russell house into second place, the Randall house to third, and left seventh position open to the Beach domicile.

After the original lists were posted, it was ascertained that certain grades had been changed making an error in the individual ranking and thus the house ranking as published last week.

Grade changes also affected other house standings. The Bullock boys went up to a 1.516, thereby clinching eleventh place, and the Schram housemen jumped to 1.355 to rank between the Moses house and the Fulton crowd.

Printshop Quartet Are Continuing Activities

Our print shop quartet has the privilege now of broadcasting every Sunday from four to five o'clock over station W J T N Jamestown on the Family Altar program. Rev. Jack West is the minister of the group and is assisted by the quartet consisting of Raymond Carpenter, Victor Murphy, Stephen Ortlip, and Keith Sackett.

The Lord is blessing the quartet marvelously and from the reports which have been received people are being blessed and souls are being saved. They are planning to continue the broadcast and they urge the prayers of all in the college.

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duct of the Union Literary Society). News coverage was almost concerned exclusively with local items.

By 1916 the chronicle became a bi-monthly with a greater spread. And by Nov. 5, 1926 it had reached its present size, increasing not only in size but also in news coverage.

For several years the *Star* played both the part of the school paper and that of the year book. The annual was an inflated issue published every June.

Sport commentator for 1913 was none other than Prof. R. W. Hazlett. All articles were written in purely Hazlettian style. And we can assure you that any one of them could have passed the dreaded manuscript machine and still have felt strong enough to pull down an A sharp from the English department.

Other names familiar to Houghton students of today were frequently seen as the paper continued to grow in importance. We notice those of Stanley Wright, H. L. Fancher, F. H. Wright, Josephine Rickard, Wilfred Bain, and others too numerous to mention.

An interesting feature of those first years was the manner in which the school bugle paid for itself. Pages were covered by advertisements of merchants from Fillmore, Olean, Rochester, and even of nationally known firms. Students bought the paper, paying sixty-five cents for the nine issues of the year or buying the separate

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Revival Services Conclude Feb. 19; Spirit Continues

The Houghton church and college closed a two weeks' series of evangelistic meetings, Sunday, February 19. The Rev. John R. Church general evangelist of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, was the speaker both in the evening service at the church and the daily chapel exercises at the college.

Students and townspeople have received spiritual blessing under the Spirit-filled ministry of Mr. Church. A number affirmed their faith in Jesus Christ as their Saviour and many deepened in their Christian life.

WHY I BELIEVE
Rev. Church, in chapel Tuesday morning outlined the subjects of his chapel talks for the week, "Speaking the first day on: Why some people believe there is only one Work of Grace, for the second day, Why I believe in two works of Grace, and for the third, Why I don't believe in Three works of Grace."

Taking his text from Acts 17:10, setting up the Bereans as a good example of an openminded people, he stated that an open mind is a real mark of education and should be our frame of mind as we consider these truths.

Rev. Church gave three reasons why some people believe in only one work of Grace. These are: (1) Lack of instruction, (2) They may be justly prejudiced by some fanatics. (3) Some people have more light than they are willing to walk in or preach. He insisted that the fact that some people preached only one work of Grace doesn't prove that there is only one.

LOST PEOPLE
On Tuesday evening Rev. Church preached on the three parables of the "lost" in Luke 15. He pointed out that in these three parables Jesus was representing three types of lost people in the world. By the lost sheep, Those who unintentionally have lost Christ out of their lives. By the lost coin, The people who are good morally but are lost spiritually, and can be of no spiritual value until restored to the Kingdom of God. By the lost boy, those who voluntarily stray from God.

Then, there are three things that God is doing with lost people as found in the three parables. First he is seeking them until he finds them; secondly, he is restoring them to their proper value and, thirdly, he is restoring them to their proper and original relationship.

PERSONAL REASONS
Rev. Church presented his personal reasons for believing in two works of grace in chapel on Wednesday, February, 15. Taking his text from II Corinthians 1:15 "That ye may have a second benefit (better translated grace)" he went on to show why he believed in it. His reasons were as follows: 1. It is necessary for the completion of our salvation for sin is two-fold in its nature; 2. It is psychologically, and scripturally sound; 3. Many witnesses have testified to it down through the ages; 4. It is so greatly needed in our churches today.

SECOND COMING
"The Second Coming of Jesus Christ" was the theme of Rev. Church's message on Wednesday evening, Feb. 15. Taking his text from Acts 1:11 "This same Jesus shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into Heaven" and from II Peter 3:10 "But the day of the Lord shall come as a thief in the night" he showed that the Second Coming of our Lord was a definite

Sunday Services

Supreme Lord

On Sunday morning Feb. 19, Rev. Church preached upon Jesus Christ as the perfect, complete revelation of God. Using as his text Hebrews 1:1-4, he declared that in Jesus we find the exact representative of all that God is like. The human mind is unable to fully comprehend the glory and power of God. God appointed Christ heir of all things seated at His right hand, and Christ wants to share His inheritance with us. The creation didn't cost God anything but the redemption cost Him His only Son that He might endure the cross and its shame.

Prepare to Meet

"Prepare to Meet thy God" is the text Rev. John R. Church used for his sermon Sunday evening Feb. 19. First he declared that there is a God; the whole Bible is based on the assumption that God is. No one but a fool would say "There is no God." He is a personal living God, who redeems us that we might be his children and members of His family. We must all finally meet God and be judged by Him; therefore we should make preparation for this meeting. "Today is your day of grace; you have no assurance of tomorrow."

Appleton, Ulean Get Extension Services

Fifteen students went out from Houghton on extension work Sunday, Feb. 19, to hold services.

One group of six spent the day at Appleton, New York, where they had charge of the morning and evening services in the Wesleyan Methodist church. In the morning Erwin Enty preached and a quartet composed of Henry Ortlip, Bruce Densmore, Kenneth Hill, and Mr. Enty sang. A platform meeting in which each of the group gave his testimony was held in the evening. Emerson York also accompanied the group.

The regular bi-monthly service at the Angelica county home was conducted by Maurice Lucas who preached; Eugene Donelson, who led the singing; and a girls trio, Joy Palmer, Adaline VanAntwerp, and Frances Wightman.

An unusually inspirational W. Y. P. S. service was held by the group who went to the Olean Wesleyan Methodist Church. The message was brought by Everett Elliott. Claude Scott lead the singing, and the Bible School trio, Marjean Bennett, Anna Ross, and Elizabeth Carlson, sang several numbers.

Including the regular student pastors, the college quartet and the print shop quartet, more than forty Houghton students conducted services in surrounding towns.

and certain fact. God's plan and purpose has not been deviated from its course and it never will although many are not willing to accept his plans. He closed with a plea to those who were not ready, to get ready for his coming.

DOES IT SQUARE

"Don't seek physical manifestations of grace", said Rev. John R. Church, concluding a series of three sermons in speaking on "Why I Do Not Preach Three Works of Grace" in the Thursday chapel exercises.

"I am not saying there are not people today who speak in tongues," he continued, "but the Bible clearly teaches that speaking in tongues is not an evidence to the believer that he has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit."

You cannot afford to accept a person's teaching because he seems sin-

Ourselves As God Sees Us

by ROBERT LYTLE

From night to night in the past two weeks we have been hearing the truth of God proclaimed by Brother Church, God's messenger to us. In the hearts of some these words have taken root, sprung up, and borne fruit unto righteousness. Can they not continue to do so as we meditate upon these quotations from his message?

"God is keeping the door of mercy open so that unsaved souls can get in before Christ comes again.—the Word of God, the anchorage of the soul—Satan can often counterfeit in the physical realm.—The Holy Spirit does not give a constant manifestation, but he does abide continually. He may ask us to walk by faith alone."

We have suffered from spiritual low blood pressure so long that we think we are normal.—I believe in the second coming because Christ said, "I will come."—the conceit of infidelity.—In regeneration God gives you a new nature; in sanctification He removes the old nature.—You ought not to accept any teaching unless it squares with the Word of God. God cannot bless us when we receive new light and refuse to walk in it.—The nature of sin is twofold.—In all other religions we have man seeking God; in Christianity we have God seeking man.

There is no hope that incites Christians to evangelism and missionary endeavor more than that of Christ's second coming.—Don't you believe that there ought to be more in the Christian life than most Christians are receiving?—The only way to get rid of the sin principle is by the coming of the Holy Spirit in His fullness. Your soul can never rest outside of God.—If you are looking for Christ's appearing every minute, it will affect your conduct.—God does not shoot cannons at snowbirds.—Just as surely as the Holy Spirit calls the believer unto sanctification.—It is a serious thing to reject God's choice for you.—No soul will ever be able to stand in God's presence and say that he was too poor to be clothed in the wedding garment of righteousness which God offers.

The resurrection of Christ is the keystone to the arch of all Christian truth.—The Church of Jesus Christ is in contact with the greatest powerhouse in this universe.—Two works of grace are necessary for the completion of our salvation.—The Christian's probation does not end at regeneration.—Many people have not gone into out-broken sin, but they are lost. They are away from God!

cere and conscientious. The final test is: "does the teaching square with the word of God."

COMPROMISE

"The most contemptible thing in all the world is to compromise on the Word of God in order to get the popularity of the world," Rev. J. R. Church remarked Thursday night, Feb. 16, preaching on I Thess. 4: 23, 24.

"God was not satisfied to leave the Children of Israel at the Red Sea," he said, "but He wanted to lead them into the land flowing with milk and honey."

God wants men who have the Spirit of Christ in their hearts, who have died out to the world and to ambition, and who will preach the Truth and the whole Truth, he stated. May some soul say, "I'm going through with Christ!"

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CAPTAINS EXPRESS VARIED OPINIONS WHILE VIEWING COMING COMBATS

Gold Will Attempt Best Strategy Hoping To Overturn Purple Horde

Higgins Looks for More Than Three Games in Girls' Division Contests

MIX STRESSES DEFENSE

Not too positive in their statements were the four captains who were interviewed this week concerning their opinions as to the line-up and possible outcome of the fast approaching Purple-Gold basketball clashes. Although the respective teams, which are now hard at work knocking off the rough edges in their teamwork, look good to the newly elected leaders, these captains remain cognizant of the fact that anything might happen when the fireworks actually begin.

Representing the Gold from the ranks of the "fairer sex", "Tish" Higgins, veteran of many hardfought battles on the hardwood, is of the opinion that "the games will be close" and she also states that "whichever team wins, it ought not to be three games in a row, for there seems to be a balance of material which gives neither team a decided advantage." Captain "Jerry" Paine spoke for the Purple side of the question quite ably when she said "We hope to give them a good fight", for with that motive backing a team it ought to go a long way when called out to battle.

If, in the mens' games, the teams carry out the wishes of their commanders, there ought to be a tie-up between two high-gear quintets of a vulnerable spot through which to throw the opponent. Whereas "Bill" Olcott defends the title which the Purple have gained, by saying that "every effort will be made to uphold the tradition", big Glen Mix, captain of the attackers, says "I believe that the Gold men this year will break down the traditional Purple sway in basketball". He thinks that "the Gold have better defensive material, but have to overcome a psychological disadvantage built up from continued defeats in the past years".

Basketball history is certainly going to be made in the next few weeks for the big guns, fast infantry, and high riding calvary of Houghton's two great athletic war machines promise for the 1939 battles a series of conflicts not to be forgotten.

STAR HISTORY —

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ate copies at ten cents.

Since its beginning, the *Star* has played an important part not only in giving the news but in ultimately becoming an accurate diary of the college growth and activities.

Its pages reveal its growth from Houghton Seminary to its recognition by the Middle States Association of Colleges in 1935. It recorded the addition of buildings, of faculty and students. In fact the edition of February 1937 brought to light the news that Houghton had the largest percentage gain of students of any college in the state of New York.

We read how the college expanded giving an accredited music course, how the theological department was permitted to grant the B.D. degree, and how the college was allowed to grant honorary degrees.

Consider the voice of the students to be not only a record of immediate events, but in years to come an added list of the chronicle of a *Greater Houghton*.

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SPORTLIGHT

by VICTOR MURPHY

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Guest columnist this week is a former sports editor and past master of alliteration, Curtis "Jack" Crandall, who herein describes with shrewd adjectives the composition of the opposing Purple Gold contingencies.)

Will there be a European War this year? Will the Munich Pact be broken? These momentous perplexities are relegated to a minor spot in the meditations of the citizens of Houghton's athletic kingdom. 'Tis the eve of another crisis. Storm clouds are gathering, the winds are whistling songs with a martial strain mingled with mutterings of defiance and rebellion. The proud "Purple Pharaoh" stirs uneasily on his throne. It's mutiny!

On March 1938 after the "Fifth Battle of Bedford Gym" a treaty of peace was effected providing for another annum of absolute rule by the dark-hued dynasty. The date of expiration of that pact approaches with terrifying celerity and with it "the irresistible conflict." The prospects of a renewal of this agreement are nil—there are no signs of an appeasement program. The generals of the "Golden Gladiators" are already girding their gilded giants for revolutionary action.

For three quarters of a decade the somber-shaded despots have maintained an absolutist policy in their uninterrupted iron rule of the hilltop court kingdom. For eight periodically successive wars these eminent emperors, bearing the shield of the royal purple, have successfully subdued the onrushing ever-threatening golden horde. In several battles the metallic-colored menaces have gained the advantage only to have it swept away by a desperate counter charge by the mighty purple monarchs.

Now once again the "Mongloid Marauders" are on the War path, more determined and stronger than ever as they attempt to dislodge and discontinue the reign of their haughty oppressors.

Heading the insurrectionist movement is Big Glen Mix, a battle scarred warrior of two revolutions. In these conflicts he served as a defensive bulwark. He has guided forces in numerous combats and has proved to be a capable cautious general. In view of this he has been selected as the "Moses" to lead the golden contingents out of the land of bondage.

On the front ranks of these brutal basketball battalions are the "Towering Tuthill Terrors" who spread devastation in the pharaoh's phalanxes in the last revolt; "Vic" Murphy, a defensive demon, "Bruce" McCarty the "Mighty Milkman"; "Jim" Evans, the slick Sophomore strategist; a pair of "yearling yoemen" Dave Paine, long-range marksman, and

May Line-Up Changes Affect Results?



Having bowed to the might of the Purple forces for many long years, the Gold forces feel it is high time for a change in champions. Pictured above are last year's scrappers, who with additional material garnered from incoming students are set to turn the tide of battle. Captain Glen Mix leads the parade.



Turning back Gold forays has been a Purple accomplishment for many seasons, and present team members think 1939 should be no exception. With Captain "Bill" Olcott, new cage ace, directing the battle, the boys, who are pictured above at close of last year's victorious sway, look forward to making it another straight series.

WASHINGTON —

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trary to the charges brought in later years by Andrew Jackson joined the first "national banks".

Conclusion: if Mr. Washington were alive today, his own autobiography would not be believed.

"Red" Ellis, an elusive elongated enigma. These are a few of the front line gladiators who will strike terror in the hearts of the proud purple potentates.

Directing the defense of the pharaohs is "Wily Willy" Olcott, Cazenovia cagy court connoisseur whose skill in tactics and crafty maneuvering should go a long way to repel the power-packed assaults of the gladiators.

In qualitative power the pharaoh phalanx is by no means deficient. What with "Marv" Eyler, an "offensive ogre" and one of the chief pillars of the pharaoh dynasty; Frank Taylor, a smashing sky-scraper of strength, "Celeritous Cliff" Blauvelt, a fleet hard-fighting opportunist, Martin, rangy stalwart who will prove valuable in stopping gladiatorial offensive thrusts as well as matching them in offensive operations, and "Rambling Russ" Gilbert, an aggressive sharpshooter; the royal regiments are well equipped to defend their title.

Whether the gladiators force the pharaohs from their long-term portion of authority or whether the pharaohs will once more quell these ever-threatening rebels and dictate the terms of the peace treaty, will not be known until the Bedford Battle field has quivered perilously under the fierce forays of the desperate combatants.

REVIVALS —

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QUERIES ANSWERED
Rev. Church devoted his chapel talk Friday to answering inquiries. After reading from Acts 17, Mr. Church dealt with the question, "Can one receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit at the time of his conversion?" He declared that he knew of no place in the scripture where anyone had received both works of Grace at the same time. The unconverted person is in no condition to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit, he stated.

To the question, "will a saved person go to heaven if he has not received the baptism?", Rev. Church said: Certainly. Baptism of the Holy Spirit is the same spirit coming to you in a second different way. "Can sanctification be gradual?" Rev. Church explained that it could be gradual but at some time the crisis must be reached.

RED OF THE CROSS
"Because the red of the cross of Calvary has faded out of modern day preaching, many souls are being lost."

Using as his text on Friday evening, Exodus 12:13, Rev. Church preached upon the blood of Jesus Christ as a token of love, precious to God and to his children. We glory in the blood of Christ. The blood alone redeems us and keeps us humble; every Christian is just a sinner saved by Grace.

Jesus speaks words of warning and God saves us by fear. He gives man truth, knowledge, and power, and when man refuses these things God hardens his heart.

We can take ourselves out of the

COLLEGE SCENE —

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On Arbor Day the boys dug ditches for water pipes, worked on a road from Luckey's to the creek and painted tennis court back stops. The girls worked in the Long dormitory.

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SAVE YOUR EYES
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Remembering the recent water difficulties we find in the Feb. 17, 1928 *Star* an account of water shortage due to broken pipes resulting from heavy rains and ice jams.

Prof. Douglas comes in for his share of honorable mention in 1931 when he made a discovery of a rare aphid while studying at Cornell University.

hands of Jesus Christ, Rev. Church concluded. Nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ will be accepted before God.

CONSECRATION
Answering the question, "How may one be sanctified?", Mr. Church used as his text Saturday evening, Feb. 18, Psalms 37:5.

He stressed the necessity of the believer's consecrating himself entirely and unreservedly to God, trusting in Him, and allowing God to fill him with the Holy Spirit.

"You consecrate and trust," Mr. Church summarized, "and God does something that enables you to live the life that is pitched on this high plane of consecration."