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Holiday Concert

The departments of Music and Oratory have prepared an entertainment to be given on December 12, for the benefit of the Piano Fund. The program consists of vocal and piano solos, readings, two selections by the quartet and one by the orchestra. Let us show our appreciation of the piano and our interest in the program by a 100% attendance. Tickets are 50c and 35c. Program begins promptly at 8:00.

Mr. Chas. Capen and Miss Julia Wheeler were married Nov. 5th, at Forestdale, Vt. Both have been students in Houghton. We wish for them a most peaceable and happy married life, with God's blessing upon it.

Prayer Changes Things

The Lord is surely meeting with his people in the Tuesday night prayer-meetings. None of us can afford to miss any of these feasts. Let us have a one hundred percent attendance next week!

Mr. Carl Lutz had charge of the meeting this week. After reading a few verses from the third chapter of First John, he urged the students to be free in the Lord. It has been said that we should pray as though everything depended on God, and work as though everything depended on us.

President Luckey spoke of the great need of prayer by every one no matter how humble it may be. There were quite a few new voices heard in the prayer service.

A sweeping revival is needed here in Houghton. Let us stay on our faces before God until our prayers are answered.

While we are young, we should begin to live holy lives. The first spiritual lesson that is taught in the Bible is on holiness. "In the beginning God created heaven and earth." God is holy. He never created darkness or sin. He began the universe with holiness. God creates everything good; nothing evil; nothing void; nothing waste; so the Bible begins with holiness. "Be ye holy, even as I am holy."

Mr. Williams, Our Janitor, Ill

We are very sorry to learn that while attending the gymnasium furnace on Thursday morning, Mr. Williams suffered a slight stroke.

Realizing that paralysis was creeping over his right side, he exerted himself and succeeded in reaching the college building where he gave instructions for ringing the bells, and was then taken to his home. He is confined to his bed and under the care of Dr. Lyman.

Marion Fund

The Houghton Church again showed its loyalty by going over the top in the drive for the Marion Fund. Houghton's quota was \$47 and the last report was that \$51 had been contributed.

A day started right has half its victories won.—Genevieve Russell.

The BOULDER Drive

On Tuesday morning following the Thanksgiving vacation, the drive for BOULDER subscriptions opened.

Considerable enthusiasm was shown and before twenty-four hours had passed a large number of students and faculty were adorned with the small purple and gold bow signifying that they had purchased a BOULDER.

When the books were closed on Thursday evening the number of subscriptions had reached 127. We expecting a hundred per cent enrollment among the student body.

A drive among the alumni is planned for the near future. Last year many members of the alumni were unable to secure a BOULDER because their order was placed too late, so we are having a special week for their subscriptions. We are expecting a loyal support from the alumni.

Both Purple and Gold Confident

The Gold Future

The Gold will win! Behind this stable statement, ready to back it up to the fullest extent, ready to prove it so thoroughly that there will be no grounds for even the slightest argument, stand the indomitable basketball aggregations representing both the boys and girls of last year's conquerors. With good prospects of placing upon the floor last year's line-up intact, the Gold boys are confident of victory.

Baker and Howland, flashy forwards of last season are again with us, if possible better than usual. Williams, Henshaw, and Rees, stellar guard of long standing, are continuing their brilliant work. Donohue, star forward, although not in school at present, is expected to be with us again in January. With his inestimable aid coupled with that of Hussey, center, and our last year's utility men, Crocker and Roth, the personnel of the champion team remains unchanged. Mosher and Rosback, two new recruits, are also showing up good. They are expected to do much toward the success of their side.

The girls' team, although somewhat

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The Purple Outlook

The Purple side is preparing for the greatest year known to Houghton athletics. The review of material is the most favorable in every branch of sport and while the captains do not anticipate easy victories they are practically assured of the success of their squads in every case.

Purple basketball practice has started under the most encouraging conditions. Twenty fellows appeared at the first call and an equal number of girls are carrying out their end of the program.

The Steese brothers, Lynn Russell and Fox trying for forward positions are among the fastest players in school. Scott is also showing great promise this year and if his luck holds will rank first among the forwards. The Bedford brothers and Farner are competing for center positions while the veteran Entys are striving with Kemp and Johnson for the defense. With such a stellar outfit as representatives we extend our sympathies to the Gold side in advance.

We feel sure that our Purple girls will be as successful as the fellows for

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Dr. Augustus S. Downing to Visit Houghton

At last we are to be honored with a long-deferred and greatly-desired visit from Dr. Augustus S. Downing.

Dr. Downing is Assistant Commissioner and Director of Professional Education of New York State. He has been interested for some time in the work carried on at Houghton College. He was expected to be in Houghton at the beginning of the year but was unable to be present.

Dr. Downing is to be with us for only a short time, not more than one or two days. During his stay he will make a thorough inspection of the school,—the buildings, the equipment, and the standard of work insisted upon by the instructors. He will look into the faces of Houghton's students and observe whether they are the type of men and women that college students should be. He will observe the work of the professors, judging whether they are capable of carrying on the work of the various departments. He will visit classes, and take a general survey of college life in Houghton College.

Every student of both college and high school should put forth the greatest effort possible to give Dr. Downing a favorable impression of Houghton.

Anna Houghton Daughters

The members of the Anna Houghton Daughters were entertained at the home of Mrs. Claude Ries, on Friday p. m. November 21. A short Thanksgiving program was rendered, Miss Hildreth giving a vocal solo and Miss Ruth Rockwell a reading. Growing interest in the organization was manifested by the increased attendance. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Arthur Bernhoft, Friday, Dec. 5.

A college correspondent made this statement a short time ago: "The campus of an institution is limited only by the spirit of those who call it their own, the depth of their real being, the sweep of their vision, the purpose of their endeavor, their grasp on the fundamentals of life and eternity".

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Food for Your Soul

It is a good thing to give thanks unto Jehovah,
And to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High;
To show forth thy loving kindness in the morning,
And thy faithfulness every night.

—Psalms 92:1,2.

Editorial

There seems to be a general feeling of discontent because of the recent rulings for the use of the gymnasium, especially that barring members of the Purple and Gold basket-ball squads from the gymnasium at any time except their regular practice hours. We must admit that we felt it unfair at first. It has been the custom and one that was well appreciated to "drop in" at the gym whenever one had a few spare minutes and felt the need of a little bodily enlivenment and shoot a basket or two. It is the breaking of this habit which is causing the dissatisfaction.

This privilege is without doubt very valuable to the individual, although it may be misused as well as any other. But with the limited facilities which Houghton has at present and her method of organized athletics, this can hardly be permitted and still give everyone an opportunity to appropriate the "gym".

A glance at the schedule will show that there is not a great deal more time given to those who are not on either team than is given to the small

group of one side.

The development of athletics under the Purple-Gold system has been very rapid and creditable, but the physical welfare of the entire student body can hardly be subordinated to the training of two skillful teams. These teams should rather be an outgrowth and an indication of a good physical tone among all the students.

The Purple Outlook

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their squad includes Loftis, Driscoll, Lapham, Warburton, Benning, and Eldridge, all oldtimers and wise in the ways of the game. The newcomers Cosette Phillips and Edith Bork will doubtless find a berth on the team. Miss Bork comes to us with several years experience as guard on the Amsterdam High School team. With practice this will surely prove to be the fastest girls' team the school has ever turned out.

With success assured us in basket ball we can turn our attention to other fields and win there as well. We wish the Gold luck in turning out teams that will at least make us win our laurels.

The Gold Future

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crippled with the loss of Fero and Bernhoft, star forwards, are determined to hold spotless their undefeated record. Albro and Hall are expected to fill the vacant positions. With Anderson at center, Steese and Baker at guard, and the forward positions filled, no combination can stop them.

All signs point to an overwhelming victory. The practice periods have been arranged, and the gym is now almost constantly occupied with romping, rollicking athletes. Basket-ball is now in the air, and everyone is looking forward to the series.

The Gold supporters entertain no thoughts of defeat. The victors of previous years will again claim the attention of the fans, and in the end their banner will float gayly above the Athletic World.

We are never so ridiculous by the qualities we have, as by those we affect to have.—Rochefoucauld.

Prof. Wright: "I am having a better time than Solomon ever had—and no wonder."

"Red" Grange a Good Student

"What kind of a fellow is this 'Red' Grange off the football field?" He's a regular fellow, quiet, unassuming, yet confident of his greatness without the slightest ego. If anything his fame has made him even more retiring. While far from a woman hater, Grange holds no record as the "college fusser". He isn't taking a matrimonial course at Illinois. He is rated as a "B" student.

HOUGHTON LOCALS

Julana Woods is visiting friends in the dorm.

Miss Hampe visited friends in Philadelphia last week.

Alfred Johnson was called home by the death of his father.

Mr. Crandall has contracted a case of diphtheria but is not seriously ill.

Mr. Washbon and family will spend the winter with friends in South Dakota.

Mr. Bennett Kreckman of Rochester has been visiting his brother Alfred for a few day.

Mr. Robert Molyneaux has been visiting his brother, W. K. Molyneaux, at Dushore, Pa.

Irene Fladd, Mrs. Julia Walters and daughter, and Mr. Parson of Rochester spent Thanksgiving in town.

Rev. David Anderson is conducting union services for the Primitive and Wesleyan Methodist churches in New Castle, Pa.

Mrs. R. E. Douglass who spent Thanksgiving vacation with her husband, Prof. R. E. Douglass, has returned to Syracuse University.

We are glad to hear of the success which Miss Luella Roth, an alumna of Houghton, is attaining in her work as nurse in the City Hospital of Cleveland.

Neosophic Society

One hears so much these days of Thanksgiving feasts that it seemed only natural when we had a Thanksgiving program to have something to eat and so we did.

The program was an interesting one and enjoyed by all. The devotionals were led by Mildred Turner and she read the 147th Psalm. Miss Williams gave us Margaret Sangster's Conception of the First Thanksgiving, which reminds us that every year is a first Thanksgiving Day to some people first coming to American shores. A Thanksgiving poem was read by Kenneth Ric-

ker. "Whom He Loveth" proved to be the title of a charming story told by Esther Hall. The program was completed by "When the Frost is on the Pumpkin". This was read by Theos Cronk.

Then came the eats! Fancy cakes with cocoa and marshmallows gave us more things to be thankful for. If you think our eats committee can't work, you should have seen them scraping pots and washing dishes afterwards.

Of course, after the holidays we have lots of news, so come and hear some at a gossipy program next week.

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It was a momentous occasion when one finally turned his face from home with its familiar associations, and looking forward with indefinite speculations and premonitions, boarded the train for mobilization camp. The memory of receptions given in his honor, and of comfort-kits and numerous provisions for his convenience, added the right flavor to his reflections; but the big question that then arose was, Where was he going?

In my case I soon heard a rumor that we were enroute for Camp Upton, Long Island. Immediately, I began to absorb every available bit of information concerning the camp and its life. It is surprising how rapidly information will spread in a body of men. A couple of officers speak a few words of conversation relative to their duties in camp, or concerning this particular increment; some fellows within hearing distance "get their drift" and excitedly tell it to the nearest fellows who did not hear; these immediately pass it on, adding they know; and presently every one is able to satisfy his curiosity.

We soon settled down to the common interests of a tedious journey in a day-coach. It is very wearying to sit all night in a crowded coach. America likes to look at the ideal moments in the lives of her soldier boys,—which is very fine, but not always practical. The psychology of the heterogeneous

mass from which is collected an American army is too complicated a subject to discuss here, but it struck me with particular force that night that most of the men under my observation were engaged in common-place conversation, in card playing, or in the telling of obscene stories.

Camp Upton was a city of barracks, with paved streets. There were many other buildings, including offices, warehouses, stables, garages, a railway station, a filtration plant, a hospital center, a theatre, canteens, and Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Columbus huts. The 77th Division alone contained about twenty-five thousand men.

The reception given to new arrivals at the camp was surprising. The "veterans", who had been there for a few weeks, saw the new "rookies" hiking up the street at right step in the wake of the piloting officer. Straightway their faces lighted up with grins, some of them broke into song, the burden of which was, "O, the needle, the needle, the prophylactic needle!" while others shouted out, as though it were the hugest joke, "O, wait till you get that needle!" A week later we were given an evening reception and assimilated by the society of the camp.

Immediately upon arrival at the barracks we were supplied with cots, bed-sacks, blankets, and mess kits, and told where to mess. This last—the process of getting chow is most exciting in the barracks of the "veteran" class. When mess is ready some one from the kitchen yells "Come an' get it!" Apparently every man in the barracks leaps to his feet as though seized by some irresistible power of propulsion. Making a grab for his mess kit, he rushes madly in the direction of the kitchen, and with astonishing dexterity secures a position near the soup slingers, in the single line of two hundred men spontaneously produced at the magic of that yell "Come an' get it!" There are several reasons why it was particularly desirable to reach the objective first. The chow was more likely to be hot if he was one of the first fifty served than it was if he were one of the fourth fifty. If he did not receive enough to satisfy his ravenous appetite, or if there was something particularly desirable after everybody had been once helped, his chances were far better to get a "second" than they would be if a hundred others beat him to it. But we got enough to eat at Camp Upton, even though at times we failed to get seconds to completely satisfy the appetite developed by eight hours of daily drill.

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Gymnasium Schedule

A committee of the faculty with the executive committee of the Athletic Association has arranged a schedule whereby the time during the gymnasium is open may be used to the best advantage.

For those who do not join the purple or gold basketball squads, the gymnasium will be open under the charge of the physical instructor as follows:

Girls

Wednesday 6:15—7:30
Tuesday 3:30—4:30
Saturday 9:00—10:00; 2:30—3:30

Boys

1:00—1:45 All the week except Saturday.
Friday 4:30—5:30
Saturday 10:00—11:00; 1:30—2:30

The basket-ball teams will have the use of the gymnasium in charge of their respective captains.

Purple Girls

Tuesday 4:30—5:30.
Thursday 4:30—5:30.
Friday 3:30—4:30.
Saturday 4:30—5:30.

Gold Girls

Monday 4:30—5:30.
Wednesday 4:30—5:30.
Thursday 3:30—4:30.
Saturday 3:30—4:30.

Purple Boys

Tuesday 8:15—9:30.
Thursday 7:30—9:00.
Saturday 6:15—7:30.

Gold Boys

Monday 8:15—9:30.
Thursday 6:15—7:30.
Saturday 7:30—9:00.

Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 is reserved for the married men.

Athenian Society

It pays to advertise. For proof compare the attendance at Athenian November 28th, with that at the past few meetings.

The program was on "Thanksgiving". Mr. Carey read the President's Thanksgiving Proclamation. Miss Bork's reading entertained us with the literal attempts of Epaminondas to follow his mother's teachings. We pity the puppy,—and the pumpkin pies. "How Shall we Spend Thanksgiving?" by Miss Taylor was a timely reminder of the true way to spend the day, in sharing with others, and by being truly thankful for every good thing.

Miss Storms and Miss Williams sang "Thanksgiving Song". Mr. Schroder told of King George's Thanksgiving appointed for England after the colonists had observed the day.

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