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The Vacation Log Book

Dec. 18—Christmas is coming! White robed throng appear at breakfast bringing light and song. Many tears and sad farewells.

19—Skating's great! Smith begins bachelor's (?) life.

20—Circuit-riders drive old Dobbin to Fox Hill.

21—Prof. Wright finds muddiest route for Christmas tree.

22—Skating, followed by radio party at Tucker's.

23—Former student visits Houghton. Welcome home, LaMont. Santa visits district school.

24—Hilarious Christmas party and exchange of gifts at dorm. Midnight carols.

25—"Honey and apples make acceptable gift. Thanks, Phoebe." Bountiful Christmas dinner, followed by orchestra concert. Fearful disagreement—girls want to go skating; boys; to basket-ball game. They separate.

26—Bill returns to work on "themes." Peace restored. All parties go to cove.

27—20° below in the sun! Smiley appears at breakfast. Circuit-riders take congregation to Fox Hill.

28—Honorable Japanese guests for supper. Radio party at Tucker's; interesting discourse on "Will." Skiing's good.

29—Straw, a sleigh, snow, and a jolly crowd.

30—Memoirs of Africa at Pa. Clarke's—costumes and weird stories, followed by pop corn and wax on snow. Solomon keeps late hours. Town gang hike to see Marian.

31—All out for prayer meeting. Coasting party at 11:00 P. M. Polly finds hole in bridge and limps to hear Liberty Bell.

Jan. 1—Happy New Year! Jo. leads the shoveling crew. Fishie goes coasting wearing bedroom slippers. Bill kodaks his "theme." Faculty eat oysters at Pres. Luckey's.

2—Good-bye, old fir tree. Prof. Hazlett goes sliding with the baby. "V" finds skiing hard on the neck.

3—Several go out to hold services.

4—General clean-up. Students return. Pick-up basket-ball game causes controversy with girls' dean.

Athletics

We are fast approaching what is known as the Purple-Gold Basket-ball Series. Basket-ball is Houghton's major sport; the games in previous years causing more excitement than any other branch of athletic competition. It is true that the ranks of the Gold teams as well as those of the Purple were weakened by the loss of several good players, but these positions are going to be very ably filled by the new recruits.

The Purple boys have the old veterans; Enty, Scott, Fox, Kemp, Westcott, Fero, and Steese. And if basket-ball itself depended on the criterion of the team, these men would very likely find their places among the first eight. Besides this they have a flashy young player by the name of Lane or "Curly" who does exceptionally good pass work and who is able, according to his language, to make a few "buckets".

The Gold line-up will probably bring forth the Howland brothers, Henshaw and Hussey: men who have played together for a number of years, and a combination that the Purple will have to travel to beat. Taylor, Mosher,

Dyer, Roth and Flint must also be added to this list as they will probably prove to us their ability in the near future

The Purple girls have practically the same line-up that they had last year. Driscall, Loftis, Folger, Eldridge and Fox are quite certain to be among the first eight. Besides these five they have a splendid second team which they can rely upon if necessary.

The Gold girls lost several of their best players through graduation, but we are looking for them to develop new stars. With Anderson as captain and with "Fluffy" Albro, Crouch, Molyneaux, Hall, and Long, there is the greatest possibility of their retaining their championship. Along with these old members there is added Cole, Dibble, and Adelia Johnson.

Watch the Star for the schedule of the games and complete write up of each game as it is played.

Come and
Cheer for Your Side

Missionary Call Discussed by Dean Wright

Two vital subjects of foreign missionary interest were vividly brought to our attention by the Y. M. W. B. Jan. 5th. Following devotionals by Verna Crouch, the first topic, "What Constitutes a Call to Foreign Missionary Work", was treated by Prof. Wright. After stating that the final settlement of the question is individual, he introduced three phases for thought; first, willingness to follow any call to God's service; second, willingness to make preparations requisite to the service; third, a deep-seated knowledge of being in the will of God.

Then Misses Stein and Fish sang a duet, and the needs of the foreign field were taken up as follows: Miss Davidson, the educational; Miss Sartwell, the medical; Mr. Rees, the evangelical. The last speaker revealed the fact that there are two billion heathen, and forty million of them pass into eternity, yearly. Do we need further appeal to make us receptive to a call?

Theologs and Their Vacation Activities

The activities of the Theological students did not cease with the coming of vacation. Rather it gave the few remaining more time for prayer and that activity towards which they are looking forward with eager anticipation as their life's work.

On a Friday afternoon two of the young ladies, Miss Sartwell and Miss Fish, spent the day calling on the people on Fox Hill. They reported an enjoyable day in the Master's service with much encouragement for the work there. The next Sunday they had charge of the Sunday School and church service and found a goodly number present, some of whom had not been in attendance before. The following Sunday, owing to the inclement weather, the attendance was not as large.

The first Sunday of the New Year found a company of five of the young people conducting Sunday School and

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Dr. Paul H. Fall

Under the caption of, "Men You Should Know About", an interesting bit of information was given in a recent issue of the Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering Journal. This notice was to the effect that Dr. Paul H. Fall had returned to the chair of Chemistry at Hiram College after a two year leave of absence.

If men in the busy world of industry are interested in Dr. Fall, certainly we as students of Houghton College should be ashamed to profess ignorance of our distinguished alumnus. Paul Fall entered the advanced department of Houghton Seminary in the year of 1910. After three years of work here and a final year at Oberlin College, he was granted his bachelor's degree from that institution. For the following two years he was the teacher of science in Houghton Seminary. Then he became assistant to Dr. Holmes at Oberlin. He received the degree of Master of Arts from that college. During the war he was in government work as a research chemist. After the demobilization of troops he was engaged as the professor of chemistry at Hiram College. He remained there until the fall of 1923 when he received the Palm Olive Fellowship. According to the terms of this fellowship he has spent the last two years in graduate work at Cornell University. During the time while in residence there he received \$2000 a year for the payment of his expenses. His research problem was assigned along lines of interest to the Palm Olive Soap company. This last spring he received his doctor's degree from that institution as a compensation for his labors.

All those who have ever been acquainted with Paul Fall know that he is a reliable friend and a very capable instructor in addition to being an exceptionally thorough student. Strength of character and extraordinary ability in fields of learning combine to make him the type of alumnus of whom Houghton College can justly be proud.

His attainments should provide a very stimulating incentive to our present student generation. I can have no higher hope for our Alma Mater than that she may produce many more men of his calibre.

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Editorial

[Prize editorials solicited from Section B of the College Rhetoric Class.]

For the past month the Old Gentleman has been rapidly growing weaker and weaker. His nights have been long and quiet while his days have been short, dark, and stormy as if an even more painful continuance of the night before. A certain rapt feeling of expectation prevails everywhere.

The long, cold, winter evenings; the snapping, crackling, drowsy fireside, and the deep, soft-cushioned chair unite to permeate the atmosphere with reminiscences of those fond moments which are now about to pass into oblivion. The query of the moment centers around the accomplishments of the past twelve months within an outlying atmosphere of proverbial New Year's resolutions. Where is to be found the fulfillment of the resolutions made a year ago? Ah, yes, one found its annual resting place during the first week in February; another, the first day of Spring vacation. There were but two. How fortunate! One year ago, two years ago, yes again and again the same resolutions were formed and broken. "Ever learning yet never coming to the knowledge of the truth." Something must be wrong with the resolutions. No, not exactly that, but with the person who makes them.

Resolutions are a future quantity. Like tomorrow, they are always just ahead. But ah, Today, thou shalt

soon be Tomorrow. Resolve? Yes! Live? Yes! Resolve and live thy resolve today for;

"Nothing is there to come and nothing past,
But an eternal now does always last."

Evan Molyneaux

New Year's resolutions are very good if we would only live up to them; but many times they are forgotten and are blown away in a week's time, just as the petals of a beautiful rose fade and drop off.

Let us remember this year that God is being neglected. Let us remember that martyrs are few, and many professed Christians are not holding up the standards. Let us cry "Forward, forward, O God and Thy cause". Let us live so that men will respect us and they will say, "The love of God shines through his heart."

We should remember, "True greatness is to do and say, the kindest thing in the kindest way." A wonderful way to spend the entire new year would be to go about spreading sunshine. How many weary, heartsick folk are made happy by a smile, a helping hand, or a wee gift!

Each year begins a new epoch in our lives. A cycle has been completed. Did we do our best? Have we lived big, fearless lives, or have we fainted by the way? Each year brings an opportunity to start again. Let's forget our petty weaknesses, let's look up and on.

God gives us vision and the only man who achieves true greatness is the man with a vision.

"The path of life we walk today
Is strange as that the Hebrews trod;
We need the shadowing rock as they,
We need, like them, the guides of God."

Doris E. Johnson

Do You Expect to Keep Your Resolutions?

New Year Resolutions are sometimes observed for a month, sometimes for a week, and sometimes the day of their making has not closed before one or more of them has been broken. A resolution of this kind is merely the expression of an ideal. The very fact that we have ideals evidences the faithfulness of the Holy Spirit is showing us what is right and what is wrong. The only way we can keep resolutions is to allow the One who gives us the ideal to change our lives and make it possible for us to live up to the teachings which He gives us. There is one resolution and only one which we can make with

a full assurance of our ability to keep it. We can resolve that by the grace of God, we will walk in all the light He allows to shine on our pathway. If we do this, we will live better lives than we plan.

This was the thought brought out by Rev. Pitt in the New Year prayer meeting. For the assurance of the possibilities along the line which he suggested, he advised the people to read the first two chapters of Ephesians.

Suspended Judgment

The spirit of this age—speed, has permeated even the thinking of people; this is the day of snap judgments, hasty generalizations, snap decisions, and sweeping statements. Conclusions are drawn from evidence biased and insufficient. Such a system of reasoning brings in its trail numerous evils. It lacks both fairness and accuracy and therefore is not worthy of college students.

A person truly intelligent, when asked for his opinion, refuses to give it until he feels sure he is acquainted with all the facts. If after examining both sides of the case, and spending some time in deliberation he makes his conclusions, then he can command the attention of his hearers. But the person who is prone to censure or to praise without sufficient reason, or who holds to an opinion tenaciously although he has seen but one side of the question—to such a one has not come the real conception of education. If he could suspend his judgment until he was sure he was in possession of accurate and complete details of any matter, then fewer rumors would be circulated, fewer reputations would be needlessly ruined, and fewer hearts broken by heedless words.

Not only is suspended judgment more accurate but it is fairer. If in no other place than in college one should be able to find many exponents of fairness. Such people out of a sense of justice for their fellowmen will not indulge in snap judgments nor in sweeping conclusions.

Is it fair to say, "Oh, he's no good," just because a classmate has done something not in the manner in which we do it? Be fair! Be so by suspending judgment until you are in possession of all the facts.

The world is waiting for you, young man,
If your purpose is strong and true;
If out of your treasures of mind and heart,
You can bring things old and new.

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President's Message

Improvements in Methods of Study

The greatest improvement that Houghton students can make in their habits of study is to stop studying with each other. There is absolutely nothing to be gained from such a method. If parties are of equal strength, neither gains anything while both lose time; if they are of unequal strength, the stronger loses time, while the weaker becomes a total cripple stumbling along on crutches, and often obliged to fail or cheat at examination time.

Efficient study requires an alert mind and concentrated attention. To secure the first the body must be in proper condition, and this condition is best during the early morning hours. The second greatest improvement that Houghton students can make in their habits of study is to form the habit of early rising, and of using the morning hours for study. Concentrated attention usually requires the absence of all disturbing elements. Roommates should determine strictly that they will be silent during the study periods in their rooms, and they should carry out this determination rigidly.

Usually much more can be accomplished by having a definite schedule of study. If students will write out a definite schedule of time for each subject, and then permit nothing common or ordinary to interfere with this schedule, they will be surprised at the results. I challenge you students to make a trial of these suggestions; study alone, rise early to study, and follow a definite schedule of study.

Chapel by President Luckey

President Luckey in his quiet persuasive way brought out the importance of more careful and persistent study. While reading the parable of the sower from the thirteenth chapter of Matthew, he made application to our daily school work. "Very little that we hear really enters into our ears." If we do receive a little knowledge, most of us are unwilling to endure hardness" and spend a sufficient amount of labor to cultivate the seed. Too many students allow recreation and pleasure to choke the little seeds trying to grow.

Speaking of thirty fold, sixty fold, and a hundred fold, President Luckey humorously said that these did not mean grades; but for each idea we receive we should develop thirty ideas, sixty ideas and a hundred ideas.

In closing this splendid chapel talk, President Luckey urged us not to become discouraged because there are many splendid opportunities ahead and it is up to each individual to grasp them.

Deceased

At Christmas Tide the news of the death of her father, Mr. E. N. Jones, came to Mrs. G. D. Kellogg. Mr. Jones died on Christmas Eve at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robbins, at Mansfield, Ohio. He is remembered by a number of students and many townspeople whose acquaintance he made while residing until recently with Mrs. Kellogg. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

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holding a preaching service in the fine little school building. The afternoon was spent in calling. Those who have been in touch with the work there, feel that much good can be accomplished in this house to house visitation. The people seem to appreciate the interest shown in their eternal welfare.

Prayer is requested for the people of Fox Hill, as well as for those in other places where regular meetings are held, that many may be brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Especially would we request the prayers of all the readers of this article, for one old gentleman who is past eighty, living alone life with his son. He has little time left in this world. Always appreciative of our calls, he has of late evidenced an interest in his soul's salvation. He knelt in prayer with us for the first time last Sunday. Could our efforts result in the saving of this one soul, we would thank the Heavenly Father who has led us this far in the work in this part of the Master's vineyard.

Athenian Literary Society

The program committee announces the following program for Monday evening, January 11.

Outlook and Possibilities for the New Year

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| Athletics | Virgil Hussey |
| "Star" | Clair Carey |
| Violin Solo | Gerald Scott |
| "Boulder" | Paul Steese |
| Religious | Ivah Benning |
| Duet | Hollis Stevenson |
| | Ralph Jones |

Neosophic Program Jan. 11, 1926

- A Night in Fairyland
- Life of Grimm—Bradford Wells
- One of Grimm's Fairy Tales—Willard Smith
- Life of Hans Christian Andersen—Minnie Wright
- An Interesting Experience—Erwin English, Donald Ferguson, Verne Britting
- One of Andersen's Fairy Tales—Friederick Hauser
- Vocal Solo—Margaret Loftis
- Bed Time Story—Roma Lapham
- Critics Report
- Song by Society

Keep a Pullin'

Fish don't bite just for the wishin',
Keep a pullin';
Change your bait and keep on fishin'
Keep a pullin';
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Boyd -- Tobin

Of the students who were late to school after the vacation period, at least one could offer the same reason given by the man invited to the feast. At Cambridge, Vermont, on New Year's Eve, Miss Cecille Tobin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tobin was united in marriage with Mr. Montgomery Boyd.

Roof -- Whipple

Miss Effie Mae Whipple, one of our former students was united in marriage to Mr. Burley L. Roof on December 31st, 1925.

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LOCALS

We suppose all the students spent a very enjoyable vacation, and we know that those left in Houghton certainly did. Coasting, skating, skiing, hiking, sleigh rides, pop-corn and taffy parties were among the things enjoyed.

After a sleigh ride, an oyster supper was given by Mr. and Mrs. Hill to a party of their daughter's friends.

Walter Houghton was home for New Year's.

Mamie Churchill, Grace Wright, Gladys Grange, Winnifred Pitt, Fred Warburton, and Gladys Crandall were home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Tabor were visiting Mrs. Tabor's parents, Mr. and Mattoon, on Tuesday last.

Mrs. Roth was thrown from a cutter the day after New Year's, and suffers from a broken arm.

Donald Schuman was in town a few days during vacation.

Eileen Loftis' brother of New York City is visiting here this week.

Allen Baker, Lowell Fox and Carl Steese have invested in radios.

A number of students are planning to hear Paderewski in Buffalo, Friday the 8th.

Diana Ferns has resigned her position as matron of the Bradford Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Saunders are back in the "Hussey House" after a pleasant vacation.

Mr. Charles White preached in Olean the last two Sundays.

Miss Louisa Gifford visited Miss Mary Williams over the holidays.

Evan Molyneaux visited in Penn Yan for a few days at Christmas time.

Rev. Anderson has gone to New Castle, Pa. where he will conduct a three weeks series of revival meetings.

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They strolled in the twilight together;
The heavens were blossomed with stars:

She paused for a moment in silence,
As he lowered for her the bars.

She cast her soft eyes upon him,
But he spoke no living vow—

For he was a rustic laddie
And she was a Jersey cow.

The pleasures of the senses pass quickly; those of the heart become sorrows, but those of the mind are ever with us, even to the end of our journey.

Mr. Sallberg, at supper: When it comes my turn to give a passage of scripture, I am going to give that one about "Whom shall I send and who will go for us."

Miss Grange: That's in Elijah, is'nt it?

Mr. Sallberg: Yes, that's in Elijah, in the sixth chapter, I think.

Mr. Robinson Takes a Charge

Mr. H. N. Robinson has accepted the call to preach at Inkerman, Canada. We wish to extend to Mr. Robinson our best wishes for success in this field of labor. Because of his active interest in the religious extension work here, he will be greatly missed.

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