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HELPFUL SERIES WILL CONCLUDE ON SUNDAY EVE.

The special services begun on January 28 will be terminated next Sunday evening unless through the leading of the Holy Spirit those in charge deem it profitable to continue. Although there has been no spectacular manifestations, the quiet working of the Spirit of God is very evident. A short resumé of the evening messages and those given in chapel by the Rev. Mr. Pitt follow in order:

Thursday Evening

"God called you personally just as he did Paul. He called you to be your saintly self in Houghton." Brother Pitt made this sweeping statement Thursday evening in a discourse upon the call of the Apostle Paul. "As Paul was called to suffering, so are we. Back up from Christ and His duties for you and the glory leaves your life. The thing that ends our sufferings is the coming glory."

Friday Chapel

Mr. Pitt spoke on Matthew 14:34-36 Friday morning in chapel. As many as touched Christ's garment that day at Gennesaret were made perfectly whole. If we are conscious of moral or spiritual disease we have but to touch Christ to become whole. He is our Physician. He can take out of us that which hinders the complete filling of the Holy Spirit if we will but touch Him.

Friday Evening

"When the devil gets hold of a victim, he doesn't let go until he is forced to. Reformation may cloak it but not remove it. There is a close association between sin and death. You will be back in the places of the dead if you don't meet Jesus." Such was Brother Pitt's splendid exposition of the account of Christ's dealing with the man possessed by a legion of devils. He also commented on the terrible sin of rejecting Christ as a community, saying "Bethsaida got her call and rejected it. After that Jesus wouldn't even heal a blind man within the city but led him outside."

Sunday Morning

"We must get down on our faces before the Lord and find out what the risen and glorified Christ can mean in us," declared the Rev. J. R. Pitt in his Sunday morning sermon. The sermon was evangelistic, in keeping with the revival effort and several sought help at the altar when the invitation was given.

Sin is a problem which man could not solve, but Christ provided a way and paid the price for our freedom. The disciples of Christ did not realize that in Him they had died to sin. They knew all the facts of the Resurrection, but they did not know that life had come out of the grave—not only His, but theirs, also—until the revelation of the Holy Spirit. Peter's net was filled with fishes because he obeyed the Word of God. If we obey the Word of God, the revelation will come to us. Has the Spirit entered in? Are all old things passed away and become new?

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EXTENSION GROUPS ACTIVE ON SUNDAY

Last week-end three groups of Christian students held services outside of Houghton, including the College Quartet, which participated in several Saturday and Sunday services of the young people's revival effort being carried on in the United Brethren Church of Bradford, where the Rev. Mr. W. P. Hanks is pastor. The singing and playing of Messrs. Alton Shea, William Foster, Robert Homan, and Glenn Donelson was thoroughly appreciated by the Pennsylvania young folk, several of whom raised their hands for prayer at the close of the Sunday evening service.

In the afternoon Willard Smith took a girl's quartet, composed of the Misses Ivone Wright, Frances Hotchkiss, Florence Cissold, and Katherine Schehl, to the Allegany County Home, where they, together with Merritt Queen, held an evangelistic service. Several inmates of the Home asserted that they enjoyed the

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Light Bearers Appreciate Mr. Erwin Enty's Address

The Light Bearers Service last Sunday was the best-attended gathering we have had this year. It was somewhat reminiscent of the "good old days" when the High School Study Hall was filled every Sunday afternoon. We feel sure that those who attended were in no way disappointed and hope they may continue to attend our services.

After some songs led by Olson Clark with Barbara Cronk at the piano and the assistance of James Hurd with his clarinet, Wm. Wilbur took charge of the devotionals, reading the 13th chapter of I Corinthians and leading in a brief season of prayer. Two songs, "I Want Be a Friend of Christ" and "Blessed Rock of Ages", were rendered by the High School Male Quartet.

All were expectant as Rev. Erwin Enty took his place as speaker of the occasion and no one was disappointed, for he gave a splendid talk. Taking "Love" as his subject and the 13th chapter of I Corinthians as the basis of thought, he gave three ways in which we as Christians may translate this chapter to needy souls around us; namely, by a look, by a word, and by a touch.

Each of these points was vividly illustrated and applied to our individual lives. Along with other helpful thoughts, Rev. Enty stated that nobody has lived until he has had the Love of God in his heart and all earning is ignorance without Divine love. He also added that Mother love is the most beautiful thing on earth.

We thank Rev. Enty for his helpful and enlightening talk and hope that he enjoyed giving it as much as we enjoyed hearing it.

Light Bearer's Notice

Everyone is cordially welcomed to worship with us Sunday afternoon in the church at 3:30. Rev. Enty will again be the speaker and a H. S. mixed quartette will bring special music.



POPULAR SOLOIST TO GIVE CONCERT MONDAY EVENING

Rosa Tentoni, rising American soprano star who will be heard here on Monday, February 10 at Houghton College Auditorium, was born of Italian parentage in the little town of Buhl in the Arrowhead Country of Minnesota. She attended the local schools, playing the title role in the operetta, "Pirate's Daughter", during her senior year at High School. She made her debut as soloist with the Range Symphony Orchestra in Duluth on April 22, 1928, her seventeenth birthday. Wisely, she decided she needed more study before plunging into the career her friends and critics were urging on her. On the advice of Beniamino Gigli she came to New York, studied with his teacher, Professor Enrico Rosati, made her first appearance in the East at a semi-private performance of "Cavalleria Rusticana" at Columbia University under the auspices of the Dante Alighieri Society in the spring of 1932. In July, 1933, Miss Tentoni made her operatic debut in Cincinnati at the Zoo Opera as Nedda, later as Santuzza and Aida. The

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'LITTLE SYMPHONY' TO GIVE CONCERT

Friday evening, February 14, will mark the second appearance of the Houghton College Little Symphony in the college auditorium. This organization has developed amazingly since its first concert, December 12, and is certain to give a fine performance. The orchestra is nearly symphonic, having almost complete instrumentation. The program of the evening is still uncertain, though a repetition of Ferde Grofe's *Mississippi Suite* would doubtless meet with the approval of the majority of the Little Symphony's former audience, and Sigmund Romberg's ever-popular *New Moon* would probably retain its former favor with the students.

Prof. Cronk has been very successful in his organization of an efficient and popular miniature symphony of thirty members, and Houghton is looking forward to the second of the concert series for the year.

Later in the year the orchestra plans to give three more concerts in this series.

Houghton College Choir Charms Gowanda Crowd

From Gowanda News
Music lovers of Gowanda and vicinity were entertained by the Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday afternoon when the Houghton College choir, Wilfred C. Bain, conductor, presented a program of a cappella music in letter perfect fashion.

The two early church numbers *Tenebrae Factae Suni* and *Tu Es Petrus* both by Giovanni Palestrina were separated by a modern composition of George Schumann. These were beautifully given. Robert Louis Stevenson's well known *Requiem* set to music by Granville Bantock, presented an opportunity in its rendition for much light and shade and brought to notice the excellent tone quality of the men's voices.

Two Christmas numbers. "The Christmas Story" by Clarence Dickinson, and Lullaby on Christmas Eve by F. Melius Christiansen featured soprano obligatos by two talented young women. It was regretted that these two fine voices were not heard again in solo work.

The program included three familiar spirituals, with cappella arrangement by Noble Cain and was concluded by a choral benediction. The Lord Bless You by Peter S. Lutkin, Mr. Bain's concise explanations of the numbers added much interest and the quiet way in which he secured desired effects in tone rhythm and shading, proclaimed him a conductor of rare musical talent.

Mr. Bain and his choir of musically ambitious young people will be warmly welcomed in Gowanda again.

Former Pastor Dies

A pastor of Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Church twenty years ago, the Rev. William Clow passed away Saturday, February 1, at his residence in Westfield, Pennsylvania. Mrs. P. S. Bowen and the Crouch family, who are related to the deceased by marriage, together with Professor Stanley Wright, made the trip Tuesday in order to attend the funeral.

ETHIOPIAN WAR IS REVIEWED BY PEACE LECTURER

The second lecture on the current series was held in the college auditorium, Friday evening, January 31. The speaker, Miss Elizabeth MacCallum, spoke on the Italo-Ethiopian question. Miss MacCallum is a member of the World Peace Foundation of New York. Her home is at Uxbridge, Ontario, where she indulges her hobby of agriculture. A summary of Miss MacCallum's address follows:

The conflict between Italy and Ethiopia has aroused considerable attention not only from those in the conflict but from the world in general. There are several main causes economic in nature, for the advance of the Italians: the need of a source for raw materials, a market for finished products, and a place to send the unemployed population. Let us take these causes and analyze them step by step.

Italy is very poor in raw materials, for she lacks coal, iron, rubber and cotton. In order for her factories to run she must at present import these commodities. Since she has relatively few colonial possessions to draw from, Italy must buy from the open world market. Of course, by the conquest of Ethiopia Italy would have an access to the vast natural wealth of Ethiopia.

Italy wishes a market for her finished products and would have Ethiopia as the realization of this. However, Japanese manufacturers are manufacturing the products for about one-half of the cost of other countries, including Italy. These naturally would be bought in preference to Italian articles. Now, if Italy passed a tariff law in Ethiopia its market throughout the world would be restricted, for no country would trade with Ethiopia because of the tax.

The unemployed in Italy tallies into the millions. To ship these millions of Italians to Ethiopia would temporarily solve the congestion but would not solve the problem, for the country would be refilled in a short time. For an example, look at England. Though she has possessions all over the world and has sent millions of people to them, she still has the problem of unemployment and congestion.

Those Italians that would be sent to Ethiopia would find it very difficult to live. Ethiopia is on a high plane while most of Italy is on a low plane. Heart trouble would be prevalent and the climatic conditions in general would be very unfavorable to the Italians. Besides, the Ethiopian labor is much cheaper than the Italian because they can live on such a small ratio of food a day. This being true the Italians would still be out of work.

Mussolini wants Ethiopia, however, not because of Italian needs but for something greater. To realize his dream of Fascism, Mussolini feels that war is needed to stimulate the people in raising the nation to the peak. War is an ennobling experience, for it raises the energy of man to the highest plane. Fascism scorns pacifism and calls its followers cowards.

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Editorial

THE FINAL STRETCH

The first term of the year 1935-36 is now history and the new semester is in full swing. The mistakes we made during the last semester are forgotten and we have resumed our studies with a clean slate. Let's do our utmost in making this semester the best we've ever enjoyed—mentally, physically and spiritually. We know where we made our mistakes in previous semesters so, with a little care, we should be able to avoid the same pitfalls.

In order to make this school year the most successful of all, we must all cooperate with each other. A few thoughtless acts can tear down what has taken months to build up. Let us keep this thought uppermost in our minds and carry it out by putting aside our personal feelings and doing what we know is right.

L. A. A.

LET'S GET FRIENDLY

Have you ever stopped to realize, friends and schoolmates, just how little we know about each other? Have you ever taken a glance around the dining room or the class room or the chapel and attempted to pick out the number of every day associates whom you could really claim to know? If you have, you will easily understand how little we, the compact undergraduate body of a democratic school, care to strengthen this kindred feeling.

We have already a slogan for Houghton's future: *"A Greater Houghton with a Grander Ministry"*; how about one peculiarly necessary for the present: *A Friendly Houghton*. Have you ever enjoyed the experience of opening a conversation with someone comparatively unknown to you and learned within a few minutes that he wasn't so different from you after all? Really, friends, this exchange of personalities is stimulating to school life just as it is broadening to your own life. I am going to think a lot more of you and you of me if that touch of personal opinion, individual likes and dislikes, and other personality traits are added. And we are going to enjoy working together in the various activities of the campus if we can feel that intimate, though intangible, bond of common interests. How about it, schoolmates? Let's get friendly!

H. G. A.

EXTENSION GROUPS

(Continued From Page One) singing of the girls better than that of any other quartet that Houghton has ever sent there. The Extension Department sincerely would appreciate the prayers of local Christians for this work in the Home, where students are holding Sunday services

three times each month.

In the evening Harold Boon and a male quartet—Carl Vandenburg, Richard Slater, Ray Carpenter, and Walter Ferchin—conducted a union service in the Sanborn M. E. Church of which the Rev. Mr. Hartborn is pastor. The team was well received and they request earnest prayer for their efforts in that community.

CALENDAR

Sunday, Feb. 9

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
3:30 p.m. Light Bearers
7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service

Monday, Feb. 10

6:45 p.m. Social Science Club
Mission Study Class
8:15 p.m. Rosa Tentoni (Lecture Course)

Tuesday, Feb. 11

7:00 p.m. Student's Prayer Meeting
Friday, Feb. 14
8:15 p.m. College Orchestra Concert

TENTONI CONCERT

(Continued From Page One) er picture with the Four Marx Brothers, called "Night at the Opera".

The soprano opened her 1935-36 season singing twice before a large convention in Bedford Springs, Pennsylvania. In October she was starred at the Eastern Maine Annual Music Festival at Bangor. The Maine Teachers' Annual Convention was in session at the same time and Miss Tentoni was the leading attraction of both the Festival and the Convention.

Program

I	Sibella
O bocca dolorosa	Cirometta
Donzelle fugitive	Cavalli
II	Faure
Les Berceaux	Massenet
Ouvre tes yeus blues	Paladilhe
Psyche	Leoncavalli
Les deux serenades	Intermission
Aria: Ritorna vincitor (from "Aida")	Verdi
IV	
O Lovely Night	Ronald
The Jasmine Door	Scott
Love's A Merchant	Carew
Ta Danza	Rossini
(Tarantella Napoletana)	

VISION

I sought for gold that I might give to Him,
A shining offering of glittering gold;
But even as I strove for earthly store,
He whispered, "Dost thou love me more?"

I sought a place of service, power and fame,
To do some great task in the Master's name;

And as I labored thus to do His will,
He whispered, "Thou art selfish still."

I sought to witness of his mighty power,

The wonder of His love and care each hour;

Yet in my heart I held the magic key

To love and power the Master had for me.

I sought at last His pardon for the past,

And at His feet my every burden cast;

And suddenly a vision wonderful appeared,

And vanished every barrier I had reared.

A vision not of gold or earthly greed,
But sudden vision of a lost world's need;

With eager heart afame with passion's glow,

I wait his call and whisper, "Bid me go."

PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

Florence Cathryn Clissold

The great city of Jackson, Michigan, acclaimed the birth of Florence on the fourteenth of April, 19—(?). "I attended grammar school in Jackson and am proud of it, even tho' it is the prison city." Clissie, as she is generally called, came to Houghton Seminary in '27 and caused Mrs. Lee to wear out plenty of shoe leather, so she said. Entering college in '31, she worked hard for two years; then, deciding that she needed a rest she stayed at home for a year. During this time she didn't do much taking only a couple of courses in the University of Michigan. Returning to Houghton in '34 she was still the same peppy Clissie. She has been a member of the A Cappella Choir, belongs to the Social Science Club and college girls' quartet. Clissie says that the outstanding feature in her life this year has been the Extension work. If you've never met Clissie, drop in by the book store some time. Quoting Clissie, "These years at Houghton with their varied experiences and opportunities have had a definite place and molding in my life. May I be true to Houghton and most of all to the One that Houghton endeavors to serve."

Henry Hollis White

That sleek-headed blond boy who goes under the name of Henry Hollis White was born, so it is reported, on June 17, 1917 at Saranac. He attended Cadilly High School and didn't do much of anything except read books and magazines. Nevertheless, he got good marks and was valedictorian of his class. The following year he took a post-graduate course. In '32 Henry came to Houghton. While here he has been active in sports of all sorts, basketball, baseball, track, and tennis. He has been on the Boulder staff, is on the present Star staff, and is President of the Athletic Association. Mr. White is a friendly type of individual with a pleasing personality. However, he states that he is definitely on the wagon—(tish, tish). Quoting Henry, "Among the many benefits which I have derived from my four years in Houghton, I believe that I appreciate most of all the friendship and social contacts which I have made."

Marion Viola Burns

Marion Viola Burns, that short jocund, vivacious girl who is always full of vim and vigor was born October 31, 1914 at Porterville, N. Y. Maybe the day can account for this vivaciousness, who knows? At first Marion was very reticent, wouldn't say a word about herself but by coaxing she finally yielded. She attended the East Aurora high school and while there studied plenty and played basketball, so she said. In the fall of '32 Marion matriculated at Houghton and has been a very popular young lady, the reason being her dashing personality. At present she is Secretary of the Senior class, and the Student Body, President of the German Club, and has been on the Boulder Staff. She also played at the guard position on the senior basketball team. Incidentally, her favorite color or something is brown. Not wanting to say anything at first she finally yielded and said, "I did not really begin to live until I came to Houghton. To whatever place I am sent, her influence will affect my life."

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A. V. R.

Los Angeles Bible Institute Conducts Evangelism Conf.

"We opened the school year with an evangelistic campaign, and we are going to open the next term with a conference on Evangelism. Our students are being urged to give themselves to soul-winning. Last week every student received a Pocket Testament and enrolled in the Pocket Testament League and were shown how to use these testaments in personal work.

This school has appealed for 50,000 intercessors. Concerning the purposes and work of the school, the newly installed president says: "God wants first of all and above all else to deepen the spiritual life of the school. However devoted to God may be the men and women who are the leaders in this place—and I thank God for everyone of them and for their uncompromising loyalty to Him—God has more blessing and grace to bestow. I believe that means that God wants a revival in the faculty, in the student body, among the friends and supporters of the school."

REVIVAL SERVICES

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If we wander from the way, as soon as we get out of Christ the old life comes in again and operates in the same way. Oh, how sad it is to lose the life to which one has just been raised! The question is not whether other people see us as perfect but whether Jesus Christ sees us walking in all the rays of light He has given us.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Enty brought an inspiring message in song with the arrangement of "Take up Thy Cross" and "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone".

Sunday Evening

"The rejection of Christ's way of saving men and of making men is the greatest sin," said the Rev. Mr. Pitt Sunday evening in a sermon based on I Tim. 1:9, "but current thinking has placed many crimes worse than the rejection of Christ". Paul was not an immoral man yet he was the chief of sinners because he opposed Christ. Thus, since the chiefest of sinners was saved anybody can be.

The young people's service centered around the observance of denominational Sunday. Miss Harriet Sartwell gave a short resume of the growth of the Wesleyan denomination beginning with the birth of John Wesley. The other speaker, Mr. Edward Willett, explained the devotional and educational position of the Church. Doctrine becomes a standard, and a standard is necessary to avoid confusion. Wesleyan Methodism is distinctive because of its doctrine of Holiness. In stating the attitude of the school, Mr. Willett said, "Houghton does not compel us to accept any of her doctrines. She merely sets them before us that we may evaluate them and choose for ourselves."

Monday Evening

The message was taken from Isaiah 52:3-53:9. Christ was wounded by men and his grief was for men. It was men who hung Jesus on the cross; it was they who condemned him to die the death of a criminal. But as soon as the last bit of the price was paid, God exalted His Son and raised Him into glory. "I hope to see before I die a revival of unprecedented power in Houghton—the kind that can be attributed to no human person," declared Mr. Pitt.

Tuesday Chapel

Faith in the name of Jesus made the lame man strong, declared the Rev. Mr. Pitt, in speaking on the third chapter of Acts. He stated further that there is nothing so discouraging as to try to live a life pleasing without Christ. Victory, he said, comes with Jesus.

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ALUMNI CORNER

Harold Hester Pays Tribute to Professor H. C. McDowell

And so Professor McDowell is dead. But "being dead yet he speaketh." It seems I can see him now and hear his voice just as he was during the years I was associated with him in Houghton, first as student, then as teacher. Several vivid memories of those days come to me now. Here is one of them.

It must have been about the year 1908, when Houghton youth, eager to find an outlet for their reforming zeal, had organized a college Prohibition League for critical study of the social, economic, and political aspects of the liquor problem. The winning Prohibition orator of the year, Stanley Wright, accompanied by several zealous backers and their beloved Professor McDowell, were in attendance upon the New York State Intercollegiate Prohibition Oratorical Contest at Cornell University. Our orator had acquitted himself well, and the other college Leagues in attendance appeared quite pleased with the intelligence and style of the Houghton delegation. Mrs. Bowen used to say in those early days, Houghton students, though lacking much of the critical scientific studies of the endowed colleges, and without prospect of a college degree from Houghton, yet had the critical sense so well-developed from their studies in history and literature, that they were able to hold their own with the intelligentsia anywhere."

Nevertheless, there was some question whether Houghton, then without college standing, should continue to compete on an equal basis with the big colleges for State and National honors. At the critical moment of the discussion, Stanley Wright, Ern Hall, Bill Frazier and the rest of us looked to Professor McDowell to speak for Houghton and for us. We knew he would say the right word in the right way. He fully measured up to the situation. McDowell had a presence and a style that carried weight. His address to the assembled delegates from the colleges on behalf of Houghton showed us the historian, statesman, and philosopher par excellence that we knew he was. But more than that. That little address showed us a Professor McDowell that was more than a "closet philosopher" (to use one of Burke's phrases). We saw him there as he really was, a son of the prophets, a philosopher of action, a radical reformer.

"Last, but not least," concluded our heroic Professor, "Houghton qualifies to be a member of this Intercollegiate Prohibition Association because she has a tradition of reform. The blood of the martyrs flows in her veins. Houghton is free born. Before the time of this Prohibition question we were on the ground floor in the days of the slavery reform (This was literally true of some of Houghton's founders, such as Father Cooper of Fillmore, H. H. H.). We know what it means to fight for freedom and against oppression. We will unite with any group anywhere that flies the flag of freedom. Young men and women, Houghton will not disgrace you." And Houghton held its place in the New York State Prohibition Association.

My father, Rev. B. F. Hester, hearing of incidents such as this one and knowing as well the tradition of Houghton, when asked by a neighbor why he sent his children across the continent to school when there were greater colleges nearer home said, "I send my children to Houghton that they may get the fire of re-

form kindled to a blaze within their bones." You see Ben Hester, along with Jim Luckey, had found some of this fire at Houghton in the early "eighties", when they roasted potatoes in the same hearth.

All this reminds me of another good and great Professor at Houghton, gone from us in his prime some years ago. Professor Henry Richie Smith, when organizing the Anti-Secret Association of Houghton Seminary, used to quote to us this burning word of Senator George Frisbie Hoar of Massachusetts: "Young man, count yourself happy if it be your lot to espouse some unpopular though worthy cause in its beginning. To see it grow, to help it grow. To see it first arouse curiosity, then opposition, then contempt, but always growing and growing, until at last, over all opposition, and misrepresentation, and petty party spirit, the irresistible current makes its way."

May I say that for many of us, Houghton meant above all else, the kindling of this spirit of radical reform, of championing the cause of the needy and oppressed, a spirit that we hope is yet, a spirit that we fervently pray may infuse every student today going out from Houghton Miltonvale, Marion, and Central. The world needs such a spirit today, as never before. Let it be indeed a spirit fired with the holy zeal of a true and tried religion, a religious spirit that follows Jesus and all His spiritual descendants into earth's dangerous prisons today, setting the oppressed free.

How much is our religion worth if we are content simply to feel happy over it ourselves and forget about its application, its vital living out in every walk of life? Our fathers conducted stations on the Underground Railroad, taking their lives in their hands, working out their religion, helping oppressed Negro slaves escape to freedom. Africa, Ohio, where there is a Wesleyan class to day, and where my father once preached, was such a station. Then came the days of liquor slavery, and Houghton had its Prohibition League, its Professor McDowell.

But now—now are the days of unparalleled wage slavery, unemployment, imperialist war, and fascist terrorism. Our General Conference has given us the clue in its resolution against war—why wait longer? I suggest for Houghton and for each of our schools, an Anti-War League, for a critical study of the war problem and the way out. The year's study could climax in an essay or oratorical contest on the war question. College credit might be granted for the work. Youth desiring to put their theories into practice might find heroic service in such organizations as the Friends Service Committee, the National Council against War and Fascism. In some such way we can carry on the freedom-loving spirit of Professor McDowell and of all the rounding fathers of the church. In such a spirit the local minister and his wife of Victor Wesleyan Methodist Church, Rev. and Mrs. Messer, are carrying on here.

Harold Hicks Hester
Red Cloud.
R. D. 2. Nebraska

ALUMNI NEWS

Elizabeth Dickey ('35) has a position as a secretary to the sales manager of Carl Fischer, Inc., the music publisher. She writes: "I was very happy to see the Bains this summer. It does seem good to be in correspondence once again with someone from Houghton."

Theos Cronk Reports about Westminster Choir's Plans

The following excerpts are from a letter from Theos Cronk '32 who is taking his final year of work at Westminster Choir School, Princeton, N. J. Theos is a member of the Westminster Choir and has been doing some solo work in the choir this year.

"We are getting ready for concert tour. February 10 we start south for about four weeks. We do get a couple days off at Palm Beach which should give us all healthy sun-tans and make us as fit as fiddles. Concert work is fun but frighteningly demanding at the same time.

"There is no excitement here. The usual routine of things keeps us well occupied. We don't have time to get homesick, or to wonder what we will do with our leisure time. That is a blessing to any young person because there are so many things to take your attention these days."

Perhaps after Theos' trip to the Sunny South we shall have a letter from him directly to the Star, telling of his trip.

Goldie Davidson Moore Is Enjoying Domestic Duties

Goldie Davidson ('28) was one of the most popular students of her day. Her intelligence, vivacity, and broad interests account for it. She played in class basketball, sang in a girls' quartette, was secretary of the music club, and took much interest in religious things. It is a pleasure to receive this letter from her and learn of her life since graduation:

Since graduating from Houghton College in 1928 I have had a number of interesting experiences. For four years I taught English and public speaking in the Douglass High School at Wewoka, Oklahoma. During this time I spent one summer at Columbia University taking additional work in English and speech. and two summers at Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma, completing the requirements in education for an Oklahoma life certificate. To me teaching English is not the humdrum "job" so many picture, but rather a profession rich in broadening experiences and opportunities for character building.

I am now living in Enid, Oklahoma with my husband, who is principal and director of music in the Booker T. Washington High School. Aside from substituting occasionally for a teacher, I do no formal teaching. However, I find my time well occupied with Jean, who will soon have a third birthday, and Willard II, who is thirteen months old. May I add that teaching a couple hundred high school students how to speak correct English and enjoy the beauties of literature is a mere sinecure compared to teaching two lively children how well-behaved children should behave? It is truly a full-time job. Besides this, however I find leisure time to give piano lessons and accompany my husband, who plays a number of instruments—the clarinet being his favorite.

Although I have been out of touch with the Star for some years, I have kept in touch with Houghton thru correspondence with class-mates and friends. I have read with pleasure of the various improvements made. I feel that all we old "grads" owe a debt to our Alma Mater for the contribution she has made to our lives. I am sure I speak for all who have felt her influence. May the good work go on!

Very sincerely yours,
Goldie Davidson Moore
(Mrs. W. Mitchell Moore)
416 S. Fourth Street
Enid, Oklahoma.

Interesting People

Sentence Sermons Given by Rev. Joseph R. Pitt

Mr. Clarke stirred uneasily on his cot, suddenly his body tensed, his hand shot up over his head and gripped the cutlass which he kept above his pillow. Again came the sound which had awakened him; a soft sawing noise and the shuffling of a heavy body. He slid his feet to the floor of the porch, slid out from under the mosquito netting, tiptoed across the porch in the direction of the sound, and, blade brandished, he poised. . . Mooooo, old bossey looked up at him, switched her tail and scuffed away.

But his alarm was not from ungrounded fears. The missionaries in the Limba country well knew the hunting scream of the leopard. Mrs. Clarke and the nurse within the hut laughed at the false alarm, but this was the exception rather than the rule.

The *History of the Wesleyan Church* has it that Miss Mary Lane's "labors, both in Africa and America, for the cause of Missions are well known throughout the Church, particularly in the later years as superintendent of the Y.M.W.B.", but her own stories hint of a far less prosaic work. One might even get the impression that her life in Africa was not at all ordinary. For instance, there was the time that she, ill with fever, awoke in the middle of the night to see in the dim light a venomous serpent hanging directly over her sleeping husband. Her cry awoke him, he snatched his cutlass and decapitated the reptile. Or again, when another snake hung from the thatch in the doorway ready to strike Mr. Clarke had his nor first got a lantern to examine more closely the "odd piece of straw" which obstructed his way. She related of other experiences with tarantulas, scorpions, poison-shooting snakes, and made indirect references to wild hyenas and other denizens of the jungle.

Such experiences, though told quite calmly, kept the reporter's mouth agape; it is difficult to associate this serene person, Mrs. Clarke of Houghton, New York, with the fevered, teeming life of equatorial Africa. But she passed pythons off as incidentals, saying that one could take the animal life of Africa seriously or could pay but little attention to its dangers.

Other labors there were which claimed her attention from wild beasts. At first she had to learn the extremely difficult language, then to work on translating parts of the Bible into the African tongue. Later, she was appointed to open up a new work in the Limba country where she had to master a different dialect and to preach Christianity to the natives.

The rainy season was the only respite from weekly rounds to some twenty villages which she contacted. During these periods she was occupied solely with the work in the city which was the base of operations.

One time Mr. and Mrs. Clarke and Evangeline set off for a vacation on what was known as Devil Mountain, a place where none of the natives dared venture because of a superstition that it was the haunt of the Devil. Until nearly the time when they would be recalled to their work, the Clarkes enjoyed fine weather. It was during one afternoon when they were having tea that without warning, a blast of wind swept through the thatch covering and scattered the tableware. They leaped to their feet, Mr. Clarke grabbed the ridge pole, and they waited, not knowing what to expect. A storm of gigantic proportions was upon them, rain fell in indescribable torrents, but they could do nothing. Finally, in the course of the night, Mrs. Clarke and Evangeline backtracked to the mission school, but

. . . God promises to establish us in nothing but in His Word and Work."

"Forward in the light is cleansing from all sin."

"When a man does wrong to you, you owe him something—a profound loving effort to bring him back."

"Christ prayed in the field appointed Him by His Father. Hence the answers."

"We are afraid to confess our sins because it would conflict with our theology."

"We have in our lives the need for the miracle of prayer."

"God knows how to live a human life."

"If we yield to the opinion of men, the people are living in us instead of the Lord Jesus Christ."

"Theologians don't convince, but Pentecost convinced."

"When the Holy Ghost does something, He does what no man can gainsay or resist."

"Where am I in respect of the divine standard?"

"They that wait get the blessing."
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—HC—

THE NARROW ROAD

Before me lay two roads,
One led a winding way,
Many were the travelers
Along the broad highway.

I saw another road,
And rugged was the way;
Few there were who traveled
Within the narrow way.

I stood irresolute
Between the two one day,
The lure of the winding road,
And the call of the narrow way.
And lo! As there I stood
I heard a sweet voice say;
"I've traveled it before;
Take thou the narrow way."

My heart so touched by love,
I could not but reply,
"I'll travel all the way,
I'll follow till I die."

A. V. R.

—HC—

Clifford Charles Weber

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In the city of Attica, N. Y. on October 22, 1912, Clifford Charles Weber was born. "While attending high school at Attica I didn't do much work", Cliff states. He quit school in his Junior year but went back the following year. He arrived in Houghton in '32. During the four years of college Cliff has held many responsible positions, all of which he has handled very well. He is President of the senior class, student council, and Ministerial Association. He is a member of the Forensic Union and an active worker on the Star staff. At present, along with his school work, he is preaching at Hume in the Baptist Church. Starting this school year, Cliff has added a new and charming interest to his schedule which is receiving much of his attention. Concerning college life Cliff writes, "The social life of Houghton probably has done more to develop my personality than any other phase of college."

Mr. Clarke remained at the camp site. It would never do for the natives to get the impression that the Devil of the mountain had frightened them into leaving.

Three terms in Africa and a life time in Christian service have molded a dignified yet motherly woman, known and respected.

CAMPUS PARADE

First a whisper and then, "Stars are out." All roads lead to the printshop, with every man to his own gait. And so, with your copy before you—whether on the run between classes, surreptitiously behind a protecting book, or in the sumptuous ease of a library chair—just what do you expect to find in the *Campus Parade*? What the radio comedian terms a "belly laugh"? Perhaps a chuckle or maybe a mental smile. That would be the ideal, but human volitability varies with stimuli. For example, suppose a dog came up and bit me. Result: a depressing, have-a-good-cry column, while if the dog bit Goldberg, why we'd have the sun shining in God's blue heavens and a scintillating production. All of which is but to warn you that it will be scrambled. Now literary scribblings, wafer essays, delicate verses from various campus muses and humor—it is to be hoped doggerels, eulogies, human interest stories, or chaff. And if a March wind blows editorials and minute biographies, keep a stiff upper lip, for the next flurry may bring "literary lapses" and "egg-on-block with hammer-in-hand" stuff. However, you will never find the pun. They're very low. Even the jungle monkeys pun facilely about the cocoanuts they drop on the natives.

Although the student body of Houghton is a thoroughly homogenous assemblage as compared with the undergraduate groups in the larger, more diversified universities, it is still most evident that we do have divisions and classes. Now a music student is the antithesis of a theolog. One is an optimist. He has to be to try to master the musical instruments, graduating from percussion through brass and woodwind with the emphasis on the piccolo, while theologs are more seriously minded in that they are habitually looking for a wife. And, in order to gratify an inner urge to classify that forever impressed on my character by Miss Rickard and Salisbury's *Better Work Habits in College*, I add the prospective teacher and the pre-what have you.

Just how would the casual visitor recognize the representative specimen? Noise, noise, much noise. Yodelings, hummings, stamping of feet, and whistling the classics. Singing quaint, moronic song phrases such as "Do the dews of the morning fall?" "Who is Sylvia?" "Lookie, lookie, here comes Cookie!" If the walk or gait seems so particularly sturdy as to indicate highly developed biceps, why that's another indication of the music student. They hike so much between the music hall and the college buildings in all kinds of weather that their fortitude and endurance is really remarkable with the exception of lifting or pulling. Many of the males complain about handling the choir risers. The observer would notice that they hang back. It must be that waving a baton can't approach the dumbbell for exercise.

The female of the group develops remarkable leathern lungs. No doubt due to continuous vocalizing. Take Clissie's case. Time has not yet erased her three years as a music major, and I but echo the sentiments of her rabid, cheering public when I mourn the fact that she will never give a Senior recital.

But seriously, scholars, others of the musicians have a lean and hungry look. They work and practice. Some day as artists they will blow on their hands to get them supple before attacking the piano. However, many think the practise room but a drawing room; and although you've only got a piano, a chair, and a thermometer for equipment, the rank and file do not complain but entertain visitors with commendable graciousness. The average student doesn't count the practise hour well spent unless he's received calls from two or three and returned a few visits on his own initiative. Now and then you will hear some tenor snarling out his runs with staccato-like punches but it is only to impress the passing professor.... Maybe, I better stop now.

More concerning the divisions of the student body in future issues. The conscientious theologian always goes steady for designs of his own. The exception to the rule is Glenn who goes steady by jerks. Lemme see, how many jerks has it been this year?

If any of the *Star* copy seems a little off color, it's only because Willard Smith furnishes the staff pink paper to write on.

The waiters would appreciate the cooperation of all who are called upon to give thanks in the dining hall. When a waiter with a heavy tray of steaming dinners has been caught by the bell, please be brief. Merritt, you're the ringleader in this dastardly business. Shame on you!

Prof. Stanley wonders if Prof. Pryor the other day in chapel realized the peculiar significance of his words when he exhorted us to report "any loose nuts in the seats."

When Art Lynip comes up to you in the hall after chapel and asks for "any old candy or else a nickel," harden your heart. It's not good for him and besides Bill Muir never got his five cents back.

Tuesday Evening

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Repentance was the subject of the Rev. Mr. Pitt's message, the text of which was taken from Luke 24:46-47. He brought before us the nature of repentance and the necessity of repentance. "What is Repentance?" was the question which demanded our attention. He obtained his answer from Matt. 21: 28-30, telling us that repentance is not saying something. It is turning right about face and doing the will of God. He continued to say that repentance is little satisfaction. Get into God's necessity to salvation. The Bible plan and you'll get a blessing."

warns us of danger, because of what will result if we heed not the warning.

Wednesday Chapel

The Rev. Mr. Pitt spoke on II Kings 5:10, saying that Naaman when he wished to become clean, had to obtain the miracle where God had it for Him. God had no esteem for Naaman's position. He has none for ours. If we are to get a blessing from God we must obtain it from the place where He has it for us. "A meagre religious life yields

SPORT SHOTS

Now another Purple-Gold series is over and the Purple men have continued to show their supremacy on the hardwood court. For the six successive year they have won the basketball championship. Much credit is due to the captain, Walt Schogoleff, and to the members of the fine team which carried the Purple colors. The winners combined fine floorwork and some good marksmanship with a great display of teamwork to down their hard-fighting Gold opponents. Captain Goldberg's men put up a courageous fight but were unable to stem the Purple tide. If defeat can be attributed to any other factor than the superlative Purple playing, it was probably due to a distinct lack of teamwork on the part of the Gold aggregation. Their ball-handling and basket-shooting compared favorably with that of the Purple but they lacked one essential—five men working as a unit. So we hand congratulations to the Purple team and wish the Gold better luck next year.

The Purple women staged a comeback this year to stop the Gold girls who had won last year. All the games were close and hard-fought but the Purple co-eds held a definite edge. The winning quintet was well coached by Walt Schogoleff and ably captained by Milly Shaffer.

In the race for point-scoring honors, Betty Stone, Purple forward, led all the girls as she ran wild in the last game to net seven points, raising her total for the series to fifteen. Her teammate, Gerry Paine, was close behind as she dropped in eleven counters.

A field night for Verdon Dunkel, Gold forward, in the last game won scoring honors for him in the boy's division as he netted forty-one points in the five games played. Walt Schogoleff was close behind, as he ran up thirty-eight.

On the defense we pick as the two outstanding guards of the series Milly Shaffer and Dick Farnsworth. Milly, besides captaining her team, turned in a very effective job of checking the Gold forwards. Dick, playing his last series games came through with some of his best playing and was a big offensive threat as well as a tough defense man.

Now that the basketball series is over, volleyball, an innovation in Houghton sport, is scheduled to start immediately after the special services close. The several class teams have already begun practice and the series promises to be interesting, if not from a technical standpoint, at least from the humorous situations in which some of the players, new to the game, are sure to find themselves. This game seems to be taking hold rapidly among the student body and considerable interest has been shown. It will at least provide something to bridge the gap which is always present between the close of the basketball season and the coming of spring and the spring sports.

The intra-mural basketball games which are usually played on Saturday afternoons are attracting considerable interest and quite a bit of rivalry has been built up among the several teams. The Luckey boys have stamped themselves as the outstanding of these teams as their victory of last week over the Michiganders was their sixth in seven starts. They are tentatively scheduled to oppose the Downtowners a week from tonight. It is probable that there will be a game tomorrow but the opposing teams have not been picked as yet.

A definite lull in college basketball has not lulled the interest of the fans and they are waiting for the end of the examination lay-off to pack the gymnasium again. N.Y.U. so far leads the country's teams with nineteen consecutive victories and

ETHIOPIAN LECTURE

(Continued From Page One) ards. Thus, in order to arouse the nation and make Italy the greatest nation in the world, this war is necessary.

The League of Nations is one solution to this problem, but as yet there is a jealousy between the smaller and large members. Let us consider the League action in this controversy. The skirmish which started the affair took place in a town sixty miles inside the boundary of Ethiopia. The Italians claim this is in Italian Somaliland. After this affair Italy wanted an apology from Ethiopia along with some money and the release of prisoners. Ethiopia did not feel that this apology was forthcoming since the Italians were the aggressors and came into Ethiopian territory. So Ethiopia brought the matter to the League but France and England told them it would be better to settle the matter by direct negotiations. This was what Ethiopia tried to do for months with no avail. So she appealed to the League again in March. No action. In April the League decided the matter could be settled by arbitration but this was not accomplished. In May England interfered in the affair and started to offer Mussolini some opposition. This upset Mussolini quite a bit, for up to this time England had more or less sanctioned his proceedings. Britain, however, had several reasons for this interference. Up to this time the cabinet thought Mussolini was bluffing and would soon call it off; they also wished to uphold the covenant of the League strictly (which was also the desire of the people), and thirdly, in order to check Hitler they must check Mussolini. For a time confidence was lost in the League but in September confidence returned. They then decided to send a representative to look over the situation and report to the League. As yet the question is unsettled. However, through the League a solution may be reached.

SENTENCE SERMONS

(Continued From Page Three) "We enter where God is not at our right hand, and temptation overtakes us."

"We have no idea of what God could do if we would pray without ceasing."

"God gets his work done through no other means but love."

"There has been no improvement on God's methods since the day of Pentecost."

"In Egypt they had plenty of water, but no promise."

"Reject Christ's spirit and you shut the door to understanding."

"Let us always hear God say, 'I'm glad you're here!'

"God's promise of victory is conditioned on God's standard of obedience."

"Acting and speaking without guidance is a hindrance to fellowship and prayer."

"To be blessed of God means poverty in spirit."

"Your statement—this is the thing—made without prayer, may be the point of your departure from God."

seem to look better as the season progresses. However, fans are waiting until tomorrow night when they meet Temple in one of Madison Square Garden's feature doubleheaders. The Owls are one of the nation's outstanding quintets also and when they meet the Violets sparks are expected to fly. Several college teams are pointing for the Olympic tryouts which will be held in the Garden this spring and are hoping to be picked to represent the United States in Berlin this summer.

Luckey Stars Gain Victory from Mich. Student's Team

Saturday's afternoon basketball attraction featured the girls in green against the girls in blue and the Luckey Stars against former Michigan residents. Both games were hard fought and furnished plenty of rivalry and thrills. Final results showed that the Luckey Boys had added another victory to their increasing list and that the blue Tigers were also on top.

The first game was loosely played as far as offense was concerned, the ball changing hands rapidly and frequently. Defensive play was slightly better as indicated by the low score. The Tigers assumed an early lead which they managed to keep and to lengthen toward the end of the game. Theirs was the more experienced team and they had good control of the game at most times. The final score was 9-5. Milly Shaffer and Betty Ratcliffe led the winners' attack with four and three points respectively while Lee and Higgins split the losers' two field goals.

The main encounter of the afternoon saw the Luckey boys out to start a new winning streak after having been defeated in their last appearance. They made a fast start and, with Walt Schogoleff tossing in some sparkling shots, took an early lead which was never threatened as they held the torrid pace throughout the rest of the game. The game was not without interest, however, as the Michiganders kept fighting, although they were rather disorganized at times. Dunckel was the main cog in the Michigan attack but his efforts were not enough to offset the smooth floorwork and fine basket-shooting of the Luckey men Schogoleff and Luckey carried the victors' scoring burden as they netted fifteen and fourteen points respectively. Dunckel scored high for the losers as he dropped in six field goals a couple of which were beautiful long shots from mid-court. The final score was 39-23.

LINE-UPS

Girls

	FG	FP	TP
TIGERS			
Shaffer f	2	0	4
Ratcliffe f	1	1	3
Watson c	1	0	2
Donley g	0	0	0
Cole g	0	0	0
Total	4	1	9
PANTHERS	FG	FP	TP
Higgins f	1	0	2
Lee f	1	0	2
Fox c	0	0	0
Stone g	0	0	0
Donahue g.	0	1	1
Total	2	1	5

Boys

	FG	FP	TP
LUCKY STARS			
Schogoleff f	7	1	15
Lucky f	7	0	14
Thompson c	1	0	2
Churchill g	0	0	0
White g, f	0	1	1
Goldberg g	3	1	7
Total	18	3	39
MICHIGANDERS	FG	FP	TP
Dunckel f, g	6	0	12
Sellman g	2	0	4
P. Paine c	2	1	5
Kingsbury g, f	0	0	0
Dave Paine g	1	0	2
Densmore g	0	0	0
Total	11	1	23

Sayings of Famous Preachers

"You will never receive any spiritual blessing apart from the Bible."

—Barnhouse

"Sins of the spirit paralyze the arm of God."

—Barnhouse

"Any sinner is a lost sinner."

—Barnhouse

"A True Christian is one who fears God and is hated by the Saturday Review."

—Spurgeon

"To get nowhere follow the crowd."

—Anon.