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THE ARTIST GROUP

Although Houghton is not a large center of population; nevertheless her citizens enjoy many of the musical privileges which come to such centers.

The first number of the Lecture Course comes the evening of November twenty-third in the form of the Artists group which is made up of Marguerite Sherlock, Raymond Simonds, and Jesus Sanroma. Mr. Simonds appeared on our platform two years ago as soloist in company with the harpists. During the past season he appeared with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Jesus Sanroma, a solo pianist, is a native of Porto Rico. Mr. Sanroma is also to appear in the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Miss Sherlock is a reader of ability, and a student of all that is good in Art, Music and Drama.

This number promises to be among our best. Don't miss it--Tuesday evening, November twentieth, in the College Chapel at Houghton, New York.

STAR NOTICES

Stop, Look, Listen and Remember!

The "Star" and Boys Athletic Association office is not a room in which to waste time, and swap jokes and stories. We have a fairly large amount of business which must be transacted and work which must be done each week. In the future, we will tolerate no disturbance, either by those connected in an official capacity with these organizations, or outsiders. If any one wishes to use the room as a place for quiet study, they may do so, provided that it is not overcrowded.

There may be some who would assert that the work of publishing a paper as small as the present "Star" in a school like Houghton is negligible. If there are any such who wish to prove their contention, the "staff" is ready at any time to relinquish their positions to them.

The STAR of November, 1921 is missing from the files. If any one would give us any information regarding this, we would appreciate it.

Pleasant Evening at Pres. Luckey's

A number of people from Mooers and Rochester, N. Y., who were spending a short time in Houghton, together with the students from Mooers spent a very pleasant evening at the home of President Luckeys Saturday evening. There was no lack of entertainment which consisted of music, both vocal and instrumental, games etc. Light refreshments were served.

Announcement!

Wednesday, November twenty-first at 11:30 a. m. is to be the time of gathering for the Self-denial Campaign. Bring in your thank-offerings. If you are not a student, but you have an offering which you desire to have applied on Floyd Banker's transportation expenses, either come and bring it with you next Wednesday or else send it to Helen Davison, Houghton, N. Y.

VOCALISTS BUSY

Under the able leadership of our vocal teacher, Miss Hildreth, a mixed chorus is industriously at work on the beautiful cantata, "Gallia" by Gounod which is to be given in connection with the Library Concert in February. Miss Hildreth is greatly handicapped in that many who signified their intention of singing in the chorus have not been as faithful as could be desired in their attendance at rehearsal. The tenor and base are especially weak on account of this and the contralto is in need of strengthening.

In addition to this, preparation is to begin immediately on a Christmas program. This will consist of Christmas anthems, at least one male quartet, a ladies' trio, two solos, and possibly a violin solo. A small admission fee will be charged in order that the singers will not be forced to expend too much for music. Rehearsals for this will be held on Thursday evenings, after supper. Give ear, ye Glucks and McCormacks!

History of Music Class Hears Boston Symphony

Last Thursday night the History of Music class had the opportunity of going to Buffalo to hear the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

The members of the party were: Miss Hildreth; Helen Crosby, Grace Wright, Florence Fish, Alton Cronk and M. C. Cronk who took the party in his car.

The Boston Symphony is one of the most famous of the symphonies with over a hundred pieces and is directed by Pierre Monteaux. Perhaps the number most enjoyed was the symphony in E minor by Sibelius, a living Finnish composer. The composition depicts the cold winter in Finland. The piece becomes very realistic with the violins as the cold north wind, the icy sound of the harps, and the rumbling of trombones and bassons played in such varied rhythms that the effect is that of a wild winter's storm in the far northland.

Madame Cahier, a noted contralto soloist appeared twice with the orchestra. She has a voice with a high range and sang "Jeanne d'Arc" from "Adieu foreits" in a very pleasing and artistic manner.

The party returned home in the wee, small hours of the morning, rather tired but having something to remember for many a day.

Purple Lose Burt

The Purple side suffered an irreparable loss in their chances for a basketball win this year when "Ard" Burt, captain of last year's Purple side and star forward left school here to attend the Eastman School of Music in Rochester. Ard has been a valued member of our student body for the past two years and, besides starring in all athletics, he was a member of the orchestra. It is not alone however for these material reasons that we are loth to see him leave us, but also because we feel that a friend has left our midst.

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Editorial

"TALK IS CHEAP,"

said someone, but we opine that the man who says the least has the longest string of ciphers on the end of his pocketbook. There is only one place that we can think of that silence is not golden and that place is at a song service. If some people would learn to talk less and think more they would accomplish so much more that they would barely be able to recognize themselves as the same persons. It is all right to express your opinion, but don't express it to such a length that you bore everyone who is within hearing distance. In modern slang we speak of one who talks too much as having a "good line". A "good line" always stands in the way of a successful and continual advance along any line of endeavor. You can never reach the highest pinnacle of success and be forever spouting words. A "line" is in the last analysis a bluff; a bluff may obtain you a job, but it will not keep it for you.

AND NOW, FELLOW-STUDENTS, we feel that we should once again bring to your attention those ten wonderful commandments of sport, drawn up by that greatest sporting writer in the world, Hugh S. Fullerton.

1. Thou shalt not quit.
2. Thou shalt not offer an alibi.

3. Thou shalt not gloat over winning.
4. Thou shalt not be a rotten loser.
5. Thou shalt not take unfair advantage.
6. Thou shalt not take odds that thou art unwilling to give.
7. Thou shalt always be willing to give thy opponent the shade.
8. Thou shalt not underestimate thine opponent or overestimate thyself.
9. Remember that the game is the thing and he that thinketh otherwise is a mucker and not a true sportsman.
10. Honor the game that thou playest for he who playeth the game straight and hard wins even when he loses.

AND TO THOSE WHO

deplore the lack of sportsmanship in the present day intercollegiate athletics notice this example where sportsmanship was so lacking. Notre Dame was playing football at Harvard. Notre Dame violated a football rule by placing a player back into the game after he had been once removed. The penalty for this should have been the loss of the ball and half of the distance. The referee notified the Harvard captain, who after a consultation with the coach, refused to accept the penalty. Although Harvard had a hard time to win from Notre Dame still she refused to dim the glory of her win by having it said that she bested her opponents by a technicality. Is that one of the examples of poor sportsmanship? No, rather it is one of the many examples of just the opposite state.

Poets and Composers, Attention!

Last Friday's chapel was devoted to the singing of school songs, and to the practicing of school yells. Mr. Mark Bedford was in charge of the singing and he was ably upheld by the students. He issued a call for some college songs. Most of those we now have are purely Seminary songs. To the rescue, ye bards! Strike your lyres and pour forth your song!

Mr. Tierney led the cheering, and was able to work up considerable "pep." Here, too, there is a field for labor. New yells would add greatly to the effectiveness of cheering.

OBERLIN ALUMNI BANQUET

If whole-hearted co-operation and unselfish devotion mean anything in mundane affairs, then the evening of November 2 was a vastly significant date. Its effect, we are sure, will be comparable in a sense with those of the shot heard around the world. For although it was a relatively small group of Oberlin alumni and old students from Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties that had gathered for a banquet in the Hotel Kinney at Cuba, N. Y., yet they were tremendously inspired by the thought that elsewhere throughout the entire world, members of the Oberlin family were meeting simultaneously in similar gatherings, both great and small, for the purpose of creating a deeper bond of fellowship between each other, and particularly of discussing ways and means of raising the four and one half million endowment of which Oberlin is sorely in need.

After a most satisfactory gastronomic session interspersed with Oberlin songs, President Luckey acted as master of the post-prandial ceremonies. Miss Sisson of Cuba struck the keynote of the evening when she stated that the outstanding feature of Oberlin was the pervading spirit and inescapable influence impressed upon every student, the idea of service rather than self or success. Mr. Otis of Wellsville spoke interestingly of Academy days at Oberlin. The next speaker, Mr. Congdon of Randolph, entertained everyone with anecdotes of undergraduate life. Especially vivid were his memories of delightful experiences in President Luckey's "trig" class! Professor F. H. Wright then spoke on Oberlin's spiritual inheritance and her debt to such men as Finney, Mahan, Fairchild, and Professor Hall.

The principal speaker of the evening was Miss Ryder, a returned missionary now living at Portville, who spoke on "Oberlin and Its Contribution." She presented an amazing array of facts and statistics, showing how Oberlin has influenced the social and civic consciousness of the nation for nearly a century, and how everywhere her graduates have leaped into positions of moral and intellectual leadership. Pro-

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Professor LaVay Fancher then explained "Why Oberlin Needs \$4,500,000" after which Miss Fairchild, chairman of the women of Cattaraugus County, spoke on "How Other Colleges Have Done It."

Briefly Oberlin has found herself in practically the same situation as has every college and university since the war. Not only are there insufficient funds for necessary development, but also there has been a serious shrinkage in her normal income. It is very obvious that if Oberlin is to maintain her standards and fulfil her high purpose, she must have a larger endowment of at least \$4,500,000. The plan for raising this amount is to assign a pro rata share to each of the 16,000 alumni and old students whose addresses are known; and each one pledges himself to "Get or Give" \$285 within the next five years.

This campaign should be of particular interest to the students and alumni of Houghton, not simply because of the close ties existing between these two institutions and the fact that a large percentage of the faculty of Houghton are Oberlin graduates, but also because of our drive for a permanent charter. Those who met at Cuba that Friday evening did not come merely to exalt their Alma Mater, or to indulge in self laudation or to form a mutual admiration society. Instead there was a simple recognition of the fact that Oberlin does stand for a rare combination of lofty idealism and practical service, and that she is, in fact, "different"; and also a profound sense of humility and gratitude that they had been permitted to come under her precepts and teaching. Nor was there any feeling of divided duty or disloyalty on the part of those who came from Houghton. Rather were they doubly proud that they could boast of two such Alma Maters as Oberlin and Houghton. If Oberlin can raise her four and one half million---and she will---then we too cannot fail in the goal we have set for ourselves.

Other persons present were Mrs. Brown of Belmont, Mrs. Otis, Mrs. Congdon, Mrs. Frank Wright, Mrs.

Luckey, Miss Ruth Luckey, Professor and Mrs. LeRoy Fancher, and Professor R. W. Hazlett. So successful was the banquet that a committee was appointed to plan for a get-together meeting for next year.

A HOUGHTON ALUMNUS

Prof. H. L. Fancher has received a copy of the "Vermont Missionary". This paper is the monthly publication of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, which is the Vermont branch of the Congregational Home Missionary Society. At the head of the editorial staff is Rev. William F. Frazier, who is also secretary of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society. The Rev. William F. Frazier, after graduating in 1906 from our high school department, took three years of college work in Houghton and finished at Oberlin. He preached for two years in the Rochester Conferences. From 1912 to 1915 he was professor of history in the Seminary. His present address is Burlington, Vermont.

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A Pleasant Literary Evening

Every one who was present at the Athenian Society this week was delightfully the convinced of invaluable place which the society holds in our school life and of the excellent talent which it embraces.

The program topic "An Evening with Kipling and Service", was so well presented all were carried away with the spirits of these authhors. Miss Driscall introduced the subject with sketches of their lives. We were then privileged to listen to Mrs. Lennox, our instructor in Oratory, with a few interesting notes on Kipling and the selection, "Mandalay" rendered in her charming way. Other selections were: "If" by Frederic Howland, a piano solo by Miss B. Williams, "Tommy Atkins" by Mark Bedford, "The Cremation of Sam McGee" by Donald Schumann, and concluded with "Recessional" by Miss M. Williams.

The next meeting promises to be an interesting discussion of the Ku Klux Klan.

Put yourself in the way of receiving some fine literary culture before the semester is any farther spent by notifying the membership committee---Mr. Meredith, Miss I. Benning, or Mr. Crocker---before next week, of your desire to become a member.

"Between the Crosses Row on Row"

Those whose resting-place these crosses mark are the ones whose memory was commemorated in Monday's chapel exercises. And a very fitting service it was. While the bell tolled, silent prayer was offered. This was followed by the singing of America; by the reading of that scripture in Isaiah, chapter two, which looks forward to such a condition as that for which the war was ostensibly fought; by prayer; by a reading, "In Flander's Fields"; and by a song, "I Salute Thee, Old Glory". Prof. Fancher reviewed the losses of the great war, remembering those who suffered personally on account of it, and pointed out the principles which must obtain if war is to cease.

Next week's chapels will be conducted by Prof. Hazelett, Mrs. Lennox, Prof. Wright and perhaps Mr. Williams. Friday's chapel which will be a combination including Community Day of National Education Week and Thanksgiving.

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Lynn Russell was home over the week-end.

Mr. Benson spent Sunday at home with his family.

J. D. Lapham and wife were Sunday guests of Will Lapham.

Ruth Luckey and Dorothy Peck were at home over Sunday.

Mabel Armstrong is slowly recovering from a serious illness.

Curtis Woodhead and family visited his parents here over the week-end.

Mr. Roberts and family of Bliss, N. Y. visited Rev. G. H. Clarke Sunday.

Editor Tierney and Edward Williams spent Saturday and Sunday in Buffalo.

Rev. J. R. Pitt has gone to Levant, N. Y., to hold revival meetings for Rev. Taylor.

Mrs. Roberts and three children of Wolcott, N. Y., have moved into Houghton Hall.

Reuben Higbee, L. D. Lucas, Roy Gleason, and Howard Eyler, spent Sunday with their respective families.

Harry Johnson and family, and Miss Janet Montgomery of Kane, Pa. vis-

ited at Mr. Rockwell's over the week-end.

The date for the next Parent-Teacher Association meeting is November 30th. Come prepared to help decide upon the best method of dealing with the hot lunch proposition this winter. There are other problems of immediate interest to the school that will be taken up at this meeting. We need your help to solve them. Do not fail to be present.

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"Self-denial Month"---what is it? What does it mean? It means the giving up of what one needs for a worthy cause; and it also means giving up the luxuries. This is not missionary work alone, and those who know Floyd feel that Houghton is raising this money for a double purpose. Therefore, during this self-denial month let us drop into the mite boxes, not alone the sums we would ordinarily spend for candy, gum and entertainment, but also the money we have saved for the new hat, the new sweater, the things we need and long for with all our worldly minds. I shall not say "with all our hearts" because I am sure that deep down in our hearts we want to aid Dan Cupid and the missionary work, since they seem to be hand in hand.

Moreover, the very rock upon which Houghton is founded is SACRIFICE. Did you ever stop to consider the sacrifices of those who founded Houghton Seminary, and those who saw all thru their lives the vision of Houghton College. Today that college is a reality because Christian men and women have sacrificed not only their available funds to found a Christian college on the banks of the Genesee, but have given up the necessary things of life as well.

Begin now to fill your box, if you have not yet begun. Think of the sacrifices others have made that you might enjoy the privileges you now enjoy; and "before and after" thinking add another coin or "greenback" to your offering.

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