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## HARTMANN TO GIVE CONCERT

World Famed Violinist to Play in Houghton on October 17

Arthur Hartmann, the great violinist, who has played in every civilized country in the world, except Australia, has consented to give a concert for his friends of Houghton and vicinity on Wednesday evening, October 17.

Mr. Hartmann will need no introduction to many of the people of this section. Every one familiar with the Etude or the Musical Courier, every one who plays the violin, every one who has listened to musical records on any make of phonograph has become acquainted with him through his work. He has transcribed more than a hundred compositions for the violin from the work of others. Besides many works for this instrument, and also for the orchestra and piano are the product of Hartmann's own thought. He has created a literature for the violin.

In fact the history of Mr. Hartmann's life would be the history of violin music. As a child prodigy, as early as twelve years of age he appeared before the public with such men as St. Saens, Godard, Grieg, Debussy. The Musical Courier, one of the world's greatest music magazines has published Hartmann's extensive literature on Bach, which has been translated into 14 different languages. One article alone on Bach's work consisted of 15,000 words besides musical illustrations. The program to be rendered Wednesday evening will include a specimen of Bach's unequalled writings, a grand Fugue for a violin without accompaniment.

The opportunity of hearing Mr. Hartmann is one usually given only to those of the larger centers. He is giving an evening to the people of Houghton and vicinity as a favor to his friends. To hear it is a privilege that no one can afford to miss.

Rev. John Wilcox and wife of Indiana, Pa., visited his parents a few days of the past week. He gave a fine chapel talk on "Initiative" last Friday.

## Mrs. Sylvester Bedford Dies

On Wednesday afternoon of this week, the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Bedford, wife of the late Sylvester Bedford, was held in Houghton Church. Closely affiliated with the work of our school and village through her husband, a former pastor of the local church, and her son, who was at one time a member of the Houghton faculty, Mrs. Bedford was, for years, a most loyal supporter of our school. Death occurred on Sunday and was due to a shock. Mrs. Bedford had been an invalid for some time but had seemed in the last year to be gaining in health.

Dr. Clark Bedford has been with us during most of the week and, were it not for the sad errand which calls him here, our delight because of his presence with us, would be without alloy. His talk in chapel on Tuesday, on our duties as "Stewards of the Mysteries of God" was indeed a rare treat for those privileged to hear it.

As the organ of the school, the "Star" extends the heartfelt sympathy of both faculty and student body to Dr. Bedford, the Rev. Dean Bedford, and other members of the bereaved family.

## Radio to be Installed

Primarily through the work of Mr. Fred Bedford and his associates, Houghton is to have a radio, the initial cost of which will be around \$350. Tickets enough to almost aggregate \$250 have been sold; which, when added to the \$100 pledged by the school board completes the purchase price. Mr. Bedford placed the order last week and we expect to be receiving news from the air by the middle of next week.

The powers that be have not as yet decided concerning the rules about its use and abuse and so, as far as we know now one may hear a regular concert who can procure the wherewithal to purchase a five cent ticket. The above mentioned rules will be printed in the "Star" at an early date. Come in and hear the reports of the world's series.

## ALLEGANY COUNTY- BIBLE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION MEETS AT HOUGHTON

Privilege and Duty are citizens of Houghton community and are very intimate friends of the faculty and students of Houghton College. Privilege visited her friends in the form of the Young People's Division of the Allegany County Bible School Association Sunday afternoon and evening, October 7.

A good representation was present from many of the Sabbath Schools of the District. Both afternoon and evening sessions were opened by splendid song services of which Miss Hildreth, our vocal instructor, had charge. Special numbers in music also added to the interest of the meetings. Professor Fancher and Rev. Green conducted open discussions on organized classes and activities of organized classes. The young people took an active part in these, and I believe, helped to make them profitable.

In each service, the main address was given by the Rev. Fleuelling of Wellsville, New York. Mr. Fleuelling is a comparatively young man, full of life and vigor, with red blood flowing through his veins---in short, the type of man who can appeal to young people. He spoke in the afternoon on "The Gospel of Preparedness," emphasizing the necessity of being prepared in body, mind, and spirit; not simply a theoretical preparation, but a preparation which is a result of action. In the evening, he delivered a masterful address on "The Battle at the Cross-Roads." This, he pointed out, is a battle of the soul which every one must face some day, when the right way seems lonely and barren. But upon victory or defeat at this battle of the cross-roads, upon taking God's way or the way of the world, depends the true success or failure of life.

At the latest report nearly all the seats for the Hartmann Recital had been sold. Don't wait too long.

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**Editorial****PUSH**

The "Houghton Star" in the form of a weekly newspaper is here. It was only after extended discussion and deep thought that we decided to change its form, and even after that, we are entering upon, what might be termed, an uncharted sea with many misgivings as to our success. But the die is cast and it is up to the student body to do one of two things. First, they must boost with all their might, with money, mind, and deed, or second, let the new "Houghton Star" die an unnatural death. In which class are you? Whoever you are, or whatever you do, don't knock. A carpenter is practically the only man who can accomplish anything with a hammer.

**ORGANIZE**

College and Seminary, let's see some pep. Get together and organize your student bodies as soon as possible. We talk about efficiency, but the fundamental principle underlying it is organization. "United we stand, divided we fall." Organization would not be a sign that we are about to drift apart, but rather would point to the fact that we are about to be bound inseparably together. Officials of both bodies should be chosen only after much care and thought. We cannot afford to trust such responsible positions to persons who might not uphold the traditions of Houghton. Besides this,

the executive committees of these bodies should have the power to act as conference committees with the faculty on matters directly concerning both. We hope to print the names of the officials in these columns next week.

**A SECRET**

Don't be discouraged with the first two or three issues of the "Star" as a newspaper, because (now listen) plans are on foot to make it bigger and better in the near future.

**ATHENIAN SOCIETY**

Leave the society a weekly affair.

1. You can spend one hour every week at society as easily as at any class and it can be as profitable.

2. Longer time between meetings will not improve the quality of the programs.

3. A canvass of long time members, and habitual attendants shows that the majority do not consider weekly meetings too often.

4. Bi-weekly meetings of the Athenian society have proved a failure in the past.

5. Constant changing of the constitution of any organization brings about instability and is unwise, unless there is a radical change of conditions.

**Tentative Chapel Program**

The following is the order of chapel speakers for the week ending October 19:

Rev. C. B. Whitaker---Monday.  
Prin. P. S. Bowen---Tuesday.  
Prof. P. E. Woolsey---Wednesday.  
Rev. J. R. Pitt---Thursday.  
Harvest Day Program---Friday.

The "Star" will print the order of chapel speakers each week and, if possible, will name topics to be discussed.

**Athenian Literary Society**

At the regular meeting, Sept. 24, the members of the Athenian Society elected the officers for this semester. Our president is Clair Carey who acted so efficiently last semester as chairman of the Program Committee. Under his leadership with the earnest effort of the members, those who desire to work together for mutual enjoyment and real, lasting benefit, the society looks forward with confidence to many pleasant Monday evenings this semester. Our vice-president is Mary Williams. Miss Schroeder, one of the new students is secretary and Paul Steese, treasurer.

On Oct. 8 the first program was rendered. A good number attended. So many questions of business were brought up for discussion that the next meeting was designated to be used entirely for business purposes, such as a test for membership, kind and number of programs to be given. It is vital to the real life of the society that all who realize the good to be derived from the society and who have practical ideas on such matters, should be present next Monday in order that a true expression may be obtained. The standard of the society will be only what we make it.

**SENIOR CLASS ELECTS**

The Senior Class met at the home of one of its members, Mr. Perry Tucker, Friday evening, September 28th, for a little social gathering, and also for the organization of the class. Mr. Harold Douglass was elected president, Miss Irene Fladd, vice-president; Miss Delight Ware, secretary; and Mr. Carl Lutz, treasurer. Under our new organization, we expect to have a delightful year together.

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**Parent-Teacher Association**

The first meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association for the year 1923-24 was held in the new schoolroom Friday, Sept. 28. The following officers were elected, president, Mrs. Loftis; vice-president, Mrs. Crandall; secretary, Mrs. Parker; treasurer, Mrs. Fox, besides standing committees. One of the helpful features of the program was a talk by Mr. Clarke on the subject, "Problems of the School from the Trustee's Standpoint."

Several questions were discussed; among them the advisability of providing a kitchenette in the new basement.

The purpose of this society is to bring the parents and teachers closer together and thus work for the best interest of the school. Any resident of the district is not only welcome but cordially invited to be present at the meetings and join the association. We know of no place where the parents show a greater interest in their boys and girls than in Houghton.

Come and join us at our next meeting, Oct. 19.

**Purple and Gold Elect Captains**

The captains of the Purple and Gold were elected some time ago. The duties of the captains as stated in constitutions of the athletic associations is to have complete supervision over the athletics of their particular side. In fact, they are the highest authority in their sphere, the last resort, their word is final, as far as athletic activities within the sides is concerned.

Purple Girls---Miss Vila Ackerman (basketball, tennis, track and field star, and the only letter-holder among the Purple Girls).

Gold Girls---Miss Laura Steese (Member of winning basketball team for three successive years).

Purple Boys---Mr. Earl H. Tierney (Captain of the Purple in 1921--22).

Gold Boys---Mr. Frederic Howland (Letter man, captain of the Gold in 1922--23; baseball, basketball, track star).

The executive committee appoints the following men as members of the basketball committee: Kemp (chair), C. Howland, Fox.

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**FACULTY ACTS ON ABSENCES**

To say we love our faculty, who are sacrificing so much for us, would be a hollow statement if we did not obey what they said. But it is easy to obey when we realize that they are striving for our best good.

The new regulation regarding absences was announced Monday. It does away with K. P. duty for unexcused absences and allows us to skip classes if we want to. But if we do we get zero for the day. However, we are allowed five absences from chapel during the semester. It seems that, under the new regulation we students should be more punctual in our attendance, as we are inflicting our own punishment.

**GOLD SWAMPS PURPLE****TAKES THREE STRAIGHT**

For the third year in succession the invincible Gold baseball team won the three game series with the Purple. Even with the acquisition of Bentley and Meredith by the Purple, they were unable to break the winning streak of the Gold, which by the addition of the games this fall has been pushed to nine straight.

The first game was an eye opener. Burnham of the Gold pitched a shut-out game receiving invincible support. Only two Purple men succeeded in reaching third. Bentley pitched a good game but was robbed by sloppy support. Gold 9, Purple 0.

The second game went into extra innings and so did the yells and excitement. The Gold rallied in the ninth piling up four runs to tie the score, but they were unable to finish the game until the twelfth when they forced Dougherty, versatile third sacker, over the plate with the winning run. The Gold changed hurlers three times, while Bentley worked all the way for the Purple. Williams, Gold first baseman, was slightly injured; he and Bedford collided on first. Gold 11, Purple 10.

The third game was a walkaway for the Gold. Henshaw went the circuit for the Gold, and although hit hard at times, he kept the hits well scattered and received invincible support. Gold 15, Purple 0.

**BURNHAM MOST USEFUL PLAYER**

The mighty "Babe Ruth" has been heralded by the great sporting writers as the most useful man to big league baseball, and as the "Star" is the only paper that prints the sporting news of Houghton College, it behooves us to choose the most useful man in the Purple-Gold series. The choice this year falls upon Howard Burnham, premier Gold pitcher and utility infielder. He has shut the Purple out without a game for three successive series, he has no errors after three years of play, and is always dangerous at the bat. Fifty per cent of the invincibility of the Gold team depends upon his being somewhere in the lineup.

The "Star" will pick the most useful men in every branch of sport this year, and will print all advance dope on all series games. Watch for it!

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