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MOGEY'S MUSINGS

A choice saying by a Berlin radio commentator was as follows: "We have expanded our power to such an extent as to permit us to begin the defensive." I've heard plenty of lines before, but that line has enough bluff to make a new Grand Canyon.

The latest Navy propoganda boasts of 200 Navy Supply officers who were crowded out of training quarters at Harvard. Not to be outdone, the Navy sent them to Wellesley College campus, for seventy-three years exclusively feminine. Some people get all the breaks.

WAR CASUALTIES

Here's one good reason why your war bonds and other types of home morale are so essential. The Army Navy announced their total casualties to date were 115,201 with 21,940 deaths. Yet so far as America was concerned, the battle had scarcely begun. However, the other side of the picture shows that the Treasury's Third War Loan drive achieved and bettered its goal of \$15,000,000,000, the largest loan ever floated in any nation.

An interesting news comment says the fundamentalist American Council of Christian Churches, from its semi-annual meeting at Chicago, last week asked President Roosevelt to declare Japan's two Shinto Shrines at Ise military objectives so that their ultimate destruction by bombing will destroy "the people's faith in the protective power of the divine emperor". That sounds reasonable, but could have been accomplished long ago by simpler and more civilized means.

FAT STUFF

A comforting word to the buxom and those addicted to dieting comes from Dr. Albert Morris, Boston University professor of Sociology: "Your height and weight—and this goes for men and women alike—depends upon your inheritance and nothing else. What you eat, how you exercise, how you behave, has nothing to do with it. Your height is fixed before you're born." Now, I saw you reach for that fifth doughnut!

NOT BY BREAD ALONE

BY MRS. E. W. BLISS

Our prayers were fervent,
For we craved
To know if he were really saved—
Our soldier boy, there on the brink
Of death. We dared not speak or think
But called upon Christ's blessed name
Until at last the answer came—
"I'm writing that you, too, may share
The joy I've had in answered prayer."
That day we had no need of bread
For on God's wonders we had fed.
—reprinted from *Moody Monthly*

Building Regulations Revised by Faculty

For several years there has been considerable difference between the Handbook statement and the actual necessary use of the buildings. To synchronize the two differing sets of existing rules, a faculty committee was appointed to study this problem at the opening of the present semester.

The committee, with Dr. Pierce E. Woolsey as chairman, made their report to the faculty last week. The report as adopted by the faculty becomes effective at once. The text follows.

"On school days the school buildings are opened at 6:45 A. M. and closed at 8:15 P. M., and are not to be used by students at other times except for regularly scheduled events, or by permission of the proper school authorities. The classrooms are locked at 5:30 P. M.

"Designated rooms, scheduled by the calendar committee, will be open for group meetings on Monday evening from 6:45 till 8:00. The Chapel will be open from 7:00 until 8:00 P. M. on Tuesday for Student's Prayer Service, on Wednesday for the Oratorio Society, and on Thursday for Music Recitals.

"For evening library hours, see p. 22 in student's handbook.

"The Music Hall is open from 7:00 to 9:30 for students who have assigned practice periods in the evening. Other students who wish to practice in the evening must obtain special permit for extra practice from their teacher or from the chairman of the Division of Music. Tuesday evening, during the student's
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Defense Courses Scheduled To Begin Next Week

Under the National Defense Training Program, courses in drafting and electricity will be offered at Houghton College this fall. These courses begin on Thursday evening, October 21 at 7 p. m. with registration in room 24 of the Science Hall.

There is no tuition charge for these courses. The drafting course is open to anyone. However two years of high school mathematics is required of those taking the electricity course. Instruction will be given by competent instructors from Alfred University. Each course meets ten hours a week—Monday, 7 to 10 p. m.; Thursday, 7 to 10 p. m.; and Saturday, 1 to 5 p. m.

Those who complete these courses are qualified for positions in either field with almost any large industry. After completion of these courses many of last year's class received excellent jobs in war industries, permanently.

Anyone desiring further information should contact Dr. Robert R. Luckey, the campus representative of this war training program.

Annual Fall Revival Services Begun Tues. at College Church



REV. ROY S. NICHOLSON

Evangelist Roy Nicholson Well Known to Ho'tonians

Rev. Roy S. Nicholson, the Connec-tional Editor of the Wesleyan Metho-dist Church, opened the annual fall re-vival campaign in the Houghton College Church Tuesday Evening, October 12. Continuing nightly through October 24, Rev. Nicholson will speak to the college students and the town's folk from his experience as both a pastor and evange-list. To some he is a familiar speaker, having conducted a series of meetings in nearby Fillmore two years ago, and at that time, having spoken at the chap-el hour here at the college.

Rev. Nicholson was reared in a Wes-leyan Methodist home in South Caro-lina and studied for four years at Cen-tral College, the Wesleyan Methodist college in the South. The next year he taught school, abandoning this work to take a pastorate in the North Caro-lina Conference. During his nine years of pastoral work, he wrote a book en-titled, "Wesleyan Methodism in the South", and also participated as a reg-ular contributor to the newspapers pub-lished in the vicinity of the pastorates which he held.

In 1935, Mr. Nicholson was elected Sunday School Secretary and Editor for the Wesleyan Methodist Church and in 1939 was elected to the office of Home Missionary Secretary. In June of this year, he was elected Connec-tional Editor of "The Wesleyan Methodist", the official organ of the church.

Professor Willard G. Smith, the col-lege's publicity director, is leading the congregational song service each even-ing. Special music has been arranged for many of the services. Mrs. Edna Carapetyan is presiding at the organ, and Margaret Hamilton at the piano.

Sophomores Enjoy Picnic at Letchworth

Taking full advantage of the oppor-tunities afforded by perfect atmospheric conditions last Friday, the Sophomore class bent itself almost unanimously on a pilgrimage to that scenic shrine of the Genesee, Letchworth Park. With the cheering sophomores bulging from the truck secured for the picnic, they left the campus in mid afternoon, returning cold but undaunted late in the evening.

The picnic revolved about the lower falls area, where the more agile climbed down to the "narrows" below the falls, and those less venturesome simply dangled their feet over precipices cen-turies deep. The group spent some time "on the ball" (soft, foot, and soc-ker). However the softball lost its sense of direction as it left Phyl Per-ry's bat, and disappeared over the brink and that ended that. Darkness and that irresistible organic urge to eat, sent the group in quest of hot dogs and food. Fireplaces deep-lined with coals, and the odor of hamburgers, onions, and the fizz of soda bottles gave that air becoming a picnic. The outing was climaxed by a singspiration lead by Warren Anderson, and accompanied by Ruth McCamman and her accordion.

STATE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Of the five New York State Schol-arships allotted to Allegany County, two were received by graduates of the Houghton Preparatory of the class of 1943. Margaret Fancher obtained the first with an average of 92.14 percent and Leslie Beach another with an aver-age of 90.81. Both of these students are now college freshmen at Hough-ton.

New Registration Figures Reveal Fine Enrollment

The latest registration figures, as re-vealed by the Registrar, Miss Anne Madwid, at the end of the late registra-tion period, places the total enrollment of the college divisions at 292, of the Preparatory at 70, and the Bible School at 24. The total number of students on the campus is 386, which number is considerably better than was predicted by the college administration.

A comparison with last fall's registra-tion figures is revealing. There are 94 less in the college divisions, 13 more in the Preparatory, and two less in the Bible School. Most of this loss in stu-dents is attributed to the entrance of nearly 100 men into the armed services during past school year and summer.
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HOUGHTON STAR *This Year's Officers*

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FUN WITHOUT CONFUSION

Recent student group social events and the necessary consideration of school regulations involved in sponsoring them, have precipitated considerable discussion and unfortunately slight misunderstandings. It was considered worth the effort to write this column so that all may be acquainted with the stipulations concerning group parties, and that perhaps a few suggestions may be made to the administration.

It is not unreasonable that the proper college authorities should be advised and their counsel accepted whenever a group desires to hold a social gathering. It is evident that such a procedure is definitely advantageous to the group, since it prevents the group from indulging in anything which is opposed to the principles of the school, and it also provides a valuable source of counsel and suggestion from the experienced faculty committee. However, the representative of the group must realize that a faculty committee, busy with many other pressing problems, should be notified in advance so that they may give the matter due consideration.

On the other hand, it would be highly advantageous for the students, if the authorities proposed a set of general rules concerning all types of entertainment, whether in or out of town, so that the group may be guided in its selection. Once general plans are made, it becomes extremely difficult for a group to change its entire program. Also, authority should be centralized so that the whole faculty need not be concerned, and also to prevent one authority from overriding the other.

Cooperation between students and faculty will make for a pleasant full-rounded year both socially and spiritually.

E. K. M.

TIME TO AWAKE

We scan a newspaper and read of another daylight raid over the Nazi occupied countries in which twenty-three Flying Fortresses were lost. We think in terms of the loss of valuable fighting equipment, purely a materialistic strain of thought. Little do we sometimes realize that approximately two hundred men were either killed or captured in that raid. We seem to have grown calloused or in our carelessness, pass over it lightly.

It takes the startling circumstances of an individual atrocity to awake us from our emotional lethargy — an American radio officer beaten to death by the Nazi Gestapo, a group of American airman facing the firing squad of Tojo's men for their participation in the raid on Toyko, an unidentified airman beheaded by a nationalistic, power-craving satellite of the Emperor Hirohito. Such diabolical events revealed in all their completeness of detail, succeed in arousing the anger and indignation of the reader temporarily, but soon we forget in the midst of our business and pleasures of the day.

But can we react with such complacency for long? Suppose it were one of our relatives that was killed over in Germany, or that was tortured to death by his captors. Would we react with an attitude of indifference and casually remark that "we don't need to worry, we aren't over there." And yet, somewhere in this great nation of ours, a tear was shed; a place was vacated never to be filled again. In that home this war is now a cold cruel reality, not just another patriotic parade of men swinging along their way to a "big scrap" across the ocean, primarily to the interests only of the

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Events Suspended

At the recent meeting of the faculty the matter of Founders' Convocation and Alumni Homecoming was given careful consideration. In view of transportation conditions and the general interests of the emergency, the faculty decided to suspend both the convocation and homecoming for the current year.

This is the second year that there has been no homecoming for the alumni. However from time to time, a considerable number of alumni, especially servicemen, visit the campus.

Upperclass Scholarships

On Monday, Miss Anne Madwid, the college registrar, revealed that the scholarships for one sophomore and one junior, awarded semi-annually, have been given to Misses Mary Dukeshire and Ina Jackson, respectively. These scholarships are open to all based on scholastic standing for the previous semester. Miss Dukeshire maintained a grade index of 2.941, and Miss Jackson, 2.750.

Varsity Manager Dave Ostrander
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 Purple Mgr. (Women) Eileen Gebhardt

governments of the Allied and Axis powers.

Thus far we, as a school, have been greatly spared. True, the reality of death has already descended in our midst and taken fellows whom we all knew when they were here in Houghton. Yet, we have not felt the full measure of sorrow that might be our lot before this great conflict ceases, and we sincerely hope and pray that we shall be spared. But if such should be our lot, are we prepared, or could we still maintain that "we don't need to worry, we aren't over there".

We are protected here at Houghton, away from the hustle of what we in our sarcasm refer to as "the outside world". We have had little or no opportunity to participate in the home-front patriotic efforts to aid the servicemen of our nation. What little we have in the past started out to do, has petered out from lack of interest. If you knew that the bandage you were asked to roll would save the life of Marine, you would gladly roll it, and yet when many of us are asked to roll bandages during a certain hour of the week, we decline, excusing ourselves with an alibi that we have made a previous engagement. And yet, the many bandages that we didn't roll could have helped to save the lives of many who died.

Let us revive the bandage rolling, the circle of letter writing to the servicemen, and the buying of extra War Bonds and stamps. Let us do something concrete to show our appreciation of our servicemen, who are that you and I might reman in school, before it is too late.

O. G. K.

REFLECTIONS ON THE REVIVAL

The response to the Prayer Chain was overwhelming not only because of the spirit in which it was received, but because of the great number who covenanted with God to pray. These who have taken this trust have taken God's command literally, "Pray without ceasing," and will receive therefore God's abundant blessing.

But, during these days of special meetings with increased activity and longer hours, and thus many weary bodies, it will be easy to neglect our hours of sleep through them. Remember, we are praying to a "Covenant keeping God". Let us then be faithful to our trust, and keep our covenant with God, that He shall "open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it".

A. G.

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**A SALUTE
 TO ARMS**
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Monday, October 11, 1943
 Houghtonians of the Armed Forces:

For several days now I have been anxiously awaiting last week's issue of the *Star*, for Gerry said I would know what to write you after I had read Dr. Ashton's letter. But Gerry was wrong. She said, too, that I was to write you all the things you would like to know. Imagine that! Now I recall that Miss Rickard (who studied Journalism has a nose for news) never did agree with me on the publication of news items that I considered private affairs to which the public had no right. But I must confess that, when I have been absent from the campus, her letters came the nearest to "telling me all the things I would like to know." That *Star*, finally appearing Saturday morning, with Dr. Ashton's fine letter, covered all the news of the week. This letter was due Monday morning, and I was away for the week-end. The conclusion should be obvious — this is not a news letter. Then too, I have hesitated to write, for, in Johnny Miller's words, which should have peculiar significance to math students, "I believe in a one-to-one correspondence."

But has anyone told you that we have had sunshine without the usual rainy September week-ends; that the hills of Houghton are so beautiful now in their autumn colors; that students seem more purposeful than usual? Perhaps these ideas seem unrelated, but your absence from our classrooms, memories of those missing in action, chapel messages such as the one by Mr. Ditchfield of the British merchant marines, all intensify the conviction that we have no right to take for granted, nor to consume upon ourselves even the least of the priceless blessings that are now ours in Houghton this year, while you meet, in our stead, the grim realities of war. The expectant prayers on Tuesday nights reveal a new awareness of a world-need and the desire that Houghton may be linked with the eternal purposes of God in making Christ known in many lands. As we have received your most welcome letters from so many parts of the U.S., from 'somewhere at sea', and from 'somewhere in North Africa', we have prayed that you may be able to testify with Paul, "Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of this knowledge by us in every place."

In a recent commencement address, Dr. Robert A. Millikan said that "... nothing can prevent brains and energy and initiative and resourcefulness from coming into a position of leadership." We are proud of the advancement that so many of you have made in the different branches of the service. Math students who worked with Clyde Meneely for four years will not be surprised to know that he is an instructor in Anti-Aircraft in Camp Davis, and that, while the teaching staff in his section is being reduced from eight to two, he is

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From Our



Servicemen

SERVICE MENTIONABLES

If it weren't for the servicemen, those new post-office boxes of ours would be very much depleted (even more so than mine is now) and we want to thank the fellows for using the little spare time that they have, in writing to us, when they could be relaxing or resting. Naturally we're all busy here in Houghton, but I don't think that one of us is too occupied with studies or "extra-curricular" activities that we can't find time to "whip off" a note to someone in the service who'll be interested in the latest campus news. It's part of our duty as Americans to do what we can to help the morale of the fellows.

The first tid-bit this week is from Faber Tschudy (ex '44) who is stationed at Camp Joseph L. Robinson in Arkansas.

"I thought I'd drop a few lines now because the next letter you fellows receive may be V-mail. I'm here in Arkansas, and it's rather hard just sitting around waiting for the word that will send you across. To pass the time I've been working for the officers for the past month and I guess that I've done everything but tuck the General in bed (that may happen one of these days, who knows.)

"When I was in Oklahoma, my time was taken up by ducking 50 caliber machine gun bullets or 155 and 105 mm. shells. It's all right to hear them go whistling by, just so long as they whistle.

"I'm not a General as yet, no more than "General Nuisance"; most likely, I'll wind up just 'Private Keep Out'.

"May the Lord richly bless you three in your work. Keep praying for us fellows in the armed services, we need it. The Lord has been so wonderful to me I can never stop praising Him for all His goodness."

"Tis the soldiers life to have their balmy slumbers waked with strife."

— Shakespeare

Glenn Barnett (of the Pantry Barnetts) wrote to us from Camp Toccoa in Georgia. He seems to feel quite satisfied with the Army for here is what he says:

"Greetings from the deep South. A soldier-in-the-making in the best Army in the world is reporting to Headquarters, as it were.

"The Army is the ONLY life for any fellow. Discipline, exactitude, and training in the first degree are embedded into the very fibre of one's character. Calling all men... join the Army and see the world.

"Drilling gets rather boring if taken in too large concentration and taking orders sometimes gets chafing to a tender spot. We can bear anything for the present though to win the inevitable triumph. We have a gigantic job to do and we will with God's help.

"All in all, civilian life seems as a happy dream which one is a fool to waken from. But Jesus has never failed me. I have great opportunities for

Christian work ahead of me. May I not fail."

Morale will climb

If you'll take the time

To WRITE A LETTER TODAY.

Larry Hardy (the aggressive pianist) now of A. A. F. is "deep in the Dalhart of Texas".

He writes, "I have a special reason for writing this letter to find out Francis Gardner's address in Lorado, Texas (Editor's note: Gardner, a recent visitor on the campus, is now stationed in Utah).

"My title is Classification Specialist and Statistical Clerk. Though I only work eight hours a day, they are eight hours packed so full, I don't have a second of them for myself. Sometimes I'm almost afraid to look at the basket on my desk marked "Work" as when it is full I can expect a heavy day with no time-and-a-half for overtime.

"The other night ten of us were invited free to a wonderful chicken dinner at the First Presbyterian Church here in Dalhart and it certainly was wonderful.

"I am now the chapel organist for the whole post, playing one Jewish service, two Catholic masses, and one Protestant service. Must close now. . . . May He bless all of you both at school and in the service."

Did you know:

Their morale will lift

With a letter or gift.

Say, kids, remember "Scotty" (I mean Ian) Morrison? Well, he's in Georgia. (How I miss that clear Genesee Valley air). We've gone through a lot down here but the Lord has strengthened me. Twenty mile marches, crawling under machine gun fire, sleeping in fox holes, eating concentrated rations, attacking villages, sham battles — all these are 'old stuff' now.

"I was fortunate in obtaining admission to the Army Specialized Training Program. Our battalion is composed of college and university men from every state in the Union. They are fine, clear-cut youths, worthy of the name 'American'.

"General Brown, our camp commander, is a fine Christian man. Due to his work here, swearing, gambling, and excessive drinking have been banned. The Lord's hand is everywhere."

SERVICE SHORTS

We recently received two Army Releases informing us that Lauren Robinson and Dave Robbins (both ex '44) have been enrolled as aviation cadets at the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School for pilots at Maxwell Field, Ala. It is here that the cadets receive nine weeks of military, physical, and academic training before beginning actual flight instruction. Nice going, fellows!

Sgt. Francis Gardner, stationed at Salt Lake City, Utah, spent several days at Houghton lending a bit of military atmosphere to our campus and renewing old acquaintances. Those bombardier's

wings look 'neat' on your uniform, Skinny.

A/C Mac Wells (ex '43) is now stationed at Selman Field, Louisiana. He has earned his aerial gunner's wings and marksman's medal in aerial gunnery. He'll complete his course in January '44, three weeks after "Nix" Bateman (same camp) will complete his. Your part in "Pyramus and Thisbe" made a lasting impression on us, Mac.

Lt. Ray Tucker ('41) is out in the land of sunshine—California. As a member of the Weather Sqdn. he was sent to British Columbia for about six months then transferred to the Air Corps and is now classified as a "Pilot". That "Tucker Physique" will certainly do justice to the wings which he will have earned by April.

Below is a poem sent from Corp. Jim Campbell who is with the 354th Fighter Sqdn. in England.

Daybreak

At break of day

The world is sleeping

At break of day

Pale light comes creeping.

The sky above—

Dark purpled halls.

The earth below—

Wierd bugle calls!

Oh! There it goes!

Those notes so clear.

Boy if that guy

Was only here!

I'll stay in bed

I won't be sighted . . .

O. K. Sarge . . .

Don't get excited! ! !

"Soupy"

— H C —

REGISTRATION . . .

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during the music recitals, the Music Hall is closed.

There is a noticeable lack of males on the campus in every class of the college divisions with the ration rising to better than two-to-one in favor of the fairer sex. The totals are as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
Freshmen	40	71	111
Sophomore	14	51	65
Junior	15	28	43
Senior	18	40	58
Special	6	9	15
Totals	93	199	292

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THE PANTRY

Goodly Gossip

by Lucy and Con

Yes, it's back to the old grind again . . . and we're looking forward to a new year filled with pleasant memories . . . good times . . . and friends. We're glad to have the frosh on the campus, but we do miss—the Bumsteads' attempts at culture, the Hairy Macs' culture, Houser's cheese, Hertel's elusive dribble on the basketball court, Toke and Virge Brodhead's bass, Felice, the missing link of the "big three", James Madison's brawn, and Ella's "Oh, pardon me, I'm sure."

Why not steal the cookies, Moge? It's more fun than apple-polishing on Sunday nights—"Oh no, Jo, let me".

We see Claffree is up to his old tricks again—giving all the freshmen "lovelies" a break. As for Gerry, we say, "Oh fine". "Moi" power to you.

We were sorry to see Alfonso leave the campus, but part of Houghton's culture goes with him in the form of the waiter's favorite smiling expressions. "How very unfortunate that international relationships cannot be further promoted."

Don't the signs say that only children under twelve are admitted for half price. Sargeant Gardner? It was nice having you on the campus again. Too bad you couldn't have stayed longer, huh, Scotty.

High-school girls please note—Herbie, the popular young bus-boy, says, "I'm not the type: I haven't got what it takes; and besides I'm only twelve." Will you stop it, Herbie.

A fine time to permit the eleven fellows to sit with the thousands of girls in chapel. Of course we know Jackson and Hefty Herk just love being swamped by women on the left and women on the right—but the sixty-four dollar question is how much Peg paid the chapel committee for her Hi-ly desired seat?

Have you noticed the girls perking up a bit lately? The addition of two eligible males—Bob and Jesse—certainly boosts the morale of the fairer sex, eh Glenda?

After all the Hobart V-12's and Army Air Corps men, it was an added attraction having Rumsey "Leatherneck" Reynolds land and take the situation well in hand, including Frenchie, who was here for only a few hours.

From our Congratulations-to-the-Newly-Wed Department. Our best wishes go to Max Stebbins and Dot Krentel who were married last Tuesday. And lots of luck to you, John and Shirl, as you middle-aisle it Saturday.

Bouquets (our apologies to Dr. Ashton) go to the Smith House fellows for the ingenuity that characterized their party at Letchworth on Friday night. We advocate bigger, better, and more parties.

Ezra, Baldy's "kid" brother, received Uncle Sam's call recently and is now in Michigan. Here's hoping he'll be deferred till the end of the semester. There's an end to everything, including gossip, so we'll sign off with the immortal words of the waiters, "If you like our service, tell us; if you don't, go elsewhere."

STUDENT OPINION

Do you think it advisable to revive the plan of the members of the student body writing individual letters each week to former Houghtonians who are now members of the armed forces, in view of the fact the approximately 125 out of a total 292 registration are new and do not personally know any of the fellows to whom they might be writing? We might add, too, that numerous inquiries have been received concerning the present status of such a plan from the members of the armed services.

Charles Rhoads, freshman, "O.K. for those who have tender interests and plenty of time."

Betty Whitford, a special student, "Good, up-to-date news from Houghton will be greatly appreciated."

Forrest "Baldy" Gearhart, a senior and the genial bookstore manager answers, "Yes, the Houghton spirit is the same always. If I were in the Armed Forces I'd be all for it, so I am now."

Mrs. Wenona Cronk, Instructor in English, answers, "Swell for the older students; new students would not have the same contacts but older students certainly should."

Dr. Philip Ashton, Dean of the College, enthusiastically replied, "Heartily in favor—especially for the upperclassmen who know the men. However, there are several "frosh" who were in the high school last year and they know the boys."

R. W. Harper, a recent transfer into the junior class, says, "Such a plan would be advisable considering the fact that the student had the required time for the correspondence. I would gladly cooperate."

From Burt Swales, a senior who served a few months in the Army Air Corps. We have, "If we are looking for a complete "coverage" of Houghton's news, then the *Star* sent to every member of the armed forces should give us the desired goal. If you are going to give personal news plus campus news, then only those men who have friends here will be getting the real news. Real Houghton men love their "Alma Mater"—thus the *Star* will be more of a personal friend than a letter from some unknown student with benevolent intentions. This does not mean that those who are writing should stop."

Helen Baker, popular junior, writes, "We write anyway to the fellows we know but I don't think it would be very interesting to the fellows when they receive letters from those whom they don't know the kids who are writing."

Betty Warren, a freshman, replies, "The upperclassmen should write to the fellows in the service but those who don't know them personally shouldn't have to write."

Frances Nash, a senior, "It's too fine a plan to remove entirely, but I think we should write to those whom we've at least met. Otherwise it's a waste of time

Service Letters?

and paper to write to ones you don't know."

Warren Anderson, sophomore class president, sees merit in the plan as follows, "It's a worthwhile plan without a doubt—especially heartening for the girls. A good opportunity for some to extend their lines of communication while it may cramp the serviceman's style if he tries to answer everyone."

Maxine Samuelson, a sophomore, "For those who know the servicemen it's a fine thing to continue writing. There were so few last year I knew that I didn't join the circle."

Burdette Curtiss, the senior congeniality known to all as "Burp", answers, "Yes, for upperclassmen; no, for underclassmen. The fellows look forward to letters from us. 'Course the way I write no one would want to hear from me."

Melva Dietrich, a junior, answers affirmatively, "Keep the boys in touch with the school whether they know students who write or not."

To end this discussion, we publish the opinion of Francis Gardner, ex '46, now a sergeant in the army. "Letters mean so much to those of us who read them. I think that we boys in the service would be thankful for those letters we receive from our Christian friends at Houghton. I believe that even though we may not know every student that writes, their letters will always be welcome."

REGULATIONS . . .

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prayer meeting, and Thursday evening "The Gymnasium is closed at 6:30 P.M. except on Saturday when the closing hour is 9:00 P.M. During the Basketball season, the gymnasium is closed at 10:30 P.M.

"Permission for the use of rooms until 8:00 P.M. with exception of the science laboratories, may be secured from the Dean of men or the Dean of Women. Permission for the use of laboratories may be secured from the respective teachers.

"Requests for the use of rooms later than 8:00 P.M. should be presented to the faculty through the calendar committee.

"It is understood to be the policy of Houghton College, in accordance, not only with tradition but with the spirit of the school, that, during the hour of the Tuesday evening Student's Prayer Service, the Music Hall and Library are closed, the recreational facilities are not to be used, and that students must not engage in group activities in the offices, class-rooms or corridors, avoiding all unnecessary noises in and around the buildings."

These rules are drawn up for the purpose of making the most efficient use of the college building facilities and for the purpose of protecting the college against additional cost in time and money incurred through the abuse of the college buildings.

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one of the two retained. As you would expect, his letters reveal the fact that he is striving to improve his teaching methods in every possible way. For example, he has learned a lot from the suggestions of a lieutenant, who formerly instructed Dramatics and Speech in the University of Rochester, who Clyde invited to his lectures as a critic.

In connection with this question of leadership, my thoughts went out to you yesterday as I was privileged to attend church where Rev. and Mrs. Alton Shea were holding services. Mr. Shea gave his message on the "Choice of Moses" from Hebrews 11:24-29. He asked this question, "Why did Moses choose to suffer affliction with the children of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season?" His answer suggested that, as Moses grew to manhood and came to know God's high purpose for the children of Israel, with the attendant promises, the riches of Egypt were "too cheap to live for"—"esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt." And again Moses fixed his gaze on the eternal—"for he endured as seeing him who is invisible." In Rev. 15:3, Moses is identified with the glory of Redemption. As he was speaking I had a picture of redeemed souls who shall one day join in the song of Moses and the Lord because you "have kept the faith".

Sincerely yours,
Rachel Davison

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