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Registration Marks End of 1st Semester

Enrollment Enjoys Increase; Summer Students Interviewed

With almost unbelievable rapidity, the first half of both the summer session and the summer semester have just about come to a close. Slightly over a week and a half ago, ten weeks tests were given to the session students; this Wednesday and Friday, the feature is the inevitable semester examination for all courses.

The registration for the ensuing summer's work is somewhat higher than for the previous period. This is partly due to the fact that several new students have arrived, and partly because several have signed up for the semester who had arrived only at the beginning of the last session. From all indications, the remainder of the summer promises to be as successful as the first half.

The work in the session is really in "concentrated" form—six hours of work in eight weeks. Converted into a smaller unit, this simply means that an ordinary week's work is attempted every class day. A half hour of extra sleep in the morning might cause one to miss the process of integration in calculus, or the seventeenth century poets in English Literature.

Many of the students attending school this summer are here as freshmen, while some are upper classmen who do not regularly attend Houghton. A representative few kindly submitted themselves to a third degree questionnaire; Forrest Smith, a sophomore from Eldred, Penn., is here for his second summer. During the past year, he attended Chesbrough Seminary where he continued his pre-medical studies. Forrest expects to enter Buffalo Medical School sometime in January; in the meantime, he intends to remain at Houghton for the first semester of next year.

Having attended Hope College in Holland, Michigan for three years, Ellen Giebel is beginning her senior year, completing an English major. She will return to Hope this fall, graduate, and then do graduate work in the field of religious education. Ellen's home is in East Northfield, Mass. Lloyd Wilt, of Clymer, Pa., intends to take his degree in religious education after having been graduated from the Practical Bible Training School in Johnson City, N. Y.

CALENDAR

Friday, July 16,

Entertainment—Impromptu style

Monday, July 19

7:00 p. m.—Recorded Concert

Tuesday, July 20

6:45 p. m.—Student's prayer meeting

Wednesday, July 21

8:30 p. m.—Artist Series

Edna Lillich, Monologist

Every night except Tuesday

6:15 p. m.—Bible study

New Stock Room Constructed

The old storeroom, located on the second floor of the science building next to the Physics laboratory, is being completely altered under the supervision of Dr. Robert Luckey. To serve its purpose as stock room for the Physics department. The room is swiftly being emptied of its store of miscellaneous geology and physics equipment.

According to plans, the partition which now divides the room into two small areas, will be removed to facilitate conservation and utilization of the space. The new equipment will feature several rows of shelves which will contain all of the necessary science supplies in catalogued form. Then, too, there will be a special table for those two worthy Lab. assistants, Jack Phillips and Earl Campbell. The boys will use the table for testing radio equipment.

Of special note is the fact that a section of the room will be partitioned off to form a much-needed office for Dr. Luckey himself. The work bench will continue to occupy its present place along the west side of the room.

Following his Bible School training, Lloyd served as pastor of a church in Warren Center, Pa. for over a year, and then traveled in evangelistic work for several months, prior to his coming to Houghton. The son of a preacher, Charles Rhoads hails from Wilmot, South Dakota. Following in his father's footsteps, Charlie intends to enter the Christian ministry.

Distinguished Service Cross Awarded to Sgt. Slater, '40

Richard Slater ('40) is back from New Guinea with the Distinguished Service Cross and other decorations, according to a five-inch two-column article in the *New York Times* for July 12. The *Times* says in part:

"Staff Sgt. Richard Slater, a fighting parson back from Far East battlefronts with the Distinguished Service Cross and other decorations, is spending his leave inspiring heroism at home.

"An ordained Methodist minister, Slater prefers to talk about civilian sacrifices. 'Here on the home front,' he says, 'the civilian should go forward without any thought of personal convenience.'

"Slater forsook his pulpit here to enlist in the Air Corps immediately after Pearl Harbor. 'I intend to be a preacher when the war is over,' he maintains.

"Most vivid of the memories he will carry back to the ministry is that of a crash landing in the New Guinea jungle, through which he and his companions in the crew—after burning their bomber—fought their way for twenty-seven days and 150 miles to reach their base."

Pre-med. Dep't Gains Prestige As Many Enter Med. Schools

Under the expert guidance of Dr. George Moreland, chairman of the Division of Science, Houghton's pre-medical department is continually growing in efficiency and effectiveness. Houghton Students are being accepted by some of the country's largest medical schools.

Last week Howard Treichler, a first year man at George Washington School of Medicine, visited the campus and reported that the Houghton boys there—Harrison Brownlee, and Samuel and Harold Livingston—are pulling through the first semester struggle in fine shape. The four Houghtonians are living together. Howard entered the army last week, but continues his studies as usual.

Several of the boys are studying at St. Louis School of Medicine, and John Sheffer intends to enter that school this autumn. Dale Dunkelberger and Ed Mehne, recently accepted by Temple University School of Medicine, intend to enter that school in January. Both will pursue their studies under the army plan. Many grad-

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Men or Monsters?

In this present period of tragic international warfare when the educational emphasis in all belligerent countries is on scientific training that will contribute directly towards the national war effort, partisans of the liberal arts college feel themselves to be on the defensive. This is particularly true of friends of the social sciences and the humanities, which are now regarded by many as a superfluous luxury except insofar as a knowledge of those fields may indirectly hasten military victory.

Yet we know this horrible holocaust will not continue indefinitely. After the armistice we will need young people trained in social work, public administration, languages, economics, politics, and the science of teaching for the gargantuan task of post-war reconstruction when men will turn their attention from destructive to constructive work.

The churches will still need pastors, evangelists, missionaries, and other Christian workers for disseminating the infallible, eternal, universal gospel truths in the post-war era of agnosticism and disillusionment when religious beliefs and moral standards will be severely challenged.

Not primarily academic knowledge, but Christian attitudes are essential to cope with the ominous spread of xenophobia, racial intolerance, and pagan nationalism. That technological achievement does not ensure intellectual freedom and civilized democracy is abundantly illustrated by the example of Nazi Germany, whose institutions of higher learning provide excellent scientific training for the arts of war, but

only a travesty of liberal culture with a disregard for objective truth.

If the United States remains a democracy we should have an intelligent electorate that can rise above prejudice in considering and comprehending the controversial and complex public issues of the future. Military training inculcates an unquestioning, immediate obedience to superior officers but the liberal arts are designed to develop a critical mind and independent judgment in the pursuit of truth.

The small liberal arts college, which emphasizes quality rather than quantity, is the institution most qualified to teach youth the value and potentialities of individuals, to widen mental horizons, to liberate from superstitions, to discipline and enrich the mind, and to lay cultural foundations for more abundant and useful lives. Consequently we should maintain and perpetuate the liberal arts college with distinctively Christian emphasis that the young people in our churches may become not regimented super-brutes but children of God.

MYRON L. TRIPP, PH. D.

Short Shots . . .

Prof. Myron Woods, formerly of Chesham Seminary, and Miss Catherine MacGregor were married by the grooms brother on June 26 at Niagara Falls. Prof. Woods taught chemistry at Houghton last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Hazelwood announcement the engagement of their daughter, Connie, to A C L. Holland Taylor. Mr. Taylor, now stationed in San Antonio, Texas, is from Collingswood, N. J. He also attended Dickinson College.

be the heavenly experience and privilege which we have in fellowship with Him. Constant application of only this first truth is sufficient combustible material for several conflagrations. Catch the significance of this truth in reverse summation. "In Christ" is the sphere of blessing. He is our source of life, our security, our power, our filling. In union with Him we have all His blessings as redemption's rights. We find them in His word, but they are not comprehended until revealed by the Holy Spirit. God gives these blessings in Christ; not apart from Him. Christ sent the Holy Spirit to take the things of Christ and reveal them unto us. Let us be sure of our position so that we might possess our possessions.

Spiritual Manna



BY FORREST GEARHARDT

This summer there has been felt on Houghton's campus a definite pervading sense of God's presence; a nearly intangible yet undeniable pervasiveness of spiritual activity. These divine emanations are finding practical expression through the personalities and testimonies of the students. Prayer groups and Bible studies claim an unusual number of adherents who are transforming knowledge thus acquired into living reality. Therefore the evidence quietly and powerfully grows. There is a revival of dynamic living in practicing the presence of God. The secret of revival is found in walking in continuous fellowship with God and thereby being thoroughly convinced of two facts—1. the power and personality of our God, and—2. His desire and ability to place Himself, with all His gifts, effective to work in and through us.

To all who are "the holy ones" or "saints", as Paul says in writing to the Ephesians, the possession of Christ's provisions are a challenge. These people, even as we, were regenerated Christians. They were the "holy ones" because they had been separated from sin. Paul wrote telling them of their present position and possessions in Christ. In Ephesians: 13-14 are nine verbs or participles expressing in climactic form God's purposes regarding His "saints" (called out ones).

These verb forms are all in the aorist tense denoting a single act in definite past time with results reaching down to the present. Each week we shall consider one of these provisions thus ascertaining what is God's purpose for us and our position as a believer.

The first verb form is found in verse three—"hath blessed us". It is an aorist participle modifying God,—the one "having blessed us". The word for "bless" occurs 44 times. Its basic meaning is to celebrate with praise, invoke blessings upon, or to make happy. God is pleased when He can bless (make happy) His children. How fortunate the blessing of God. Note the source—God. Then consider the quality or substance. They are spiritual blessings. They belong and pertain to the Spirit. The Holy Spirit Himself, by whose agency the blessings are sent, is Christ's supreme ascension gift.

The sphere of blessing is in the heavens in Christ. This is usually considered to

Confidentially "Prep" School Has Splendid Record Speaking:



Geneseo State Normal School may become the nucleus of the next Houghton Alumni Chapter if the present migration of knowledge-seekers continues. Among the recent Houghton graduates studying at Geneseo this summer are Frannie La Sorte, Ardarath Hober, Marion Taylor, Ruth Fancher and Jean Munget. All of these girls are studying library science. There are also several older graduates who are taking graduate work. Incidentally, Jean and Ruth visited Houghton for the holiday weekend.

It has been rumored that the famous photograph film manufacturing company will soon assume its new name — Houghton Kodak Co. This action is expected since that firm has been invaded by Houghtonians within the last couple of weeks. The Rochester plant of the Eastman Kodak Company boasts the following among its reputable employees: "Bert" Reynolds, Vera Clocksin, Betty & Bonnie Stratton, Martha Woolsey, Helen Bowers, Peg Lewis, Bill Calkins, Doris Eyster and Doris Armstrong. The remaining three employees of the company are not from Houghton. Nearly all of the girls live on the same street, yet they complain of scarcely seeing one another. We suggest they go home nights.

Miss Betty Carlson and Henry Ortlip were married on June 30 in the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Akron, Ohio. Among the guests present were Steve Ortlip, who came from Washington, D. C., and his sister Ruth.

The July 4th weekend witnessed a relatively peaceful campus due to an exit of the better half of the student body. "Burp" and his many lady friends remained in Houghton. Rochester and Buffalo were the two chief centers that were plagued with the bleary-eyed scholars. The crowning achievement came when fate cast ten of the weekend victims, who were returning to Houghton from points north, in the same contraption that the O.P.A. runs between Perry and Wellsville. "Dr. Joe", also present on the bus, attempted to keep the rioting at a minimum by illucidating on her bygone days.

The special feature of the weekly "Green Drink Party" held last Saturday night was "Green Drink"! To the uninformed, it is



F. GORDON STOCKIN

Sheas to Reside in Houghton

Rev. and Mrs. Alton Shea and son will move to Houghton in the near future. Rev. Shea, who is the brother of Prof. Shea, will resign his pastorate of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Rochester.

The pastor and his wife will perform the duties of the work of the Young Missionary Worker's Band left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Mary Lane Clarke. Mr. Shea intends to do most of the traveling required by the position, while Mrs. Shea will take care of the clerical work.

Dr. Paine Back Home

Dr. Paine continued his heavy schedule last week as one of the principal speakers at the Sacandaga Bible Conference in Broadalbin, N. Y. He returned home this week and will remain until the middle of August.

to be explained that "Green Drink" is a liquid made from orange skins, lemon rinds and ice cubes. The color, as the name suggests, is a definite green, which many believe is a result of an ageing process. Further information can be obtained from the Dep't of Agriculture, or by sending a self-addressed envelope with ten cents in stamps to "Boots" Keeler.

Our apologies for the tardiness in this report by the H. B. I.—but here goes. Miss Gwen Stratton and Robert Longacre announced their engagement during commencement week. Ila Grandy and Dudley Phillips were recently engaged also. Ila is attending summer school and Dudley is in his second year at University of Maryland School of Medicine.

Those with itching ears who are so inquisitive as to the nature of the telephone call for Dr. Luckey from Philadelphia are herewith informed that it was merely another one of Dr. Bob's "Foster" sisters.

Prof. Stockin, New Principal, Makes Several Improvements

May 24 of the current year was essentially the climactic consummation of school activity for the majority of Houghton students, but for the "seedlings" of the Seminary (better known now as Houghton Preparatory) this day was a mere interruption in their labors. High school continued on until June 18 with the practice teachers disappearing or disintegrating one by one.

With the arrival of June 14 came Flag Day and the opening of the New York State Regents examinations, both of which occasions gained significance by coinciding with the wedding anniversary of the new principal!

As a result of these examinations three pupils completed the requirements for the State Elementary Certificate: Esther Van Hine, Leon Carapetyan, and Max Nichols. In the academic department the following earned College Entrance diplomas; Lucille Barnett, Leslie Beach, Margaret Fancher, Jean Jordan and Marilyn York. Those who earned Regents High School diplomas were: Ernest Preston, Frederic Preston, and Lloyd Tuttle. All of these, including Richard Hazlett, Dorothy Preston and Charles Wood earned Houghton Seminary diplomas.

Two of our students are deserving of recognition for superior Regents ratings. Calvin Hayes, son of Rev. James A. Hayes of Phoenicia, received a grade of 98 in Plane Geometry, and Alice Wright, daughter of Professor Stanley W. Wright of Houghton, received a grade of 97 in Latin Three years. Alice also received a grade of 96 in Plane Geometry.

Several innovations are being made this summer in the Physical plant of the high school. The library and study hall is being located in the former stack room of the college library. The regular study hall will be converted into a high school science room. It is expected that the changes will greatly facilitate the efficiency of the Preparatory work.

Gremlins Take Over

The relative peace and order of the slumbering campus was molested by several unidentified marauders last Monday evening. The gentlemen aimed the brunt of their attack on a certain disreputable piece of equipment, sometimes called a backstop, which has deformed the campus for many moons. However, despite their many favorable qualities, they did not attain their end. Nevertheless, only time will evaluate the significance of their noble efforts.

Letters From Ho'ton's Servicemen



Last week's call for "thousands of letters" was answered pronto. No kidding, fellas, it sure does warm our hearts to witness your generosity and willingness in giving us a little bit of the dirt as it happens in your neck. (of the woods, of course)

Pvt. Al Ramsley, stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, where he is taking the Army Specialized Training under the supervision of the cavalry writes;

"We finally got settled here on Wednesday and since then it has been drill, calisthenics, lectures, hikes, and all stuff like that there. Friday was the hardest day since I've been in the army. We had calisthenics, drill, and bayonet drill in the morning; a short lecture on dirty fighting, a five mile hike with rifle and pack, came back and cleaned up for a parade for the colonel; and a G. I. party at night which consisted of scrubbing our barracks from stem to stern until eleven at night. That was a little tougher than the rest, but it isn't easy anyhow. Every day the work is just about as hard.

We received basic in infantry with many additions. The officers in charge claim our course is the hardest of all courses given in any branch of service with the exception of the Rangers and the Paratroopers. We learn to operate the Girand rifle, carbines, pistols, light and heavy machine guns and trench mortars. We also have to go through the infiltration course with live ammunition over head. In addition we have long hikes with heavy packs to look forward to.

One respect in which the boys here from other schools have an advantage over Herschel and I is that most of them have had ROTC training. If Houghton could add this to their curriculum, I think it would be to advantage. It is probably an impossibility now, but the advantages sure do show up here in camp."

Wallace Clements, recently shipped to Nashville, has written the following for the service men's column:

"We have been here now for two weeks. Through Nashville pass more aviation cadets in embryo than through either of the country's other two classification centers. The population of the camp, composed almost entirely of future pilots, bombardiers, or navigators, is that of a small city.

When we first arrived we were chiefly impressed by the heat. At 7 a. m. the sun was burning down with noonday intensity. The barracks were unbearable; black tar-

paper covering seemed designed only for absorbing and holding the shimmering heat; daytime sleeping was sabotaged by buzzing, tickling flies who worked in close cooperation with the high temperature to promote excessive perspiration. The coolest place was underneath the barracks, they being built several feet from the ground to keep floors dry. We were told to take salt tablets to prevent thermoplegia (heat-exhaustion).

"The second day here I met "By" Sheesley, already classified as a pilot and Mac Wells. Warren Woolsey and Carl Wagner came with me in the Norwich C.T.D. delegation. The men who gave us our tests demonstrated more efficiency than I have thus far seen in the army. We had seven hours of mental exams in one day. There was probably only a half-hour of wasted time during these tests. The psycho-motor tests next determined such things as coordination, reaction time, and manual dexterity. It was like a penny arcade, only it was free.

"Now we are waiting to be shipped to a pre-flight school; of course, everyone hopes to go to a northern one. In the meantime we are doing k.p. and guard duty to keep in trim. Guarding the nearby WAAC barracks is a favorite assignment."

From Bumstead Jim, Hughes at Hobart College in Geneva comes a letter in which he asks that Houghtonians "keep praying and write often". He tells a little of the schedule there:

"There are five of us here in Hobart—Bill Barker, Mel Wellen, Lloyd Wheeler, Ken Crosser, and yours truly—quite a motley crew, wouldn't you say? They sure keep us stepping up here. I'm taking Physics, Political Science, Far Eastern History, Dramatic Production, Naval Organization, drill, swimming and Physical Education."

Lauren Robison in Vermont writes: "I'm enjoying my flight training although I've only been up 13 hours and 15 minutes. In a couple of more hours I'll have stalls and spins."

Russ Clark, sends the following from Nashville: "I'm acting chaplain's assistant. Yesterday I sang three solos and led singing in two other meetings. Two boys were saved in interviews which I helped arrange with the chaplains, and two others were reclaimed last night after the meeting. There is a Presbyterian and a Baptist chaplain who

are fundamental and evangelistic and it's a real joy to work with them."

"Hairy" Paul Morehouse, recently transferred to Buckley Field, Colorado reports:

"We are here only temporarily. Some-time this week we will move on to Fort Logan a few miles the other side of Denver. We're supposed to be there for about seven and a half weeks for clerical training. You see, I'm going to be a "hairy" clerk in ordnance (it sez here). I've learned not to count too much on what they tell us we'll be some day, though. Theoretically we're supposed to be in Fort Logan today. All plans were made accordingly, but some cog in this ingenious machine changed his mind so we spend some more days here. We arrived last Wednesday. Until we leave we'll be doing "special detail work" which consists of digging up fields cutting down trees, and other various jobs of manual labor which you and I used to think the C.C.C. did.

"An interesting occurrence took place yesterday. There are approximately five hundred thirty of us there who were supposed to be doing this special detail work. However they had no record of our names and beds, etc. so in the morning when the fellows got up they ate and then tore off to the Service Men's Club for the day. The fellow that makes out the assignments really took a beating from the officers, for after scouring every barracks, latrine and day room in our squadron area for men he only found about 125 out of 530. They say the G. I. theater was crowded yesterday, and I know that the club was for I was in the library all day myself. Last night you can bet they made a roster of all the men in each barracks. So ends the days of "goofing off".

"This afternoon I spent quite a bit of time in the Protestant chapel playing the piano and having devotions. It was wonderful to be in a quiet place again where there was a sacred spirit. I've always tried to pray every night, but since I've been in the barracks it has been so noisy that I couldn't even think. Honestly, I've never been in such a noisy bunch before. Well, I won't let a little thing like that bother me."

A card received from Pfc. Francis Gardner informs us that he has been transferred from Denver to Laredo, Texas, on the Rio Grande, down Mexico way, where he's attending school ten hours a day.

Medical Students . . .

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uates, now in armed forces, are applying for medical training under the new plans formulated by the government for service men.

The authorities are investigating a plan whereby Houghton may be accepted by the army training supervision program, and thus be used for training pre-professional men.