

STUDENTS RECEIVE CREDITS FOR COURSES IN APPLIED MUSIC

At a faculty meeting last week a new system was adopted that will give liberal arts students credit for applied music courses.

The credits will be given on the following basis: one hour a semester for introductory courses requiring a half hour lesson and six hours of practice a week, and two hours a semester for the same amount of time in all courses above the introductory level. At the end of the semester every student must take an examination before a committee of the music faculty, which shall determine the final grade according to the quality of work covered.

If the credit is to count toward graduation requirements, every semester hour of applied music must be balanced by an hour of credit in other music course, such as theory or history of music. The new system will go into effect next semester, but veterans may earn such credits this semester. Later in the year the faculty expects to announce the requirements for a major in music toward a B.A. degree.

The music department will be re-examined this fall by Dr. Quincy Porter of the Yale school of music to see whether it is ready for full membership in the National Association for Schools of Music. At present it holds only an associate membership in the N.A.S.M.

Another innovation in the music department is the arrangement for public recitals to be given on Friday evenings. The recitals will be formal and will present the best students in the department. The first is scheduled for October 31st.

About 28 persons from the college and town have purchased season tickets to a series of ten concerts in Buffalo. October 28th a bus will leave for the first concert, featuring Fritz Kreisler.

Tele-Sports

Short sheet this week.

Football series ends in three way tie; Jens, sophs and frosh.

Jens did the impossible; the sophs were knocked off their high perch.

Mel Lewellen sweeps through men's tennis tournament; Lewellen, Walker, Morgan make Varsity.

Janice Burr takes women's tennis laurels.

Frosh gals have the 'big' hockey team.

Basketball practice starts the 27th.

Hope the frosh put as much in the spirit of cheers as they have in the finance of same.

What's up about the town team? Next week's STAR.

Wouldn't several college pennants hung in the Pantry give it a collegiate look?

First things first; then give sports a lift.

That's all on the ticker tape for this week... Stop.

Boulder Announces Annual Contest

The Boulder staff announced this week that the annual photograph contest begins Monday, October 20, and will continue until Monday, November 3.

Hoping for contributions of unique snapshots, Elmer Sanvill, Boulder editor, stated that the contest is open to all photographers in the student body.

Awards will be conferred for the three best pictures. First prize winner will be given a 1948 Boulder. The second and third place winners will receive their Boulders at approximately two thirds cost.

All pictures, said Mr. Sanvill, should be of general interest. Since they will be used in the year book they should portray various phases of school life and include candid shots of school activities.

Lauren A. King Speaks In Rochester Rally

Dr. Lauren A. King, dean of the College, will be the speaker at the Rochester Youth for Christ Rally this Saturday evening, October 17, at 8:00 p.m.

The rally, which is directed by John DeBrine '47, is held weekly in the West Avenue Methodist church. The sophomore quartet, composed of George Johnson, Don Flint, Paul Nast, and Keith MacPherson, recently joined the regular staff of the organization. The quartet's accompanist, Mack Wickford, is also regular pianist for the rally.

President And Dean Attend Convocation

Dr. Paine, president, and Dr. King, dean, will represent Houghton college at the annual Convocation of the University of the State of New York Friday evening, October 17, at Albany.

The address of the evening will be given by Dr. James Bryant Conant, President of Harvard university. An honorary degree will also be conferred upon Francis T. Spaulding, Commissioner of Education.

DEAN BECK REPORTS ETIQUETTE SCORES

Do you want to know how you rated in the Etiquette quiz given in chapel a few weeks ago? Dean Beck announces that the results of the exam will be posted on the bulletin board in the Arcade this week, and papers will be returned through the mail boxes as soon as final grades are marked.

The highest grade is 96%. With the exception of the senior class, every class had one 96 and among those who did not give their classification there was also one 96. Watch for a STAR article by Miss Beck concerning the questions most often answered incorrectly and those most often answered correctly as shown by the test papers.

COLLEGE PREPARES FOR ANNUAL MISSIONARY DAY

Next Tuesday, October 21, will be the Annual Missionary Day Chapel. Classes will be on special schedule and there will be a long chapel. Guest speaker will be T. Norton Sterrett, Th. D., returned missionary from India and present missionary secretary of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship. Mr. Sterrett is an alumnus of Wheaton College and Dallas Theological Seminary.

Houghton College has for a considerable number of years paid the salaries of two missionaries on the foreign field. During the recent years these have been Miss Ione Driscoll, serving in Sierra Leone, West Africa, a former Dean of Women at Houghton College, and an alumnus of the year 1927.

The other missionary supported by the school has been Mrs. Hazel Rogers Banker, who attended Houghton College from 1919 to 1922 and from 1946 to 1947. She spent several terms on the mission field in India. She and her husband returned to graduate from the college last June, after spending their furlough in school here. The Bankers are unable to return to India at this time and have accepted a pas-

torate in Hudsonville, Michigan. Consequently, it will be necessary for some other missionary to be selected as our school missionary in the place of Mrs. Banker.

For some time there has been a feeling that the students and faculty should be able to support more than two missionaries on the foreign field. This year, we would like if at all possible, to raise enough money to support a third missionary. The salary paid to our two college missionaries during the last couple of years has been \$750 per year. This means an obligation to the college community of \$1,500 per year. If we can raise this to \$2,300 it is possible that we can take on an additional missionary at this time. The actual missionaries would be selected by a committee representative of students and faculty.

Thus far the missionaries supported have been those in the employ of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America. At its meeting yesterday (Wed., Oct. 15) the faculty expressed itself as feeling that in view of the fact that some of our students are going out under independent boards and that some of our students are not members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, provision should be made that on occasion missionaries may be supported by our school who are not under the employ of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, but instead are employed by some other really evangelical mission. It was felt that in view of the fact that Houghton College is a Wesleyan Methodist school, the majority of its missionaries should be those in the employ of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Hence, it was voted by the faculty that at least two-thirds of the missionaries supported or approximately so, provided the number would be an odd number, shall be in the employ of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

This would mean that this year we would need to select someone to take the place of Mrs. Banker and in addition may select one representative under some other mission, probably a faith board.

A re-organization of the students' missionary effort will undoubtedly have to be made either this year or next in view of the fact that the Senior Y.M.W.B. has been discontinued by the Wesleyan Methodist Church, its activities being taken over by the W.Y.P.S. Included in the re-organization there will be some definite statement of the policy regarding the support of missionaries which will probably follow the lines indicated by the policy adopted by the faculty. The students will probably be given a chance to turn in nominations as to the new school missionaries as the time for their selection approaches. These selections will undoubtedly be made from the ranks of Houghton Alumni and former students, either now serving or about to serve on the foreign field.

PROFESSOR FINNEY PERFORMS RECITAL

Prof. Charles H. Finney of the music department gave the dedicatory recital of the Rushford Baptist Church's new pipe organ. Professor Finney, in the capacity of organ-architect, had much to do with the installation of the organ.

Professor Finney also gave a recital at the Fillmore Methodist Church on Sunday evening. Professor Butterworth, accompanied by Professor Cronk, presented several vocal numbers.

The next concert by Professor Finney will be given at the First Free Methodist church in Rochester on Sunday, October 26.

Introducing . . .

Prof. Hall

When asked what his ultimate aim for his classes was this year, Prof Hall replied, "To have every student, capable of giving a reason for the hope that is in him."

Professor Bert Hall is a recent addition to the theology department of the college. Another loyal Houghtonian, he graduated with his A.B. from here in 1943. His B.D. was granted him in 1946 from Northern Baptist Seminary, Chicago, Illinois. He has been teaching at Olive Branch Mission Training School.

"Houghton is quite different from Northern Baptist," said Professor Hall, "in that the student receives a more cultural background due to the social atmosphere prevalent."

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Time On Your Hands?

Have you ever wondered how old you would be if all the minutes and hours that you have wasted could be subtracted from your present age? Although an impractical suggestion, still it is something to be considered, for most of us would be quite surprised to discover our new ages if they were to be computed on such a basis. We waste time in idle, useless conversations; in daydreaming about what might be instead of working determinedly on what is; in worrying about the mistakes or misdeeds of the past, the problems of the present, or the possible difficulties of the future; in feeling sorry for ourselves, nursing our grudges or our feelings of inferiority; in bragging about ourselves. Much time is lost in arguing over doctrine or other controversial issues. People's convictions are seldom changed by these arguments, but their spiritual condition is often weakened, and their time always lost.

There's the time wasted in idle or frivolous amusements; in gossiping; in criticizing the rules, the faculty, and fellow students; in complaining about the food, the STAR, the way services are conducted, and just everything in general here in college. There's the time wasted in procrastinating. Certainly no one objects to friendship or good times or friendly conversation, but one of the marks of an educated person is the ability to discriminate the cheap from the true and lasting.

More tragic, however, than the things we waste time on, are the things we might have done with that time—and didn't. Notice the grade point our folks might have been proud of (for it is a known fact that one of the secrets of success in college is well-managed time). Remember the club or choir or publication we wanted to join, but said we just didn't have the time to belong. Houghton's extra-curricular life loses some of its best talent, benefit, and almost its very life in this fashion.

Recall that discouraged looking person we meant to speak to, but didn't for lack of time. Two of the questions asked on the Bell Adjustment Test were: "Are you often lonely, even when you are with people?" and "Do you sometimes envy other people the happiness they seem to enjoy?" We don't realize how many students at Houghton could answer "yes" to those queries. Many right in our midst are hungry for friendship. They could be helped if we only thought we had the time to do it. Many who are hungry for Christ cannot find Him because they have not been shown that Christians care—Christians have not shown Christ's love to them.

In the spiritual realm this unconscious loss of our precious time is still more insidious, for there is that missionary or prayer meeting we meant to attend, but couldn't spare the time for; that person we thought of speaking to about his soul; that testimony we meant to give; that hour we meant to spend in prayer for the revival; that time we wanted to use for reading our Bible. Is it not possible, Christians, that this may be one of the reasons why the Church today has few revivals and little power? We are sparing with our money, but how extravagant we are with our small allotment of time. Let us from now on, and especially during the revival meetings, determine not to let the sands of time trickle unnoticed through our fingers; so that we may not at the end of our college years, at the end of this year, or at the end of the meetings be like the small child, who, having picked up a fistfull of sand, stands tearfully looking at his empty outstretched fingers wondering where the sand has gone. If we are, how bitter will be the regrets.

M. H. K.

The ancient writer said, "The word of God is . . . a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." From a series of familiar verses of that Word, Rev. George E. Failing has ministered to us in humility and clarity as evangelist during these fall meetings. The searching seed-thoughts of his sermons have been applied by the Holy Spirit to our lives and have brought forth fruit. We may profitably ponder some of these primary ideas to build them into our spiritual foundations this year.

The joy, the contagion of a walk with Christ has been pictured in the personality of Mr. Failing and as a recurring theme in his thinking. "Why can't we be vivaciously religious?" Happy phrase, that, and a provocative question with which to introduce a series of revival meetings in Houghton. Continuing in the same trend, the Sunday morning meditation upon the work of the Holy Spirit in our emotional life relationship with Christ. Isn't this an area for thorough probing in our profession of piety? Often our prayer and punctilious avoidance of the appearance of evil carry an air of superior solemnity and sanctity, a critical attitude toward others, at best a flat, negative sort of conformity. How different the joy produced by a real reviving in our own spirits, the enviable exuberance that like Andrew is a bringer to Christ. A few cases of contagious Christianity on campus could produce an epidemic this week through the operation of God upon our drab, hollow smugness. Innoculations with the virus are readily available.

Reaching down into the bottom drawer underneath our emotional experience, Mr. Failing has been resurrecting another matter too often packed permanently into some dark corner, the matter of a consistent walk with Christ. That first chapel message hit the heart of the problem with its exhortation to put a priority on the things of God, to keep God first. A clear development of this idea was contained in a description of the Palm Sunday colt as an untrained animal "whereon never man sat." Is

Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor,

Does anyone else feel the way I do about Houghton College? I love the place. Not alone because of the Christian atmosphere but also because it is my school. This is the school I'm going to look back on some day and say, "That's my Alma Mater. Why, when I was there we did this . . ." But most of us aren't doing a thing. We're leaving everything that's to be done to John Q. Wheel. Not that John isn't doing a good job. He's done excellently everything he's tried, but some 761 other students here are also capable of doing things excellently. So why don't we all kick in together and see if we can have some real school spirit and make Houghton College, our ultimate Alma Mater, 761 times as good a place.

Christ the author of discipline in our lives in His role as Master, or have we been keeping that segment of our personalities tied in some far-off alley? On a college campus a mind, a time schedule, a temper, a whole personality mobilized under His mastery could be a salient force. Our evangelist pointed out in that lucid exposition of Jesus' reference to the mysterious wind in John 3:8 that there ought to be some evidences to our fellows of the indescribable experience within. Then in a related vein, the whole situation was brought home by a sermon on forgiveness of one another, the measure of God's Spirit waits to discipline our lives these days to a convincing consistency that will convince those who have long stood back questioning our hollow professions.

To bring Christian radiance and consistency together, there has been a persistent emphasis upon a complete, unified life in God. With penetrating analysis, Mr. Failing thought out with us the Holy Spirit's ministry as the Spirit of truth, the indispensable guide for our minds if we would know the truth. Religion for many of us has been laid aside when we pick up a book or start to write an essay for freshman composition. Not that the style of a Sunday School paper ought to be our manner of thinking and writing, but without the foundation of God to shape our direction of building, whatever we construct is bound to fall to pieces. Continuing this extension of our experience to a unifying force, the evangelist challengingly described the common will that is ours by making God's will our will. Mind, will and then our self brought into oneness in God—may this be our experience during these special services.

The Narrow Way

BY DAVE KASER

The other night an angel came to me
in a dream,
A vision while I slept.
And showed me how to return to the
Narrow Way,
From which I'd crept.
My dream was of a dark and stormy
night
And falling snow.
I was lost in darkness, and couldn't
decide
Which way to go.
Then the angel came and, seeing I was
lost,
Made it day,
And I could see peace and warmth and
friends
And the Narrow Way.

BUNDLE FOR BRITAIN

Miss Beck received word that Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ditchfield, 23 Newton Road, Bitterne Park, Southampton, England, are the proud parents of a daughter, Lizbeth Ann, born September 27. This will be of special interest to upper classmen who knew Mrs. Ditchfield when she was on Houghton campus.