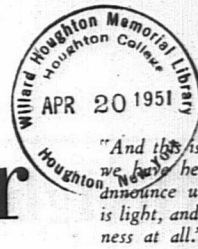


"Now faith is assurance of things hoped for, a conviction of things not seen."
—Hebrews 11:1

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Science Department Holds Draft Bulletin To Be Issued

No, "Homo Exceptionalis" did not round Cape Horn and suffer becalmed seas with the Ancient Mariner. He just sat up until 4:22 a.m. poring over huge tomes on anatomy and vertebrate zoology. The result—spectre ship ribs and a cadaverous yawn.

This skeleton sprawled in a chair in Dr. Moreland's stock room constituted the "midway attraction" of last Friday night's "Science Fair." The rest of the Science Open House was an evening's course in general education, for it opened new worlds of knowledge and interest of such scientific ignoramus as, for instance, English and music majors.

In the zoology laboratory, tables were arranged in the center of the room so that all exhibits could be seen by walking around the tables. Ken Decker set up the ornithology display consisting of bills and their uses, causes of color of some common birds, and an electric bird chart. In the embryology section Ed Presley and Dick Topazian prepared chick embryos showing the heart beat. Entomology—common insects and unusual tropical insects—was under the supervision of Forrest Crocker. Paul Dekker was responsible for the parasitology display while Frank Young recorded changes in respiration during reading. Larry Richards demonstrated the muscle reaction in frog muscle. A display of 15th, 17th and 18th century microscopes completed the tour. For refreshment, one was offered an animal cracker at the door which sustained you until you reached the botany laboratory and the physics laboratory, all on the same floor.

HAWAIIAN FLOWERS

The botany department displayed fungi collected by Ted Hazlett and Robert Barnett, herbarium specimens and cones from evergreens, especially cone of Jeffrey pine sent from California to the college by Franklin Babbitt. Hawaiian flowers, and flowers in jars were specimens from red maple, elm, spice bush, dogwood, poplar, and hazelnut trees.

SINGING SHINGLE

The physics department was determined to confuse everyone by means of a rotor and rotational inertia before they entered the precincts of the laboratory. Once inside you could see and hear sound, oral, and sound, visible. Sound, oral, was present in "the shingle with a personality—it talks and sings." A cathode ray oscillograph showed green lines in vibration. The department produced a very popular machine which recorded the number of volts of electricity one could stand. Some of the men took as many as 115, while the girls averaged 50-70 volts. In the adjoining darkened room several stones of ordinary color, when placed under the black light, appeared in shades of red, pink, blue and green. A burned out fluorescent light magically became fully illuminated upon touch.

BUBBLE BARRAGE

As one entered the chemistry department's domain, he met a barrage of soap bubbles and was scared half to death by nitrogen tri-iodide which crackled and popped as it was stepped on. In the quantitative analysis group a person could get his name weighed, see the titration of a solution, and four little cups scorching in a temperature of 1000 degrees.

The general chemistry display consisted of a crystal exhibit and osazones to identify sugars under the microscope. Smoke rings were formed by phosphorous and sodium hydroxide. Phosphine burst into flame when it came into contact with air. Coils of chemicals, when combined, formed snakes.

Two visitors observing the Science Open House were Mr. Robert F. Jones, Instructor in Rural Engineering at New York State Agricultural and Technical Institute, Alfred University, and Mr. W. I. Lang of the Physics Department of the Liberal Arts College, also of Alfred.

May Day Asked

Bob Nuernberger, chairman of the May Day Program Committee, announced a proposed schedule for May Day which was submitted to the faculty on Wednesday, April 18, for their approval.

The committee presented the following proposals:

1. Students will take over the office of the president and the offices of the deans and teachers on Tuesday morning, May 8.

2. The afternoon will be free for planned activities under faculty and student supervision. To raise funds for the new dormitory, Max Nichols, Dr. Gillette and Dr. Lynip will conduct, respectively, a white elephant sale, a cake sale, and a box supper sale.

3. The evening entertainment will be under the direction of Prof. Gordon Stockin.

Student Body Meets-- Passes Amendments

Articles one and two of the proposed amendments to the student senate constitution were discussed and passed by a quorum of the student body, Monday, April 16.

The main controversy centered on Article one, which proposed inclusion of the WJSL station manager, president of the Athletic association, editor of the *Star*, and president of the WYPS into the student senate.

Claiming that these organizations represented a minority of student opinion, Dave Seeland introduced a counter-amendment which proposed that the four new members should be received in an advisory capacity only. After a lively discussion, Mr. Seeland's motion was defeated and Article one was passed.

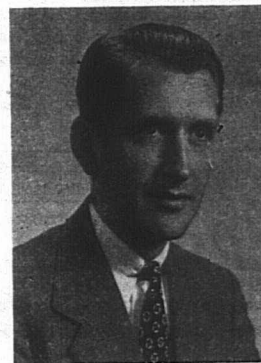
Article two was passed as proposed, but the only section of Article five which was discussed resulted in some debate over interpretation of the words, "two-thirds of the student body." Finally, it was decided to clarify the phrase as "two-thirds of the student body present at the meeting."

Norman Hostetter, president of the student senate, presided over the meeting which was fairly well attended.

A silent man is never misquoted.

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CHARLES H. FINNEY

Buffalo Critic Lauds Choir

The A Cappella Choir and Prof. Charles H. Finney's "Beatitudes" received high praise from Theodolinda C. Boris, music critic for the *Buffalo Evening News*.

"In mood, movement and contrast the work captures with unusual sensitivity the text's Biblical spirit," she continued, "Extremely well-trained, the choir gave a flexible and expressive performance of the work."

The choir sang in the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Buffalo, Saturday evening, St. Andrew's United Church in Niagara Falls, Canada, Sunday morning, The Evangelical Covenant Church in Buffalo, Sunday afternoon and at Churchill Tabernacle, Sunday evening.

Frosh Rewarded

Ambitious freshman journalists are beginning to be rewarded for their spring vacation efforts in their home towns, where they collected material for features to submit to their home town newspapers.

Jennie Piersons, Joyce Fischer, Arlene Kober and Carroll Smith have the proof of journalistic acceptance of their stories. Miss Pierson's column, "Latvian Minister and Wife Find America Truly 'Home of the Free'", was published in the *Rome Daily Sentinel*. "Holland Central's Shop Building to be dedicated April 10" was Miss Fischer's contribution to the *Holland Review*. Miss Kober's story, "Club Activities of Hatfield High School", appeared in the *Grad Gazette*, a newspaper published by the alumni of the school. "Watch Out for Billfolds which Appear Well Stuffed on April 1", Mr. Smith warned his fellow townsmen through the medium of the *Bangor Daily News*.

Other members of the freshman journalism class have assignments from their editors which they have not yet written.

Dean Of Women Returns

Miss Elizabeth Beck, who has been on leave of absence to settle the estate of her mother, is expected back the end of this month to resume her duties as Dean of Women.

Miss Marion Bernhoft and Miss Betty Erhard, who have been serving as Acting Dean of Women and Head-resident of Gayaodeo Hall respectively, will resume their full-time jobs, Miss Bernhoft as Head-resident and Miss Erhard as voice instructor

There was an old spinning wheel in the corner of the college dining hall Monday evening. Yellow daffodils nodded gaily from the tables and colonial spirit filled the air. The occasion was the Mother-Daughter Banquet of the Anna Houghton Daughters.

The "Daughters" and their daughters were attired in the most fashionable clothes they could find appropriate to the colonial setting. Rustling skirts, fringed shawls, and frilly sunbonnets were the proper things to wear.

A point of interest of the evening was the unusual combinations of mother and daughter's. Any "mother" who had no daughter of her own, borrowed one for the occasion from another member who had a surplus, or adopted a daughter from among the ranks of the student body.

Mrs. George Failing was accompanied by her three "daughters." Her husband was not at home and she could find no one to care for her young son. Undaunted, she attired him in a dress, combed his hair forward to resemble bangs and crowned him with a sunbonnet. Presto! a third daughter.

Toastmistress for the banquet was Miss Ruth Cowles. Miss Betty Erhard sang *Shortnin' Bread* and *My Old Kentucky Home*. Mrs. Lynn Barker recited *Old Mother Hubbard* while Miss Helen Hubbard and Mrs. Marven Nelson enacted a somewhat revised version of it.

Miss Marion Bernhoft and Miss Esther Grody presented a huge chalk drawing with holes in appropriate places, of a corn field and potato patch with Luckey Memorial in the background. Several of the children put their heads through the lower holes and filled in the "taters." Mrs. Gordon Stockin, Mrs. George Failing and Mrs. Stephen Paine gave faces to the corn and Mrs. S. I. McMillen beamed benevolently as the moon over Luckey. The group joined in the singing of *Carry Me Back to Old Virginia*.

Mrs. Failing and her daughters sang *Auld Lang Syne* and special tribute was made between verses to Mrs. Hannah Tarrell, the oldest member of the organization.

A few devotional songs and the reading of the Word concluded the program of the meeting.

Paine Visits U. of B.

President Stephen W. Paine spoke at the morning service of the Ellicott Wesleyan Methodist Church, Orchard Park, on Sunday, April 15. Paul Markell, a Houghton alumnus, is pastor.

In the afternoon, Dr. Paine was guest speaker at the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, held in Norton Hall of the University of Buffalo. President Paine spoke on "Finding a Philosophy of Life."

Present at the fellowship were students from the Buffalo Bible Institute, University of Buffalo, Christian Nurses Association, and Buffalo State Teachers College.

On Friday, April 20, Dr. Paine attended a meeting of presidents and deans of New York State liberal arts colleges. The meeting was held in the Hotel Onondaga, Syracuse, New York.

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The Hymnbook Problem

Now that the "Rec Hall" problem has provided a precedent for future student-administration agreement, another "must" rears its head. We must have more hymn books in the college chapel.

Two years ago, 300 hymn books were available for student use. Today there are 151 distributed among 663 seats, or approximately one book for every four students. Let's break down these statistics. In the main auditorium the upper classmen have 130 books for 392 seats, or one book for every three students. But for the 271 seats in the balcony, platform, and back rooms, where freshmen and faculty sit, there are only 21 books, or one book for every thirteen persons. There are no books at all for 130 freshmen seated in the two back rooms.

50 pct Reduction

The factors contributing to the 50% depletion in the total number of books during the last two years are: (1) Normal wear. Hymn books, like text books, wear out with continued use and must be replaced. During the past five years the administration has been replacing worn books at the rate of 50 per year. (2) Student carelessness. Many students take chapel books to their rooms, the music building, and even out of town. For instance, there are now ten books in the WJSL studio which bear the injunction, "Do not remove from the chapel."

This embarrassing absence of hymnals has detracted from the effectiveness of chapel services and has aided in student dissatisfaction. When one-half of the student body cannot participate in singing the Lord's praises because no books are available, an intangible feeling of frustration develops. This "frustration" eventually manifests itself in an uncooperative attitude toward the college administration for the students feel that the administration is to blame for their predicament.

Administration Handicapped

The administration has already ordered 50 hymnals, different from the hymnals now used, with the hope of completely restocking the chapel with new books. However, with these 50 books, the college must cease its order for lack of funds. At present, Houghton is \$22,000 in arrears of current expenses. Therefore, although the administration would be willing to furnish the needed books if the funds were available, its hands are tied.

Our goal, 350 books, or one for every two students, means the purchase of 300 additional hymnals at \$1.15 per book, an expense of \$345 dollars. Because new books are needed, the college is willing to sell the entire supply of old books, individually, or *en toto*, at sixty cents per book, to any interested church, student, or organization. The money received would be used to order more new books. Students are requested to search their rooms and return all chapel books in their possession to the auditorium.

Book Fund Proposed

However, this would fall far short of the entire need. Therefore, the *Freshman Star* proposes that a "Chapel Book Fund" be inaugurated under the following principle:

Any student, faculty member, alumnus, class, club, or church organization contributing \$1.15 for the purchase of a chapel hymnal will have his or its name written on the inside cover of the book, together with the words, "This hymnal is presented to the students of Houghton College by . . ." Thus, every contributor would see the direct result of his gift.

This editorial has been designed to awaken the students and administration to the present need and to invoke their aid in making possible its speedy solution. The *Freshman Star* asks for the co-operation of the Student Senate in presenting its case to the student body. If our plan is given full cooperation, we feel sure that next semester will bring with it an adequate distribution of new hymnals in the chapel.



LT. JAMES C. WHITTAKER

Not According To Custom

BY NANCY MACOMBER

Since September I've interviewed people of various sizes and shapes, occupations, and nationalities. Most interviews followed a certain pattern and were more or less exciting to do (a little less than more with one or two exceptions), and I expected that this one would be the same. Well, I was in for a surprise when I tried to interview Lieut. James C. Whittaker, author of "We Thought We Heard the Angels Sing."

I had my strategy all planned. I would spirit him away after the lecture to the faculty lounge where, away from the questions asked by curious folks who inevitably crowd around a visiting "bigwig," I would begin my bombardment. "What are your hobbies? Do you have a family? Did you get sunburned on the raft? What are you going to do now?" I had so many questions to fire at him and I figured that it shouldn't be hard to get him started talking, but unfortunately it didn't work out that way. In fact, it didn't work out the way I planned at all.

Instead the Lieutenant sold his books at the close of his talk. Have you ever tried to interview someone while he was collecting money? You must try sometime. It's an experience! With pencil and paper in hand I took my post alongside Whit, as he was called in the service, and between sales I asked a question. Then every other sale he answered. This is the way it went.

Whit: I suppose you want to know where I'm from, huh? Maine—the main part of Missouri, that is. . . . Thank you, sir. Yes, the autograph is in it. I did it before I came because I knew I'd be too busy.

Me: Where did you go to school?

Whit: Oh, one of those rich folks, huh? A five-dollar bill. Here's your change. Thank you. . . . I went up to the second week of sixth grade. That was my formal education. I didn't even have anyone to give me an honorary degree.

Me: Any hobbies?

Whit: Sleeping and eating. . . . That's the way folks put money in the offering plate in church, all folded up that way. Then no one knows how much you put in. Thank you, ma'am.

Me: Where do you go from here?

Whit: Buffalo, Michigan and San Diego, where we're going to retire in peace.

Me: Who's we?

Whit: Huh? Oh, my brother, my Henry I., my Hudson, and myself. . . . If you people don't stop buying these things, I'll have to make a trip down to my car and unload it for some more books.

Me: What are you going to do on your retirement?

Whit: I'm not going to say "Good morning" to anyone for six weeks. So there! . . . There goes the last

The Joy of Jesus

Someone once said that a sense of humor is an essential requisite for a successful Christian life. When one can laugh at himself as well as at others, he must have a "double-action sense of humor." Although this may not be the most important characteristic of a Christian, how unfortunate is the person who cannot laugh or bear the brunt of a joke.

Africans, we are told, under ordinary circumstances are one embodied chuckle; and their humor can be easily provoked. Once while preaching, the late Dr. Andrew Stirrett tried to press home the uncertainties of secular life with the story of a bank teller who became locked in the vaults of his bank.

While confined, the teller had more money under his hands than he could ever hope to earn himself, yet he couldn't spend it, nor pay anyone to get him out.

With the unfolding of the teller's plight, the natives' smiles grew wider and wider until the vivid scene of a man having money and not able to use it became too much for them. The church rocked with gales of infectious laughter, the Doctor laughing as loud as the rest.

Surely this is illustrative of a "double-action" sense of humor. Working together compatibly requires the same sense of humor in the United States as in the darkness of Africa. Not a self-abandonment, but a consecrated and holy sense of humor, made possible by the joy of the Lord in one's heart. For even when days are weary and the road seems impassable we can find our joy in serving the Lord!

The Christian, more than any other person on earth should have a sense of humor and effervescent joy surpassed by none. Have you been delivered from worry and anxiety, discouragement and despondency, irritation and discontent, and jealousy and impurity of thought? If you have then you should have the smile like that of a ten-year old boy when he sees a piece of ice-cold watermelon!

There is nothing that warms my heart more than a Christian's laugh and his ever-present smile. Why should we be discouraged? Is there any reason for a long face or forlorn countenance? Our burdens have been lifted and our sorrows are shared by One who loved us enough to die for us. Do we need an added incentive to smile?

Ours is a glorious gospel, one of love and peace. The songwriter tells us to go and tell the joy of Jesus.

Go and tell the joy of Jesus!

Tell it out where e'er you go;

Sing, oh sing of His redemption,

Banish sorrow, pain and woe!

Go and tell the joy of Jesus!

Let the whole, wide world behold,

In your life the wondrous vision,

Of a joy and peace untold.

We have a joy unspeakable! Our Saviour is the Lily of the Valley, the Rose of Sharon, the One Altogether lovely. These are not sad expressions but joyful ones. Our Saviour satisfies!

Yes, the dark-skinned African may be an outcast of the so-called civilized society, but the boundless joy within their Christian hearts and very souls sets a challenge before the Christians of today!

—Thomas Harris

book and I'll have to go down to my car, folks.

He started away and then remembered me. Turning back he called, "Got everything you want?" I said "Not quite, but it's all right, I guess." He kindly replied, "You can say anything about me you want to. I won't sue. So long, Sis!" and away he went. I followed more slowly, thinking, "Now what can I write for this not-according-to-custom interview?"

—HC—

Thank To . . .

Miss Josephine Rickard for her splendid cooperation in lessening the assignments of her journalism class so that the students could spend more time on this paper; the Print Shop boys for their enthusiastic help to us who are inexperienced in the publishing of a newspaper;

Steve Castor, who provided moral support by poking his head into the Star office, asking, "How're you making out?" —Editor and Staff

Obituaries

"Now let's see. How shall I start? And what shall I be? When shall I cross the bar?"

Such were the thoughts which flashed across the minds of the freshmen in journalism class when they were assigned to write their own obituaries.

Naturally, the assignment had various effects on the students. Some got the "creepy" feeling and wrote their death notices in the past tense. Others were quite realistic in their imaginations of the future. And there were the hyper-imaginative ones. But see for yourselves what the results of the assignment were.

Carroll Smith died in retirement at the age of 74. He had been a professor of history at Bowdoin College and was survived by two sons and two daughters.

Dr. George Bagley, retired neurologist, and Professor of Neurology and Neuro-Histology at the college of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia university from 1987-1997, died in the Mitchell Convalescent home. He was 78 years old. Dr. Bagley was survived by a sister and brother. What, no wife, George?

George Neu became a high school teacher, a coach, and finally principal of the high school. When he died he was the oldest alumnus of Houghton college. More power to you, George!

Anne O'Hanlon died in Springfield, Ohio, from poisoning by a rattlesnake escaped from the George Brothers' circus which was appearing in Springfield. Miss O'Hanlon had taught school for sixty years in Nome, Alaska. What an imagination!

Dian B. Frew, teacher of fourth grade in Greenlawn public school, died yesterday in Huntington hospital of an acute case of pneumonia. She was 29 years old. Is this why George had no wife?

An 110-year old World War III veteran and 20th century novelist was Peter Steese. What optimism, Pete, to think that you'd live through World War III!

Lieutenant Commander Anthony DiGiuseppe, administrative officer of the medical division of the Navy Military Sea Transportation Service, died of a heart attack today in his office. His age was 51. Lieut. Commander DiGiuseppe was survived by his wife (atta boy, Tony), mother, and brother

Out of the group there was one minister, Tom Harris, who for more than 50 years was pastor of the First Baptist church of Buffalo. He was also an evangelist and contributed to *Christian Life* and *Youth for Christ* magazines. A profitable future, Tom.

And now the last—Miss Joyce E. Fischer, celebrated steeple jack, died as the result of a heart attack while painting the television antenna on her mansion. Her age was 101. She always was the athletic type.

The visions of God are seen only through the lens of a pure heart.

The Querist

BY GERTRUDE LOMAS

Last Saturday morning at the unearthly hour of seven a.m., I was rudely awakened by the ringing of my alarm clock. It was time to get up if I expected to make my eight o'clock class on time. But what a temptation that bed seemed, especially after staying up late the night before—till eleven o'clock, that is—to be with a certain someone. I lay in bed with my eyes closed, trying to answer the main question of the minute, "Shall I get up and go to class or shall I just lie here in bed awhile and catch up on my needed sleep? Why do we have to go to class on Saturday, anyway?" I pondered.

Unable to decide whether to get up or not, I thought I would find out what some other students would do in my case. I asked several other Houghtonians, "Would you prefer a heavier class schedule during the week with no classes on Saturday in preference to the present schedule?" Of those questioned, sixty-two per cent favored the change, thirty-one per cent were opposed, and seven per cent were indifferent.

Here are some of the reasons given:

Don Peterson, '53—"No, I can't get my work done for class now."

Ed. Brown, '51—"Yes, it gives you a long weekend."

Millie Bedient, '54—"Yes, so I can go home Saturday; and if I'm not going home, so I can sleep."

Carolyn Makey, '54—"No, it would mean going to class in the afternoon."

Flo Pulver, '53—"Yes, it gives you some time to get your work done."

John Rommel, '51—"No, the schedule is heavy enough now without crowding it into five days."

Lou Knowlton, '54—"No, I'm busy enough now."

Ellen Schneider, '54—"Yes, you would have the same amount of work."

Ray Strausser, '54—"Yes, I could work on Saturdays."

Rea Elwell, '53—"No, there's nothing to do then."

Bruce Waltke, '52—"Yes, so I can make out all day Saturday."

Then taking my Christian liberty, I went a little farther and questioned some of our faculty. Here again the majority—sixty per cent—favored the abandonment of Saturday classes while forty per cent were opposed.

Mrs. Moon—"Yes, some day of the week a teacher needs to lay abed."

Miss Pool—"No, the students wouldn't spend their time wisely."

Mr. Nelson—"No, it would mean more intense work during the week."

Mr. Williams—"Yes, it would balance your week better, and there would be no studying on Sunday as there is now."

Al Flewelling, '51, summed it up very nicely,

"If you had every Saturday off The whole semester through, What would you do with your free time? I know, and so do you."

Physics Club Is Now Officially Recognized

The Physics club is now recognized as an official club, according to the Registrar's Office. Next year this club will be listed in the *Info*, President Roy Streib announced at the meeting on Wednesday, April 11.

There's nothing more cozy than a fire in the living room, if you have a fireplace.

On The Calendar

Saturday, April 21—
8:00 p.m., Chapel, College Band, and Radio Concert

Sunday, April 22—
3:00 p.m., Church, Church Choir Concert

Monday, April 23—
8:00 p.m., Church, A Cappella Choir and Oratorio Society Concert

Tuesday, April 24—
9:00 a.m., Chapel, Dr. Paine
7:30 p.m., Chapel, Student Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, April 25—
9:00 a.m., Chapel, Reverend Mr. Monroe, Missionary to India
6:45 p.m., S-24, F.M.F. Prayer Groups
7:30 p.m., Chapel, Senior Recital—Phyllis Park and Edward German
7:30 p.m., S-24, Mission Study
7:30 p.m., Music Auditorium, Expression Club
7:30 p.m., S-21, Science Club

Thursday, April 26—
9:00 a.m., Chapel, Niagara Falls, Canada, High School Choir
6:45 p.m., Class Prayer Meetings

Friday, April 27—
9:00 a.m., Chapel, Rev. William Gerhart
Frosh-Junior Party
Soph-Senior Party

Saturday, April 28—
7:30 p.m., Church, Church Choir Rehearsal



Dear Editor,

In a village such as Houghton, with a group of students such as ours, with a class of bright young hopefuls in journalism, and with a Publicity office fully staffed, it would seem that great and important current events of unusual interest should never go unrecorded in memory, but in spite of all this and more, the April first edition of the *Star* ran an unpaid advertisement relative to "Frank's Dairy." Thanks, Mr. Renne and Mr. Lederhouse. Also, the writer really appreciates the good intentions of the entire staff. There are many people on our campus who would be proud to have been even mentioned in such a classic paper, unstable as it was, but the facts are, Wright's one cow dairy went "the way of all the earth" nearly six weeks ago, leaving the said owner and proprietor of said dairy to live, no longer to enjoy the richness of Jersey cream, but to buy milk in a bottle and pay a water tax of \$25 per year just the same. There just ain't no justice nowhere.

Frank W. Wright

Teachers Do Relax

"Hen—ry!!! Henry Aldrich!!!"
"Coming, Mother."

Henry Aldrich is actually one of the favorite radio programs of Arthur Davis, professor of German in Houghton College.

In a recent survey of at least one professor in each division of study at Houghton, it was discovered that teachers, in general, do relax and listen to the radio once in a while.

"I consider radio a waste of time," Professor Stockin asserts, "but if I had time, I would listen to cowboy music."

Believe it or not, one of the favorite programs of Dr. Luckey, Professor of Math, is *Our Miss Brooks*.

Miss Rickard's choice? "Symphonies," she declares. "I love them. If I had time I'd listen to WQXR in New York City all the time." She likes opera also. Of course, being a journalist, she has her hour of news programs from 7-8 P.M. which are rarely missed.

Mrs. Lennox of the speech department puts opera atop her list of "best-liked" programs. Specific favorites other than music are *The Lutheran Hour* and *The Hour of Decision*.

Hey! Think Of All That You've Et

Have you ever realized that if you eat in the college dining hall, you help to consume 200 to 220 pounds of meat each evening meal? You do, though actually you eat only 1/460 to 1/480 of that amount.

Daily, the twelve members of the kitchen staff, headed by Miss Mildred Gillette, manager, Mr. Howard Eyer, buyer and butcher, Mr. Walter Wright, head cook, and Mr. Jackson Fleming, assistant cook, prepare in addition to the meat, three to four bushels of potatoes. To garnish these, they make twenty to twenty-five gallons of gravy, which require fifteen pounds of flour to thicken, and to complete the meal, twenty to thirty gallons of vegetables.

The beverage consumption varies greatly day to day, but the average amount per meal is twelve to eighteen gallons of coffee and about twenty gallons of milk, when no seconds are served.

Every time you butter a slice of bread, you enjoy part of the eight pounds of butter used each meal, and when you bite into a slice of pickle, you and the others served are getting from two to four gallons of them.

The baking crew, for breakfast, which is the smallest meal of the day both from the standpoint of quantity of food served and the number of people eating, prepares 600 rolls or muffins. When pie is on the menu, seventy-two nine inch pies are baked. If there is a cake on the agenda, only seven of them are made. Each, however, is large enough to be cut into eighty pieces!

Kitchen facilities include four electric, three steam, and two gas ovens. The "cook pots" include three kettles which are steam heated. The smallest of these holds forty gallons each and the largest one is a sixty-gallon container.

Such programs as *Ma Perkins*, *The Brighter Day*, *The Breakfast Club*, and *Light of the World* can be heard in scientist Wightman's household.

The most variety in choice of radio programs was displayed in the music department. Both Professors Woughter and Perison acclaim *The Beulah Show* one of their most enjoyed programs. Professor Noble likes all kinds of mysteries, such as *Mr and Mrs. North* and *Mr. District Attorney*.

The Hour of Decision and *Lowell Thomas* are the two programs which rated highest on the list of favorites.

Other programs nominated frequently were *The Railroad Hour* and *The Telephone Hour*.

Two Decades Ago

(The following article from the *Houghton Star*, September 25, 1931, is Prof. Frank H. Wright's advice to the Freshman class.)

First of all, write home at least once a week; especially keep in communication with your younger brothers and sisters because they idolize you. If it is hard to find things to write about, Prof. Wright says to follow his example of going to church each Sunday morning and taking notes on the sermon which will furnish good material for a letter home.

Next he says to conserve your money but don't be stingy. Opportunities to spend will be plentiful but use discretion; remember that twenty nickels make a dollar!

Then be proud of your green caps. Green denotes life and growth; imagine the yellow button to be gold which stands for character. You wear then the symbolism of life, strength, and character.

Prof. Wright also says that he is vitally interested in religion and piety and if anyone can teach him to live a better life, let him do so and then in fair exchange let the student not turn a deaf ear to him when he suggests better ways of living.

Engaged

MACDONALD—BECKER

Mrs. Hugo Graf, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Gladys Isabel MacDonald ('49), to Mr. Carl Becker Jr. ('47), son of Dr. and Mrs. Becker of Irumu, Belgian Congo.

The couple plan to be married either in June or July of this year.

At present Miss MacDonald is a member of the faculty of the Heywood Avenue school of Orange, New Jersey. While here in school, she served as advertising manager of the *Star*.

Mr. Becker is a senior at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and at the same time is working for his master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania. While a student here he was active in the Motet choir, the orchestra, the band, and inter-class debate.

Their plans call for missionary work in the Belgian Congo.

HOUSER—CALHOUN

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Houser of Knoxville, Tenn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Louretta Ann, to Stephen W. Calhoun, son of Mrs. S. W. Calhoun of Findlay, Ohio. The bride-to-be is attending the University of Tennessee. Mr. Calhoun is a junior at Houghton College.

AMES—SANFORD

Mr. and Mrs. H. Clare Ames, Lake Road, Appleton, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lucille M., to Mr. Richard Sanford son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Sanford Hillsdale, Michigan.

Perison To Study

Mr. Harry Perison, a music literature instructor, has been granted a leave of absence to continue his studies at the University of Rochester, Eastman School of Music.

Mr. Perison, his wife and child will reside in Rochester during the coming year.

Did you ever hear of the little pig who filled his pen with oink?

Daffynition: Yet—part of the female anatomy, as mentioned in a famous newspaper article, "The man shot a woman, and the bullet's in her yet." Huestis, take note!

Dow Robinson Re-elected

The Foreign Missions Fellowship re-elected Dow Robinson as president, named a slate of new officers, issued a call for funds, and announced plans for a missionary speaker.

In addition to Mr. Robinson, who has served a one-year term, the organization elected David Naglee as vice-president; Frank Horst, treasurer; Charlotte Holly, corresponding secretary; Helen Johns, filing secretary; and Donald Bailey, advertising manager.

The organization announced its need of financial help. One thousand dollars is needed to fulfill their present obligations and meet new ones, which include sending more missionaries to the foreign field, one of whom is Glenn Barnett.

At the April 25 meeting, Mr. Elwood LaRowe, secretary-treasurer of the India Mission will show movies. Plans have been made for next year's Missionary Conquest.

Following the regular meeting, the "Challenge of Missions" was presented to the members of the mission study of the FMF, by Dr. Josephine Rickard. Miss Rickard pointed out the urgency for missions.

Several members of the group delivered speeches on missions in Africa, South America, China, Japan, the American Leper's society, the Wycliffe Translators, Jewish work, and Europe. How the boards are run, methods of contact, and the type of work done in each field was discussed.

Kollege Katalog

(As It Should Read)

History and Location: Houghton Cottage was established in 1492, a short distance from Rochester and all points east. It is favorably located two miles beneath the waters of the Genesee river. The mountainous section of the campus, however, sometimes appears above the rushing torrent. Train connections with Houghton are excellent. The "Hodlebug" usually runs twice a year.

Purpose: The manufacture of matches is the avowed purpose of Houghton Cottages existence. Students usually enter singly but depart in pairs. Success has marked its every effort.

Advantages: The Cottage is prepared to provide any course that two or more students desire to elect, the teacher being chosen by the students, subject to the immediate dismissal for any interference with social activities. In this last feature Houghton stands as a pioneer in America. The system has resulted efficiently in reducing the amount of work done to a minimum.

Social Life: The students are given as much liberty as any group could wish. The events of a social nature take place on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights, ONLY. They are under as much supervision as it is possible for chaperones to give a sixty-room "frat house" or large hall.

Ho'ton Summer School Seeks More Students

The 1951 summer session of Houghton College announced that it expects about 125 students to attend the classes scheduled between June 5 and August 24.

Courses are offered in the fields of Bible, English, foreign languages, music, art, the sciences, mathematics, and Christian radio.

There is room for many more students in the summer session. If you are interested, please get in touch with the Registrar's office or Dr. Lynip immediately.



The Dugout

by JEF

Oh, my sunburn! My back aches! Oh, my arm!

No, this isn't the home for the aged and infirm. It's springtime in Houghton, and an epidemic of baseball fever is raging.

The victims of this common disease can be seen all over the campus. This malady affects mainly the male element on campus, but there are a few isolated cases reported from the dorm and a few other female centers.

Did you see Jennie Piersons out there brushing up on her pitching? She put every tenth one across. I heard that Jennie got a stiff neck from her practice. Could it be because a certain sophomore fellow was playing ball in the next field? We wondered why Jennie kept looking that way.

I heard Johnnie Wilson was planning to take out a patent on his new discovery. The holes in one's head make catching flies easier, but the other day I guess Johnnie miscalculated the position of the ball and it hit between the holes. After a couple restful minutes on the ground he continued his experiments.

Have you seen Wilbur Zike out there? The fever really has him. How could anyone have so much energy? "It's easy," says Wilbur. He collects it in the classroom.

Coach Wells said regular baseball practice would start as soon as the weather clears. It looks as if there won't be any practice unless someone goes to see the weatherman and orders a few days of sunshine for Houghton.

The snow we have seems to indicate that the weatherman has his seasons

mixed up. Somebody ought to set him right before the baseball teams buy skates. At least it's an idea.

To be really serious, however, I guess Purple has the edge on Gold for the baseball championship, but Purple won't win without a fight—yeh Gold!

In the realm of track and field Gold has a pretty good chance this year. You had better be careful, Purple. Those Gold girls have been practicing and they will give you some competition.

Bob Denny Predicts Top Track Season

A track program designed to train Houghton cindermen as a unit will be tried for the first time beginning this year, Bob Denny announced at a meeting for track and field candidates on Monday, April 16. This unit will be divided into smaller groups, with advice in each event coming from selected leaders.

All fields were well represented except for the hurdles and the mile, as 32 aspiring record breakers signed up. "The freshman class is well represented," Denny said. "Two or three old records promise to be broken."

Denny also revealed that class colors will be worn in the class meet, and added that Joe Wharton, who has had considerable coaching experience, will aid the trackmen.

Senior Mermen Win -- Bareiss Breaks Record

Led by Hank Cornell and Dick Bareiss, the seniors splashed to victory over the weaker juniors, sophs, and frosh by a wide margin in the annual inter-class swimming meet.

The senior tankmen garnered 44 points while the frosh, their closest competitor, scored 10 points.

The highlight of the meet was Dick Bareiss' record-breaking time of 1:09.3 in the 90 yard breast stroke race. Dick clipped two-tenths of a second off the old record. Ron Ulrich captured two first places for the frosh team.

Here are the results of the meet:
Free Style, 45 yards—G. Fandt, M. Trautman, D. Arbitter. Time—25.1

Free Style, 90 yards—R. Ulrich, G. Fandt, M. Trautman. Time—56.2.

Free Style, 210 yards—H. Cornell, L. Lawton, J. Chambers. Time—2:36.5.

Breast Stroke, 90 yards—R. Bareiss, E. Danks, R. Denny. Time—1:09.3

Back Stroke, 90 yards—R. Ulrich, R. Bareiss, D. Arbitter. Time—1:05.7

Individual Medley—H. Cornell, J. Chambers. Time—1:39.4

Three-man Medley, 135 yards—Cornell, Bareiss, Fandt. Time—1:24.1

Four-man Relay, 180 yards—Davis, Fitton, Trautman, Arbitter. Time—2:18.2

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"Can't you teach your young preachers to use good English? When they say *lay* for *lie*, *good* for *well*, *don't* for *doesn't*, *like* for *as*, and *us* for *we*, they can't give us a message."

With such perfervid words two auditors in nearby churches who have listened to a comparatively large number of Houghton student preachers, set upon a staff member in recent weeks.

Something is to be done about this situation before the end of the school year. The English qualifying examination will be given to all persons now classified as sophomores and to all who will be classified as juniors in either semester next year.

It is announced that this year's test will, as far as possible, determine habitual usage as well as knowledge of that usage and the reason for it. It is suggested that in order to become usage conscious, all should invite correction from friends.

Removed Posts Now Improve Landscape

Have you missed the posts—those once-white excrescences standing horizontal-vertical on the side of Houghton hill toward the creek?

Since they have been removed by the Highway Department, the appearance of the road is much improved.

Until David Kaser and others of the 1948-49 Student Council interviewed the County Department of Highways, those posts were the sole protection for careless motorists, or careful motorists on slippery roads. After the Council appeal, the new posts were set. (Only one of them has been knocked out.)

Fillmore Srs. See Capital

The senior class of Fillmore high school visited the nation's capital during the second week of April. Places of interest visited by the class were: Mount Vernon, Washington Monument, Smithsonian Institute, Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Library of Congress, Supreme Court, and the Washington Cathedral.

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Match Factory Breaks All Records -- Moon

Ninety-two in the Freshman Class—Match Factory Breaks All Records—The Freshmen Win the Tug-of-War—so read the headlines in the first issue of the *Star* for the school year of 1929-30. Among those ninety-two frosh was Mrs. Blanche Moon, then Miss Blanche Gage. At 17 she came to Houghton as a student, and at "2 times 17" she returned as a member of the faculty, to teach mathematics.

Mrs. Moon says things are different now from what they were when she was a student at Houghton. Then the girls had their mail delivered to Gaoyadeo Hall. (The fellows went to the post office for theirs.) Total expenses for four years at the college were estimated at \$1600. That sounds good, but Mrs. Moon thinks that students have better opportunities at Houghton today.

She remembers the old stand-bys on the menu—applesauce, soup for lunch, and "some sort of tomato rarebit on crackers" for Saturday noon.

One of her pet peeves as a student was the fact that the Dean of Women, from her vantage point in the choir, took attendance at the morning church service, which was then held in what is now the Recreation Hall. Also she well remembers the notes left by the Dean after her inspection of the girls' rooms.

Spring Is Here -- And Houghton Mud

The Summer sun beats on the hay,
The corn grows tall, and children play.

The cow sublimely chews her cud,
While I wade deep in Houghton mud.

The Fall is here. The leaves turn red
And tumble to the earthly bed.

Jack Frost nips flowers in the bud,
While I wade deep in Houghton mud.

The Winter wind blows cold and chill,
The snow drifts high against the hill,

And Ole Man Sun is just a dud,
While I wade deep in Houghton mud.

The snow departs, and Spring is here!
Proud song-birds chatter loud and clear.

The Genesee begins to flood,
While I wade deep in Houghton mud.

So sing, ye minstrels of the earth!
Let hearts rejoice at Nature's birth.
Let mankind cease from shedding blood,

For Spring is here! And Houghton mud.

—Bruce Bryant

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The match factory functioned in spite of, not because of, the association rules. Mrs. Moon recalls being reproved her very first day on campus for infringing these rules—she walked out of the dining room next to a fellow! She was carefully reminded by the Dean of Women that association, which included walking together, did not begin until 3:30 in the afternoon, and that it was limited. Walks with members of the opposite sex could be taken twice a week by frosh, three times by sophs, and as often as four times by the privileged juniors and seniors, provided that they did not exceed a mile and a half radius. Friday night curfew for dates was 9:30. Girls had to have lights out at 10:00 on week nights and at 9:30 Sundays.

In the 1932 *Boulder*, to which Mrs. Moon contributed generously, appeared a group of definitions which were considered to be appropriate. Football was defined as "a minus quantity," and the library was described as "a short-cut to the fourth floor." At the time it was located in what now constitutes the arcade, the *Boulder* office, the high school library and study hall and a high school class room.

In the year 1932 two faculty members held doctor's degrees and twelve held master's. Today there are thirteen with doctor's, and sixteen with master's.

Mrs. Moon believes that the most noticeable difference between the Houghton she attended, and the Houghton of today, is the difference in the spiritual tone of the student body. She feels that when she was a student those popular and active in student leadership were not the spiritual leaders of the class as much as they are today.

Comparing her class, that of '33, with the succeeding classes, Mrs. Moon says, "We weren't such bad material. I noticed that a recent *Star* used two of the cuts we had made for illustrations in our yearbook in 1932, and I can show you the page right where they are in the book." And she did too!

Torchbearers Elect

As a result of the Monday evening Torchbearers meeting, the following were elected: Herbert Mitchell, president; Clifford LaForge, vice president; Arthur Rupprecht, visitation secretary.

Edward Danks, treasurer; Ruth Fink, general secretary; Hubert Jicha, publicity manager; John Chambers, extension secretary; and Lorraine Hartzell, corresponding secretary.

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Volleyball Playoff Awards Given

In a close series of games the senior, sophomore, and freshman girls came out in a three-way tie for first place. The sophs took first place in the play-offs Monday afternoon by downing the frosh and then the seniors.

Once again the junior men emerged volleyball champions with the seniors capturing the runner-up position. The high school team did exceptionally well by defeating the frosh and sophs to take third place.

Both championship teams received metal charms, the last of their type to be awarded. In the future the winning teams will have their names inscribed on trophies which are on display in the book store window.

Ruth Brink Leads Juniors To Victory

Smashing the record for the 45 yard free-style, Ruth Brink led the junior girls to victory in the class swimming meet. The old record of 30.1 was topped by Ruth's 28.7, while freshman Lynn Erickson, swimming the 210 yard free-style, missed the record by 13 seconds.

Florence Pulver, sophomore, broke the old record for the 75 yard back-crawl with the time of 1:09.1. She was also first in the 75 yard breast-stroke in 1:24.1. The high school representative, Marilyn Swartz, was second in 1:28.1.

The winning juniors piled up 12 points, the frosh tallied 11, and the sophs were third with 10.

I am in Houghton again. My shop is open for tailor business.
J. M. Hoyer