

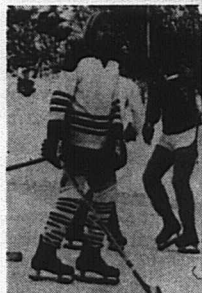
# The Houghton Star

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## Houghton's Winter Weekend Celebrates Currier And Ives



Winter Weekend will begin next Friday with Snow Sculpting and an Artist Series. The traditional Canadian-American hockey contest will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the college pond.

The weekend offers tired and frustrated students a chance to take a break from the worries of Western Civ. and Organic Chemistry.

The Bicentennial is not the theme for this year's Winter Weekend. Student Senate has given students a deserved respite from Revolution, without straying from American historical tradition. It has given Currier & Ives the honor of setting the tone for the weekend. The winter weekend planners have put together a full program. From February 13 to 15, this village in western New York will have all the flavor of 19th Century America.

Barbara Bowman, who is responsible for much of the brainwork behind the weekend, stresses that campus participation is important to maintain the Currier & Ives atmosphere. On Friday, February 13, the Campus

Center dining hall will be the site of an all-campus buffet dinner. Crucial for the success of the dinner is the costume of the guests. Barbara encourages everyone to dress "old-fashioned", to contribute to the spirit of the evening.

Many events are planned which reflect the times of Currier & Ives. On Saturday, there will be a taffy pull. A box social will take place later that evening. These are activities common in the "olden days", which most students in the '70s have missed out on.

The box social promises to be a fascinating trip into the last century. The women will bake desserts, in teams of two, and place their delicacies in boxes. No one will know who created what. Then, the men, also in teams of two, will bid on the desserts in a Penny Auction (proceeds go to FMF). The highest bidders will win the desserts, and will also win the privilege of munching on the goodies with the two cooks, whose identities will have been revealed.

The Senate Spot will also look toward the past. Jim Spurrier and Dr. Stockin will be on hand to tell some tales of Houghton in the old days. Many will be surprised at the

shenanigans that went on here in days of yore.

A bread-breaking service at the Village Church will culminate the weekend. This practice was first instituted by John Wesley, who used it to enrich Christian friendship and "sharing". Although it is not a communion service it is a time to strengthen bonds between Christians.

The weekend schedule is as follows:

### Friday, Feb. 13

5:00 p.m. All-Campus Buffet Dinner  
6:00 p.m. Class Snow Sculptures (\$20 prize to winner)  
Refreshments, East Hall Lounge  
8:00 p.m. Artist Series — Anton Kuerti, pianist

### Saturday, Feb. 14

10:00 a.m. Hockey Game, Col. Pond  
12:30 p.m. Judging of Snow Sculptures, Snow Soccer, skating, Skiing  
3:00 p.m. Taffy Pull, E H Rec. Rm.  
8:00 p.m. A. A. Movie  
10:00 p.m. Box Social & Senate Spot

### Sunday, Feb. 15

8:00 p.m. Bread-breaking Service, Village Church

## Hawkins, Confer, Kelly And Sawtelle Next Year's Editors

Houghton freshmen, sophomores and juniors poured into Wesley Chapel on Monday, February 2, to exercise their right to vote for the editors of next year's student publications. The elections were sponsored by the Student Senate, with Barry Keller presiding. It is constitutional policy that seniors do not vote for publications editors, although they do vote in the senate elections.

The candidates for the editorships of the *Lanthorn*, the student literary magazine; the *Boulder*, the school year book; and the *Star*, the student newspaper were introduced and gave speeches.

Three candidates ran for the top position on the *Lanthorn*. Mike Gresh, a sophomore, was introduced by Kathy French; John Kelly, a junior literature major, was introduced by Stephen Horst; and Steven Kooistra, a sophomore writing major, was introduced by Carol Capra.

Gresh emphasized poetry as a medium of glorifying God; Kelly introduced his idea of publishing broadsheets every two or three weeks in

addition to the bi-annual anthology of poetry; and Kooistra addressed himself to the practical aspects of financing and the search for talent.

Georgette Sawtelle ran uncontested for the leadership of next year's *Boulder* staff. She was introduced by Jon Penney. Sawtelle has worked on the yearbook this year and feels that she has gained valuable experience. She maintained that she will be able to avoid some of the mistakes common to publications.

Kathy Confer and Daniel Hawkins ran for the co-editorship of the *Star*. Confer was introduced by Hawkins and Hawkins was introduced by Confer. Mr. Hawkins spoke of the use of language and the value of the newspaper. Ms. Confer told a captive audience that she believed in a newspaper by and for the students; and was hoping for student input.

Sawtelle was voted editor of the *Boulder*, and Hawkins and Confer won the position on the *Star*. For the *Lanthorn*, Gresh received 13.9% of the votes, Kooistra received 25.7% and Kelly won with 60.4% of the votes.

Write-ins included Al Presher, Alfred E. Newman, Madeline Murray O'Hare, and Richard M. Nixon.

Mr. Kelley told the *Star* that he was encouraged by the 60% vote. He plans to publish his first broadsheet in May and will work hard to keep his campaign promises.

## Christian Educational Community Forms Christian University Press

The Christian College Consortium of Washington, D.C., and the William B. Eerdmans Company of Grand Rapids, Michigan, have announced the establishment of The Christian University Press.

The Press will publish works of special scholarly excellence dealing with Christian thought, according to Gordon R. Werkema, president of the Consortium, and Marlin Van Elderen, Editor-in-Chief of Eerdmans. The first titles published under the

Christian University Press imprint are scheduled to appear in late 1976.

Objectives of the Christian University Press include the stimulation of Christian scholars and provision of an outlet for their works, the development of a positive image of Christian higher education, and the opportunity to disseminate Christian scholarship beyond the Christian educational community.

Manuscripts for publication under the Christian University Press imprint will be of three basic types: (1) manuscripts of special scholarly excellence dealing with Christian thought or matters of import to Christian higher education; (2) manuscripts by members of the Christian academic community which deal with matters of concern to the educated Christian community; and, (3) manuscripts by Christian writers who have spoken to critical issues which should be of concern to the educated public.

Solicitation, evaluation and selection of manuscripts for publication will be conducted by the Editorial Board of the Press. Editorial Board members are being selected from the academic community, and will reflect the theological traditions within the Consortium, special knowledge of publications and scholarly works.

A special Consortium award of \$500 will be made to the authors whose books appear in the first releases of the Press in late 1976.

Although the Christian University

Press is dedicated to the synthesis of Christian scholarship, normally it will not publish minutes of proceedings, abstracts, bulletins, anthologies, collections, or doctoral dissertations, unless they demonstrate exceptional synthesis or unusual critical analysis.

Since it was established in 1911, the William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company has been a leader in the field of Christian publishing. Although primarily recognized for its extensive list of distinguished theological titles, Eerdmans has also published numerous volumes of special and contemporary interest. Most significant among those are a series of regional history books, several biographies, and a sizeable list of books by and about such well-known Christian authors as C. S. Lewis, Charles Williams and Dorothy Sayers.

According to Dr. Werkema, the company was selected for the joint effort "because of its market capability in higher education and its demonstrated competence and high quality work. Relationships with several other publishers were investigated before Eerdmans was selected." The Eerdmans Company will oversee the final editing, printing and marketing of the books.

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## Despite Attempts To Keep Student Costs Down Tuition Will Increase Next Semester

Business Manager Kenneth Nielsen has announced a rise in tuition rates. Instead of paying \$68.00 per semester hour students will have to pay \$73.00 per semester hour. For the average student this represents an increased cost of \$155 per year. Most students should also figure in an extra \$60 a year because room and board rates will each go up \$15 per semester.

These increases are necessary to meet the rising costs of food, energy, and maintenance of the college. Faculty and staff workers also face increased costs, so the raise in tuition is also being used to provide needed pay raises. Tuition money is not being used to provide special projects such as the new Physical Education building. Funds for these projects

come from specially designated gifts to Houghton College.

An increase in gifts to the general operating fund of the college is one of the reasons that the increases, though they seem to be high, are actually low. Houghton's tuition increase represents a jump of 6.1%. While Houghton's total expected cost for a student is about average in the Christian College Consortium, its increase is among the smallest for these schools. One school is even contemplating a 12% hike in tuition rates. Houghton's tuition increase is kept down by increased individual gifts, and also by an increase in the contribution by the church.

Another part in the effort to keep student costs down has been the at-

tempt to save heat and electricity. However, a policy of increased use of insulation and decreased use of unnecessary lighting has progressed about as far as it is feasible to go. Any more efforts would probably cost more than they would save. Fuel and electricity costs are less here than they are in most parts of the country, but these costs are going up. Because of this, most of the savings resulting from the policy of conservation are eaten up by the rising energy costs. Houghton is in good financial condition, but like most other institutions, it is in the position of having to run hard just to keep up. There is also a possibility of further tuition increases in the next few years.



## Editorial

By now everyone must be aware of the new proposed governance system. It has been welcomed by some; to others it is a case of going from bad to worse, which in the long run will have a disastrous effect on the future of the college. For many, the empty eyes reveal an amazing amount of apathy, which seems to be the spirit of the age. So the discussions go on, and hopefully the problem will be favorably resolved.

After the basics of the proposal had been divulged, the *Star* office was almost as heavily trafficked as that of the Senate. I was most interested in the concern expressed by many about what the *Star* would say about the new proposal. Apparently there were a few anxious souls who feared the worst, a frontal, rhetorical blast from the editorial pages which would destroy any attempts at communication and reconciliation with the powers that be. I hope we have assuaged their fears, at least for the present.

There seems to be a myth extant which, over the course of a few short years, has achieved the status of a fact. The belief is that the rhetorical question put to Christ, if any good thing could come out of Nazareth, is equally applicable to the *Star*. It is indeed unfortunate that the *Star* is seen as the last refuge at Houghton College for disillusioned pessimists who can spew forth only criticism and dark prophecies. I think this belief is so widespread because the only editorials that are remembered are the ones that come closest to home. The Angolan war will soon be forgotten, deserving of little more than a paragraph in most history books. But when something is written about your hometown, a place you don't leave for Christmas vacation or graduate out of after four years, it demands attention. It forces one to think about an immediate situation, which may call for some kind of stand or commitment. This is why it is remembered.

I think a quick skimming of the past twelve issues of this year's *Star* is adequate to show that not every inch of editorial space is used as a platform for complaint. Indeed, there were many opportunities to do such that were passed up, because we felt they were minor, or because there were more important issues to deal with, for those of us who do leave after four years, issues larger than Houghton College, although indeed applicable to life there.

Myths die hard, and I do not suppose that I can bury this one with just one editorial. But perhaps this will be a start.

The dropping of the hair rule is welcomed. It was an archaic rule, a source of division and frustration which was totally unnecessary. I would like to think it expresses a willingness on the part of the Board to deal with Houghton College in the context of 1976.

The new film policy, which allows for the showing of movies which in the past had been taboo, is a step forward. The open attitude exhibited by the members of the film review committee shows toleration for divergent ideas, which provides students with movies which are, if nothing else, entertaining, and a needed break from the humdrum study routine. It is only hoped that this toleration will not be squelched by a vocal minority whose reactions border on the worst aspects of Puritanism.

The experimental chapel format, although not completely free of problems which need to be worked out, is innovative, and a creative way of dealing with the time designated for chapel. It at least shows an awareness that chapel as it presently exists is not completely satisfactory to everyone, and an honest attempt to please some more of the people some more of the time.

There are other accomplishments, marks of progress, which should serve as an encouragement. That things can change, that Houghton College is not stuck in time, seems evident. But we cannot now afford to sit back, priding ourselves in our accomplishments, watching while the system slowly degenerates. Energy must be injected into the system for its continued survival and growth. We have achieved some goals, but we must remember that there are more farther down the road.

So where does this leave us? Saddled with a governance system which would seem to say to us, like the Chance card in Monopoly, go back three spaces. But even more it isn't necessary to end on a negative note. I have not been told much, only that a discussion with a Board member seemed productive. I hope so. But at any rate we cannot allow ourselves to become subjected to a system of governance that would effectively centralize the legislative, executive, and judicial aspects of government into the hands of a few. No amount of progress can make that option palatable.

Mark Michael

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## Are Laser-Tattooed Numbers and "The Beast" Already in Existence?

by Walter Nicklin

Occupying three stories of the 13-story EC Commission headquarters (the Berlaymont) in Brussels is a computer nicknamed "the Beast." Run by a Berlaymont gnome named Herr Doktor Hendrick Eldeman, the gigantic computer has a gigantic task: to assign a number to every person, not just in the Common Market but in the entire world. Each person would then have his number invisibly laser-tattooed on the forehead or back of the hand. Viewed under infrared scanners to be placed at all checkout counters and other places of business, the numbers would provide a walking credit card system — an international currency of which the Community's economic and monetary union is but the intermediate goal.

True or false? True, if you are one of a number of Fundamentalists in the United States who have recently bombarded the EC Commission's Washington delegation with requests for more information on "the Beast." False, say Common Market spokesmen: There is no such computer and Dr. Eldeman does not exist. The head of the Washington delegation's information service, Andrew A. Mulligan, laughingly says, "We'll annihilate this rumor!" But the delegation employee, Mrs. Ella Krucoff, who handles the American public's information requests says it's no laughing matter, for the queries keep coming. In any case, most of the true-believers dismiss the EC denials as no better than recently-exposed CIA lies.

The origin of the rumor is hard to track down, but Fundamentalist literature published in the United States is replete with references to the Common Market's existence as fulfilling Biblical prophecies of the end of the world. A well-reasoned article in a magazine published by the Chicago-based Moody Bible Institute (named after the nineteenth century evangelist) highlights the parallels: Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the "end-days" before the Second Coming of Christ includes the image of a beast: "As the toes of the feet were part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken (Daniel 2:42)." What better description for the Common Market today, says the author of the *Moody Monthly* article. The toes and horns in the dream image are ten, and this number is again mentioned in the Bible's last Book, Revelation; the article's author points to the Berlaymont's ten flagpoles and the possibility of Greek or Norwegian Common Market membership. The EEC Rome Treaty supports the author's interpretations of the Books of Ezekiel, Daniel, and Revelation that this "last-days" kingdom is a new Roman Empire. The analogies go on and on, and are also used in the American best-seller *The Late Great Planet Earth*, predicting the imminent end of the world.

Dr. Eldeman and his now apparently famous computer, however, seem a case of stretching the uncanny similarities to fantasy. In talking of the EC computer, the California magazine *Gospel Call* cites a passage from the Book of Revelation about the beast dream by Nebuchadnezzar: "And he causeth all, both great and small, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man;

and his number is six hundred three-score and six." According to *Gospel Call*, Dr. Eldeman plans to use three six-digit units in the laser-tattooing computer.

Any publicity is good publicity, public relations experts told the EC Commission's Washington delegation after its 1973 Gallup poll showed most Americans (55 per cent) had never heard of the Common Market (see *European Community* No. 167, pp. 8-12). Now at least some of the pre-

viously uninformed are asking the delegation to send them copies of the nonexistent EC publication titled "See What the Beast is Doing." Perhaps the Commission's press secretary should consider hiring American Fundamentalists to pass the good word about the Community's growing strength and power. But long-time Berlaymont cynics would no doubt reply: Beware false prophets. reprinted from *European Community* October, 1975

## Senate Bill One Considers Civilian Opposition A Crime

by Allan Rabinowitz

(CPS) Imagine, for a moment, that the entire anti-war movement of the sixties was illegal, and that thousands of students were given prison sentences of up to fifteen years, or possibly the death sentence.

If Senate Bill 1, the controversial criminal code reform bill now sitting in the Senate Judiciary Committee, had been enacted ten years ago, that is exactly what would have happened.

The sanctions laid down by SB-1, put together under the Nixon law-and-order administration, encompass so much, in wording that is so vague, that virtually any political act or statement aimed against the government could be construed as being in violation of some provision of that code.

From the start, the new criminal code was clearly constructed largely in response to the anti-war movement, by Nixon Attorney Generals Kleindeinst and Mitchell. By examining this bill in the context of the anti-war movement of the sixties, it becomes clear just how far the influence of this bill would penetrate American life and stymie any attempt at major social change.

For example, the new criminal code would expand the 1968 incitement to riot statute which formed the basis of the celebrated Chicago Conspiracy trial. The seven defendants in that trial were ultimately acquitted because the government failed to prove that they had crossed a state line with the "intention" of inciting a riot.

But under SB-1, the government could have ignored that detail. The government would only have to prove that the defendants had used the mail or an interstate phone call to plan the event that later had become a riot. The seven Chicago defendants could have been convicted and given three-year jail sentences.

Furthermore, a "riot" is defined in the bill as any "public disturbance" involving ten or more people that, "by violent and tumultuous conduct, creates a grave danger of injury or damage to persons or property." But what is "tumultuous conduct" and what constitutes danger to property? Shouting chants while trampling the grass in a park?

Draft board demonstrations, the destruction of draft records, the encouragement of draft resistance — all of which took place during the anti-war years — can constitute "impairing the military effectiveness of the United States," bringing a sentence of three to thirty years and a \$100,000 fine.

Another provision of the bill punishes by a one-year jail term the obstruction of any "official proceeding" through noise, violence, "or any other means" What "other means?" Passing out leaflets?

Under SB-1, Daniel Ellsberg could have been charged for treason for leaking the Pentagon Papers, and

been executed. The New York Times editors who received those classified documents could have gotten seven-year sentences.

Under SB-1, a journalist who impaired "military efficiency by issuing a false statement" could go to jail if the military decided his reports "are not accurate" and therefore "an aid to the enemy." A journalist who wrote a story contradicting an official military report could be found to be aiding the enemy, even if that military report itself was deceptive (which has happened often enough). An Orwellian predicament arises where truth is treated as a lie and a lie becomes truth. Seymour Hersh could have spent seven years in jail for exposing the My Lai massacre.

Under SB-1, the Berrigan brothers could have been convicted of sabotage for destroying draft records, and given the death sentence.

Under SB-1, the 20,000 demonstrators arrested en masse in the 1971 May Day protest in Washington, DC could all have been convicted of obstructing government functions and given sentences of three years.

Under SB-1, a member of an organization "which incites others to engage in conduct that then or at some other time would facilitate the forcible overthrow of the government" could go to jail for seven years.

The language is so vague that practically anyone connected with a leftist organization on campus could be arrested. This could have included every member of SDS, the Student Mobilization Committee, and other major anti-war groups of the sixties. It could include everyone in the People's Bicentennial Commission, an alternative Bicentennial group calling for fundamental change in America. It could include people you know personally. It could include you.

These are just some of the many abuses of the democratic process to be found in the proposed revised criminal code. The American Civil Liberties Union has discovered more than 3000 provisions or phrases in SB-1 that are vague, ambiguous, or violate an individual's rights.

But as if these provisions are not repressive and outrageous enough, there is one more that tops them all. Under SB-1, a government official who claims that he felt he was acting in the best interests of the country or following his superior's wishes could not be held responsible for illegal actions he might have committed. In other words, while Daniel Ellsberg could be executed, John Ehrlichman gets acquitted.

### Intended

Pam Dudley '76 to Jeff Prinsell '75  
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Marjorie Calkins '76 to Mike Guilford '76





'I UNDERSTAND HIS SKI INSTRUCTOR IS ALSO HIS CAMPAIGN MANAGER!'

## Presidential Hopefuls

### Ford Fights for His Future

by Dave Mills

Sometime during his childhood, a teacher must have told Gerald Ford that every boy could be President. Years later he achieved that highest refinement of the American dream. He rode to the Presidency as a "team player," concerned with re-election and his party. He was nominated as a compromise Vice-President, a man who offended no one; Nixon resigned, and Ford was suddenly the most powerful man in the world. He entered office as a savior, a purifier, but no longer must he simply hide our past from us; now he must reveal the future.

Unless Reagan gains enough delegates in the primaries to win, the Republican nomination will be decided in back rooms by party bosses, controlled both by tradition and a strong desire to win. The Republican dream ticket would nominate both Ford and Reagan. Ford, though, in a list of acceptable running mates, pointedly ignored Reagan; and himself has become unpalatable to the ideological conservatives who form Reagan's

organizational and financial support.

Ford has lived in Washington too long to be without its happy love of slogans, anointing his economic policies the "new realism," hoping that voters would consider Reagan's as just the opposite. He seeks to temper conservative economics with human concern, promising to balance the budget in 3 years, while proposing national catastrophic illness insurance for the elderly. He plans to streamline the social service bureaucracy, not by turning the responsibility over to the states like Reagan would, but by consolidating programs into "block grants" to the states. He wants to cut income taxes by \$10 billion, although he intends to raise the Social Security tax rate. Finally, he would raise the defense budget to over \$100 billion, the minimum suggested by former Defense Secretary Schlesinger, whom Ford fired because Henry Kissinger didn't like him.

The New Hampshire primary on February 24 marks the first test of Ford's popularity. Although the actual importance of the primary is a

hoax, Ford needs badly to win to end his image as a losing cause. From now till the convention in August, Ford must be judged both as a President and as an unsure contender for the throne.

by Rich Downs

The January 27, 1976 meeting of the Student Senate was almost wholly taken up with discussion regarding the Trustee's proposal on governance. The meeting, observed by over one hundred students, culminated in the passage of a resolution the contents of which follows:

Whereas Houghton College represents itself as a Christian institution of higher education, in which such ideals as love, trustworthiness, responsibility, and mutual submission are foundational and central; and Whereas Houghton College was founded with the purpose of inculcating these values into students and send them into the world as responsible stewards of Christ's gospel; and Whereas Houghton College is a training ground where these ideals are to be practiced in conjunction with serious academic discipline, where vital faith, responsible living, and strong academics are all to be joined; and

Whereas Houghton College has in the past encouraged and guided students into maturity as responsible Christians by allowing them both rights and responsibilities, and by doing so has been successful in developing Christian leaders in the professions as well as the clergy; and Whereas the new governance procedure proposed by the Local Board of Trustees unilaterally limits the expression of student responsibility as elaborated in the specific grievances outlined below:

The Houghton College Student Senate hereby resolves that the proposed system represents a drastic alteration of the time-honored principles and methods essential to maintaining Houghton's distinctives, and as such we entreat the Board of Trustees of Houghton College not to accept the governance plan as long as it remain unchanged in these areas:

1. The selection process for student representatives on committees undermines the value of student input. It is less likely that the student members of these committees, cho-

## FMF Operates As A Faith-Run Organization

Steve Clark has been president of the Foreign Missions Fellowship since last April, and has been a member of the organization for three years. Here are some of his comments concerning the FMF:

What are some of the things that FMF has done so far this year?

We've had the freshmen rally in connection with the ACO. We have also co-sponsored the program to memorize Philipians, and planned the Conquest week. Some of the regular activities include the Wednesday night meetings at 6:30, which consist of prayer and information on missionaries. There's also the summer missionary program which provides orientation, information, training, and money for summer missionaries. For those who aren't sure where they want to serve as summer missionaries, we try to help them find somewhere to go. For those who know where, we provide money and training.

What are some of the FMF's plans for the coming year?

Our plans are to challenge students to an immediate involvement in world evangelism and to provide a means for the students to give money as well as pray. We also want to work closer with CSO to help students learn how to express their faith better. I'm looking to prayer especially, because

through prayer students can become better acquainted with different avenues and get burdens.

Has there been more or less interest this year than in other years?

There has been definitely more interest this year. The number of guys that have been coming has increased especially. When I first started coming three years ago, we averaged about forty people per meeting. Now it's between forty-five and sixty.

What about the budget?

We have a budget of \$22,000 this year, which is used mainly to help support the twelve missionaries that the school sponsors (all of whom are Houghton graduates) and to support the summer missionary program. Our funds are made up entirely of gifts from the students — we don't have any fund-raising activities. We are definitely a faith-run organization.

Do you know what you are going to do after graduation?

I want to go back to Japan as a missionary and also attend Trinity Seminary. I especially want to work with Japanese high school students and laymen. The Japanese church is presently pastor-centered. The laymen aren't trained or encouraged to witness. I want to see the Japanese church come alive — they already have the economic basis and ability as a nation.

## Statement on Senate

sen either directly or indirectly by the Committee on Committees or appointed by the Dean of Student Affairs, will be representatives of the majority views of the Student Body.

2. The Student Senate including the President no longer has any effective participation in the decision making processes. The democratically-elected President of the Student Senate will no longer serve on key committees by virtue of his position; democratically-elected Senators will have little more than an advisory role in committee member selection. In fact, may not be chosen to serve on any of the committees.

3. The process of selecting editors for the student publications also excludes any real participation by students. It seems to assume that students are not responsible enough

to choose the editors of their own publications.

4. The advisors for students are no longer to be chosen by the students involved in those groups. This seems to transform the role of an advisor into that of a director, thus limiting actual student participation in their own groups, and creating the possibility of friction between advisors and students.

In sum, these provisions of the new system restrict the exercise of responsible choice or action by students, thus hindering the role these student activities have played in training Christian leaders. This is a fundamental departure from the traditional Houghton philosophy of education and the nature of the Student Body; as such it will necessarily lessen the quality of education Houghton offers and the quality of graduates it produces.

## News Briefs

SAN FRANCISCO (2/4)

Defense Lawyer F. Lee Bailey told a San Francisco jury today that Patricia Hearst was a victim of crazy people who abused her. Bailey went before the jury of seven women and five men shortly after prosecuting attorney James Browning told the court Miss Hearst was a willing convert to terrorism. Miss Hearst is being tried on a federal bank robbery charge.

WASHINGTON (2/4)

Transportation Secretary William Coleman took 97 pages to explain why he is granting permission for the Concorde supersonic jet to land in Washington and New York. He decided environmental impact of noise and emissions from the Anglo-French SST are not enough to deny the plane landing rights on a 16-month trial basis.

WASHINGTON (2-4)

Congressmen favoring and opposing natural gas price decontrol are having a hard time making progress in debate. Opponents amassed more than 100 amendments to the decontrol legislation as a possible delaying tactic. Those opposed to easing controls then proposed a compromise . . . which will be discussed tomorrow . . . deregulating only small suppliers of natural gas.

WASHINGTON (2-4)

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld says the United States has got to stop cutting back on its defense budget. He says the U.S. has — in the past 15 years — lost its clear superiority of arms. Rumsfeld told a House panel that the Pentagon cannot hope to maintain rough equivalence with the expanding Soviet military unless Congress stops eating away at defense spending.

## Part Five

### History of Houghton

In 1923, Houghton Seminary held its classes in "Old Science," now Woolsey Hall. The study hall was a large room on the main floor. Mrs. Philinda Bowen, the principal of the seminary, wanted a piano for the study hall so that students could "march to and from classes to music."

One summer resident of Houghton was a concert violinist. John Higgins, a Houghton College student and manager of the bookstore, decided that funds for the piano could be raised if Mr. Arthur Hartmann would give a benefit concert. He approached President Luckey with the idea. The president didn't think Mr. Hartmann would do it, but invited John to try.

The Star of October 12, 1923 announced:

"Arthur Hartmann, the great violinist, who has played in every civilized country in the world, except Australia, has consented to give a concert for his friends of Houghton and vicinity on Wednesday evening, October 17 . . . The opportunity of hearing Mr. Hartmann is one usually given only to those of the larger centers."

By this time, the concert was very much a student project: John was in charge of publicity; students sold tickets, decorated a car for use in advertising the concert in nearby towns, and even handed out tags to wear.

John was selling tickets at the door, when President Luckey came down from the Old Administration Auditorium, saying, "Don't sell another ticket; there isn't room for one more person."

The concert was a total success. One article stated it was "one of the largest and most appreciative audiences ever packed into the walls of the auditorium."

The evening had been a completely benefit concert, except for the fifty-dollar charge for Mr. Hartmann's Rochester accompanist. The concert paid for Mrs. Bowen's upright piano.

Another benefit concert by Mr. Hartmann was held on September 26, 1924. Half of the proceeds were used toward the purchase of the first grand piano the college owned. The "culture between classes" went out with study halls, though Chickering Grand is still used.





Women's Varsity basketball team in action against Geneseo State.

## Geneseo State, Genesee Community College Defeat Women's B-ball Team

On January 26, Houghton's ladies were the victims of Geneseo in a frustrating game. In a home contest against Geneseo State, Houghton played an excellent game, both offensively and defensively, and held a 9 point lead at the end of the first half. Geneseo came back for the second half and played a much more aggressive game than they had the first half. Houghton fought off their actions and continued to lead until the last minute of play. Plagued by several untimely fouls and violations, the ladies were forced to turn the ball over to their opponents. Geneseo went ahead by 1 on a foul shot, and with 31 seconds left, Houghton had the ball and lost it when called for a double dribble. Geneseo was

thus set up for a 49-48 victory over the ladies of Houghton.

This was one of Houghton's best played games, as the women displayed excellent teamwork and great hustle. Sheila DiTullio led the scoring with 12 points and Jan Van Skiver with 8 points.

The same week saw another disappointing loss for Houghton, this one at the hands of Genesee Community College. Houghton scored first, then neither team scored for several minutes. The next points were put up by GCC, and the score rose to 12-2 before Houghton scored again. The quickness of GCC broke up many Houghton plays and eluded its defense, giving GCC a 10 point half time

lead.

Houghton came back to tie the game in the second half. Battling hard, the ladies built up a 7 point lead. After taking a time out, GCC re-grouped forces and came back to gradually wear down the lead, and eventually they were back in front. GCC ran out the clock when they got the ball, taking careful shots and giving up no ground, finally winning 49-42.

Statistics show the two teams to be nearly equal. Sheila DiTullio was high scorer for Houghton with 16 points, and was followed by Sheryl Osgood with 8 points. Sue Roorbach led in rebounding by pulling down 14 for Houghton.

## Houghton Gymnastic Club Active As Exhibition Squad For Area Institutions

Gymnastics has been called the "only true sport" because of its wholistic approach to physical fitness, yet gymnastics is often a rare activity outside of large college communities. Although a relatively small school in comparison to the large

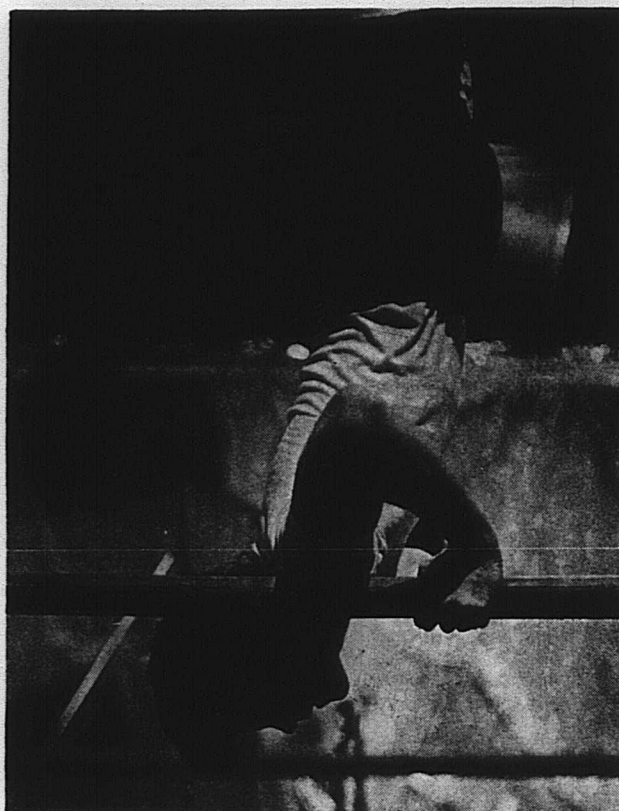
state university systems that have come of age in recent days, Houghton contributes to the gymnastic tradition in the form of the Gymnastics Club. The club itself does not comprise a competitive team, but is an exhibition squad that presents gym-

nastic shows for local schools and churches.

Since most schools do not have gymnastic programs, many of the club members start with little or no experience. Success, therefore, is dependent upon members working together and teaching each other new routines. The club this year shows remarkable improvement in overall talent, and it should be a rewarding season for its members. The enrollment for the year is about fifteen, and is possibly the largest gymnastics club that Houghton has had. The club hopes that some day a competitive team will be a reality.

The co-captains for the club are Kim Beach and Lew Hiserote, Kim specializing on the trampoline and balance beam, and Lew on the parallel bars, the rings, the trampoline, and in floor exercise. Show routines will also include several group activities that require skill in precision, timing, balance, flexibility and strength.

Plans have been made to visit several schools this semester, and the club will be presenting a special show for the college in the Academy Gym on March 27.



Houghton Gymnastic's Club will perform in Academy gym on March 27.

## Houghton Highlanders Win Against Baptist Bible

The Houghton basketball team recorded their fourth victory of the season last Saturday night against Baptist Bible College by a score of 100 to 91. It was the first game this season that Houghton has reached the 100 point mark. The Highlanders played an excellent game holding the lead, at one point by 20 points, for most of the game.

Both offenses worked well, as evidenced by the high scores. However, Houghton built up a solid lead early in the game and held it to the end. The scoring for Houghton was well balanced with four players scoring in double figures. The game's high scorer was Mike Pitts with 31 points. During the game Mike broke the single season scoring record. The new record will be much higher by

the end of the season but after 17 games he has scored a total of 439 points, averaging a little over 25 points per game. The Highlanders out-rebounded Baptist Bible 53-39 and out-shot them 52% to 40%.

The Highlanders had not done as well prior to the Baptist Bible game. They lost to a tough Lock Haven State College team, 104-71. Houghton played reasonably well but had passes and turnovers allowed Lock Haven to get the victory. The Highlanders lost the following game to P.C.A.C. rival Elmira College. The game was close with Houghton leading 42-41 at halftime. However, Elmira outplayed Houghton in the second half and won the game 84-72. The next home game is Saturday night against Behrend College in the Academy gym.

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