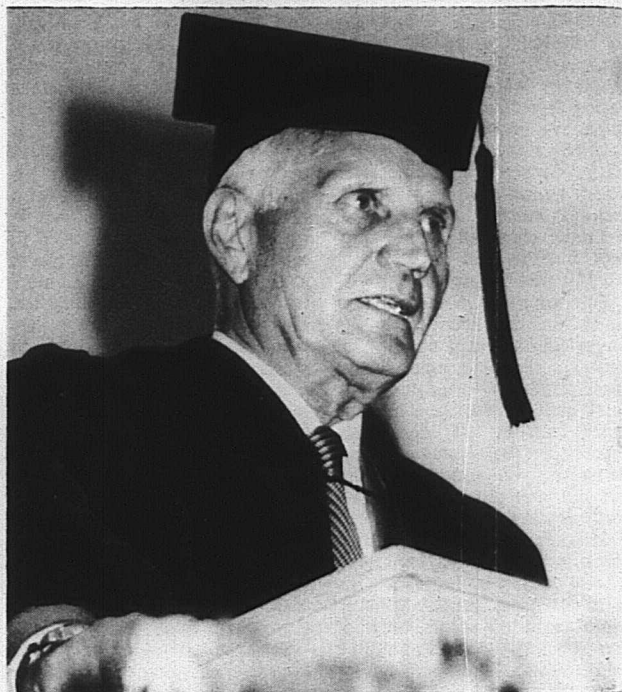


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The Honorable Luther W. Youngdahl

Judge Luther Youngdahl Addresses 1970 graduates

On Monday, June 1, Houghton College held its seventieth annual commencement exercises with Dr. Stephen W. Paine presiding. The class of 1970 had 34 of its members receive academic honors and four receive Senior Honors for concentrated research in their particular field.

The 228 graduates heard an address by the Honorable Luther W. Youngdahl, Senior United States District Court, Washington, D.C., on "The New Frontier in Christian Education."

The Honorable Judge Youngdahl encouraged the graduates to take the Christian principles which had been learned at Houghton into a world that sorely needed them. He told them they had a responsibility as educated Christians to provide out-

standing leadership in the problems of human relationships and that Christians must assume a greater role in social concerns.

The Honorable Judge Youngdahl rose through various capacities in the judicial system until 1942 when he was elected to the Minnesota Supreme Court. He resigned this post in 1946 to become that state's 27th governor, a position he held for three years. In public affairs he became known for a determination to make Christianity work in politics.

In 1951, he was appointed to his present position but still found time to serve on numerous

prestigious commissions and committees, to become an author, serve as a national director of Big Brothers, a vice-president of the American Bible Society and serve as a member of the Board of Adjudication of the Lutheran Church.

Honorary degrees were conferred upon the Honorable Judge Youngdahl, Dr. Harold Barnes Kuhn, Chairman of the Division of Theology, Philosophy, and Religion at Asbury Theological Seminary who spoke on "The Identity Crisis" at the May 31 Baccalaureate service, and Wilson Greatbatch, scientist, inventor and College patron.



Rev. Daniel A. Heinz, Chairman of the Local Board of Trustees, bestows an honorary degree upon Dr. Harold B. Kuhn.

"Skip" chapel typifies weekend's mood; Seniors return weary, but enthusiastic

Uniformed in blue and white striped T-shirts, vari-hued blue skirts and slacks, and white styrofoam explorers' helmets, the crew members of Apollo 70 — alias the members of the Class of 1970 — marched happily down the aisles of Wesley Chapel on Tuesday, May 19, to give account of their "journey to the moon" — Skip Weekend.

Flight Commander Daryl Stevenson led the press conference, explaining details of the launch which took place at 1:00 p.m. on

Saturday, May 16. Lieutenant Commanders Brynda Van Skike, Dave Pullen, Sam Hart, Rick Johansen, Scott Weldon and Joanna Bailey answered questions from the press corps, accompanying their remarks with color slides taken at the landing site (Watson Homestead, a large guest house outside of Corning, New York).

Lieutenant Commander Van Skike discussed the crew's preparations for survival, which included the building of "moon

dwelling." (Crew members finally resorted to using shelters and bunks already constructed at the landing site, admitted Lieutenant Commander Van Skike.)

Pullen and Hart explained various maneuvers designed to keep up the crew's morale, i.e., explorations of the surrounding areas. Lieutenant Commander Johansen, in charge of physical fitness activities for the crew, reported that swimming, football and softball contributed to the well-being of the explorers.

Flight Chaplains Joanna Bailey and Scott Weldon described small group Bible studies which took place on Sunday morning, and a communion service in which explorers shared lessons learned in their four years of training at Houghton College. Both chaplains felt that the mission proved to be spiritually uplifting and encouraging, as crew members drew closer to each other and to God.

A reading of the history of the crew's four years of intense training was presented by Lieutenant Commander James Lewis. At the close of the press conference it was requested that the crew members sing their theme song, "And Can It Be." Closing remarks by the Flight Commander commended members of the crew and Flight Advisors Richard Jacobson and James Barcus for their many helpful contributions.

All in all the flight of Apollo 70 was wet and hilarious. Culminating in a welcome-home party given by the Sophomores at the Campground Dining Hall the proud Seniors made their final splashdown. When asked for her impressions of the weekend one Senior girl remarked, "I feel like I'm graduating with a B.W. — Bachelor of Water!"

Four graduates successfully Complete Honors projects

Senior Honors projects for 1969-70 have been completed and grades given to the four students involved. Those students, Miss Carol Lepper, Mr. Frederick Johansen, Mr. Elwin Stillman and Mr. James Tony, each received an A for three hours of credit.

Miss Lepper's work was for credit in sociology and concerned the "Convergence of Poverty and Negro Status With a Brief Consideration of Problems and Solutions in Des Moines, Iowa." Her advisors were Dr. Shea and Dr. Snell.

Frederick Johansen's project was entitled "Comparative Studies of the Cellular Respiratory Activity of Selected Mammalian Liver Tissues." This gave him credit in zoology. Aiding him were Dr. Shannon and Mr. Downs.

Also doing study in zoology was Elwin Stillman who worked on the "Effect of Magnetic Fields on Insect Development." His counselors were Dr. Munro and Mr. Harding.

The only independent study done in the English Division was a study of "Christian Doctrine and Tolkien's Mythology" by James Tony. Professors Hagwood and Basney assisted him.

Honors work allows three hours credit. It involves study and reading which characteristically culminate in a thesis and oral examination. The exam is given by the student's advisory committee, the members of which are selected by the student before his proposed honors study is approved by the Educational Policies Committee.

To be eligible for honors work a student must have a cumulative quality point average of 3.0 and a B average after the freshman year in his major department.

A student successfully completing a major Honors project will be given a commencement program citation with a separate listing of the Honors project title and the name of the faculty member supervising the project.

Dr. Harold Kuhn speaks to Baccalaureate congregation

The Commencement weekend began on Saturday, May 30, with meetings of the College Development Committee, two class reunions, an evening smorgasbord and a musical program with the College Choir and the Music Education Club's presentation of "Charlie Brown."

On Baccalaureate Sunday, Dr. Harold Kuhn, Chairman of the Division of Theology, Philosophy and Religion at Asbury Theological Seminary spoke. That evening, Dr. Don Hillis, Associate Director and Publications Secretary for the Evangelical Alliance Mission international headquarters in Wheaton, addressed the annual Foreign Missionary Fellowship service.

Following the 10:30 a.m. procession with Dr. Charles H. Finney as organist, the Reverend Lloyd P. Jonas gave the invocation and scripture was read by the Reverend Carroll F. Maynard. After prayer by the Reverend Oliver J. Dongell and the offertory "Now Thank We All Our God" composed by William T. Allen, Dr. Harold Barnes Kuhn delivered the Baccalaureate sermon "Identity Crisis." The College Choir, conducted by Professor Donald Bailey, sang

Benjamin Britten's "Festival Te Deum," and the benediction was offered by the Reverend Russell C. Lockwood.

Dr. Kuhn has spoken to Houghton audiences in the past. An honor graduate of John Fletcher College, he earned his S.T.B., S.T.M. and Ph.D. from Harvard University, then did post graduate work at universities in Europe and the United States. An ordained minister of the Friends Church, he has held pastorates and served as visiting professor at colleges in America, England and Asia. Dr. Kuhn has been active in interdenominational affairs, social and relief projects.

Dr. Hillis, who spoke in the Sunday evening Foreign Missionary Fellowship service, was for sixteen years a missionary in India. He initiated the Light of Life Bible Correspondence Courses, some of which have been translated into 64 languages. He is responsible for the organization's brochures, books by its missionaries, a magazine and press releases.

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From the other side of the diploma

Dr. Paine's annual words to the graduating class, "You're stuck with us," ring quite true in retrospect. Therefore, it is wise for those who wish to stick to Houghton and for those who intend to come to Houghton to have a fairly clear idea of what they expect to be stuck with. And unless public relations has improved the information to incoming students in recent years, few have more than a vague idea of what Houghton is and how it operates. Most accept the PR formula that Houghton is a "Christian liberal arts college." But what this means to those who say it remains an ethereal mystery even to a graduate after four years.

Houghton, as Dr. Paine makes clear at commencement, first of all has a point of view to sell. To do this the College closes avenues to legitimate questioning and presentation in areas that might damage the appearance that Houghton is a shelter for a certain middle class evangelicalism. But it seems to me that, as Virginia Ramsey Mollenkott said in a recent article in *Christianity Today* ("Teachers, Students, and Selfishness in the Seventies," April 10, 1970, p. 615), "It requires an act of faith to let the facts speak for themselves..." If the definition of liberal knowledge is that it is learning for its own sake, Houghton salesmanship precludes the possibility that it is truly a liberal arts college.

On the other hand, in what ways is Houghton Christian? As Eckman, Huntley, and Hoover pointed out in the *Star* in the spring of 1969, Houghton asserts Christianity from the Chapel platform but often fails to make the principles of Christ the basis of each course. Instead, courses are taught as if the skepticism of those without a Christian perspective were the only really tenable world view. If the facts do speak for themselves, and if Christians have the faith to accept the facts as the result of God's creation, then they can be related to each other so that God's self-revelation becomes more obvious in the world around us. This task remains the unfinished work of Houghton College.

If all this is true, what, then is the value of what Houghton does, and why am I at least willing to be stuck with Houghton? The College in the backwoods of Allegany County offers a fairly equal opportunity to each student who is willing to take it. Anybody can be an exception. This freedom is almost completely lacking in the larger university. The 90% let anyone who will think do their thinking for them. All they ask is to be told what to do. The 10% remaining, often differ only in that they let someone other than the one(s) who think(s) for the 90% think for them. But opportunity remains and is fostered by the accessibility of administration and faculty and the inaccessibility of the fast American life of the city. If anything, Houghton's isolation should promote thought and considered action. Why it does not, I think, can be traced to the 90% kind of student Houghton attracts. If Houghton is to become what it is not now, not administrative nor disciplinary nor professorial changes are most needed, but students who avail themselves of the great opportunities Houghton affords must be attracted to the College.

Stuck with Houghton? Perhaps. But that is not the most obvious immovable obstacle. Rather each is stuck with himself. What Houghton produces is dependent on the drive and will of the student far more than on the often unnecessary propagandizing of the College.

James R. Tony

"Power to the people"

"Power to the People", proclaim the Panthers. In the light of this fashionable slogan coined by Huey Newton, what a farce our Student Senate is at Houghton. No wonder students do not take a more dynamic interest in the Senate. It really does not have the power — or does it?

Let's take a cold, objective look at what the Senate has actually accomplished this year at Houghton. To start off, Senate has played a major role in keeping the campus running smoothly, socially and academically. For specifics, let's view my projected goals set forth in the platform:

1. By talking with the Caneadea Road Commission, the roads have been kept up much better this Spring.
2. A Student-Faculty Parking Committee has been established to negotiate for student parking.
3. More programs and relations have been established with our Black brothers.
4. More telephone lines have been installed.
5. TV will be allowed in the dorms.
6. A prompt Freshman Directory was published.
7. Newspapers from other colleges, Christian and secular, are now in the Library.
8. A student lounge is being set up for next year in Old Science.
9. We now have a college ring.
10. Titus and Ross gave a concert on Sadie Hawkins Day plus the Peppermint Rainbow came.
11. We are now entering into a new semester schedule with an interim.
12. We have a valuable Faculty evaluation.
13. We shall have no more Saturday classes.
14. We have an increased number of class absences allowed.
15. The drama policy was broadened (J.B.).
16. We have enjoyed several outstanding lecturers on campus.

Now, I am not in the least saying that all the above are the direct result of student power channeled through the Senate. This is, however, an undeniable fact — all these were goals for this year's Senate and all these projects were helped along by Senate-Faculty-Administration cooperation.

So, my fellow students, as I leave Houghton, I exhort you with my firm conviction that we have a strong, productive, constructive government. Just because we do not possess outward symbols of power, don't fool yourselves. We own a much more subtle and constructive means of power. Use it next year. Support Tim Brokaw with your time and suggestions. Next year, with Tim, will be a progressive year under the lordship of Jesus Christ, if you want it that way.

Jim Thomson

Dictionary salesman: a rewarding job

by Norman Campbell

Perhaps the very best sort of summer job is one that combines novelty of experience, personal profit, and service to humanity into one exciting whole.

Letters...

Dear Editor:

A poll concerning the women's government structure taken by a Senate ballot the week of May 18, 1970, was answered by only approximately one-fourth of the Houghton women, and some feel that this should be considered an indication that the women are entirely satisfied with the existing structure. I disagree.

In the first place, a meeting on May 19th concerned with the issues was poorly publicized and unofficially cancelled. Also, the ballots sent by intra-campus mail suffered a high casualty rate.

Also significant is that a majority of the one-fourth voting expressed some disfavor with the point system. This should not be disregarded. Rather, another poll should be taken next fall and a committee established to carefully consider the results. Merely because a system has not proved to be intolerable does not mean that it cannot be improved upon. At the May 19th meeting we were cautioned not to act hastily and force something onto future Houghton girls because the system under discussion was the product of a whole semester's planning. This is not true. The system may have been in someone's thoughts all semester, but the bulk of the writing was done in May, 1969, by a committee on which I served. Since it was near the end of the year, we of that committee decided not to put the structure to a vote of the women but to institute it on a one-year trial basis. Therefore, a vote should have come as a matter of course without a group of dissatisfied girls having to go through Student Senate to bring about balloting.

There is always an area of instability and vagueness when it comes to individual rights that run counter to the interests of the group, and in any society genuinely concerned about the rights of individuals, this area is under continual review and redefinition. The point is, however, that much deviance is averted merely because it is counter-norm. The problem among Houghton women seems to be partly that of developing statements of norms which are internally consistent and which protect both the group and the individual, and partly that of enabling people to become participants in a cohesive society. Establishing the women's self-governing structure was a definite step of progress, but the point system is petty and degrading. It should be abolished.

Sincerely,
Carol Lepper

CHOIR CONCERT CANCELLED

Due to a tight schedule, the St. John's College Choir has asked to be released from their contract to perform here July 1, 1970.

Intended

Audrey Lynn Kaputo ('70) to Richard Lee Cook ('69)

It is therefore surprising to me that, from all sides, I hear nothing but snide remarks concerning the business of selling dictionaries.

Yes, very surprising. People say that the work is intolerable, and the hours more so. They say it's just inviting trouble to sell dictionaries; it's unethical; that people won't like you. It's maddening to reflect that such comments are downright fibs. Lies, in fact, without a particle of truth whatever. Let me construct a typical situation — which should illustrate that this selling of dictionaries can be not only easy, but fun and profitable.

The Approach

You approach a house, and knock on the door (with the whimsical hope that no one will answer). But someone always does answer — heralded by quick, petulant footsteps and the angry rattling of door-bolts. Faced, then, with some scowling Hausfrau, you announce yourself and your mission. She generally replies... well...

At language like this, you feel like this, you feel like indulging a little profanity yourself. Repress the urge, and think, "Mrs. Jones certainly seems to want these books" (— you are selling both an Elementary and Senior High dictionary).

The Attack

Your next goal is getting into the house. Now, according to many, the best means for accomplishing this is the *Direct Frontal Attack* — lowering your head and charging forward. I personally favor subtler methods; talk some, slip your foot over the threshold, talk some more, slide in your elbow, etc., until you ease your way into the living room.

Meanwhile, keep repeating to yourself, "Mrs. Jones certainly needs these books." Fate frequently contrives that, once in the house, you pass 2,000 volume libraries and Ph.D. diplomas hanging on the wall. Your confidence starts to crumble! But don't let such feelings overmaster you; shut your eyes or fix them on Mrs. Jones. Appearances can be deceptive.

Customer Rapport

Once settled on the living room sofa, put Mrs. Jones at ease and make yourself at home. Her

natural diffidence may prevent her from offering you refreshments; take advantage of the unspoken intention, and help yourself. Comments like "No, please don't get up... care for ice cream on your pie?... cream and sugar?" do much to ease the tension. Since, in most homes, the living room directly adjoins the kitchen, this stage of the game should present little difficulty.

Now lead into your sales talk with a bit of humor. For example, fondle her children for a moment; then observe with a bright smile, "Strange, isn't it, that cute kids are never as clever as the rest?" Or, "This Elementary Dictionary — you could use it yourself, Mrs. Jones." My favorite is, "This lexicon of yours dates back to 1898, I see. Get a load of this definition..." etc. They always crack a smile at that.

The Bite

During the Sales Talk Proper you may find Mrs. Jones putting up feeble, half-hearted protest, e.g. "Please get out of my house and never come back." or "Billy, run and get Daddy — quick." Now is the time to "close" and drive for a sale.

Perhaps, though, she won't buy after the first close. Bluster a little then; break furniture and threaten to abandon the genteel approach for something more direct. This usually brings them to their senses.

If you still encounter resistance, you will have to resort to outright pressure (repugnant as it may seem). May I suggest quiet application of the "half Nelson?"

After you make your sale, revive her with water and stimulants — you will want from her a signed testimonial and photograph of your dictionary sitting in her bookcase. "Daddy," by this time, should be appearing on the scene — get him involved, and ask him to take the photo personally.

At this point you should speedily depart. Time is of the essence.

The above method is approved by nearly all practicing solicitors. Don't be discouraged, then, if you make no sales during the earlier part of summer... the first eleven weeks or so.

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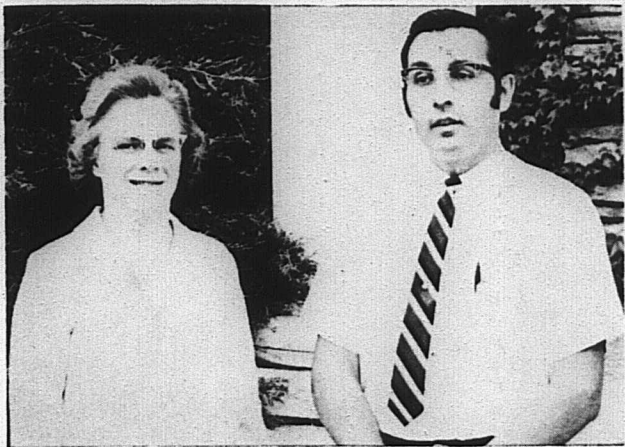
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Miss Roberta Fair, Associate Professor of Secondary Education, Mr. Ralph Downs, Interim Instructor in Biology, will be leaving Houghton to serve elsewhere.

Science faculty anticipates Various summer activities

Members of Houghton's science faculty revealed through interviews much interesting and varied work to be done this summer. Dr. Kenneth Lindley, head of the department, will be spending his fifth summer as an engineering consultant to Acme Electric in Cuba, New York.

At Purdue University working on post-doctoral research will be Dr. Larry Christensen. He termed his job as "mother-henning" a research group investigating

problems related to the synthesis of new anti-malarials in organo-sulfur chemistry.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cook will be working in the Mountain Lake Biological Station in the Blue Ridge Mountains, under the auspices of the University of Virginia. She'll be studying algology to complete course work for her Master's. In the latter part

Mr. Thomas Harding will remain in Houghton writing up a physics laboratory course.

Mr. Wesley Hoffman plans a summer at Frankford Arsenal, an army installation in Philadelphia. He reluctantly admitted his work in chemical physics to be "classified", but cheerfully added that "it isn't as super-secret as it sounds."

Dr. Donald Munro has been invited to teach a general biology course at King's College this summer, through what he termed a "cross-fertilization" of Houghton's and King's faculty. August will take him to Minnesota as assistant program chairman for the summer program of the American Scientific Affiliation.

Dr. Frederick Shannon plans continuation of his work with a team here at Houghton involving the chemical approach to the pacemaker device. Working with pure lab solutions, he will be trying to determine exactly what, chemically speaking, goes on inside the heart motivated by the pacemaker.

Dr. Frederick Trexler is finishing his thesis at Pennsylvania State University for his doctorate in solid state science. He has spent five years in experimentation at Penn State, and is entitling his paper, "Nuclear Magnetic Resonance: Studies of Radiation Damage Kinetics in Polymers," or "something to that effect."

Dr. Anne Whiting will be located at Hopkins Marine Biological Station, an offshoot of Stanford University, and supported by the National Science Foundation. Staying right on the Pacific coast, she will be taking a ten-week course in comparative and experimental embryology, specifically dealing with marine invertebrates.

Annual turnover of faculty occurs with Nine members to leave; five to return

Many familiar faces will be missing from our campus next fall as nine faculty members will not be returning to their present positions.

Mrs. Noether will not be returning to the foreign language department because of illness.

Miss Roberta Fair, from the Department of Education, has been granted a leave of absence. She has plans to fill the position of principal of a Christian academy in Puerto Rico. The Science department will be losing two of its teachers, Mr. Green, who has

finished his year of interim teaching, and Mr. Downs. Mr. Hamilton will also be leaving. He has plans to accept a teaching position at Asbury Seminary. Two members of the music department will not be returning, Mr. Kitamura and Miss Cory. Mr. Hagwood will be leaving a vacancy in the English department as well as a warm place in the hearts of many students. And Dean Rogato is leaving us to get married.

Houghton will be regaining a number of teachers who have been away on leaves of absence. Among these are S. Hugh Paine who will be teaching Earth Science and Geology; Dr. Bert Hall who has been at Asbury this past year and will be replacing Mr. Hamilton; Mr. Calhoun who has been at Central Wesleyan helping to build their science department; and Mr. Cook, returning from doing advanced graduate work to refill his position as professor of Business Administration. Dean Mills will also be returning from Pennsylvania Wesleyan College where he was employed this year. Many teaching positions have not as yet been filled for the coming year. At present the college is negotiating with candidates to fill these open positions, but no definite action has been taken.

lators and two critics. Most of these men are working in the United States, though some are in Great Britain and Australia. The work of each team goes to the Intermediate Editorial Committee.

There are two Intermediate Editorial Committees, one for the Old Testament and one for the New Testament. The IEC does the basic editorial work, but much of the editorial work is done by the General Editorial Committee (GEC).

The General Editorial Committee consists of both English style critics and Old and New Testament scholars. The work of the GEC goes to the Committee on Bible Translation for final approval.

Dr. Paine continues work on Bible translation committee

Dr. Stephen Paine is presently at Covenant College in Chattanooga, Tennessee. As a member of the Committee on Bible Translation, subsidized by the New York Bible Society, he will help make final decisions on certain technical aspects of translation. He is particularly involved in the area of deciding upon the best word for situations in which there are several wording possibilities.

Dr. Paine is one of the 15 members of the Committee on Bible Translation. Its members are evangelical in commitment, and are required to have avowed the inerrancy of the Scriptures.

About 150 scholars work in basic translation teams of four. Each team consists of two trans-

Summer Alumni Weekend features include Fireside chat and analysis of modern problems

Phil W. Jordan, Assistant Director of the U.S. Secret Service, will be assisted by eight Houghton faculty members in presenting this year's Summer Alumni Weekend, "Hang-ups in '70", July 16-19.

Mr. Jordan, a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association, earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Georgia and his Bachelor of Laws degree from George Washington University.

He has served with the General Service Administration for many years, filling such varied positions as Director of Program Planning and Evaluation, Chairman of the Inter-Government Task Force, Assistant to the Administrator, Deputy Assistant Commissioner for Procurement Policy, Assistant Comptroller and Chief Counsel for the Stockpile Program.

He also served with the Department of Agriculture, the War Assets Administration, the Office for Emergency Management and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration.

In addition to these professional duties, Mr. Jordan travels with his pastor, world wide with World Vision, and also with laymen to Faith-at-Work conferences across the country. A man of many accomplishments, the alumni office says of him, "He is as much at home with dignitaries as he is with ghetto youth. God uses him equally with both."

He will center his talks on relating Christ to the "Hang-ups" of today, alluding to such works as Francis Shaeffer's *The God Who Is There* and *The Taste of New Wine*, by Keith Miller.

The program begins on Thurs-

day night, July 26, with a "Fireside Chat". Dr. Bess Fancher will recall the Houghton of the 40's; Dr. Gordon Stockin that of the 50's and Dr. James Barcus will review the 60's.

On Friday, the assisting faculty members will speak on various current problems, related to their specific field of study. Dr. Barcus will speak on "The God Who Is There—Today"; Professor Abraham Davis on "Black Power and Jesus"; Professor Irwin Reist on "The Theology of The Future"; Dr. Floyd F. McCallum on "Spirit-Directed Therapy" and Dr. J. Whitney Shea on "Sociological Implications in the '70's".

Other activities will include special services and recreational activities. Alumni Weekend will end with the Sunday morning worship service.

Obituary

Mary Bennett

The Rev. Miss Mary E. Bennett died the night of Monday, June 1 of a heart attack. Miss Bennett had served for seven years as the secretary to Dr. Robert Luckey in the office of Public Relations.

One of ten children born to George and Minerva Bennett, Mary E. Bennett was born in Highland, Pennsylvania. After secondary school, she attended Warren (Pa.) Business school, and Clarion State College. She graduated in 1929 from Nyack Missionary Training College. After various secretarial positions, she was ordained a minister in the Lockport Conference of the Wesleyan Church in 1941.

After serving as Executive Secretary of Buffalo Bible Institute until 1945, she pastored the Wesleyan church in Forestville, N.Y. In 1952 Miss Bennett assumed the pastorate at the Wesleyan church in Cuba, N.Y., while also working for denomination headquarters. After a serious illness, she came to Houghton in 1963 to serve as secretary

to the Vice President in Development, while working in various local church positions.

In all things she exhibited an enthusiasm and energy which belied her precarious health and 66 years.

Services are being conducted today in Kane, Pa., officiated by The Rev. Mr. Daniel A. Heinz.



Rev. Miss Mary E. Bennett

Conference at Marion will investigate Wesleyan colleges' campus problems

by John Jordan

The Wesleyan College Study Conference will be held in Marion, Indiana from June 8-12, 1970. The conference, the first of its kind, has been arranged by Dr. Melvin Dieter, General Secretary of Educational Institutions for the Wesleyan Church.

The central theme of the series of meetings is "The Seventies—Decade of Challenge." The approximately eighty delegates to the assembly include administrators, faculty members and students of Wesleyan Colleges, church leaders and professional consultants. Although the representatives from Houghton have

not been chosen as yet, it is certain that several Houghton administrators will attend the conference.

The conference will be divided into two sessions. During the first session, six committees will be established to discuss six different areas of problems and conflicts in the college community. Among the topics are the church-college relationship, financing of Wesleyan colleges and campus communication. The latter part of the week will be devoted to discussion of six more topics, including Christian commitment and curriculum difficulties.

Houghton places third in NYS track and field meet

The Houghton loss to Oswego on May 20 had negligible effects on a track team that had compiled the greatest season in Houghton College athletic history. The team itself, the first winning team ever (8-6), shattered two team records and established itself statewide as a team to be reckoned with. And individually, more records were broken this year than in all previous years combined.

The climax of it all had to be the New York State Championship Track and Field Meet at R.I.T. Houghton College placed third among fourteen schools from all over the state, scoring 27.5 points.

Also in triangular meet competition, a new total points record was set at 107.5 and in dual meet competition, a new record of 99.8 was established.

The individuals composing this outstanding team smashed

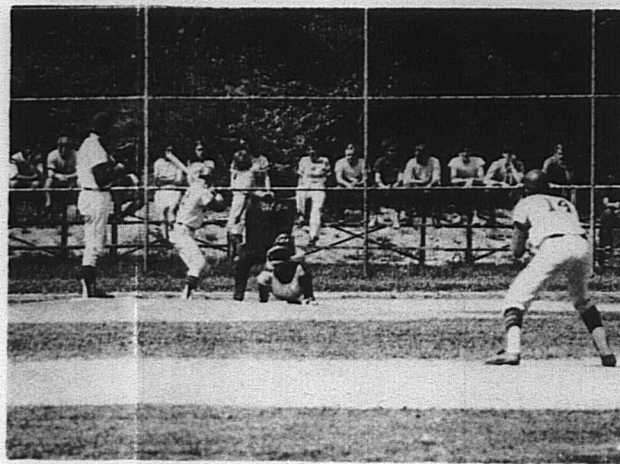
thirteen college records. Eight of these were set in the running events: Roger Robinson in the 220 (21.6); Mike West in the 440 (50.5) and 880 (1:59.3); Duane Wheeland in the two mile (10:43.6); Brad Taylor in the 120 high hurdles (14.8) and 440 intermediate hurdles (57.7); the 440 relay (44.5) with Meyers, Elliott, West and Robinson; and the mile relay (3:32.3) with Taylor, Meyers, Elliott and West.

Five records were broken in the field events, three of these being in the weights. In the shot put, Glenn Carlson threw 39' 8"; in the javelin, Wayne Diffenderfer hurled 176' 10"; and in the discus (the oldest record to be broken), Gary Williamson threw 121' 5 1/2".

In the two other field events: Steve Babbitt set a pole vault record at 12' 6" and Roger Robinson leaped 41' 11 1/4" in the triple jump.

Competing in five events at each meet for all season, Robinson set a College record of 154 points. In a single meet (Roberts) he collected 20.25 points, the most ever gained by a Houghton athlete.

In all, the outlook for the 1971 season is optimistic. We lose only three record holders and with the incoming freshman talent, we feel that track will be the sport to put Houghton College on the map.



In the last home game, pitcher Lee Treichler bats against St. Bonaventure. Treichler won the first half of the doubleheader 6-4, while Paul Mason pitched the second game, winning 5-4.

Baseball team ends season with Defeat by Baptist Bible College

With an extra inning loss to Baptist Bible by a score of 7-6, the Houghton Highlanders closed the curtain on another baseball season. The Highlanders final record was thus set at 6-11, but this mark does not reveal the true meaning of the season.

At the outset of the year, there were a lot of big question marks in the line-up. The short-stop, first base, third base, and catching positions were still up in the air, and hopes for a successful season became even more dim when one thought of the pitching staff, which had only one proven pitcher in Lee Treichler.

Houghton started poorly, as fielding often proved their downfall in their first few games. The R.I.T. game was the only bright spot in the early going, as Paul Mason's grand slam, his

first hit of the year, and Brian Richardson's strong pitching combined to give the Houghton Nine a 7-4 win over a strong R.I.T. team.

Eventually, Freshmen Ray Kaltenbaugh and Dave Smith filled the slots at short and first, respectively. Ken Gavaza became set as the starting catcher, and Mason and Richardson answered the need for pitchers. Still, the Highlanders had trouble putting it all together as an injury to Bill Church, and the slumps of Tim Cornell and Bob VonBergen plagued the team.

One of the bright spots, however, was the hitting of Larry Schwab, the man who led the ball club with three home runs over the left field fence.

The St. Bonaventure double-header sweep by Houghton had to be the highlight of the year.

Treichler recorded his first pitching win of the season in the opener, as Larry Schwab chipped in with a three-run homer in a 6-4 win.

In the second game, two runs in the first inning, and a three-run blast by VonBergen were all Mason needed to record his second pitching win of the year with a 5-4 score.

Another big win for Houghton was the come-from-behind 8-7 triumph over Fredonia. Ken Gavaza's rip down the third base line brought the winning run home, and gave Mason the pitching win.

Next year's ball club will lose Lee Treichler to graduation, and Bob VonBergen and Larry Schwab are transferring. However, the nucleus of the ball club is remaining and hopes are that Houghton will put together its first winning season in baseball.

Johnson House team takes Spring softball championship

The men of Johnson House captured their third annual houseleague championship of the year by topping the spring softball league with an 8-0 record.

The Cajonies, led by Buns Johnson, and the third floor Lancers of Shenawana made it an exciting race, till the end of the season when the Lancers knocked out the Cajonies 12-6, and Johnson House stopped the Lancers 6-4.

The keys to the Johnson championship were their booming bats and dazzling defense. The

big guns at the plate for Johnson House were Tim Palma, Dan Kreller and Rodney Woodruff.

In the field, the sparkling defense of Ed Johnson, Tim Palma, Rodney Woodruff, John Kennedy and Craig Criswell held the lid on all opponents. On the mound, Ken Locklin, and John Kennedy behind the plate, made up the most effective battery in the league.

In the final analysis Johnson House had the best all-round team and their perfect season is the best evidence of this fact.

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