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The Chamberlain family.

## Dr. Daniel R. Chamberlain, New President, Takes Office

"Students should be helped to understand that the various aspects of college life should complement one another, not compete with each other." So remarked Houghton's new president, Dr. Daniel R. Chamberlain, in an address to the faculty on September first. Until August, forty-four year old Chamberlain served as Academic Dean of Messiah College in Grantham, Pennsylvania.

One of six children born to missionary parents, Chamberlain spent much of his early life in Jamaica where he completed high school by way of correspondence courses. "I found it fascinating and enjoyed it immensely," he says with a smile. He completed the course in a year and a half at the age of fifteen. After attending a Bible school for a year he went on to Upland College where he completed his undergraduate work. Later he earned his Master of Arts degree from California State College and a doctorate in curriculum and administration from the University of California.

Grandparents as of June 1, the Chamberlains have seven children, including a son still at Messiah College and a daughter, Priscilla, a freshman here at Houghton. She had planned on coming here prior to her father's appointment to his position. A sports-minded family, two sons have competed and won honors in wrestling, Priscilla participates in track and field events, and Dr. Chamberlain himself enjoys many sports, including hiking. Chamberlain muses about his daughter's participation in sports, "I like to see that there is much greater involvement of girls in these activities today."

In addition to sports, Dr. Chamberlain likes to work on his cars, though admittedly he has difficulty finding time and tools to do so. He also enjoys photography and reading.

Student leaders are encouraged and impressed with the openness of our new leader. Says Steve Horst, Senate President, "We're looking forward to a constructive year."

With an air of vitality and expectancy, Chamberlain comments on his

goals for the college.

"I have sensed, since I've been here, an enthusiasm, an openness, a kind of optimism that we are going to move ahead. I would see keeping this sense of openness and optimism as my greatest goal. If we reach that kind of spirit and atmosphere, we'll be able to reach Houghton's goals which are not much different now than ever, the development of the whole person. . ."

## Student Affairs Tries To Resolve Ambiguities

This past Monday, September 14 at 4:00 p.m., the Student Affairs Committee convened for the first time this semester. This Committee, which consists of the Dean of Student Affairs, faculty members, and student representatives, discussed issues from last spring, and cited progress made during the summer months.

The Housing issue, primarily the result of the Title IX equality bill, was taken up again in reference to the supposed changes in dorm policy. It had been proposed that dorm 'hours' regulations be determined by class level, rather than by sex. This would mean that all freshmen and sophomores would be required to live in the College owned dorms, while upperclassmen would have the option of private housing. It was the general understanding that since hours cannot be adequately enforced in the outside housing, the upperclass men

and women in the dorms should be given the special privileges corresponding to those extant in the outside housing situations. The Dean, however, claims that the only agreement made was that they would look into the 'possibility of a solution'. The concern was voiced that the upperclass men and women, who had been guided in their decision to stay in the dorms by the alleged new hour regulations, may in the coming year all try to move into outside housing. The Dean's reaction was that these students would not be given the chance, for the room drawings would be worked so that the Student Affairs Office filled the dorms first, and then offered housing contracts only to the overflow students.

The Dean's Office is still hoping, however, to find a viable solution for dorms honor the pledge, there is ab-

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## Soccer Team Experiences Difficulty Yet Hopes for Success as Season Continues

In the seven years Houghton College has participated in intercollegiate athletics, the soccer team has compiled an impressive 78-11-12 won-loss-tie record. The soccer team has qualified for the NAIA Area 7 Playoffs two of the last three years. Last year the soccer team travelled to the National Playoffs in Raleigh, North Carolina, where they played Number One ranked (NAIA and NCAA) Quincy College of Illinois.

Excluding the National Playoffs the soccer team compiled a 14-4-1 record last season, outscoring its opponents 58-18. Due to the team's impressive statistics and won-loss record, Coach Douglas Burke was named NAIA Area 7 Coach of the Year.

Gone from last year's team are four starters, including single season scoring record holder Danny Woods and career scoring record holder Patrick Okafor. In addition to the four starters four other lettermen from last year's team graduated or transferred.

Returning to lead the offense are Dan Irwin, last season's second highest goal scorer and Alvin Hoover, who set a record by contributing 11 assists last season. Joining them on the line will be seniors Jim Wills, Dave Irwin,

Doug White, and Edwin Obieke; juniors Pete and Bob Johnson; sophomore Ron Barnett and freshmen Dewey Landon and Robbie Jacobson.

In midfield, junior transfer Jeff "Buffalo" Sylvester will join four year letterman Paul Stevenson and two promising sophomores, Tom Wieland and Steve Lennox.

The gap left at fullback by the graduation of Pat Okafor will be filled by returning Obieke Ikepeze. Four year varsity man Dave Wells, Johnny "Cool" Ikegwuonu and juniors Mark Parsons and Scotty Records will comprise the backbone of the defense.

In goal will be senior Joel Prinsell who has turned in 20 shutout performances in the past two years. Behind him will be Academy graduate Tom Liddle.

Houghton's 16 game schedule which opens Tuesday against Geneseo is "the toughest we have ever played" according to Burke. In addition to perennial rivals Geneseo, Fredonia, who also went to the NAIA nationals last year, and LeMoyne, powerhouse Brockport State has been added to the schedule.

So far the soccer team has looked unimpressive and rather lackluster in its two pre-season scrimmages. They lost the first 3-1 to Hobart and rallied to tie St. Bonaventure in the closing minutes 3-3. The pressure on the

team to justify their hard earned reputation will be great this year. What they have lost in talent, they will have to make up in speed and improved passing.

Anyway you look at it, it will be a long way from Stebbins Field to Southern California, the site of the NAIA Nationals this year.

## Jimmy DiRaddo Speaks Concerning Four Relationships God Calls Sacred

Jimmy DiRaddo is again conducting a Spiritual Emphasis Week at Houghton. He previously spoke here when the Class of 1976 were freshmen; now, with four new classes to hear him, he has returned to present the 1976-77 Staley Distinguished Scholar-Lecture Series as a part of this fall's Spiritual Emphasis meetings, Sept. 14-19.

Mr. DiRaddo's chapel messages are following the general theme "Four Relationships that God Calls Sacred." In sequence, his chapel talks are addressing: "Building Self-esteem," "Getting Along with Others," "What in the World am I to Do," and "Walking with God." Sunday worship services and the daily 7:00 p.m. meetings include these and other topics.

The Staley Distinguished Scholar Series, which enables Mr. DiRaddo's return to Houghton, is a project of the Thomas F. Staley Foundation of New York. The Staley Foundation seeks to "bring to college and university campuses of America distinguished scholars who truly believe and who clearly communicate to students."

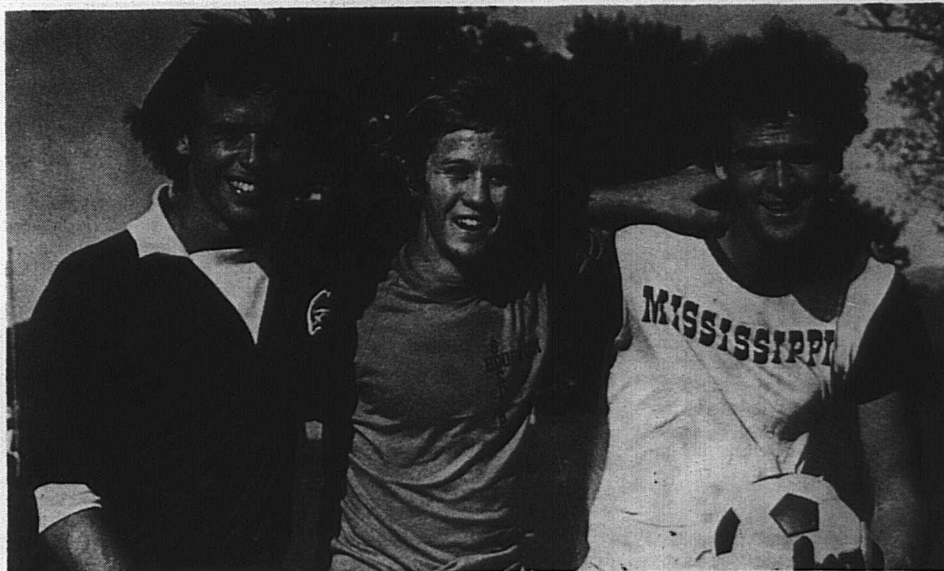
Mr. DiRaddo, the Executive Director of the Christian Counseling and Psychology Center in New York City, graduated from Asbury College and Temple University. He has done graduate work at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and adolescent behavior study at the New School of Social Research, New York. He is a candidate for the D.Min. degree at Luther Rice Seminary, Jacksonville, Fla., specializing in family relations with a concentration in communication.

Besides working at the Christian Counseling and Psychology Center,



Mr. DiRaddo heads Interaction, Inc., of Wilmington, Del. This work includes his Family Life Conference programs, Campus Lectureships, and Training Institute for youth workers, ministers, and counselors. He serves on the advisory board of Quest, Inc., a nation-wide program for developing instructional material for personal development of high school students in public schools.

Rev. Ralph Young, a friend of Mr. DiRaddo's in their college days, described him as a "real dynamo." During his last visit, he ate cafeteria fare rather than "home cooked meals," in order to be with the students as much as possible. Students are his favorite people, and pizza is his favorite food, Rev. Young mentioned, adding that if students provided Mr. DiRaddo with liberal doses of both, it wouldn't be a bad idea.



This year's team captains are: (l to r.) Dave Wells, Dave Irwin and Joel Prinsell.



## Editorial

The bachelor's degree candidate should be a thinker. This is not to say that upon graduation all of us must carry on abstract reasoning of the highest sort, making significant and original inroads in our various disciplines. Thankfully even, the world of scholarly journals and doctoral research is not for all of us.

In saying that we must be thinkers, I am pointing out a common, yet incorrect equivocation, that of "schooling" with "learning". A schooled person has passed the requirements, made the grade, fulfilled the institution's expectations, at least superficially.

However, a 3.8 tells us less than we think. Perhaps its recipient is an efficient memorizer. Perhaps he could not think reflectively to save his life. The moral? Thou shalt not judge a person by his grade point. Even if employers and grad schools do it — let them sin for expediency if they must. We, the marking system's captives, shall not stoop so low.

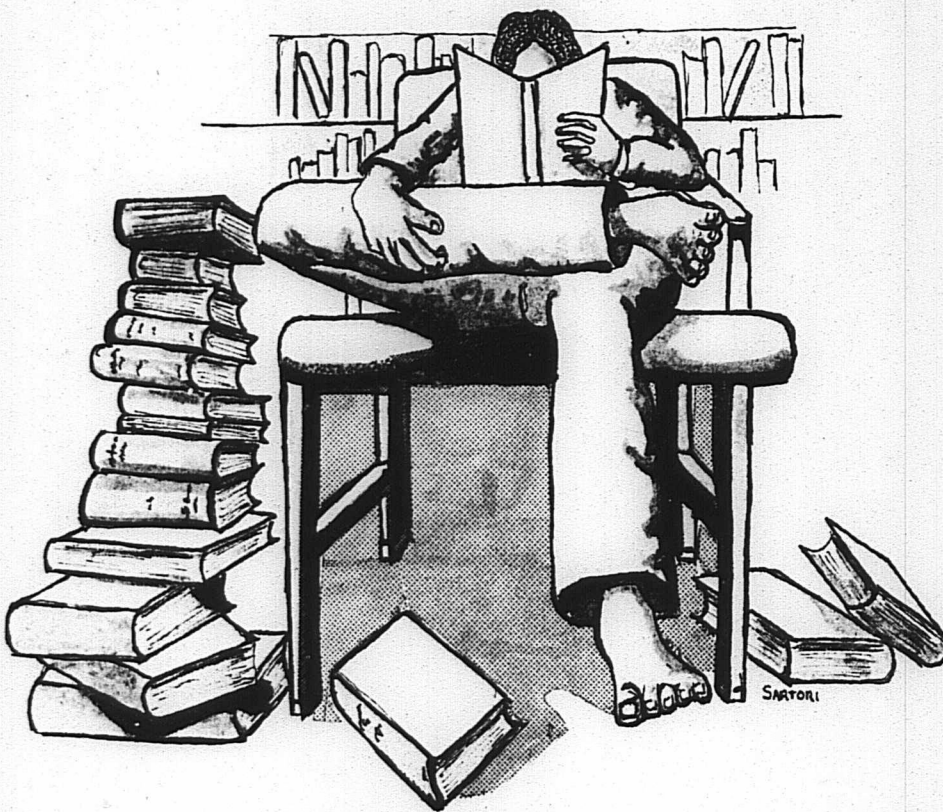
So. Enough about the grade point; the issue is much broader than that. There is a pronounced tendency among many of us toward unquestioning acceptance and assimilation of what we are taught, whether in the classroom, in church, or wherever. We can be remarkably (and dangerously) gullible. Even worse, we begin to inflict our own gullibility on others in the form of narrow-mindedness and unjustified dogmatism. Perhaps this habit originates in the more unfortunate aspects of our evangelical heritage. Perhaps a variety of factors are involved — overwork and/or laziness for example.

Nevertheless, we must do what we can, allowing neither the system nor we ourselves to be a hindrance. Contrary to alarmingly widespread opinion, God calls each of us to think. To remember our studies even after the test is over. To examine the faith we have grown up with and by personal reflection and His Grace make it more fully our own. To be open to other's ideas and avoid parochialism.

Unless we have learned to think more reasonably, more thoroughly and more maturely, our four years here will have been, to a fair degree, wasted. We will not be able to say that we have received a liberal arts education.

Obviously, one can have a high grade point and be a true thinker at the same time. This, of course, is very nice and highly desirable. Yet if we must sacrifice one to the other, let us sacrifice the grade point. "Impractical?" Yes. Foolish? "Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding." (Proverbs 4: 5-7)

Kathleen Confer



## The Contenders

### Jimmy vs. Jerry

by David Brubaker

Situated in front of a quiet house in Plains, Georgia, an enterprising little red-head was dispensing 10¢ a glass lemonade under the hot August sun. Inside, her father, ex-Georgia Governor James E. Carter, identified by *Newsweek* as the man who had "traveled farther on a smile than any office seeker since Dwight Eisenhower," pondered campaign policy.

Emerging as victor on August 18 from one of the most vibrant Republican Conventions in history, incumbent President Gerald R. Ford was perceptibly excited. After trailing Democratic nominee Jimmy Carter by a depressing 33% in late July, a Gallup poll conducted after Mr. Ford's surprisingly articulate acceptance speech indicated he had closed to within 10% of the Georgian. Young Presidential advisor Skip Watts explained, "The Carter people had the jump on us, and they wasted it sitting in Plains".

The most arduous primary struggle

to date had culminated for Jimmy Carter July 14 in Madison Square Garden. Regarded in February as another inconspicuous Democratic contender amidst more familiar hopefuls such as Henry Jackson, by early June Mr. Carter had established an uncontested delegate margin. Utilizing an adroit, prescient campaign that stressed his personality and ethics but avoided commitments, Carter seized the attention of the American public. Indeed, as early as March, many liberals were observing, "Isn't it amazing how far he's got by saying nothing."

Republican Presidential Nominee Gerald Ford had replaced Richard Nixon on August 9, 1974. In the two years subsequent, Mr. Ford had pardoned his predecessor, been the victim of two assassination attempts and the brunt of numerous "Ford Jokes", and reversing a prior assurance to

his wife, decided to run for President. A deliberate, inarticulate campaigner, he had relied on his family and his record to help secure a narrow victory over contender Ronald Reagan in Kansas City.

The nation's attention is now concentrated on the national elections November 2nd. The latest Gallup poll revealed that Carter's previously overwhelming lead had leveled off at 15%. The Republicans have established a \$50,000 research project to procure examples of Carter's purported ambiguity. Democrats will hope for souring of the economy (unlikely in an election year), and attempt to portray Ford as a caretaker of the Nixon Presidency. As Carter campaign manager Hamilton Jordan discerned, "This election will turn on whether people like Jimmy Carter. If people ever quit liking him — we're in trouble".

**SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE:** All those who have not yet registered to vote in their home state, and wish to do so, may see Rick Dickson in the Student Senate offices in the Campus Center. A similar project for those who wish to obtain absentee ballots will be forthcoming.

## Letters to the Editors

To the Editors of the Star:

On Monday, September 13th, during class meetings, the Seniors were informed of a new proposal by the Academic Dean to make April 29th and 30th, and May 2nd and 3rd, final exam days for the second semester. News of this proposal was particularly disconcerting to the Senior class, since the proposal disrupts plans for the traditional Senior Skip Weekend that we, as a class, have anticipated for four years.

But my complaint is not with the uncalculated aggravation and inconvenience this sudden change in exam scheduling will introduce to the Senior activities.

I object to an Administrative process which continues to allow such absolute decision making without allowing for those most affected by the decisions to represent their concerns with the issues.

I am reminded of a similar upset last year when it was decided to replace the traditional Thanksgiving vacation with an extended weekend break in October. Fortunately, that decision was revoked, but only because there were those willing to act on behalf of the contingent, who otherwise had no voice in the matter.

We are members of a community that upholds the Biblical injunctions of love and truth as its motivating principles. We must therefore guard the right to be treated in a manner consistent with, and equal to those ideals.

I would hope that in the future, those who are most affected by the decrees of the Houghton College community would at least be given the respectful consideration of acting members of that community, rather than demeaned as its subjects.

Sincerely,

Juanita M. Smart

## Student Affairs Committee Tries To Clear Up Ambiguities (continued)

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this year's Upperclassmen, and is waiting for input from the dorm resident directors. Until this input is received, the dorm policies will remain unchanged.

It was noted that many students were not quite certain about the meaning of the "pledge" they signed upon application or registration. The confusion was generally cited as slight ambiguity in the final phrase of the pledge in which the student agrees to withdraw his or her enrollment should there be a problem in honoring this commitment. This phrase was not intended to be a snare for specific infractions, but to be a personal commitment to the entire statement.

If you, as a student, find that you cannot properly support the philosophy of the pledge, or that you do not agree with it as an attempt to create

an atmosphere conducive to Christian growth, it would be prudent for you to reconsider your submission to impossible demands. This obviously does not make room for the position of 'selective interpretation' which would permit you not to obey the rules, but simply to accept the discipline. To help alleviate such a situation, the student has been delegated the responsibility to be honest with himself and the school.

It should be noted that the list of 'wrongs' under 'conduct' was not intended as a hierarchy or correlated grouping, but they were placed together in that fashion for the sake of brevity.

Students often have questions about the status of the pledge when they are home over vacations and during the summer months. While the school requests that stu-

viously no way that such demands could be enforced. The student is thereby requested to examine his or her own values in accordance with Scripture, the leading of the Spirit, and his own family or church traditions.

The school does expect the student to 'hold to' the pledge when he is off campus for reasons other than college scheduled vacations or home visits. If there are questions regarding specific situations not mentioned here, the student is invited to discuss them with the Dean of Student Affairs.

If you are an upperclassmen, you may have noticed the change in wording in the pledge from "dancing" to "social dancing". This new term is not intended to prohibit ballet, interpretive dance, mime, or the use of dance in dramatic or gymnastic productions.

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Front Row: Charles Massey, William Brackney, Hubert Morken. Back Row: Brian Sayers, Frederick Parker, John Roederer.

## New Faculty Members Profiled: Statistics and Candid Comments

Houghton College welcomes six new faculty members this year. All are men; four hold doctorates in their chosen field; one team teaches with his wife. Here are short profiles of each professor:

Dr. Charles E. Massey, Assistant Professor of Education, comes from North Carolina. A graduate of Southern Pilgrim College he received his M.A. and Ed.M. from the University of North Carolina. As headmaster of Kernersville Wesleyan Academy, Dr. Massey met some faculty members who were Houghton graduates. Their enthusiasm for Houghton interested him in working here. He has been further impressed with the spirit of the people since having been here. A native of the South, he is nonetheless happy with the warm reception he has received here, and feels that every faculty "should have at least one token Southerner." Claity, Dr. Massey's wife, team teaches with him two Human Growth and Development classes. They live with their two

daughters in the former Luckey house.

Dr. William Hubert Morken, Assistant Professor of Political Science, was born in California, but because his father is a traveling evangelist, he spent his youth in the Orient. He obtained his B.A. degree from Wheaton College, his M.A. from the University of Chicago, and his Ph.D. from Claremont Graduate School. Besides being a former social worker, he instructed in several California schools, including California State College. Dr. Morken enjoys greatly the beauty of Houghton's location, the encouragement from his department to interest people in pre-law, and the personalness and diversity that exists here. His family includes his wife Mary, two daughters and two sons.

Professor John L. Roederer is a Houghton graduate who later received his M.A. from Middlebury College. An Assistant Professor of Modern Languages, he returns to Houghton after teaching here from 1966 to 1972.

## Don't You Wonder Why This Article is Hidden in the Corner?

For the amorous minded this year's freshmen class is again a disappointment, especially for the women. There are 419 new faces on campus, 95 of which are transfers. Of the freshman, 206 are females and 118 are male. This means there are approximately 1.746 freshmen women to every freshman guy. This ratio of men to women is the most lopsided in two or three years.

The class of 1980 represents 23 states. New York leads the list with 203 students. Pennsylvania is second with 39; New Jersey third with 29. Massachusetts boasts 9; Vermont 7, and Ohio and Connecticut four apiece. The class also includes seven foreign nationals representing Iran, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Nigeria, Barbados, and Canada. The class also harbors four missionary children.

The fledgling scholars include five merit semi-finalists, 6 valedictorians, 12 salutatorians, 65 regents winners, and 22 Merit-commended students. The average SAT scores are 505 verbal and 550 Math. The freshmen scores are slightly lower than those of last year's and the men's verbal is slightly higher than the women's.

Fifty-four frosh intend to major in biology, nineteen in elementary education, eighteen in business administration, sixteen in pre-nursing, thirteen in Math. 79 are still undecided.

If you have stuck it out this far, read on. Frosh church backgrounds may come in handy during theological discussions. The list is headed by 90 people of assorted grains of Baptists. The Methodists follow with 38, beating the Wesleys by two. C.M.A.'s and Presbyterians rival each other at 19 apiece. Free Methodists claim 9. Lutheran and Brethren churches claim 7 each. Evangelical Free, Assembly of God, and Catholics have six. The Reformed denominations constitute the minority with 5. There is a total of 23 denominations represented, not including independents and nondenominationalists.

The Freshmen were formally welcomed to Houghton by the Sophomores on Sept. 3. The festivities began at one o'clock with the class of '80's pep rally. At two the Frosh were slaughtered, 32 to 8, in a football game. At four, games were held on the quad, including Banana Wrap, African Monkey, Gorilla War. These were in harmony with this year's theme 'Going Bananas in '76'. This year the freshmen ate supper at 5:30 in dignity. At six a giant banana split, of 12 pounds of bananas and 15 gallons of ice cream, was served. At seven, the freshmen were given a four mile tour of Houghton which ended at ten on the airfield around a bonfire where the banana was finally buried and peace and friendship made.

## Interview

## President Chamberlain

On September 9 Dr. Daniel R. Chamberlain, Houghton's new president, agreed to answer a few questions put before him by the Houghton Star. Chamberlain candidly discussed everything from his views of women in sports, to his goals for the college. Following are some excerpts from the interview.

**Star:** What do you feel your role is as the president of Houghton?

**Chamberlain:** "A president has to wear many hats, so I can't see a single role. . . But to narrow it down to a couple of broad concepts, I would say a president needs to understand and personify what the college stands for. He also needs always to help the community state, restate, and re-

fine what its purposes and goals are. . . A president also sets the tone of a college in some ways. My own style tends to be not terribly formal and I think that since I'm not terribly formal, that would have some influence on the way people react to me and what some of the style of the institution might be. . . Lastly, I would think that a president has an obligation, not only to state what the purposes of the institution are, but also to attempt to personify them. . ."

**Star:** We understand you were a minister at one time. Would you comment on this?

**Chamberlain:** "Yes, when I graduated from college, my first intention was to go on to seminary. I had, by that time, gained a local minister's license but there was a Pilgrim Holiness School in El Monte, California which called and asked me to come teach. We talked and prayed about it and I agreed to teach there for one year before starting seminary. Following that, I felt a sense of fulfillment in Christian education and felt it was, in a real sense, a ministry. I soon felt that this was the form that most of my ministry should take. I continued to pursue the various steps toward ordination and was eventually ordained. In conjunction with my teaching work, I was associate pastor for seven years at what is now a Wesleyan church in Southern

California. . ."

**Star:** In what direction do you see Houghton College moving and what goals and challenges do you have?

**Chamberlain:** "First of all, I'd like to see the spirit of openness and enthusiasm, that I sense now, continue all year. If we have that kind of atmosphere, we'll then be able to reach the goals of Houghton, not much different now than ever — working conscientiously on the development of the whole person. That will mean keeping academic excellence and providing ample opportunity for social, physical, and emotional development — all under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. . . I feel very deeply that the whole purpose of organization is to make strength productive and weakness irrelevant. . ."

**Star:** Will there be opportunities for students to meet you on a personal basis?

**Chamberlain:** "I'd like to have twenty to twenty-five kids up to the house every few weeks, chosen on a random basis, so that I could try to answer any questions they might have. On Wednesday mornings, I'll be meeting with the student body president and I have suggested to him that he might like to bring other student leaders with him on occasion. I'd like to get a kind of wide range of opinions, in both informal and formal situations, with students.

## Richard M. DeVos Addresses Young Administrators Club

Mr. Richard M. DeVos, President of Amway Corporation, will be the special speaker at the Young Administrators Organization luncheon. It will be held in the Reinhold Campus Center at 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 17.

Mr. DeVos is a well known businessman, and speaker having appeared before thousands of groups from coast to coast. His present positions and duties include: President of Amway Corporation in Ada, Michigan; London, Ontario; and several other cities. He is the director of the Board of Home Missions for the Christian Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is the Chairman of the Christian Freedoms Foundation.

Mr. DeVos' recorded talk "Selling America" has received many awards, including the Alexander Hamilton Award for Economic Education from the Freedom Foundation. He is also the author of the book, *Believe*, published by F.H. Revell Publishing Company.

"Salesman of the Year," the Freedom of Speech Award, given by the International Kiwanis Club, and



Richard M. DeVos

## News Briefs

(Moscow) — Two Soviet cosmonauts were launched into an earth orbit Sept. 15 just two weeks after two others returned from a 48-day mission that included living aboard the orbiting Salyut-five Space Laboratory.

(Udine, Italy) — A new series of earthquakes that were felt in six European nations brought more death and destruction to the same area of Italy where nearly a thousand died last May.

(Washington) — President Ford formally kicked off his campaign on Wed., Sept. 15, at the the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Mich.

(Detroit) — United Auto Workers President Leonard Woodcock says the strike against Ford Motor Company will last at least three weeks.

(Washington) — Senator George McGovern is urging the United States to withdraw its forces from Korea because "we are allied in South Korea with a disreputable tyrant, President Park Chung-Hee."

(Houghton) — Monday, Sept. 1, 1976, Gaoyadeo faced Shenawana on the quad at 10 p.m. to determine the pillow fight champions of the world. No clear winner was determined.

## Intended

Melody Hollen (78) and Bruce Sellers (78)

Janet Means (78) and Dan Persing (77)





Women's Hockey Team in Action.

## Houghton Field Hockey Team Shows Talent, Professionalism and New Kilts

No, fans, those kilted women are not this year's cheerleaders. They aren't a new campus singing group either. They are Houghton's varsity field hockey team, and their new uniforms add to the growing professionalism of this new team. Both on and off the field, the hockey team dem-

onstrates its unity and enthusiasm; just witness them in the cafeteria line following an afternoon practice. Judy Shank and Priscilla Chamberlain parade through wearing their navy outfits direct from Bedford Gym, and April Holzmacher converses in Long Island lingo with Sheila Bentley inter-

### Interview:

## Tom Kettelkamp, Head Baseball Coach

The following are excerpts taken from an interview with Tom Kettelkamp, head baseball coach:

**Star:** Coach, in regard to baseball, could you tell us how your summer was spent?

**T.K.:** "I went, last spring, to the Public Relations office with the idea of taking out a group of athletes for the sake of public relations with different Wesleyan camps and what would be a good recruiting outreach. I thought

it would be a tremendous witness taking out athletes to work with young campers. I consider it very successful. We made contact with 500-600 high school Wesleyan students. From a recruiting standpoint I think the summer paid for itself.

"You might add that during the summer we traveled 5500 miles throughout the Northeast, New Brunswick and Ontario."

**Star:** What about prospective baseball players?

**T.K.:** "We made some really good contacts with maybe 15-20 good players. Our biggest communication went to sophomores and juniors who will be considering coming here in the future. We may not see immediate results right now but we will in the future."

**Star:** What about incoming Freshmen this fall?

**T.K.:** "We have some real exciting Freshmen who I made contacts with this summer, or who made the original contact with me. (This is apart from the trip). It's a group of Freshmen that we can pick some really good ballplayers from." (Coach mentioned such names as Rob Reece, Jeff

Tarbox, Dave Michael, Bill Evans, and others.) "I'm really satisfied with the turnout this fall."

**Star:** Could you give us some views on the upcoming fall season?

**T.K.:** "Fall baseball is needed for experience. The emphasis will be on participation and experience with the major emphasis on building a battery, a pitching staff, centering around Bob Chaffee, Al Webster and two more starters, Bill Evans being one. We've got a sound outfield with tremendous speed." (citing Dave Hisle, Jeff Tarbox, and Carlos Martinez.) "Our starting infield is still pretty much up in the air."

**Star:** What about the fall schedule?

**T.K.:** "It is highly competitive. I wish we could play other small Christian colleges, but they just don't have baseball."

In regards to the future Coach Kettelkamp said he didn't envision any NAIA National Championships but he also wasn't planning on losing twenty-four and winning two every year. "That's bad for the health," he said. He also stated that we could look forward to some .500 or better seasons in the near future.

## Dilettante Approach to Divinity Threatens Historic Theology

(CPS) — Something has gone wrong, George Lindbeck believes. Reverend Moon is in his heaven, Maharaj Ji is pulling the religious strings from his mansion in Malibu. The Asian bandits are everywhere, but what has happened to American religious leaders?

Lindbeck looks down from his perch as professor of theology at Yale and observes — with a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation — that religious education isn't what it used to be. Half the students filling the major or divinity schools are there on a lark, studying theology because they think it might be "interesting," but never intending to continue. This is not the stuff of which fire and brimstone are made.

The divinity schools, for their part, have been encouraging this dilettante approach to divinity. The courses they offer are less likely to be aimed at honing scholarly competence in religious traditions. More often the courses deal with "welfare expertise," social change and only generalized education in religious lore.

The problem deserves more than bemused interest, Lindbeck asserts in his recently released report. Historic religions could be slipping off into obscurity under the weight of social relevancy and over-generalized religious training.

Already traditional religions are becoming less and less an influence in determining how people live, Lindbeck laments. And it's not unrealistic to think that "the historic religions are in the process of disappearing," he claims.

What is called for are more stringent course requirements for divinity students and a re-emphasis on studying particular religious heritages. The shift in religious education, Lindbeck advises, should be back to traditional theological training. Social relevancy should take the back seat while divinity schools develop closer ties with churches.

And that's where Lindbeck steps into one of the most fashionable theological debates of this decade. That debate involves the proper social role

of churches, the Asian Menace and the Self Realization Syndrome.

Professor Max Stackhouse of Andover Newton Theological School points to the "tension" between the "social relevancy" school of theology and traditional religious training. One view states that changing individuals through religion will result in changes in society. The contrary view is that institutions have to be changed first to minimize man's viciousness while maximizing his virtues.

Because institutions are distrusted these days, Stackhouse says, people tend to turn to developing individual character and churches shy away from taking on social change.

The wild card is the presence of Eastern mystics and religious leaders like Reverend Moon and Maharaj Ji, as well as self-realization gurus like Werner Erhard. These sects and cults, according to Harvard Divinity instructor Harvey Cox, "sometimes lead people into a privatized notion of self-development, which has no ethical or social dimensions."

These movements "trade on disillusionment. They say in effect that you can't do anything but change your own consciousness," adds Harvard graduate student and researcher Steven Tipton.

Churches should step into this vacuum and become a moral voice in social affairs, according to those favoring an emphasis on social relevancy in religious training. This is no time for divinity schools to tame down the relevancy of their programs, they say.

Lindbeck, however, asserts that he isn't calling for an end to socially relevant religious training. A more conservative, traditional curriculum, calling on America's rich religious heritage could be "stimuli to change" and provide "sketches of alternative futures," he maintains.

But most importantly, he says, the country needs its own generation of religious leaders competent enough to spread the faith.

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Fourteen women attended the pre-registration training period and the team has since expanded to nineteen members. Only the second varsity season for the team, this year promises a more experienced, disciplined squad, as well as better performance on the field. Coach Wells drills the girls in everything from tackling and passing to the fine arts of long corners and penalty shots. Coach has remarked several times how much the team has grown, in both numbers and in talent. The addition of new players has boosted the team tremendously. Freshmen members are Priscilla Chamberlain, Karen Finne-more, Lynn Hamill, April Holzmacher, Dawn Lamos, Sylvia Nicholayson, Judy Shank, Robin Strein, and Pat Schuab. Sophomore Lynda Hughey and Junior Peg Roorbach, new to the team this year, are also valuable additions, as is the return of Sophomores Sheila Bentley and Debbie Kaiser, Juniors Connie Finney, Bonnie Meader, Sue Monteith, Penny Randall, Debbie Shank, and Jan Weber, and Senior Carol Capra.

Eight games are scheduled, with five home games to give Houghton fans a view of this promising team. Co-captains Sheila Bentley and Connie Finney invite all those interested to come to Alumni Field and cheer the girls on to victory. Women interested in participating are also urged to practice with the team; opportunity to play is guaranteed, as a few positions are still vacant.

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10/5	SUC Buffalo (A)	4 p.m.
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