

## Seniors Present School With Sign, Radio Outfit

Seniors marched into the final Chapel of their undergraduate college careers Tuesday, amid a shower of pennies from the exuberant Juniors, who were celebrating their new perch on top of the Dorm fund chart. The Chapel service was turned over to Lloyd Montzingo, vice-president of the senior class, who, on behalf of his class, expressed appreciation to the faculty and staff for what they had done for the seniors.

Montzingo announced the presentation of a sign by the "49ers" as a tangible expression of their appreciation. An artist's sketch of the sign, pictured it to be of colonial design with a shingled, overhanging roof, under which a fluorescent light is to be placed to make the gold-leaf lettering visible after dark. Not losing sight of the Christian goal of the class and school, Montzingo presented a check

to Dr. Paine for the purchase of a Rekokut transcription table and a G. E. Variable Reluctance Arm to be used in Houghton's spreading radio ministry.

Dr. Paine expressed thanks on behalf of the College, and concluded the chapel service with a review of the year's activities.

## Hall Receives Doctor's Degree

Bert H. Hall, instructor in philosophy, will receive his doctor's degree in Old Testament this week from Northern Baptist Theological seminary. When asked why he chose this field he replied, "Because I feel that in the years to come Biblical The-



Dr. Bert Hall

ology will be a growing study. Not only will this be so in Christian colleges, but in secular schools as well."

Mr. Hall was graduated from Houghton college in 1943 with majors in Greek and Bible, and continued his studies at Northern Baptist Theological seminary.

Since his graduation from Northern Baptist, Mr. Hall has been working on his thesis in preparation for the decisive exams which were taken this spring.

In keeping with the material of the thesis, "Influence of Evolutionary Philosophy upon 19th Century Higher Critics of the Old Testament", the examiners were free to ask questions on the Old Testament, philosophy of religion, the thesis, and higher critics. Mr. Hall gratefully acknowledges that the Lord helped him greatly in studying for and taking the exams.

## Sun Shines For Festival Activities

In spite of the rain that covered the skies early Sadie Hawkin's Day, Saturday, May 21, the track meet began in the morning as scheduled. The student body exhibited much ingenuity in its portrayal of Li'l Abner and Daisy Mae and some of the faculty added humor with their costumes. Daisy Mae footed the bill for her partner and opened all the doors—and in all clumsily acted the part of the pursuer.

The Student Council sold cakes, cookies, pie while the Athletic Association sold soft drinks and candy. In the afternoon the Student Body group gave out free popcorn to students.

At the noon hour the track meet ceased long enough for everyone to eat. If favorable weather had permitted the noon meal would have been held on the lawn of Gaoyadeo Hall.

## Students Request Permission To Organize Campus Radio Station WJSL

### "Pay Bills Soon" College Requests

The College Business Manager announced that the April 30 statement showed that the total gross accounts to the college is \$20,000 greater than at the same time last year. The total accounts receivable as of April 30 were \$105,480.10

The importance of this situation is in the fact that the college does not have cash to meet her current bills and pay roll. It is urgently requested that all students who owe money to the college put forth a special effort to make substantial payments at once. Mr. Smith pointed out that a given student may think that letting his bill run wouldn't amount to much but the difficulty lies in the fact that several hundred students are thinking the same thing.

When asked concerning the general financial condition of the college, the Business Manager pointed out that it is slightly better than a year ago. However, the slowness with which bills due the college are being paid has the net effect of making the actual condition about the same or worse. He pointed out further that with the limitation of financial resources the work program of the summer will have to be cut to the bone.

The Student Body will be interested in the way in which their Student Activity Fee is distributed. It is as follows:	
Library	\$5.00
Infirmary	4.00
Athletic Assoc. & Gym	2.50
Boulder	1.50
Star	1.00
Concerts	.70
Chapel and Lecture Series	.70
Forensic Union	.25
Student Body Fund	.20
Editorial Fund	.15
	\$16.00

A group of students interested in having a campus radio station called a special student body meeting Monday at which the following resolutions were passed by a large majority: "The student body of Houghton college requests permission of the board of Administration to set up station WJSL, a current-carrier system for the campus and community of Houghton. To cover the expense of this station we recommend that the student activity fee be increased one dollar per semester."

The board of control for the year 1949-1950 consists of Robert Nuernberger, station manager; Claude Williams, business manager; Norman Jones, program manager; Wendell Caley, chief engineer; and Dr. Luckey, Dr. Wightman, and Professor Shea, faculty advisers. It is anticipated that there will be at least fifty on the staff. In the future, elections will be held in the middle of the year. Qualifications of the candidates will be stated before the elections. A certain amount of experience will be required before a person can be elected.

## Students Give Chapel Program

A dramatic presentation of part of Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables" was given in chapel Thursday by Richard Schnorbus, an advanced pupil in the speech department headed by Mrs. Lennox. Prior to the reading Mr. Schnorbus gave a brief summary of Victor Hugo's life forming a background for his philosophy of writing.

The college waiting staff was in charge of the chapel on Friday. The program was a presentation of "The Private Life of a Head Waiter, Perry Troutman," depicting the normal course of events occurring in our college dining room. John Woodhams introduced the program. The first half

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The new campus radio, a member of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System, will be based on a system of limited area broadcasting wherein transmission is via 110 volt power lines which serve the campus. Frequency will be that which doesn't conflict with audible commercial stations. In Houghton the lower end of the broadcasting band is relatively uncrowded, therefore this will probably be used. Reception will be limited to the campus and the village, but portable or car radios will be able to pick up programs in these areas.

Experience of other campuses proves that a higher type of programs can be secured this way than would be possible through commercial broadcasts.

Special features of the programs will be basketball games, recitals, lectures, debates, club meetings, disc-jockey shows, church services, and chapel. The hours of operation will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 7:00-11:00 p.m. and Friday, 7:00-12:00.

The initial cost of WJSL is estimated at \$1400, including equipment, studio costs, and running expenses. It is expected that after the first one or two years the amount asked from the activity fee may be reduced to \$.25 per semester. Money received from advertising will help to make this reduction possible.

The board of control, composed of the station manager, business manager, chief engineer, and faculty advisers, will determine the administration, programming, and technical policies of the station. The managers will appoint the staffs under them, and the appointments will be brought to the board of control for approval.

There will be a two-week training period in the three phases of operation—business, programming, and technical—for those who are interested in working on the radio. Later those who have had this training will enter the department of their personal choice. The help of students who wish to be on the staff next year will be needed during the summer.

## Sophs Lead As Campaign Ends

The Office of College Development announces the class of '51 winners of the campaign which came to a close Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. With 100% participation they realized a total of \$2,408.86 or \$12.67 per capita.

The grand total given in cash and pledges to date by faculty, students, and church is \$16,570.54. Cash on hand is reported as \$41,000.

The original goal of \$6.00 per capita was reached by every class and doubled by the sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

The figures for each class:

	Frosh	Jrs.	Srs.
No. participating	196	189	130
Per Capita	\$6.97	\$12.00	\$12.46
Percentage	78.1	100	86.67
Amount	1,721.15	2,261.52	1,869.35
Total			\$8,260.88

## Dodds Speaks At Athletic Banquet

Gil Dodds was the principal speaker at the annual Banquet of the Athletic Association, held last Monday evening, May 23 at the Roycroft Inn in East Aurora.

After a dinner featuring chicken a la king, Bob Morgan began the program by extending a welcome to the guests. The program included a duet by Marilyn Phillips and Paul Nast, a skit by Bob Nuernberger and "Iggy" Giacobelli, the presentation of athletic awards, and a solo by Paul Nast.

Gil Dodds, holder of the world's record for the indoor mile and head track and cross country coach at Wheaton college, spoke along the line of the Christian's race. He challenged the group to train for the Christian life as an athlete would train for a race. He emphasized the necessity of having Christ as the head coach of life. Gil said one of his greatest thrills was knowing that Christians were praying for him.

Varsity letters were awarded for basketball, swimming, track and baseball. Winners of the annual sportsmanship awards were Les Beach for the men, and Ellen Thompson for the girls.

## Music Department Composes, Sings, And Organizes Tour For 1949-50

Three members of the elementary composition class conducted by Professor David Heydenburk each wrote a sonatina which was presented for the first time in a general music recital on Thursday, May 19, at 2:50 p.m.

Jeanette Rupp, a piano major, who wrote a *Sonatina in E Flat Major* for flute and piano, was accompanied by Ellen Thompson, flutist.

Mary Ann Gerhardt, a piano major, who wrote a *Sonatina in F Major* for clarinet and piano, was accompanied by John Rommel, clarinetist.

Bob Benedict, a voice major, wrote a *Sonatina in E Major* for violin and piano which was played by Doris Wheaton, pianist, accompanied by Jeanette Jordan, violinist.

Gordon Miller, Music Education Major, has accepted the position of Head of the Music Department at Pilgrim Bible College, located in Kernsville, North Carolina.

Mr. Miller has been active in A Cappella Choir, Radio Choir, Oratorio Society, and Extension Work. He transferred from Hamlien University in 1946.

The Houghton College A Cappella choir, under the direction of Professor Donald Butterworth, recently concluded its annual spring tour.

Travelling approximately four thousand miles, the choir, on this tour, gave forty-six concerts in forty six cities and six states. It was featured in two radio broadcasts and sang in public to 10,000 people. According to manager Bert Hall, the average offering was more than \$75.

Composed of forty-eight members, the group featured this year a series of Psalm settings for Psalms 23, 150, 130, and 148. Other features were hymn arrangements by Professor Charles Finney, and Mrs. Philip Mack, all of the Houghton college music division.

The choir committee composed of Dr. Claude Ries, Rev. George Failing, Dr. Russel Wightman, and Prof. Donald Butterworth met on Monday night, May 16th to discuss choir plans for next year. Prof. Bert Hall was again appointed as manager for the coming year.

A tentative schedule for choir weekends was arranged as follows:  
Dec. 3, 4th \_\_\_\_\_ Rochester Area  
Dec. 11th \_\_\_\_\_ Lake Erie Area  
Jan. 29th \_\_\_\_\_ Olean Area  
Feb. 26th \_\_\_\_\_ Southern Tier  
Mar. 4th, 5th \_\_\_\_\_ Buffalo Area  
Mar. 18th, 19th \_\_\_\_\_ Elmira Area  
Apr. 22, 23rd \_\_\_\_\_ Syracuse Area  
May 7th \_\_\_\_\_ Hornell Area

Tentative plans were laid for spring tour through Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Wash., D. C., Philadelphia and back to Houghton.

The committee received the following report of this past year's activities. The choir sang in 46 concerts to approximately 10,000 people, travelling a distance of 4000 miles through 6 states.



## Editorial . . . DEAR HOUGHTON:

So we are graduating . . . again. But as college graduates we are quite different from the educated crew that donned the caps and gowns four years ago back in the home town. We have learned at least one thing more . . . how much we don't know and probably never will. We are somewhat humbled by the realization of the infinity of knowledge and the finitude of our own minds. We know now that a college degree means we are more nearly ready to start learning.

In these four years we have sensed that there is a futility in higher education without a higher aim. We picked up some facts along the way, and some even went beyond the call of duty and learned to think. But are we any happier or more satisfied through this acquisition? Hardly. Actually we've found that our education makes it difficult for us to find contentment in the kind of living we would have accepted without it.

There is another change. Somewhere along the line most of us lost some of our high school self confidence in the storms of college life. They weren't too well founded. The world just refuses to be profoundly impressed with our degrees. There is a possibility that we may graduate from college and still not conquer the problems of the universe.

The whole picture could have been most confusing and disheartening. We might have asked, what's the future in it, and gone off to greener pastures . . . to become just as dissatisfied. But we found the purpose and the meaning of this college education . . . what *did* penetrate. We found the goal, a high one, and we found a reason to learn to do better work, to carry more responsibility, to gain knowledge and understanding. Why? So we could live for others. Why? Because we felt the constraining love of Christ to our high calling. We've found the purpose, incentive and assurance that education alone could not give, because we are anchored in Him.

A big king-sized thank you to the staff of experienced seniors who did all the work and left the editor with a comfortable chair and an honorary title.

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I can still see myself coming as a freshman, just a boy, into your precincts, and leaving as a senior, a man. You made the change; you took the small plant and kept it till it was a tree. I came like fog, and I left like wind.

I learned much while I was with you, Houghton. I learned there was a great reason to live and to keep on wishing to live. I learned how to look for happiness, not on earth, but beyond death. Earth is vain and material, destructible and unimportant, but beyond earth you offered me a new heavenly world and I took it. And I have found happiness at last!

You taught me many valuable lessons, Houghton, but first and foremost you taught me how to live right. You taught me there was a God to whom I would have to give an account for what I had done during my life and for what I had neglected to do. Thank you, thank you a million times, Houghton, for now I am safe.

It was good to be with you, little town. It was good to breathe the air you emanated. It was even better to walk on your streets, the few you had, to sing and pray in your woods alone by night, to roam with someone very dear to my heart along your muddy paths, to go to your small railroad station and watch the train go by, to see the river Genesee peacefully float away, to hear the cold winds whisper to your trees, to rest my eyes on you from the hilltops in the night and see the lights of your homes, and to watch each light die as the minutes and hours went by, until only your few streetlamps remained lit.

Today, I wonder how you are. I trust you are well, but most of all I hope the years haven't changed you. Sometimes, I don't know; I fear they might. Don't let them change you.

Your loving student,  
Andrew Berger



## The Ersatz Querist

Since this is our last shot at a "STAR," the powers that be wanted to get something that was really something. We decided to take huge and fantastic polls. We did just that, and the results were staggering. The question we circulated was:

ARE YOU IN FAVOR OF THE PRESENT SET UP OF THE GENESEE RIVER FLOWING THROUGH HOUGHTON OR WOULD YOU PREFER A CHANGE TO THE MISSISSIPPI?

The results were staggering.

YES	722
NO	15

With results like this we thought we'd be set, but the thought came, perhaps this question is all wet. Then we decided to find out first hand for the student body, exactly what some of our intelligent Seniors think of an important issue. Tell me, fellow student, wouldn't you expect a very logical and clear-headed answer to a question as simple as this?

IF YOU, AS YOU GO THROUGH LIFE, FIND OUT THAT YOU CANNOT BE WHAT YOU HAD PLANNED TO BE, WHAT WILL YOU DO INSTEAD?

When we spoke to DAVE KASER '49, he was deeply buried in a three months old issue of "Life." Dave sat back in his chair, and proceeded to speak. DAVE KASER '49: "Rusticate." (I still can't figure out what he means!)

After this we went on to conquer other fields, and these are some of the classics we culled.

NANCY BUTTERS '49: "I'd get married, but I'm withholding the name of the man." (I think she's the biggest optimist of the bunch.)

WARREN BALL '49: "Above all, I won't be a housewife!" (A real philosopher.)

BOB WOLCOTT '49: "There is nothing I'd detest more than to go back to the farm!"

HARRIET TRUE '49: "I guess I'd be a housewife." The question was then asked, "Well suppose your house burned down, then what?" The answer to this was, "We don't have to worry, we have insurance." (At this I got out fast, for an umbrella was swinging perilously close to my left eyebrow.)

JANE JEWELL '49: "I'm not sure, because the only reason I came to College was because I wasn't old enough to go to work!"

HARRY WILCKE '49: "Oh, probably!" (Did you ever in all your days bump into a classic like that?)

JANE CROSBY '49: Now there is a girl I like, always on the ball. Her gem for posterity was "first-seat tin



"We had to find some way to get rid of them."

## CHRISTIAN FARMING

Anyone closely observing nature will notice that weeds only thrive on neglected or poorly cultivated ground. Modernism, Communism and the other "isms" are comparable to weeds in this respect. They thrive only in those areas of men's lives which are neglected or poorly cared for by Fundamental Christianity, or, as we believe it to be, the Truth. If a farmer's field is full of goldenrod, bullthistle or mustard we blame him and not the weeds. Following this same line of reasoning when our churches are full of Modernism and untruth we should assume the blame and realize that false teaching and practices have gained their greatest strength in the realms we as Fundamentalists neglect.

Let us think for a moment of recreation. In this field we are quick to spot the weeds and to turn our fire against them but painfully and often fatally slow to place good plants in their place. So many times we only wait, hoping that the next crop of weeds will not be so objectionable. Good farming?

We claim that Christianity provides for the well being of the whole man. If our Church program does

pan banger for Spike Jones." (An English major too, you'd never expect it of such a nice girl.)

PIERCE SAMUELS '49: "I haven't made up my mind, I guess I'd go into some related fields." (If the corn doesn't come up, I guess the oats will, Pierce!)

MARY HARRIS '49: Here is a girl for whom I feel sorry. After mumbling under her breath for a full five minutes she finally said "Why, I'd be frustrated." (If anyone is writing a Psych term paper, here is fertile soil.)

AL FRENCH '49: "Well uh—I might sing; then I could do a 'SABRE DANCE' or two. If things go from bad to worse, I could end up like you. I couldn't be a bubble dancer—I'm allergic to soap."

So, fellow students, you can see what I was up against. Take a tip from this article, quit college before your Senior year, and get a job as a ditch digger. It pays more, and if this is an example of what four years of cultivation does to none-too-fertile minds, I'm for Urban Sociology!

not do this, is it not logical to conclude that the program needs to be enlarged? It is the responsibility of all Christian college students as present and future leaders of our Churches to show that Christ can and must be taken into every phase of life. There is no one else to do the task but us. God help us to be faithful.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor of the senior Star:

Just a few lines for the sake of sports: Mr. Stephen Polanski won the ping-pong championship. He beat me two games: 21-20, and 21-14 in a game that showed a much higher quality than I could display. He also beat Med Sutton (I don't know the score) and thus became Houghton College champion for the 1949 session.

Andrew Berger

Dear Editor:

The student body etiquette committee has sent out a questionnaire to test the reaction of the students on the problem of corsages. We feel that there are certain facts that the student body should know and consider before making their replies.

If a fellow can't afford a corsage, he need only refrain from giving one, and have his date anyhow, as a preponderance of men on the campus do regularly . . . If the student body votes to limit corsages to two specified occasions they will be interfering with the personal privileges of the individuals. The giving of anything to another is rightly regarded as a personal prerogative, and not the business of any one else . . . If two occasions are set for wearing flowers, that will increase the social pressure a hundred times, and any fellow without flowers will rightly refrain from having a date. That would be far worse than it is now, for one would have no choice in the matter and he would be obliged to conform, Is this democracy? No!

Students—think carefully before you let anyone limit your rights!  
John Woodhams



## Student Council Reviews Current Year's Projects

The last meeting of the Student Council for the current school year was held Thursday, May 19, at the home of Miss Bess Fancher. Refreshments were served.

Numerous activities of the student council have been evident this year. The most recent of these was the Track and Field Day sale of cakes, cookies, pies, bread, and confections donated by townspeople and Verville. Funds received from this enterprise and entertainment projects will be used for campus needs.

The memorial service held on the lawn beside Luckey Memorial on April 5 for the planting of the memorial oaks was a project of the student council under the direction of Elmer Sanville.

The publishing of the *Info*, planning of Freshman Week activities, keeping the bulletin board up to date, and planning of the New Student's Reception are all duties of the student council.

This year's council representatives David Kaser and Warren Ball attended meetings of the National Student Association.

The council devised a plan for fire drills in the Science and Old Ad buildings in cooperation with Dr. Robert Luckey.

An etiquette committee was chosen

by representatives of this year's council for the purpose of drawing up a book of Houghton etiquette in conjunction with Miss Beck. It is expected that this will be ready for distribution in the fall.

Difficulty has been experienced in drawing up plans for a new banking system and a workable plan has not yet been approved by the administration.

Innumerable complaints, suggestions and questions are referred to council members. These must be investigated and acted upon.

This year's council cited David Kaser, president, Frank Robbins, vice president, Ruth Markell, secretary-treasurer, and Bess Fancher and F. G. Stockin, faculty advisors.

## Faculty Elects Rabenstein, Blatt

At a recent faculty meeting, Anne Rabenstein and Harold Blatt were elected student members of the committee on spiritual and cultural development on the campus. Student members on the Student Affairs committee for next year have not yet been selected.

## The Rut

By Gartley

Anticipating that every other column in this second rate scratch sheet will be recalling the "wonderful" days gone by or looking forward to the "wonderful" days ahead, this conglomeration of degenerate drivings in the realm of literature will probably wind-up going sideways. If you want to be a romanticist, read the editorial. If you're an optimist who likes predictions, look around, there is usually such a stereotyped mess somewhere in this edition that'll appeal to your whims. [Ed. note: There is not.] As for this "work," stand by, a joke should be along any minute. In case you are interested in one man's opinion, I think the whole paper is a joke.

### Gartley Guesses

Because of the expected demand for the use of the reception room for fond adieus in the near future, Miss B. would like all interested parties to see her. My guess is that she doesn't mind kissing under her nose, providing arrangements are made in advance.

### Gartley Gripes

If you really want a joke look at the back page and count the amount of ad space in relation to the news and usual features. Barker, Cott and some amateur mechanics have been vying with Sutton and Co. for some time to see who will captivate your interest. One week it was so bad that *Foul Lines* extolled the virtues of Green Giant Peas. One of the boys asked Med if this meant marbles was to be made a letter sport.



Those ads began to mean a lot to quite a few students. Remember when this paper came out in one sheet form? Well, for the rest of the week the coffee crowd wandered all over trying to find where "Friendly People" were meeting. It was in that same week that Al French didn't sleep. He paced the floor every night worrying about the staff

banquet. At two-bits an inch, the *Star* almost became *Barker's Eclipse*.

### Gartley Groans

Next week should be known as "Shed a Tear Week." The Seniors will weep 'cause they will not be back next year. (You won't be, will you Pat?) The Juniors will weep 'cause they have only one year left, the sophs 'cause Schnorbus will be back in the fold and the frosh 'cause they didn't listen to the "Mushies" hawker back in September.



Next year, we are informed, shall see the finest crop of freshmen ever to appear on Houghton Campus. This means that a certain waiting staff will necessarily become quite refined. Wouldn't it be nice if you are in Ole Ptomaine Tavern some day and the waiter approached you for seconds with a menu? Can't you see it now, in bold print, Hash, Beans or the Same? It might get to the point where a person could eat a meal without the headwaiter using his stop watch.

### Gartley Grimaces

A society note is now in order. Mr. Dave Kaser and Miss Jan Burr are to fill in the Rut. The entire production will take place immediately after graduation. Mr. Kaser will preside at the shovel while Jan serves tea to the approving faculty members. Quite a gathering is anticipated.

Rumor has it that graduation is to be held out doors. That leads me to think of a joke. (Finally got to one eh, Sam.)

What makes babies and the weather so exasperating?

They are both so changeable.

### Gartley Grins

Two girls were talking about Archie Cevera, and one said that he was a gold digger at heart. The other girl said that was all right. If he married her, she wouldn't mind being

## CALENDAR

Fri., May 27

Artist Series—Modern Art String Quartet—8:00 p. m.

Sat., May 28

Singspiration—6:45 p. m.

Church Choir Rehearsal—7:30 p. m.

Mon., May 30

Memorial Day—Holiday(?)

Tues., May 31

Student Prayer Meeting—7:30 p. m.

Thurs., June 2

Program by the Music and Speech Departments—8:00 p. m.—Chapel

Fri., June 3

Theological Class Night—8:00 p. m.—Church

Sat., June 4

High School Class Day—10:00 a. m.—Chapel

Alumni Ball Game—2:45 p. m.

Alumni Banquet—5:45 p. m.

College Class Night—8:30 p. m.—Chapel

Sun., June 5

Baccalaureate Service—10:30 a. m.—Campground Tabernacle

Concert by A Cappella Choir—3:15 p. m.—Church

Missionary Service—7:30 p. m.—Church

Mon., June 6

Annual Commencement—10:00 a. m.—Campground Tabernacle

Tues., June 7

Registration for Intercession

an Arch supporter. Nothing like being under-foot I say.



Two of the local beauties were admiring each others' attributes the other day and as women will act, they began getting catty. Finally one girl said something in haste and the other girl asked for a repeat. The first girl said, "I think I made myself plain." The second girl answered quickly, "No, no, my dear, nature did it all by itself."

### Gartley Grunts

If you put this in juxtaposition with the editorial, I'm sure you will agree this has more to offer. But I plead with you not to mention it to Jan, it might cause erubescence. If such should be the case there might be reason for posse comitatus, which in turn would lead to postliminium and Burr would be back as head Ruter.



Ever since Sam Mack wrote that April 1st editorial he has been trying for his Remington Pilot license. He'd add something anyway so we have contracted with him to add an educational note. Its all yours Sam...

● Talked me right into it! It's like signing Boulders! One must be careful because someone else might read them. Speaking of education, it is rumored that Walker is working on a book for his doctorate, entitled, "Life Can Be Beautiful" or "I Graduated from Houghton." Pay no attention, Gartley, I'm taking the ten-year course myself—(S.M.)

Editor's Note—All right boys, now that you've had your fun, a woman will have the last word yet—J.B.

## DEAN KING REVEALS STATUS OF ADVANCED EDUCATION

The main question that I had in mind, and probably a strange one for a college senior, was this—*What is the value of a college education?* Dr. King, taking time out from his very busy schedule, pondered for a while and then came forth with some very wise words. He thinks that the value of a college education depends upon the person and his chosen profession, with the emphasis definitely upon the individual. "College education is of value to anyone with the capacity to absorb it," said Dr. King. When asked whether the value of education is not over-emphasized, especially in this age of mechanization, he replied that such an age requires expert mechanics and planners, while the ever-present less educated group will do the button-pushing work. Furthermore, an age of advanced technology predicates a complicated culture, and as our culture grows more complicated, we need more education to understand and live intelligently.

Dean King fully convinced me that he was in favor of college education (that didn't surprise me at all), but then the discussion took a fresh turn. The Dean revealed that he is not in favor of the *status quo* when it comes to education, —he definitely believes that a college education could be of more value to the student if the curriculum were reorganized. Said Dr. King, "Colleges are too conservative and stick too closely to the subject-matter approach, and fail to organize education in terms of the needs of the students." In other words, the student should be required to take those courses which he actually needs and will use later on. By this Dr. King does not mean that, in order to be practical, we should place a hammer and saw in the hands of every student, but by a careful revision of the curriculum the value of a college education can be greatly increased by requiring only

those courses which will more fully prepare a person for his particular field and enable him to meet the problems of life more successfully.

This is an age when the demand for college educated people is growing. Why this demand? Dr. King attributes it to two factors. First is the need for technicians in this scientific age. This is a complex age; whereas Daniel Boone's most complicated machine was his old squirrel gun, today common household articles are much more complicated. Not only are there technical demands but also demands produced by the effect of machines upon society. Along with the machine, there is the need for understanding its economic, social, and political effects on society. A distinct character.

In conclusion, Dean King, in giving the gist of his idea concerning the value of a college education, says, "The final analysis lies in the student's intelligence and development."

## Chapel Programs

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of the program taking place before the second bell showed the waiters relaxing by the piano singing as Iggy at the last minute poured his water—everywhere but in the glasses. The actual seating scene portrayed with two sets of tables the right and wrong way of eating. The "wrong" table employed tricks that are annoying to waitresses in the hope that some of the students would remedy the waiters' pet peeves. The entire program kept the student body in continual laughter as well as fear while Mitz being "broken in" as a waiter stumbled in with a tray of plates luckily glued to the tray. Some of the other waiters did not have such fortune but found their equipment in pieces on the floor. The whole chapel was filled with humor, a type that was enjoyable to all because of our common interest in the matter.

## Projects And Polls Employ Social Science Department

Results from the Student Questionnaire handed out recently in chapel by members of the Sociology Department have been tabulated in part as follows: Of the 701 questionnaires completed and returned, 502 students listed Houghton's Christian Standards as their main reason for coming to Houghton; 125 of these reported in the survey are preparing for the ministry; while 169 are preparing for full time work in the mission fields.

Done in fulfillment of a request from the Public Relations office, the survey showed that the Science department has the greatest strength in the major fields with 162, the Theological department was second with 155, and the social sciences third with 148. In the minor fields the education department leads with 200, language second with 173, theological third with 125, and psychology is fourth with 105.

As to church preference, the Baptists are the greatest in number with 191, Wesleyan Methodist second with 122, and Methodist third with 114.

Twenty-seven states were found to be represented at Houghton as a result of this survey.

Impersonal in fact, the results tend to indicate the trends in the student body today and could be utilized in future planning and departmental expansion.

The project was one of a series of sociological studies which have been conducted during the present semester by members of the Sociology department.

ment of Houghton under the leadership of Professor J. W. Shea.

The studies included the continuation of the social and recreational programs in the County Home at Angelica, New York; the Student body questionnaire which was presented to the student body in chapel on April 20; a Radio Survey conducted to determine the interest of the community and surrounding townships in an F.M. radio station to be operated by Houghton college under the auspices of the federal government's interest in education; an alumni Questionnaire the purpose of which was to determine the accomplishments of our students who graduated during the period from 1938 to 1947; a Mental Hygiene Survey, of the pre-school age child, to determine the need for a psychiatric worker and staff in Allegany County. A Christian Attitude Survey was also taken within the student body to correlate the viewpoints of students in a religious institution in matters pertaining to Christian living; and a Courtship Survey to analyze the predominant trends in courtship at Houghton college.

Plans are now being made to send out a questionnaire to the alumni who attended Houghton between the years 1928 to 1937. This questionnaire is to be mailed in September 1949. This survey is to be a permanent project of the Department. Five years after leaving Houghton each former student will receive one of these questionnaires.



# Purple Wins Track And Field Meet By One Point After Dispute

## Purple Women Cop Twelve Points In Last Event To Rescue Meet From Gold Rivals

The Purple Pharaohs overcame an eleven point deficit to nose out a favored Gold Aggregation 88-87 in the final event of the annual color track meet on Sadie Hawkins Day. Trailing their rivals all afternoon until the women's relay, the dark colored thin-clads shot ahead by capturing the first two places and a coveted twelve points. At this time, the scorers, having miscalculated, had Purple out in front by four points. The next day, when the totals were added up, it was thought that Gold had won the meet by an 88-87 score. But it remained for the final calculations of the of-

ficials to prove that the Pharaohs had gained the winners' laurels. The first places in each event are as follows:

### MEN

Track:  
100 yard dash — Ball — 10.9  
220 yard dash — Ball — 24.2  
440 yard dash — Barnett — 56.4  
880 yard dash — Kreider — 2:11.0  
1 mile run — Lombardi — 4:58.8  
120 high hurdles — Beach — 17.4  
220 low hurdles — Beach — 28.6  
relay — Gold — 1:55.6

Field:  
pole vault — Bravo — 8' 10"  
javelin — Dongell — 153' 11"  
high jump — Horst — 5' 6"  
broad jump — Buck — 18' 11 1/2"  
shot put — Dongell — 33' 1"  
discus — Sutton — 104' 2 1/2"

### WOMEN

Track:  
50 yard dash — Goodman — 7.4  
100 yard dash — Goodman — 14.0  
220 yard dash — Gibb — 33.7  
relay — Purple —

Field:  
high jump — Gibb — 3' 10"  
broad jump — Gibb — 11' 9 1/4"  
baseball throw — Bown — 165' 8"  
soccer kick — Bown — 76' 7"

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## Jenkins Presides Over Next Year's Athletic Group

The Varsity Club elected the officers of the Athletic Association for next year at their last meeting of 1948-49. The new officers are as follows:

President, Hank Jenkins; vice-president, Ollie Dongell; Sec.-Treas., Charmaine Lemmon; Cabinet, Dave Buck, Chuck Hunsberger, Marilyn Gravink, Ann Montaldi; Varsity Men's Manager, Walt Fitton; Varsity Women's Manager, Jo Fancher; Purple Men's Manager, Joe Howland; Purple Women's Manager, Jan Mote; Gold Men's Manager, Walt Thomas; Gold Women's Manager, Phyl Goodman.

## Athletic Association Decides Upon New Policies For '49-'50

The last meeting for this year of the Athletic Association on Tuesday, May 24, was marked by some important changes in the athletic program for next year. Heretofore, charms have been given to the winning class teams in each sport. This custom has been changed, however, and starting next year a cup will be purchased for each sport, put on display in the Luckey Memorial Building, and the names of the winning teams will be engraved upon it. It is believed that this plan will provide impetus for keener competition.

The football program was also revised. Beginning next year, there will be games on six or eight Saturdays, depending on the weather, between

Purple and Gold teams. There will be a House-league similar to the present one in basketball that will play its games during the week. It is believed that this will produce a better brand of football in the major league and the proposed House-league will provide opportunity for greater participation than is possible under the present system. It is hoped that these Saturday games will be complete with cheerleaders and band and will lead up to a climactic final contest on Homecoming weekend.

## Inn Takes Reservations For Weekend Meals

Reservations will be accepted for dinner at the Twin Spruce Inn for student's guests and families, Commencement Sunday. Full reservations must be made before closing time Friday night preceding. None will be accepted after that time. Prices will vary from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per plate. Serving will begin promptly at 1 P.M. The Inn will not be open for any other persons than those with reservations.

## Foul Lines --- By Med

A long time has elapsed since I last took up the typewriter to throw it at anybody. Just for the sake of old times it would be nice to take off once again on the Salad Bowl, the Bedford bedlam, or how they have solved the swimming pool problem by filling up the holes in the road with water. But the fact is that the Salad Bowl might in a year or two become a reality, Bedford is confined these days to paddle-tennis on rainy mornings, and I see some fellows out there now filling in the holes with some funny-looking black stuff. (And that would be hard swimming in.) And another thing I must keep in mind is that we reveal our true selves by our humor. Ah, yes.

O.K., Jan, I'll get some sports in here. A few of the awards made Monday night at the banquet included the baseball varsity and the track lettermen. Baseball letters went to Ollie Dongell, Jim Snyder, Paul Mast, Milt Troutman, Iggy, Les Beach, Dave Buck, John Roosa, Dave Juroe, and Med Sutton. Trackmen

who achieved the necessary point total on field day were Ball, Dongell, Beach, Buck, Kreider, Lombardi, and Sutton. Bown and Gibb took track letters for the girls.

Three boys and one girl were taken into the big 'H' club as a result of acquiring the necessary letters. For the fellows it was Dave Buck, Iggy, and Med Sutton with letters in football, track, and baseball, and Ginny Gibb came through with letters in track, basketball, and field hockey.

The banquet, in the minds of everyone who attended, was one of the best ever, even if Nast did get up to sing *My Hero* with the words in his hand to *Old Man River*. The food was good, the program was exceptional, and that was about all that mattered.

### FLASH!!!

Expenditures for football equipment including helmets, shoulder pads and jerseys have been approved by the advisory committee.

A word of thanks is in order to the reporters who have suffered with me and from me this year. Mitz, Marge Sprague, and Bob Terry, have been all an editor could ask for. Thanks again.

The news has been good. Purple Track Team was victorious by an 88-87 score on Sadie Hawkins' Day. Bring out the can of Purple paint, Iggy, we're going out tonight. And here I would like to add a little personal notice to everyone who laughed at the kangaroo jumping the hurdles. I laughed myself, but it just shows to go you that every little bit helped. We only won by one of those points, yet it was enough.

And thanks to Annabelle Russell, Edel What's-her-name, Jo Carville, and Lois Karger, for competing in the women's relays. They did not choose to run, but their running did the trick.

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