

BE STRONG IN THE LORD, AND  
IN THE POWER OF HIS MIGHT.  
Eph. 6:10

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## Carl F. Henry Challenges the Student Body

Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, professor of the philosophy of religion at Fuller Theological Seminary, declared in the college chapel Wednesday May 26th that evangelical Christians have an unprecedented opportunity to present the claims of Christ to a generation of mental tension.

Houghton campus was included in a tour of Christian colleges by Doctor Henry enroute to his summer teaching position at Gordon college, in Boston.

In his chapel message Doctor Henry pointed out that the older assumptions of the goodness of man, the inevitability of progress and the ability of the scientific method to solve all of man's difficulties have been shaken by two world wars. The Christian, he concluded, with his faith in a supernatural revelation by

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## SENIORS PRESENT CLASS GIFTS

"This year the Seniors would like to present, instead of promises of clover projects on the front campus, something concrete to the school. On behalf of the class we present twelve benches like this . . ." As Myron threw back the blankets veiling the bench set up at the front of the chapel, "Hobo" Douglas turned over on his side and tried to continue his snooze, but the disturbance was too great. He finally, reluctantly straightened up and put his old shoes on his tattered stocking feet and shuffled down the aisle. Are they that comfortable, Pat?

Yes, the Senior class presented a dozen (s)park benches constructed of reinforced concrete and sturdy oak slats to aid in campus improvement. The project has been in progress for some time at the college "barn" where volunteer help from the Senior class has been working on a two-day schedule. The benches are being built at less than one-half commercial prices. Their durable construction should make them a definite asset to the campus. They are to be set up at the end of test week. A suggested project for the Junior class was the installation of parking meters.

In addition a project was begun looking ahead to the installation of self-regulating clocks synchronized by a new master clock in Luckey building. Six such clocks were presented and are partially installed already in Luckey building offices.

## DR. F. E. REESE NEW PROFESSOR

It has been announced from the President's office that Dr. Floyd E. Reese of Kalamazoo, Michigan, has accepted an invitation to join the Houghton college faculty next year as a professor in the chemistry department.

For some time the Local Advisory Board have recognized that the heavy student traffic in the chemistry department makes it very important to find a competent teacher of chemistry to share the heavy duties with Miss Burnell.

Dr. Reese received his B.A. degree from Greenville college, Greenville, Illinois, where he majored in chemistry. For his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees, which he received from Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, he majored in bio-chemistry. His master's and doctor's thesis were concerned with metabolism and nutrition of amino acids.

Dr. Reese is married and has two children. For the past year he has been employed as a research chemist along with Greenville college and Purdue University has recommended him very highly.

It is probable that he may teach one section in general chemistry in addition to courses in his major field, organic and bio-chemistry. His coming will probably make necessary a change in laboratory facilities. The administration have stated that the present chemistry classroom will probably be made into an advanced laboratory and thus room S10 would become the new recitation room.

## L. S. U. . .

In the final tally of the Life Support Union, the Seniors rated first with a total of \$15,000, 67% contributing, making \$139.81 per capita. The Freshmen placed second with a total of \$11,350. 27.97% of the class participated making \$45.58 per capita.

The Sophomore total was \$9,550 with 30% of the class participating making an average of \$52.76 per capita. The Juniors had a total of \$3,950, with 11% of the class participating, making \$23.09 per capita.

The Student Foundation was established by the class of 1926, composed of 15 members which pledged a total of \$75.00. The plan—the goal of each class is to pledge individually so that the total amount shall make an average of at least \$500.00 per member, payable in annual or semi-annual payments during a period of twenty years.

The results from this year's class now total \$6,350. Plans are being made to complete the plaques for the classes since 1939.

## Anniversary Boulder Is Dedicated To Miss Rachel Davison, Registrar

### A Cappella Choir Concludes Season

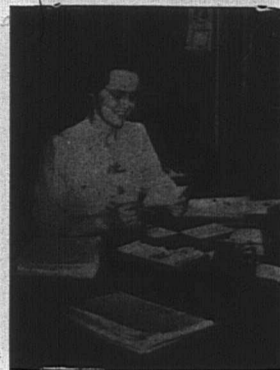
A Sunday afternoon concert during commencement weekend will mark the conclusion of the 1947-1948 season, according to Professor Donald Butterworth "a very strenuous one, more so probably than any other." Looking back over the year, Mr. Butterworth stated that, "the trip was very difficult and tiring, but also very successful. The choir sang to many large audiences and was well received. One thing that has marked this year's group is that during the season they have become consistently more proficient in production and there has been no let-down in performance standards toward the last. The choir has done a very difficult repertoire and has worked under highly taxing circumstances in preparing such a program in so little time. The choir and the conductor are very thankful to Professors Finney and Heydenburk in their contributions to the repertoire. We regret that we have not been able to do all of the *Beatitudes* but will use it again another season. We wish to give special recognition to Mr. Heydenburk for the *Revelation*, which has been probably the best-received number of the choir this season."

Following exams the choir is to make recordings of the *Revelation* provided that forty will purchase the set. The Public Relations office has authorized the recording of two records of miscellaneous choir pieces

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### CALENDAR

Thursday, June 3  
8:00 p. m.—Oratorical Contest  
Friday, June 4  
8:00 p. m.—Theology Class Night  
Saturday, June 5  
10:00 a. m.—Preparatory Class Exercises  
3:00 p. m.—Alumni ball game  
6:00 p. m.—Alumni Banquet  
8:15 p. m.—College Class Exercises  
Sunday, June 6  
10:30 a. m.—Baccalaureate Service. Rev. D. H. Ferguson  
3:00 p. m.—A Cappella Choir  
7:30 p. m.—Missionary Service. Rev. Frank R. Birch  
Monday, June 7  
10:00 a. m.—Commencement Exercises.



MISS RACHEL DAVISON

### Wightmans Visit Houghton Campus

Dr. and Mrs. Wightman have spent several days on our campus surveying the situation in preparation for the beginning of his work as the instructor in physics during Summer School which opens July 3. His main purpose in the visit were to acquaint himself with the campus and campus activities, to decide upon the texts to be used, to note the laboratory facilities, the check the number pre-registered for his courses, and to investigate the possibilities of housing. His visit brought him into the whirl of Sadie-Hawkins day which may be questioned as to normality of campus life. However, when asked of his impression of Houghton and how he had enjoyed his stay, he replied: "I have enjoyed it very much—all but the weather. We think you have a fine group of young people. We've been somewhat out of contact with students now for 5 years and to be here is like getting a breath of fresh air." He said that one must realize that there is a higher class of students here, and one does not see hard faces

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### Mr. Smith Announces College Summer Projects

The Business Office announced that the two major projects under consideration for this summer are completion of the class room building adjacent to the Music Building and the construction of the water-conditioning plant, which will be the final unit of the water system. The new plant, to be built next to the pump house, will remove iron from the water thus stopping the growth of yellow algae and will have a water-softening system.

Prof. Smith pointed out that while the original estimated cost of the completed water system was about \$55,000, increased cost of material and labor is exceeding the 1946 estimate by about \$10,000. The amount of work accomplished this summer will depend upon available labor and funds. There are still some openings for workers during the summer months.

### FLASH

At a student body meeting Wednesday morning, Warren Ball was elected as President of the Student Body for the year 1948-49. Charles Rupp is vice-president, and Jeannette Balzer, secretary-treasurer.

### Features Underclass Individual Photos

A Boulder representative, lured Miss Rachel Davison from her arduous labors as our registrar to be in chapel on Tuesday morning, but only with great difficulty. Her conscience still uneasy for having left her duties, she was called to the platform. Standing beside her unveiled portrait, in which Professor Ortlip had caught the unique expression which we all know, she accepted the dedication Boulder and the honor attached to such a gift. Her life of service to God and to the college have warranted every bit of this expression of appreciation.

Rachel Davison entered Houghton college as a student when she was fourteen years of age. She worked on the first Boulder which we had. She taught mathematics for a long time before she was advanced to the more difficult task of college registrar. No Houghton student is unfamiliar with her efficiency in this capacity. Her life and work has fully exemplified the ideals of the college and the theme of the '48 Boulder—"That in all things He might have the preeminence." It is quite fitting that the Boulder staff is celebrating this 25th anniversary by dedicating its book to her.

Other features of the anniversary celebration are certain innovations which are rather conspicuous. For the first time, the four-color process has been used in a Houghton Boulder. The underclassmen have been made visible—individual photos do things for one, don't they? Also, index to the book makes it easy to find your favorite picture among the many pages of this "bigger than ever Boulder."

The Boulder this year was far more expensive than in any past year. Though he was as yet unable to state the definite expense, Don Kouwe, business manager, said that the estimated expense of \$7000 was about double any previous amount. This was possible largely through the efforts of Les Beach, who secured the full quota of advertising space at a 50% increase, and of Dave Kaser, who obtained the record-breaking subscription. On Tuesday evening 1219 books were delivered. The self-sacrificing staff has relied on the Lord for their strength and will followed their theme to give Christ the preeminence in everything.

### New Club Organizes

Since the enrollment has increased in both science and pre-med, it was found advisable to split the club into a science club consisting of science and math majors and minors and a pre-med club consisting of pre-medical, pre-dental, and pre-nursing students. The officer's for next year's pre-med club are as follows: president, John Woodhams; vice-president, Jay Wenger; secretary-treasurer, Marjorie Helfers; chaplain, Harry Wilcke; and faculty advisor, Dr. George E. Moreland. The officer's for next year's science club are as follows: President, Chester Tingley; vice-president, Marabel King; secretary-treasurer, Jane Wight; chaplain, Lloyd Montzango; and faculty advisor, Dr. Luckey.

## Torchbearers Review Year's Activities

At the last meeting of TORCHBEARERS, Sunday afternoon, May 16, Margie Miller Extension secretary, reported that 125 Gospels of John were distributed, 432 calls were made in house-to-house visitation, and 101 gospel services were conducted. Bev. Barnett, the organization's treasurer, recorded a total expenditure of \$348.07. Through the gifts of student body and faculty, and many hundreds of "free" miles, Bev was able to report a total gain of \$15!

An example of the Torchbearers work is a "broadcast" at Rocky Sanatorium. Because of their physical condition, many patients can not come to the informal meeting held in the

hospital lounge. One of the patients, a young fellow with radio training, has built a 'ham' radio station beamed to local wave length which the other patients can tune in on their own radios. Ambulatory patients who desire to be present in the "studio" make up the choir.

Bob Morgan who has been head of the house-to-house visitation program this past year reports that 30 to 35 students have gone out each week visiting the neighboring farm and village homes. Knocking at the doors, they ask for the opportunity of speaking about Christ. The way of salvation is explained, testimonies are presented, and tracts and Gospels of

John are distributed. Not always can a decision be pressed. However, last Sunday, Bob reported that three definite decisions were made.

Other activities of Torchbearers during the past year have been weekly visits to the Lamont old folks home and Fillmore hospital and bi-weekly visits to Angelica County Home. Recently Cuba Hospital and Mt. Morris T.B. Sanatorium have been added to the list of activities.

The Torchbearers wish to thank all the drivers who have assisted this year, often without payment for mileage. Charles Rupp will be head of Extension work next year and Bob Morgan will supervise visitation.

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## The Art of Criticism . . .

As Christians we have one supreme purpose in life: the will of God. When our actions are harmful and injurious, we know that we are not fulfilling our purpose. It is, then, requisite for the Christian that he do one of two things: either avoid making criticism altogether or learn the art of uplifting criticism. Criticism which originates within the narrow confines of a self-centered desire can never be uplifting. The true key to the art of criticism is found in the God-given values of Christianity.

Criticism frequently fail to convey any significant information about its object, but it cannot avoid revealing the nature of the mind in which it originates. No criticism is worthy of a servant of Christ which does not reflect the mind of Christ.

## Mental Growing Pains . . .

Everybody likes to think he's somebody and evidently we're no exception. It doesn't matter too much when we make mistakes in bull sessions and school work, but in our more unreflective moments we as a student body have made some blunders for which we really feel we ought to apologize. You see, we've made some criticisms of the way that you people on the Syracuse Board are running things, and we haven't had any grounds for it. For one thing the school is your responsibility and we've been wrong in thinking we deserved more than the right to make suggestions. And even if you could turn more power over to us, we're not so sure we'd make a very good job of it. Actually, you've been doing a wonderful job. We've been thinking about the way almost all the schools which were originally founded on the Gospel have drifted away, and we want to thank you from our hearts for making a college that is true to the Word of God possible for us all.

## Eternity Is to Lollipops . . .

"For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36)

The values of Christ, and necessarily of Christians, are revolutionary to finite ways of thinking. When the Christian prefers persecution and death to the simple denunciation of Christ, the world cannot understand it. And that is happening today. When the Christian chooses to starve rather than to reject his faith, the world cannot understand it. And that is happening today. When the Christian places the things of Christ and of God in greater importance than temporal pleasures and self-centered desires, the world cannot understand it. Our question is whether that is happening today. "Yes," you may say, "but that is a matter for the devotional column, not for an editorial." Not so. For the Christian the ethics and values of his faith are a matter of every-moment importance. Christ placed the eternal soul above the whole material world. Frequently we place trivia of that world above the eternal soul. It is not a matter of being a little bit better, but rather of being true to our Lord.

As we leave Houghton for the summer's activity, the choice of values by which we are to govern our lives will become much more difficult. There are two definite things that each of us can do. We can covenant with God ourselves that His will shall be the guiding factor in our lives; and we can as a student body and faculty bind ourselves together in prayer that God shall keep each of us true. God grant that in such crucial times Christians shall reject completely a temporal, selfish point of view and follow from the heart a God-centered, eternal one.

—F.R.K.

## Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor:

This is what I hope will be labeled as "constructive criticism" rather than a gripe. It's not a gripe because it doesn't involve me directly, only some of my friends.

Chaperones are people! Contrary to much public opinion they do have plans and even dates of their own. If this is an accepted statement, why do intelligent college students forget this fact when they change their plans and neglect to notify the chaperone of this change. Many times they give up previous plans of their own if your proposition sounds more inviting. Is it fair then to forget entirely that you have engaged her service when you decide to do something where she won't be needed? Anyway you look at it, being stood-up usually leaves a bad taste in one's mouth. I'm sure they don't ask sympathy, just consideration.

And on the credit side of the ledger are those people who make the chaperone feel like more than a fifth wheel and as though she were a pleasure and not an imposition. I believe that Houghton students are to be commended for the way in which they put the chaperone at ease and make her feel like a definite part of the group. Even chaperoning can be fun when you as a student help make it that way. Orchids to you too!

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the producers of "Mushies" let me forward to you their thanks for the space given in your publication to our new breakfast wonder. We hope that the students of Houghton will become staunch supporters of the cause of "Mushies," and help spread them to world wide fame.

As soon as we catch up on our production we will send a freight car full of "Mushies" to Houghton free of charge, in care of your good reporter Jan Burr.

Many thanks again to you, and may we give our sincerest hope for the spreading of the popularity of "Mushies" on the Houghton College.

For the cause of "Mushies,"

Joseph T. Sastic

## Tail Ends

by Hook 'n' by Crook

This is a bedtime story for the class of '48 as told to sleepy seniors by their favorite fairy and foreteller, Madam Viola I-gaze-in-the-crystal-bowlsky Blake just before they went to bed on that memorable skip-day.

"Once upon a time (Ray Ball: 'It's unconstitutional: We want time-and-a-half'.) there were three little Bigs, called Herman, Verman, and Repulsive. They all lived with Mamma Big House, on Big Hill beside a Big Pan Tree. (Norma Thomas: 'I'm hungry'.) Is it any wonder they were scared when Mamma Big told the little Bigs that they were big Bigs now? They thought it was such a Big world.

"So the three Bigs started out to make their fortunes in life. Herman was the first to start out, and just as Herman got as far as the Pan Tree, a big pan fell on him and stuck on his head and he hasn't showed his pan since. So we can forget him.

"Verman was the next to kiss Mamma Big goodbye. All went well until he came to a Big river and he tried every way he could to get across. He tried to wade but it was too deep. (Pat Douglas: 'This is too deep for me'.) Finally he decided to jump across, but when he got half way across, he saw that it was too far so he turned around and jumped back. But just then Ken Clark came along from China in his nice, new shiny, sixteen-passenger airplane. He saw Verman in trouble so he flew down to help him discover a way to cross the river. And he was a Big help! He talked it over with Verman, and then he flew his nice, new, shiny, sixteen-passenger airplane right over the river and dug a tunnel for Verman. Well Verman was so glad that he just crawled all over Ken. And Ken was glad too because he felt just like a hero! (Don Lugtig: 'I wanna' be a hero'.) Then Ken took Verman to Tibet with him and he was so glad to be there that he just crawled all over everybody. That's why they say that about everybody over there. So that's how one of the Bigs made a name for himself.

"Now Repulsive had a purpose in life. He decided he'd get in with

the right people and make his way to the top fast. Well the first person he met was Myron Bromley, and he was sure he'd be a success now. But Myron told a joke. Repulsive kept telling Myron's joke wherever he went and Repulsive didn't go so far. Everybody thought that he was just a Big joke, but he really wasn't. He was just a Bromley joke (Stan Bean: 'Why do you keep contradicting yourself?') Repulsive was very sad about this, but he just kept his tail curled and all his chins up and travelled on.

"Soon he came to Houghtonia where lived Princess Dorbah. Princess Dorbah was a charming princess but she couldn't talk right. She had an impediment in her speech, add dobody dew how to help her. Well, when Repulsive saw her, he dew what to do right away. He got his Big haddkerchief add said, "Blow", and she did. And she talked as well as anybody!

"The king and queen were so pleased that they gave Repulsive the princess' hand in marriage. He sent the hand home to his mother and then married the princess. They were sooooo happy. But they didn't know where to live. But just then Med Kellogg told them how nice it was in Alaska where he was living. So Repulsive and his princess went to Alaska with Med and lived happily for a little while because they lived right in all that ice and snow. One day when Repulsive was sitting on an iceburg, he turned pale and said, "My tail is told." And that was the last of poor Repulsive.

"The moral of the story is . . .", but all the seniors were fast asleep so they'll never know and neither will you!

CARL F. HENRY . . .

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God has the answer for which modern man is searching. In the afternoon Doctor Henry lectured to the class in Christian Theism on the moral nature of man in modern philosophical thought in contrast to the Biblical doctrine of sin.

A graduate of Wheaton college, and Northern Baptist Seminary, Doctor Henry plans to complete his work for the Ph.D. degree at Boston University this summer. Before his entrance to college, he was a reporter for the *New York Herald Tribune*. He has also been a prominent leader in Christian journalism. The author of *Remaking the Modern Mind*, used as a textbook at Houghton, Doctor Henry has recently completed a new book, *Christianity at the Mid-Twentieth Century Crossroads*, which will be published by Eerdmans this fall.

In a personal interview Doctor Henry said that the greatest need of Christian colleges was a realization that our faith implies a unique view in every field of thought and a serious conviction that Christianity is the answer to all modern needs. Evangelical colleges, he said, have done a remarkable job with their limited facilities but could do much more if fundamentalists would give more sacrificially to the cause of Christian education.

## STUDENTS CHOOSE MISSIONARIES

Luke Boughter, president of the Foreign Missionary Fellowship, announces that the student body has approved the selections of missionaries presented to them Tuesday evening at prayer meeting. The ones selected for our support during the coming year are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wolfe, sailing for Japan in July; Ione Driscoll, sailing for Africa in November; and Hazel Johnson, graduate of '46, now under the Unevangelized Field Mission.

## Announcements . . .

On Saturday, May 29, the class of '28 will hold a reunion luncheon at the Recreation Hall. All class members and their families, along with faculty members who were on the staff in '28 will be present. Virgil Hussey is their president, and Miss Burnell was their class advisor.

Miss Graham has announced that the library hours for Intercession and Summer School will be as follows: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a. m.—4:30 p. m. with 1 hour off for lunch (to be arranged). The library will also be open on Wednesday evening (hours to be arranged).

Girls wanting Summer School rooms should get their names in to Miss Beck's office immediately.

Students leaving school whose forwarding address will be different from that which the school now has should drop a card with that information on it in the Official Slot.

The contestants chosen for the Public Speaking Contest, Thursday Evening, June 3, on the topic Communism, are Warren Ball, Rudolph Rabs, Jesse Deardorff, John Farrell, Luke Boughter, and James Mills.

The Business Office of the college has been officially moved to its new location in the basement of the Luckey Memorial Building as of Monday, May 24.

The Campus Sisters request that any advertising material which can be used in introducing new students to the extra-curricular activities of Houghton be given to one of the chairmen; Anne Rabenstein or Faith Mitchell, as soon as possible.

Grade cards for the current semester will be sent to the students at their home addresses as given on registration cards. Any student who wishes his grades sent to a different address should leave a self-addressed stamped envelope in the Registrar's office.

In March the Pre-Med Club voted to give Esther Grody, missionary nurse in Nigeria, twenty dollars. Miss Grody was a member of the club last year. Last Friday an order for a De Lee-Hillis Stethoscope and Spencer "Bright-Line" Hemacytometer was sent to Aloe Company. The company will send the equipment to Esther. She suggested the counting chamber and pipettes instead of the money.

The Student Ministerial Association completed another successful year with a picnic in the college woods Wednesday, May 19th. The officers elected for next year are: James Stevenson, president; Gordon Talbot, vice-president; Harriet Pease, secretary; Perry Troutman, treasurer. The speaker of the evening was A. Brant Reed.

## "So Walk..."

BY ARVILLA MCCALLUM

"Say, sir, would you give me credit for this?" the preacher paused before the shopkeeper who stroked his chin a moment, and looking to the floor replied, "Yes, sir, of course."

"But, sir, would you tell me? How can you give credit to a stranger so quickly?"

"That's easy," he grinned. "Just look at their feet; watch their walk. Shoes fairly new, (that's the last thing a poor man buys), good steady gait—their credit's good with me! And it holds, too!"

Homespun philosophy? Certainly. But the shopkeeper had hit upon a truth:—a man's walk is a man's life in action. With his feet he expresses the presence, the manner, the vivacity of life. Paul hit upon this correlation when he said, "If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit."

In other words, life in itself, and life on its feet must agree! I wonder if in Paul's eyes, any of us would have foot troubles?

Perhaps a look at the healthy walking Christian would make our conclusions clearer. In Romans, for example, we read, "Let us walk honestly as in the day." No room here for a shambling sneaky gait. The "crooked man who walked the crooked mile," could not qualify. Only he of resolute firmness of character and steady openness of soul is allowed. God has ordained that we should walk "in the Spirit," who is not only to be the Sphere but also the Agent of that action. His is the very Spirit of Truth. Can a walk in the presence and power of such truth be shady, hidden, corrupt?

In Colossians we read more of the walking Christian. He has a certain circumspectness of life, a constant focus of purpose that excludes the bypaths of petty, non-essential trivialities. He walks in the Spirit of wisdom. The awareness of God's thoughts, of the reality of eternity press in upon his being to such an extent that time, thought and action are reckoned only in relation to things long past, and things to come. Could a walk illuminated by the eternities be otherwise?

This Christian is not only loving in honesty and wisdom; he is clothed with the Spirit of might. In his heart he knows no excuse to offer for

### Cox-Van Druff

Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Van Druff of Wellsville, New York announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosalea, to Ralph H. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cox of Dalton, New York. Miss Van Druff is now completing her senior year at Houghton Preparatory. The wedding will take place in the near future. In his heart he knows no excuse to offer for a weak shaky Christian life before

a weak shaky Christian life before the God of omnipotence who has placed the resources of spheres at his fingertips. Why should he not know how to "walk and not faint?"

Finally, love characterizes the activity of this thorough-going Christian. Motivated by the Spirit of God who is love, he finds the compassion of Jesus constantly constraining him into an active love service for others. Should anything but the sweetness of Heaven permeate his dealings with men?

Is it possible that we could stand before the healthy walking Christian of Paul's portrayal? Have we good feet to stand on this summer, this coming year? Will they carry us out on Christ's missions of true compassion? Will they portray lives of open, honest mighty love?

"Love has a hem in its garment That reaches the very dust.

It can touch the stains of the streets and lanes,

And because it can, it must.

"I ought to bend to the lowest: I ought, and therefore I can.

I was made to the end That I might descend

In the steps of the Son of Man."

### College Quartet and Trio Plan Itineraries

For the first time since 1944, Houghton college is sending out a male quartet this summer to tour in the conferences most interested in Houghton. They will be singing in only Wesleyan Methodist Churches with few exceptions. The personnel of the quartet are: Dean Gilliland, first tenor, a sophomore; Merle Baer, second tenor, a freshman; Theodore Muller, baritone, a senior; and Calvin Hayes, bass, a senior. Traveling with the quartet will be Rev. Alton Shea, who is field director of the Y.M.W.B. Rev. Shea will be bringing inspiring spiritual and educational messages. Together, Rev. Shea and the quartet will be working up several themes to show Christ pre-eminent both in the spiritual as well as the material things in life. Their programs will consist of interspersions of quartet numbers with duets, solos, trombone solos, piano solos and duets, and speaking, plus lantern slides about Houghton.

Besides the quartet, the college is also sending out a girls' trio. They will also be touring those conferences most interested in Houghton. The personnel of the trio are: Miss Beverly Auchmoody, first soprano, a sophomore; Miss Betty Erhard, second soprano, a faculty member; and Miss Jo Anne Ludwig, alto, a sophomore. The trio will be accompanied by Miss Beck, the Dean of Women. She will be bringing the devotional and educational messages. This gospel team is working up special programs on various themes using trio numbers, duets, solos, and violin solos.

## ENGLAND AND PHIPPS ARE CHOSEN DAISY MAE AND LITTLE ABNER

Sadie Hawkin's Day was highlighted this year in the election by popular vote of Kay England as Daisy Mae. Her "date" for the day, Rufus Phipps, was elected by coincidence as Lil' Abner. Both were dressed in burlap bags and to all appearances seemed like "typical Dog-Patch resident." There were many other notable personages also present for the day. Among these is Doug Gallagher who was dressed as a hunched-back old man. Bob Dingman came dressed in a very unusual, original outfit which consisted of a pair of long white underwear, covered by a pair of light brown trousers, which were quite ragged and cut off at the knees. He also wore a dark blue suit coat decorated with medals, and wore a "ten-gallon" hat properly creased in the front. Chris Farlekas was seen pushing a "baby buggy" around the campus. The faculty was represented by Professors Heydenburk and Butterworth both of whom were dressed for the occasion, and to all appearances seemed to be enjoying their respective escorts for the day, Jean Smith and Marian Mabuice.

The "weaker" sex proved their endurance and physical strength at the previous Wednesday night "date-making" contest. When the chapel bell rang at 6:45 p. m., the girls began their chasing of the fellows. Several of the girls took advantage of the fact that the Student Ministerial

### Speech Students Give Recital

On Monday, May 24th the Public Speaking Department presented a recital in the chapel under the direction of Mrs. Edna Lennox. Four selections were presented by outstanding members of the first year Public Speaking classes. Dorothy Baigrie gave a rendering of *The Highwayman* by Noyes; Miriam Edwards, *Richard's Practicing* by Gardiner; Phyllis Martin, *Mary Stuart* by Potterfield; and John Rommel, *Paul Before Agrippa* from the twenty-sixth chapter of the Acts.

Following the intermission the one act play *Cathleen Ni Houlihan* by W. B. Yeats was presented as a project of the Esthetic Workshop. Those taking part in the play were: Robert Raub, Marion Stevenson and Elaine Tange, all from the Advanced Public Speaking class; Alice Wetterer and Janice Barnett from the Workshop in Esthetic Expression; and Robert Terry, Ward Locke, Colleen Weekley, John Fasano, and John Rommel from the first-year Public Speaking class. The setting was a scene in an Irish home in 1798 when the attacking French were landing at Killala.

Janice Barnett is to be complemented for the fine job which she did in the role of *Cathleen Ni Houlihan*. Music for the program was provided by Ailene Nase at the piano. The entire program was very well received by the audience.

### Birth

A daughter, Charlotte Lorain, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Birchall on May 25th. Mr. Birchall is a member of the Sophomore class.

### Gordon-Fletcher

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fletcher of Waltham, Quebec, Canada, announce the engagement of their second daughter, Bernice Almira Bertha, to Frederick Keith, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gordon, Ottawa, Canada. The marriage will take place in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at 12 noon Saturday, June 26th—Fred Gordon is a Theology student at Houghton College, N. Y.

## King Reveals Test Results

Dr. L. A. King has received the results of the Sophomore Achievement Tests, which were given to over 28,000 college Sophomores throughout the country. These tests measured knowledge and interests in three major fields—English, General Culture, and Contemporary Affairs.

The subjects tested under the general heading of English were current English usage, effective usage, vocabulary, speed, of comprehension, level of comprehension and over-all reading ability. Under General Culture were: current social problems, history and social studies, literature, science, fine arts, and mathematics. Contemporary Affairs covered the topics of: public affairs, science and medicine, and literature and fine arts.

Inasmuch as the students in the Music Department follow a markedly different curriculum than the Liberal Arts students, the results of their tests were recorded separately.

In comparison with other college sophomores, the Liberal Arts men were rated as high average in the first two fields and low average in the third. The Liberal Arts women received the same rating. Among the Music Division students, the men were rated as high average to average in all three fields, while the women were rated as average, low average and below average, respectively in the three fields.

Dave Reeves was married (after much protest on his part) to Dolores Hughes, the ceremony being performed by "Parson" John Rommel.

During the evening in a chapel program Daisy Mae and Lil' Abner were awarded appropriate prizes. Charlie De Santo and the Tri-ette sang several numbers, the outstanding one being "The Old Family Toothbrush". The main feature was a radio skit, directed by Fred Kling. This was a very amusing "take-off" on the soap-opera entitled "Portia Faces Death", which was written by Phil Blackwood. Alice Wright played the part of Portia, while Irving Cook played the hero, Ernest Sullivan.



Association was having a picnic up the creek, and promptly surrounded the unsuspecting theologs. The only known casualty was Chet Gretz, who cut his hand on a fallen tree as he was snagged by one of the pursuing Sadies. Wednesday night's events came to a close around ten o'clock with a parade of automobiles blowing their horns. A group of several male serenaders visited Dow Hall, Gaoyadeo, and Cott House. At Cott House, one of the enthusiastic Sadies threw a glass tumbler at the serenaders.

The events on Friday were carried out in the usual manner. The fellows enjoyed the privilege of legally entering the dining hall first at both breakfast and lunch, and thus reserved seats for their escorts. The track and field events began at 10:15 a. m., and lasted most of the day. The college band played during most of the morning events. At one time they had the competition of a "well-trained Dog-Patch" band from Ver-ville, led by Art Davis and Bill Jersey. The In-as-much group moved in during the morning, and pitched "camp" on the field. Miss Fancher acted as Auntie In-as-much, with Jerry Ellison acting as "Pappy" . . .

## After Graduation-What?

BY HALDYNE SPRIGGINS

As Freshmen we blithely said, someday we'll graduate. Everybody who fulfills the requirements graduates. Someday we'll walk out of these doors with that cherished knowledge, ready to reform the world! However, now we awake, feel the hard handle of the iron in our soft palm as we press the traditional black gown, tussle with the long, flowing sleeves, and say to ourselves:—"Is it possible? Am I graduating?" The last lap is practically over; in fact we sometimes feel as though we were being pushed over the line. It's a dazed, elated feeling.

The inevitable question thrust at each Senior is—what now? The easy way out of that is to nonchalantly answer, "Oh, I'll probably get married." But Ray Ball is not nonchalant about it; he even became effervescent when informing me of his approaching marriage, to take place "in four weeks!" Taken back by the closeness of the impending evil, I replied, "Horrors! Aren't you scared?" "Yeh," he boomed, "almost skinny!" He doubled over at his own joke;—as far as he could double, anyway. Further questioning revealed the fact that he is planning on seminary next year. "Taking your wife along?" "Why sure,—that's what I got her for."

But we're not all like that. There are any number of us whose plans are as singular as the individual. For

instance, Dick Moore, in answer to my query, said he is going to heaven. (What's the inference?) And maybe I approached Jim Harr at the wrong time, for out of the corner of his mouth he very distinctly grumbled:—"Don't know. Probably I'll be digging ditches."

And then there's Pat Douglas. His orphanage is still in the ethereal state. In defense of this institution and of the widows he would be contacting, he bore down on me with, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and wid—" "Please, Pat,—I didn't mean it!" So Pat is going to have an orphanage.

There are a fortunate minority who have very definite plans for next year:—Beulah Smalley, Alda Anderson, Tom Hannan, and Ken Clark plan to attend The Missionary Training Institute at Nyack, New York. Byron Sheesley will be going to medical school in Buffalo while Bob Hanley takes up his medical training at Syracuse University. Last week's *Star* included ten of our number who have accepted teaching positions. Virginia Warner, Winifred Hosteter, and Emily De Fisher plan to attend the Western Reserve School of Nursing. The majority of our fellows seem to be going on to seminary, preparatory to fulltime service in the home land or on the foreign field. Among them are Myron Bromley, Irving Cook, Jim Harr, Truman Ireland and Randall Thompson,

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"Now, let's see . . . What hours can we use this." - September 1948

## Coach Says . . .

The future of the Physical Education Department lies in the hands of the Lord. Growth and expansion are inevitable with an increasing percentage of the students desiring a field of Christian service.

For those desiring a career of social service, courses must be introduced which will better prepare them for the task set before them. One such course is being offered next year entitled, "Community Organization" dealing particularly with the problem of leisure time and its proper usage from a Christian standpoint. As would be expected, being offered by the Physical Education Department, it will cover athletics practical to all age groups, recreational activities for all occasions, and agencies available for assistance in such a program in a community that you, as a pastor or social worker, might be responsible for.

This may be only the first of a number of courses that could be offered in this and relevant fields. Catalogued for next fall is an instructor course in water safety and lifesaving. For those planning to counsel or work in camps, this would offer the largest field of service, for all attending camps come under the supervision of the water-front director at one time or another. God can and will use your physical, athletic, and recreational abilities to win souls to Himself as is witnessed by the fact that an evangelist in New England used his ability to play ball in gaining the confidence of a group of "rough necks" in an area where he was told his tent for meetings would be torn down. An hour or so on the ball field, a half hour singing around the piano with the same group, and souls were saved for eternity. Needless to say, the tent stood throughout the campaign.

Participation in the athletic program with added training is the best preparation for this phase of your Christian ministry. Further possible additions to the curriculum might be counseling, camp administration, or practical work in the field.

### AFTER GRADUATION . . .

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bound for Asbury. Dick Moore is going to Eastern Baptist, and Ted Muller to New Brunswick, N. J.

The most frequent answer to "what are you doing next year" was "I'm not sure" or "I don't know." This fact alone should constitute a positive challenge.

We are certain that we want only the Lord's will. For any who want Christian work there are endless opportunities, but we dare not choose at random. There is but on center to the Will of God. Of all this we are keenly conscious, and hence are cautious in these decisive steps.

### Where Friends Meet



### THE PANTRY

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"In the service of the King" here at Houghton has been a spiritual tonic and challenge for me. Little did I realize that one so totally unprepared in a scholastic way could be used in such a position. God's leading has been definite in the matter and traces back to when I was in the service of our God and country. Our servicemen for the most part were not well educated—a challenge; further, our men were not Christians with only rare exceptions—a challenge; add the two together and we have Christian education, but how, what, and where? This year at Houghton has been God's answer to these questions which less than a year ago had me baffled.

On the outset, realizing the tremendous task ahead, I claimed God's promise that His " . . . angel shall go before thee . . ." (Ex. 23:23) Most certainly He has done this very thing to the strengthening of my faith and the accomplishment of His task for me here this year. What seemed from a human standpoint to be the biggest stumbling blocks I'd have, proved to be my strongest assets. The Lord through it all has granted me patience and humility, two of my weakest points, and has increased my faith for bigger things.

The place of athletics and physical education in training for Christian service has developed dynamic proportions in my mind. We, as Christians, cannot afford to be ignorant of the factors leading to our own physical wellbeing. Further, the ability to have fun, to play, and to direct leisure activities will gain the confidence of young America as quickly as any means available. In His strength, I will endeavor to make the above possible for all desiring this knowledge and ability as long as He may lead in this field of service.

### A CAPPELLA . . .

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used in this year's repertoire. Houghton students interested in purchasing either set should contact Fred Kling this weekend.

Professor Butterworth is interested in hearing the voices of any students who wish to be in choir next year. From the musical standpoint he feels that the most important quality in a good choir member is an accurate sense of pitch, followed in order by previous voice training, choral experience, and ability to sight read. These standards are not in themselves sufficient, for the choir places above all a loyal Christian testimony and Christian standards of cooperation.

Plans for the new repertoire include a Bach motet as opening number and three Psalm settings, including one by the English composer, Ralph Vaughn Williams. A group of hymns to be suggested by the choir and any interested friends will be arranged this summer for choral presentation. Professor Butterworth believes that more American composers should be encouraged to write music suitable for evangelical service. It is his hope that the staff members of Houghton will feel encouraged to write more for the A Cappella Choir in the future.

In conclusion he expressed his "appreciation to the A Cappella Choir

### HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR FLOWERS FOR DECORATION DAY?

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**BARKER'S**

## Athletes Feted At Banquet

Moonwinks, Cuba, New York on Saturday, May 22 was the scene of the annual Houghton College Athletic Banquet which was attended by more than eighty persons including the Athletic Association, Varsity Club, several college faculty members and guests.

Following the meal of baked ham the program got off to a good start with the male quartet, consisting of Rufus Phipps, Ralph Nast, Bill Jersey, and Harley Smith, singing a medley on the second coming. Prayer and scripture was offered by Doug Gallagher, after which an instrumental trio of Nancy Butters, Irene Titus, and Gordon Talbot rendered "Intermezzo." Before the quartet sang their second number, "Swing Low", Harold Little gave a reading entitled "Alibi Ike". Iggy and Dave Kaser gave a skit named "You Name It", followed by a solo by Paul Nast, "Song of the Open Road" and another quartet number. "Dry Bones."

Coach Wells then gave out the letter awards to the members of this year's varsity teams and the high point awards for the track season. Approximately fifty awards were given out at that time. The high point of the evening came with the performance of Cartland and Cook, America's No. 1 Comedy Sports Attraction. Cartland and Cook are Champion table tennis players who put on an eye-opening table tennis exhibition combined with a first class comedy act.

The concluding part of the program came with the presentation of the Sportsmanship jacket awards. The awards were given by Prof. LeRoy Fancher, representing the college. The girls' award went to Virginia Warner and the men's to Jim Smith and Mel Lewellen. This award is given to the outstanding examples of sportsmanship and not "to the best all-around athlete of the senior class," as stated in last week's Star.

### Veterans . . .

Subsistence checks for June will arrive in Houghton about the first of July. If those veterans who do not plan to be here at that time to collect their checks will leave self-addressed envelopes in the Office of Vets Affairs these checks will be forwarded to you. They cannot be forwarded under any other conditions and otherwise will be returned to the New York Central Office of the Veterans Administration and "That makes for problems!"

Committee, headed by Dr. Ries, and composed of Rev. Failing, Dr. Moreland, and Prof. Smith, and to Dr. Paine who has taken a personal interest in the choir and been most helpful in committee meetings this season. Special recognition should go to the choir officers: Irving Cook, student-manager and president; Cal Hayes, vice-president; Fred Kling, treasurer; and Alice Wright, secretary. Both Professor Butterworth and the administration wish to thank the members of the choir for their cooperation this past year.

### COTT'S

#### DRY CLEANING

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## GOLD TAKES TRACK MEET

With the "stadium filled," life guard at each turn of the track, a record was broken . . . it didn't rain during the annual Purple-Gold meet last Friday.

Because of the wetness of the track only field events were held during the morning, the highlights of which was the record-breaking baseball throw of 206 feet by Joyce Bown. High scorers for the day were, Dave Buck, and Chester Tingley, and Bob Barnett each with eleven points. The high scorer for the girls was Ginnie Warner with fourteen points. What's the matter fellows? Hats off to Ginnie. Of course we realize that the girls had a head start Wednesday night in the Daisy Mae-Lil' Abner track meet.

An exciting and well announced softball game was played during the noon interval. Med Sutton displaying his unusual athletic ability by snagging flies was a feature in itself. It was easy to become a softball player . . . just be a spectator and catch a fly . . . you were in!

In the final results the Gold took the lead with 89 points and the Purple with 80 points. Aren't you glad you're on the Gold team?

### FINAL RESULTS:

#### MEN'S SCORES

Javelin Throw  
Walker—136' 1"—P  
High Jump  
D. Buck—5' 2 3/4"—G  
Broad Jump  
D. Buck—20' 5 1/2"—G  
Shot Put (16 lbs.)  
Cal Tingley—34' 1"—G  
Pole Vault  
Dave Buck—8' 4"—G  
Discus throw  
Nast—98' 11"—G  
Mile Run  
Lehman—4:58—G  
100-Yard Dash  
Chet Tingley—10.5—P  
220-Yard Dash  
Chet Tingley—25.2—P  
440-Yard Dash  
Bob Barnett—56.4—P  
80-Yard Dash  
B. Barnett—2:15—P  
120 High Hurdle  
Beach—18.6—P  
220 Low Hurdle  
Beach—28.8—P  
Men's Relay  
Bob Barnett, Bev Barnett, Chet Tingley, Lombardi—1:57.7—P

#### WOMEN'S SCORES

High Jump  
M. Helfers—3' 7 3/4"—G  
Broad Jump  
V. Warner—13' 3"—P  
Baseball Throw  
Joyce Bown—206' 9 1/2"—P  
Soccer Kick  
Joyce Bown—92' 3 1/2"—P  
50-Yard Dash  
V. Warner—.07—P  
100-Yard Dash  
Goodman 1.3—G  
220-Yard Dash  
Helfers—32.6—G  
Women's Relay  
Warner, Banker, Miller, Shore—1:11.9—P

### WIGHTMAN . . .

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here as you do in other colleges and universities. He was a bit surprised and very pleased with the religious activities such as the devotional period after dinner in the dining hall and the Sophomore prayer meeting which he attended. He remarked that the dining hall seemed a bit crowded, but well organized. He was especially interested in finding out about the baking, as he had enjoyed the desserts and the Sunday morning sweet rolls.

Dr. Wightman is a very promising addition to our faculty. His range of experience and contact is large, yet he has a definite interest in the students and enjoys personal contacts with them.

### PAINE'S SERVICE

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### THANKS . . .

With this last regular Star issue we extend our thanks to the students, the college, and the town. All have accepted us with a true Christian spirit, and with an increasing patronage. We have tried, in our limited way to please. When we couldn't, we were honestly disappointed.

Gene and Helen Brentlinger

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