

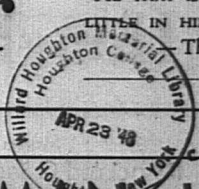
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"HE THAT IS TRULY GREAT IS
LITTLE IN HIMSELF."
Thomas a Kempis

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Organizations Plan Union Under W.Y.P.S.

For the past several weeks student leaders of the W.Y.P.S., the Torchbearers, and the Foreign Missions Fellowship, together with faculty advisors of these groups and with the president of the college, have been working over a plan for a unified organization of the student Christian activities on Houghton's campus. The action of the Wesleyan Methodist General Conference last June in discontinuing the Senior Missionary Workers' Band was probably the immediate cause for these discussions. For it was through Houghton's Senior Missionary Workers' Band that the funds for the support of the college representatives on the foreign mission fields had always been handled.

After much study and revision a concrete plan is now ready to present to the various student Christian organizations on the campus. It was presented tentatively to the Torchbearers at their Sunday afternoon meeting, April 18, and then on Tuesday evening to the Foreign Missions Fellowship and also the W.Y.P.S. It will be voted upon by these various organizations sometime during the next week or so, after which it will need to be ratified by the college faculty in order to be effective.

Briefly stated, the plan would make the Wesleyan Young People's Society the overall campus Christian organization, with all of the student missionary activities centering in the Foreign Missions Fellowship, which would act as the missionary committee of the W.Y.P.S., and all of the student evangelistic efforts centering in the Torchbearers, which would serve as the evangelistic committee.

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MISS FLETCHER PRESENTS RECITAL



Miss Beatrice Fletcher, pianist, will present her senior recital in the Houghton college chapel tonight, April 23, at 8:00 P. M.

Busoni's piano adaptation of "Chacone in D Minor," by Johann Sebastian Bach, will be the opening number; this will be followed by "Prelude, Chorale, and Fugue" by Cesar Franck.

Impressions from Jungle Book, a suite by Cyril Scott, will be Miss Fletcher's next rendition. Adapted from the writings of Rudyard Kipling, its divisions are: "Dawn," "Rikki-Tikki Tavi and the Snake," and "Dance of the Elephants."

The last group will consist of Franz Liszt's "Concert Etude in D Flat Major," "Valse Oubliee," and "Polonaise in E, No. 2."

Miss Fletcher, a piano major and organ and voice minor, is a member of the A Cappella choir, accompanist for the Oratorio Society, and has been pianist with the orchestra for two years. She also does frequent extension work.

A student of Professor Alfred Kreckman, Miss Fletcher is making plans to attend the Eastman Graduate School of Music, Rochester, New York, in order to obtain an M.A. degree in piano.

DEBATERS RETURN FROM TOUR



Houghton's intercollegiate debate team returned from a successful tour of the mid-west on Wednesday, April 14. Dr. and Mrs. King, coaches,

home to Minneapolis, Dr. and M. S. King spent their time with friends, Miss Spriggins and Mr. Ball were entertained by the Wesleyan Methodist Church of nearby Oak Park, and Mr. Sutton stayed at one of the dorms to see how many girls he could meet.

BULLETIN

Dr. Lauren A. King has received word from Dr. Clarence L. Nystrom, Wheaton debate coach to the effect that, according to the audience shift of opinion vote, the Wheaton team had realized 36% of its possibilities; the Houghton team, 32%.

Taking into consideration a possibly prejudiced audience, Dr. Nystrom said, "This was approximately equal."

were well pleased by their squad's showing at the five colleges debated.

The affirmative, defended by Warren Ball and Rudolph Rabe, clashed with Goshen, Olivet, and Earlham, while the negative, supported by Halayne Spriggins and Meredith Sutton, met these three colleges plus Heidelberg in non-decision affairs. The negative had the additional task of debating Wheaton in the only decision fray of the trip. The audience of some three hundred students gave its verdict in this case by a shift of opinion ballot which takes some time to tabulate. The STAR will print the official count as soon as it is received from Wheaton.

The weekend at Wheaton was the highlight of the trip. Mr Rabe went

SEVEN STATIONS CARRY PROGRAM

On Sunday, March 28, the Houghton College radio program, "Founded on the Rock," was presented over seven different stations in upper New York. The program was heard over the regular stations, and over three others in Schenectady, Corning, and Jamestown.

The program was well-received everywhere, the station at Corning also giving the college program a write-up in the paper.

The regular Sunday afternoon broadcast is now heard on two new stations. Time has been obtained over WBTA in Batavia and WKRT in Corning for a series of thirteen broadcasts beginning April 11.

The Radio Committee is going to discontinue the broadcasts during the summer, but they are planning an extension of the program for next fall. Attempts are being made to obtain time on four new stations, among them Schenectady and Jamestown.

KABER EXPLAINS VARIATIONS IN JEWISH RITUALS

On Monday, April 19, at 3:30 P. M. Rabbi Nathan Kaber spoke to the members of the student body in the Houghton College chapel.

Rabbi Kaber who had announced his topic as "Hebraic Contributions to World Literature" chose instead "The Ways in which the Orthodox and Reformed Synagogues Differ." To illustrate his lecture, Rabbi Kaber used many religious objects common to the ceremony of the synagogue.

In the Orthodox synagogue a worshipper is required to wear a skull cap as a head covering to show respect to deity. Women are not counted as a part of the congregation and are segregated from the men. At times men occupy the main floor of the synagogue while women are required to sit in the balcony. A minimum of ten men are required to be present before a service can begin. All parts of an Orthodox service are carried on in Hebrew with the exception of the sermon. In eastern European countries the sermon is delivered in Yiddish, while in the United States it is presented in English. Rabbi Kaber pointed out that the language used for the presentation of the sermon is governed chiefly by the makeup of the congregation. Another rule strictly adhered to by the Orthodox synagogue is that no instrumental music is permitted. Most of the music rendered is done

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Prof. Finney To Play Wanamaker Organ

Professor Charles H. Finney has announced this morning that he will present an organ recital in the John Wanamaker Department store at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, April 28 at 11:15 A.M. to 12:00 noon.

The Wanamaker organ is internationally famous as the second largest organ in the world. Professor Finney remarked that he would be glad to meet anyone from Houghton at the console after the recital.

E. WIGHTMAN JOINS HOUGHTON STAFF

E. Russell Wightman, Ph.D., with thirty-nine years of teaching experience, twenty-eight of which were teaching physics at college level, was accepted as a member of the Houghton college teaching staff at a meeting of the local advisory board of the college held Wednesday afternoon, April 21. He will arrive here June 8 and will begin his duties in the Physics department during the intersession period.

Choir Resumes Weekend Tours

Last Sunday, April 18, the choir resumed its week-end tours following the extensive spring tour. Three concerts were given; the first at the Levant Wesleyan Methodist church, being given at 11 A. M. The second concert was sung at the Grace Methodist church in Warren, Pennsylvania. The largest attendance was at the evening concert, which was held in the First Lutheran church at Jamestown, N. Y. Approximately 1500 people attended the three concerts.

The choir has two more week-end trips this year. Next Sunday, April 25, the choir will give three concerts in the Buffalo area. The morning concert will be sung in the First Methodist church at North Tonawanda. The afternoon and evening concerts will be given at the Niagara Falls Presbyterian Church and the First M. E. Church of Buffalo, New York, respectively.

The last week-end tour for the 1947-48 season will center around Rochester. The first concert will begin Sunday morning, May 9, in the Brighton Community Church, Rochester. The Asbury First Methodist Church will sponsor the choir for the afternoon concert, and the evening concert will be held in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Batavia, New York.

Aside from his experience teaching physics, Dr. Wightman has also had twenty-two years experience instructing in various phases of radio work on a college level. He also spent seven years building, directing, and operating radio station KFHA, Gunnison, Colorado. From 1943 until 1947 Dr. Wightman was a radio engineer in the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory at Philadelphia and the Radar Branch, Evans Signal Laboratory, Belmar, New Jersey, becoming, in October, 1947, a Senior Member of the Institute of Radio Engineers.

Dr. Wightman received his A.B. and M.A. degrees from Albion College, Albion, Michigan, and obtained his Ph.D. degree from University of Michigan in 1930. He has taught at Albion College, University of Michigan, Pennsylvania State College, Western State College of Colorado and Doane College, Crete, Nebraska.

Dr. Wightman has been a member of the American Radio Relay League since 1915, is a member of Sigma Xi (National Honorary Physical Research Society), the Acoustical Society of America (Charter Member), Kappa Delta Pi (National Honorary Education Society), Kappa Mu Epsilon (National Honorary Mathematical Society), the American Institute of Physics, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Institute of Radio Engineers.

COLLEGE PASTOR ATTENDS CONVENTIONS IN MID-WEST

Dr. C. I. Armstrong, our college pastor, left early Monday, April 19, for a midwest trip consisting of several conferences and conventions.

His first stop was at Waterloo Iowa, where for three days, he addressed the Iowa ministers' Conference approximately three or four times daily.

gelicals will hold their convention at the Congress Hotel in Chicago, May 3rd thru the 6th. Dr. Armstrong is on the Board of Directors of both the NAE and the NHA.

He will be home for church service on the 9th of May.



On Sunday, April 25, Dr. Armstrong will speak at the Pilgrim Holiness Church at Des Moines, Iowa. The National Holiness Association Convention at Minneapolis, Minnesota which will be held from April 25th to 30th is his next stop.

The National Association of Evan-

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Rev. Herbert McKeel
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Thursday, April 29
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Friday, April 30
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Wednesday, April 28
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—8:00 Chapel
Latin Club
Greek Club
Expression Club
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Just For A Good Time

Have you, Houghton student, ever felt that the rush of tests, papers, extra reading, and duties was so great that you simply must get away from it to relax for a short time, forget it all, and relieve the pressure of college routine? Then have you picked up a *Star* or consulted the calendar for such an activity only to discover that all that was available was a lecture or a concert or a recital or perhaps—nothing? Then have you realized with a pang that there was no way to get out of town? So the pressure and tension builds up, and you wish you were anyplace but in college.

Here is another problem. There are science majors, there are English majors, there are social science majors, there are music majors, there are ministerial majors. For "recreation" they take part in their various segregated intellectual activities such as pre-med club, *Star*, musical organizations, but where is there an organization or organizations where all can meet in an informal manner? There are freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, and half-breeds. They all have their class meetings, but where do they mix to any great extent?

Here's another. Have you ever wished you could meet and know the faculty as individuals when they've "let their hair down"? Have you ever wished you could have more traditional good times with the other students that would make you remember college with real nostalgia?

As solution to these problems we have several concrete suggestions. First, let it be stated that the present so called "social" program is not that, but an intellectual program. It is simply another way, admittedly pleasureable, of acquiring more facts—out of class hours. It appears that at Houghton no (or few) social events have the right to exist unless they have an intellectual flavor. But this is not the need. Contented cows produce more milk, and contented students could do better work. Toward this end, we need more opportunities to relax and fellowship with one another while forgetting studies for awhile. Clubs, concerts, and lectures are essential and beneficial, but are not a substitute for social life. They are still quiet and sedentary. Anyone who has studied steadily for a solid stretch knows that he can concentrate better after a period of relaxation. The same principle applies to long days and weeks of studying.

Therefore we would submit as suggestions the possible formation of four or six organizations such as the literary societies of other schools, a social program as separate from the intellectual program and under the direction of a vital student committee, more parties, some all-school parties, and some parties where the faculty take part informally. Why are there no all-school banquets, picnics, hikes, sleigh or hay rides? Other schools do it, and find their family spirit greatly improved thereby. Life is serious, and we are here preparing for a serious life, but there are more places of preparation than the classroom; and the things we will remember from college with the greatest pleasure will be the times we met together informally as students and faculty—just for a good time.

Know Whereof You Speak

Many of us are second generation Christians who have "inherited" our beliefs with the arguments for them. We believe what we believe and that is that. We have not taken time to think through for ourselves with an *intellectually honest* mind, these beliefs we hold so dear and are so dogmatic about at times. College is the time to do this while we are surrounded with the aids to learning and with those who can help us in the formation of our opinions, although they should not be allowed to make up our minds for us.

The world today needs the Christian message brought to them by Christians who know what they believe and why. Along with a clear knowledge of Christian metaphysics and ethics our intellectual preparation for the battle should also include some knowledge of the basic beliefs of philosophical ethics—naturalism and idealism. Any army must have some information about the enemy territory before it can invade successfully. Can we win people through argument and philosophy? No. However, a victory is always gained when we can place some doubt in a man's mind concerning his Godless theories and clear away some of the mental rubbish preparatory to reaching his heart for Christ. Another victory is gained when we show the world our creed is one of persuasion and not of blind belief.

How do you rate on this matter? How thoroughly have you thought out your reasons for believing in the Bible, immortality, sin, justification, sanctification, the second coming of Christ, the uniqueness and superiority of Christianity? How *consistently, logically, honestly, and independently* have you thought out your position as a New Testament Christian on such controversial questions as communism, socialism, social reform, labor unions, politics, liturgy, cooperation among churches, the social gospel, the nature and necessity for a "Call" for all life work, war, amusements, sex education, basis for choosing a mate, makeup and dress, "grabbing," child training and parental control, secularism, and many other similar questions. Can you face an issue squarely from both sides? Are you a Christian who is characterized by clear thinking, or one who deserves the accusation given by the world when they say "no one can be a Christian and think." Now is the time to prepare.

Orchids . . .

This is the last issue of the *STAR* to be put out by the present staff. Next week's issue will be edited by the high school, and the following weeks' issues will be edited by the various classes. We have attempted in all our issues to maintain a high standard of journalism, as well as fulfill the three-fold function of *STAR* as outlined in the *Student Handbook*. This has required that the present staff work together as a team at all times.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the entire staff for their splendid spirit of cooperation, for their hours, and for their sweat, without which we would have had no *STAR*. Editing the paper this semester has been a pleasure.

—D.K.

Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor:

In the final analysis it is the students who make a college what it is. Our school and its activities will only be as interesting and as full of life as each individual in it. If we as students feel the need of more social life, it is we who must do something about it more than mere wishful thinking or "gripping." Why don't those who complain about lack of social life try to infuse some life into what we have—or don't we have any? If we don't have any, and since there appears a sad lack of enthusiasm concerning it, perhaps there is a good reason—lack of time and strength. It would seem the first step toward a social program would be to convince some teachers that students take a few courses besides theirs, need sleep and some leisure time.

Or the solution may be that most of the students are mature individuals while those who campaign so vigorously for social life are still in high school mentally. But it is apparent that either we need (and want) more social life, or we don't. In either case, it is up to the *students* to decide and act accordingly.

Dear Editor:

Following is a poem in my defence:

If the children won't obey you
 And their tantrums get you down,
 You will find the batch that has none

Knows just how to bring them round,
 Thus we see that gals who seldom
 Care to date with any man,
 Seem to have the latest info'
 On "The Way to Shave," eh, Jan?

Dear Editor:

It is only a farce to proclaim clean-up day, duly hold the celebration of it, and leave untouched the most atrocious eye sore in town—the dumps behind Gaoyadeo. Have you ever glanced at the stream and ravine while walking up or down the road to Verville, or behind the tennis court, expecting to see a lovely view, only to be greeted with—a tin can dump, or a pile of broken test tubes and cat skins? Don't talk of beautification and the planting of trees and shrubs, and then leave that hole as it is. Is there any good reason for this condition besides laziness? How much effort would it cost to throw the trash in boxes and cart it several times a week to some spot away from town carefully selected for the purpose? Whatever effort it might cost, the result would certainly compensate.

Dear Editor:

"Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it." (Song of Solomon, 8:7)

The campaign against public display of affection cannot be ignored. It is conducted for a good cause, but it is onesided. A boiling pot of water will continue to boil as long as the fire of youth remains under it. Covering it with a lid cannot stop the boiling, but rather, it might cause an explosion. If public demonstrations are to be prohibited under threat of "dismissal from school," let there be satisfactory provisions made to replace them.

Dear Editor:

Houghton students need a "meeting ground"—a center of student life. There are enough places for couples to go after they have met, but where can they meet?

Dear Editor:

Some students who have expressed themselves by their actions in the corridors and elsewhere have at the same been inconsiderate of their fellow students (many of whom unfortunately are the victims of insufficient social functions where they might also make fast and enduring friendships). However, these offenders ought not to be made disciplinary examples because of their conduct. Instead, these cases should prove the glaring inadequacy of facilities where they might remove themselves from the public eye.

An illustration which immediately aroused my ire was offered in chapel, Tuesday, April 13, as an item taken from the report submitted to the administration by the Student Council. It stated, in effect, "Too many persons have been observed to be seated at the same time on the same chairs in the reception rooms." True this may be, yet my contention is that there are too few chairs.

The juvenile-thinking, applepolishing members of the Student Council ought to be given badges and nightsticks whereby they might become a law-enforcement body instead of allowing them to retain positions which should be used for the constructive betterment of social conditions here at Houghton.

I make the following suggestions, many of which have been futilely voiced before, hoping that other students may thus be encouraged to make contributions which may lead to an adequate and well-planned social program.

First of all, if we have a dormant, gold-bricking group, quietly ignoring our needs, already in existence, we should have an aggressive social committee comprised of at least twelve student members and a faculty advisor. Their duty would be to plan all social functions, exclusive of the traditional class activities.

Secondly, we need reading rooms and more reception room space. The gymnasium might be a potentiality during part of the year. There certainly should be no excuse for not having lawn chairs conveniently and conspicuously located on the campus during the warm months of the year.

Third, out-of-town trips for town team basketball games, bowling, and roller skating should be promoted. Chaparrones are under the competent guidance of the Dean of Women, so I recognize no substantial objection here. (Poor grade points could be reason for limiting the activities of certain students, but definitely not an excuse for limiting the activities themselves.)

Fourth, box socials, taffy pulls, hay rides, and corn husking bees, when practical, and if approved by the administration, are examples of methods whereby students could meet and become acquainted with one another. The extinct dining-hall seating plan is very poor unless it is rearranged at least bi-weekly.

Dear Editor:

An answer to the concluding question in last week's *STAR* is that many of the parents of the 261 students who answered the poll, and various other parts of our constituency, would not approve of such a course. But isn't it ironic that a place like this which advocates giving the truth without fear to the public if they need it whether they like it or not, should be bound on the important and vital matter of sex education by a fear of their constituency? Anyway, it's debatable how much support and approval would be lost should Houghton offer in its curriculum a non-compulsory course in sex education. It probably wouldn't cause much stir, but if the parents don't like it, they can tell their offspring to please refrain from registering for said course.

Problems of Today

BY STANLEY BEAN

A short while ago a student commented at the table, "Well, you'll have an opportunity to vote this year!" Another student, bewildered by the suggestion, asked, "For what?" Since the majority know, in a general way, what the election is for, our present consideration will be who shall be the most likely candidates.

The other night I turned on the radio a few minutes before midnight and heard a ranting political radical blurting out incoherent balderdash into the microphone. Interested to learn if this could actually be the voice of the Third Party, I left the radio on until the announcer explained that we had been listening to Henry Wallace. The best way, it seems to me, to have Wallace drop from the political platform is to let a few more voters hear him. I did wonder if he had always been as he now seems to be, or whether this present condition is a result of a long process.

While Wallace was Vice-President he visited Colombia. A large reception committee met him at the airport, but rather than accepting their hospitality, Wallace shrugged them off, removed his coat, rolled his pants to the knees, said, "It's time for my morning exercise," and started to run the six miles into town. Andy Berger watched the bare legged Vice-President jogging down the road while the bewildered reception committee sat in their limousine. I am afraid that Wallace will find it a tougher run from the electorate to the White House than from the airport to Bogota.

For the Democratic Party the only combination I have heard suggested is a Truman-Marshall ticket, although there is some talk of the possibility of getting rid of Truman honorably in order to nominate some more colorful candidate. I have never doubted the President's sincerity in office but it is certain that he has neither the personality nor the political acumen of his predecessor. In the event of Truman's withdrawal, Marshall would be a most likely nominee, or Eisenhower, for he has a strong liberal wing of the Democratic Party favoring him.

The main interest of the moment, however, centers around the choice of a Republican candidate. There are many possibilities, a few less probabilities, and actually, before the final choice is made, there may be a few startling upsets in the main convention. Just before the Wisconsin primary the Gallop Poll seemed to indicate strong preference for General MacArthur, but he is a man of sixty-eight, has been out of the country for a considerable number of years, and more than that, he had the wrong backing in both the McCormick and Scripps-Howard Press. Moreover, Wisconsin just does not go along with the military tradition. The facts were deadly, and since the Nebraska primary, MacArthur's name is resting once more with the glorious war heroes of the U. S. A. Even if he could change his Tokyo address for one in Washington, it would be with undoubted reluctance that he would learn that although the Japanese worship their Emperor, the American people certainly do not show the same compliment to their President.

Taft can be passed over rather quickly, for his isolationist background for an election wherein the foreign policy is so substantial a feature both of necessity and because of Third Party criticism, is not in his favor. Likewise the sentiment of organized labor is definitely anti-Taft. Warren, too, does not seem to be in the main event. However, he is not excluded as a possible choice for Vice-President.



THE RUT

BY JAN BURR

There's nothing new under the sun—the *Star* either; just dirt, dirt, and more dirt—on the wheels and in your hair. No matter what you call it, we're still in a rut. You say the *Rut's* all rot? Right—but who's reading it.



Since we're admittedly in a rut, let's talk about the weather. Here's one from Casey's supreme literary effort of a year ago:

"If you don't like the weather in Houghton—wait a minute."

Sam Mack, after getting an eyeful of Pat Douglas in his voluminous black graduation gown commented, "Hmmm—two graduating for the price of one."

But Prof Cronk is the most commentary man of the week. When questioned by a *Star* reporter about his plans for next year, he said, "I have no comment."

VETS OFFERED SCHOLARSHIPS

A new series of New York State War Scholarships for veterans has been established and a competitive examination is expected to be held early in August. . . . Despite a report to the contrary, a change has not been made in the residence requirement at the time of applying for the New York State Bonus. Residence at time of application is still mandatory. What did happen is that the 1948 Legislature passed a concurrent resolution to repeal the residency requirement at time of application. Before the change can be made, however, the amendment must be approved by the 1949 Legislature and then approved by the voters in the 1949 election. It can't take effect, therefore, until January 1, 1950. All other eligibility requirements as to service, six months residence in State prior to service, etc., remain unchanged.

STUDENT WINNERS

"Christ Call to Youth in Days Such as These," was the topic of 48 essays entered in a country-wide contest conducted by the Wesleyan Missionary Society. Among the Houghton winners were Leatha Humes '47, of South Dayton, N. Y., third prize; and Charlotte Carnal '51, Honorable Mention. The winning articles will be printed in the future issues of the *Wesleyan Methodist* magazine.

The major event seems to be lining up between Dewey and Stassen with both the Wisconsin and Nebraska Primaries. These men are both young, each has the background of a reformer, each has held successfully a state governorship, both are aggressive and fearless, both have strong followings (Stassen in the West and Dewey in the East). Dewey has the disadvantage of his previous unsuccessful attempts for the Presidency; Stassen, of being a Westerner which is hardly in the American Presidential tradition. All in all, the stage has an excellent setting for a dark horse candidate who may be none other than Vandenberg. He is a man of great esteem with the appeal of one firmly entrenched in the affairs of foreign policy. Many actually feel that Vandenberg is the man to watch.

"Not even a little comment?" begged the reporter.

"If you want a comment," commented Prof, "you may say that I have no comment."

It's a cold cruel world, or as the senior treasurer, Ken Clark, says, "Don't tell me your troubles—just show me your money."

Or as Phyl Goodman sees it: "I hope the rain keeps up, don't you, 'cause I sure don't want it to come down."



Observation of an ingenu: A couple who never fight must lead a dull existence; they never have anything to make up for.

Don Strong: Oh, I just make up for lost time.

(How about that, Bev?)

A host of daffodils to Wes Swauger and his crew for installing the new amplifying system in the dining hall. Thanks, fellas.

A delicate little skunk cabbage just cropped up in the *Rut* in recognition of two major reforms instigated therein. One gentleman (and that should cover up a multitude of digs) has finally come out from behind that bush. Another one gets to at least one meal a day on time. Bravo!

Pardon my train of thought, but it just went off the track. Now if you had a reason for doing something and it turned out to be a crazy idea that would be a motive gone loco. The thing is, would it be a loco-motive?

(Fear not—the caboose is in sight)

The RUT is writ
And this is it
I've done my bit
O. K., I quit.

Who's Whose

Mr. and Mrs. George W. MacNeill of Braintree, Mass. announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn M. McNeill, class of '46, to Clyde E. McMonigle of Detroit, Michigan. The couple plan to be married this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Elan Bey announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley L., to Donald Sprowl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sprowl of East Otto, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Miller of Vestal, New York announce the engagement of their daughter, Myrtle, to Donald Gent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gent of Endicott, New York.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Den Bleyker of Clifton, New Jersey, announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace, to Mr. Frank A. Bookstaver '51, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Bookstaver of Huntington, Indiana.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale W. Auchmoody of 40 Vincent Street, Lincoln Park, Kingston, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beverly Jean, to Harry Donald Perison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Perison of Blossom Road, Elma, New York.

Wedding plans are incomplete.

Campus Club Comments

Miss Delia Shadbolt, Latin teacher at Arcade Central School, will speak on the subject, "Living Latin," at the Paleolinguist Club's Annual Roman and Greek Banquet, on April 28.

According to Winnie Lewellen, program chairman, those attending the banquet will recline in the college recreation hall. Tradition requires that half of those attending be slaves, and the other half nobleman. Of course senior club members will be the latter.

Myrtle Miller is in charge of the banquet feast.

Mel Lewellen, head of the Athletic Association's nominating committee for next year, stated that the Varsity Club will receive ballots for the election of next year's Association through the mail.

The Expression Club will hold its election of officers for the 1948-49 school year on April 28. Marjorie Helfers is in charge of the evening program.

Le Cercle Francais re-elected its present President, J. Henri Du Bois, for the 1948-49 school year at a meeting held in the Music Building Auditorium on April 14.

Other officers elected to serve with Mr. Du Bois are:

Vice-President—Thomas E. Anderson

Secretary-Treasurer—Majorie R. Lawrence

Chairman of Program Committee—Walter G. Pister, Jr.

When Mr. DuBois, who presided at the meeting, opened the floor for nominations for President, he found himself immediately nominated, and subsequently re-elected.

Heir

A son, Byron, Jr., born to Mr. and Mrs. Byron Sheesley, April 20. Mr. and Mrs. Sheesley are both students at Houghton college.

VETVILLE VIGNETTE

A Guest Feature

by

Jim Harr



When people walk through our village on Sunday afternoons they don't have to feel that they are in foreign territory. Really, we are of you and we consider ourselves a part of the campus.

Of course there are features about our daily routine that differ from those of you single campus-dwellers, and I suppose we do look at college life a bit differently from the way you do. You people go to the dorm three times a day for scheduled meals, and when you finish eating you leave. We get our own meals and take care of the details following. When you get hungry at night you have to run to the Pantry or the Inn for a hamburger or hot dog; but when we get hungry, all we have to do is to go to the refrigerator and take out the things necessary for a good heavy "Dagwood Sandwich." Then you have to worry about dates, and you sit in the library and pretend to be studying while your mind is wondering around trying to decide if she does or does not think that you are of the best. We make good use of our library hours because we have mutually and conclusively decided that there is none better. But really now, in spite of the differences, we are students together.

We like it here in Vetville. Our apartments are small but comfortable and efficiently laid out. There is a minimum loss of space in housing for there are four families living in each unit. That does not mean that there are four families living in one set of rooms, but that each of the buildings is divided into four distinct dwellings. The end apartments of each unit have four rooms, and the two middle apartments have three. A minimum of geometrical calculation will reveal that the three room apartments must overlap inasmuch as the six middle rooms form a quadrangle. For example, the bedroom of apartment two is flush against the bedroom of apartment three. This layout occasions some amusing incidents such as the night when one vet was partly awakened by a crying baby. In his semi-conscious confusion he rolled over with the intention of reaching a comforting hand into the baby's crib but he was rudely and fully awakened when his hand came forcefully into contact with the wall. In a moment of reflection he realized that he

was no father and the crying baby was in the bedroom of the apartment next door.

Occasionally a vet and his wife are fortunate enough to live in one of the center apartments between two music majors. This has every advantage, for, if while sitting in their living room they tire of hearing a piano and violin duet in the apartment to the east, they but need to collect their books and wits and go into their bedroom where they can hear a cello and a marimba in the apartment to the west. If, however, they have no particular interest in either combination, they can sit on their davenport and hear a quartet of a piano, violin, a miramba, and a cello. Of course the musicians in the apartment on the west may be playing a march in the key of C and those in the one to the east a waltz in the key of G, but it does not matter because there is a type of immunity. Some have thought of buying a piano in self defense, but cotton is cheaper.

It has been asked of married vets if the government allowance is sufficient to cover all of his expenditures. Some say it is impossible to stay with in the monthly check. Others say they can do it. Of course everything depends on how much one is trying to cover with his allotment. Several of the boys, in order to at least break even with the cost of living, have pooled their resources and purchased a cow. One of the most familiar sounds early in the morning, just after one has turned off the alarm and rolled over for

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College Orders More Copies Of News Article

Having already sent out 5000 copies of Mr. Lance Zavitz's article in the Buffalo Evening News Magazine on Houghton, the college has ordered 5000 additional prints.

The article has already been sent to alumni, pastors, and to some of the 1000 people for whom the students have requested copies. On the clips given to students for names of those who might be interested in getting a copy were written from four to fourteen names each, giving the college secretaries plenty of work.

THE QUERIST

by joe

Houghton Primaries

This week we cover cereal and presidential candidates in one final sweep; both the ridiculous and the sublime; both soup and nuts; some of these phrases ought to fit. If you will remember, in the evening of the same day we took the poll on the breakfast cereal, we also gave you a chance to vote in the Houghton Primaries. The results were just about as we expected. Those who were listed on the ballot and the results of the tabulations follow:

Republicans:

Thomas Dewey	252
Harold Stassen	110
Douglas MacArthur	78
Arthur Vandenberg	33
(Has not declared himself a candidate.)	
Robert Taft	21

Democrats:

George Marshall	263
(Not a candidate as yet.)	
Harry S. Truman	116
James Byrnes	69
(Not a candidate as yet.)	

Then of course there is Henry Wallace. Mr. Wallace was not on the ballot, but received 15 votes nevertheless. Two students even went so far afield as to suggest digging Roosevelt up again. (I don't know who they were!) Then, one vote was graciously cast for yours truly. (I don't know who did that either, but I wish to flatly state that I am not running this year!)

A grand total of five hundred students voted. Each student had the opportunity to mark his favorite Republican candidate, and his favorite Democrat candidate. The majority of the students availed themselves of the opportunity and cast one vote for both. A few did not, however and thus there was a total of 860 votes.

(I would like to thank my roommate for helping me count the ballots in both polls.)

Well, there is the story. You now know what to eat, and you know who to vote for. What more could one ask?

This is the the last STAR issue that this staff will edit and I would like to take this opportunity to say that I have enjoyed working under David Kaser, Editor-in-Chief of the Houghton Star.

Snap! Crackle . . . Pop!

The year is 1941. A front page article of the Houghton Star, on that memorable December 4th, carried the following caption, "PEP Conquers WHEATIES in Poll; Star Telegrams Kellogg Company." The telegram read as follows:

"Houghton college students select PEP as leading breakfast cereal over WHEATIES in student survey. Congratulations!" (There was no reply from the Co.)

It should be noted that the poll of 1941 was taken orally. Also of interest is the fact that by some strange trick of fate, and I use that word loosely, there are several individuals on our fair campus at the present time who were here when the '41 poll was taken. One of said individuals is Mr. George Wells, who has changed his status considerably in the intervening years. The article reported that Mr. Wells was "chief among the backers" of the winning PEP, (containing vitamins B1 and D.) It quoted its chief exponent as follows: "I like PEP best with red grapefruit." (We were of the opinion that ALL athletics eat WHEATIES!) Now Mr. Wells says he prefers Grape Nut Flakes—with red grapefruit.

George Kilpatrick, whom Uncle Sam borrowed for a few years, was also among the enthusiastic backers of, the winner! (He still backs it for first place!) On the faculty side of the ledger was, and is, Professor Alton Cronk who, in 1941 ate fried Spam for his breakfast. (When asked recently by this department how he felt he replied, "I still like it! And I still eat it occasionally, but not as often as I used to. It's too expensive!") Professor Woolsey advocated the breakfast of champions in '41. He now eats Kix! Professor LeRoy Fancher favored Grape-Nuts. (It should have read Grape-nut Flakes. He was misquoted.) This year he is eating oatmeal exclusively.

"We said all that to say this." Experts tell us that the human being's taste mechanism undergoes a complete change every seven years. As the above mentioned poll was taken on Houghton's campus seven years ago, this department thought it would be fitting and proper to test the seven-year cycle and see if the experts know what they are talking about.

To that end, your QUERIST made the supreme sacrifice of getting up at 5:45 a. m. on Tuesday April 13, 1948, and rushing up to the dorm (after washing, shaving, and dressing) to circulate ballots in the dining room. (Oh my adrenalin!)

350 sleepy-heads made their "X" on 350 ballots, with the results listed below:

1. RICE KRISPIES	136
2. WHEATIES	83
3. CORN FLAKES	42
4. PEP	36
5. SHREDDED WHEAT	35
6. ALL BRAN	18

(I am informed by Miss Gillette that Tuesdays are usually the heaviest breakfast days. Therefore, we may conclude that approximately 40% of the breakfast indulging students of the Houghton college dining hall place RICE KRISPIES, Snap-Crackle-Pop fame, at the head of their cold cereal list a sound defeat for the five other cold cereals listed.

Upon final tabulations of the ballots, the chief sent a telegram to the Kellogg Co. of Battle Creek Mich. informing them of the results. The '48 telegram read as follows:

"Congratulations. Rice Krispies voted favorite cereal over Wheaties in student poll.

David Kaser
Editor-in-chief
Houghton College Star
Houghton, N. Y.

This time a letter in response to the wire was received from the Kellogg Company. "Congratulations to you," it read, "for what appears to be an aggressive project."

"Vive la RICE KRISPIES" (That's French)

Various Classes

Choose Editors

The current Star staff ceases to function with the publication of this issue, April 23. According to custom the high school and each college class will take its turn at putting out a paper for the remaining weeks of the school term. The editors and business managers elected for these papers are as follows:

High School: editor, Bob Barnett, business manager, Marguerite Krause.
Freshman: editor, Paul Meyerink.
Sophomore: editor, Bob Bitner, business manager, John Woodhams.
Juniors: editor, Frank Robbins, business manager, Al French.
Senior: editor, Fred Kling, business manager, Ed DeYoung.

HOUGHTON QUARTET SINGS



The Royalties Quartet will be featured at the Youth Rally in Batavia, N. Y., Sunday, April 25, along with Dr. Bob Jones and the Roberts Junior College choir. The quartet has been singing every month on the "Chapel of the Air Lanes" program, directed by Everett Graf-fam, over station WBTA. Station WSAY in Rochester, N. Y., has granted the quartet one half hour free time on May 23. When director William Jersey was asked how they obtained the time, he replied, "The Lord just opened the door."

The Quartet is composed of Jack Marshall (left), first tenor, Ralph Nast, second tenor, William Jersey, baritone, and Harley Smith, bass. Their pianist is Harold Hinderliter and Leon Miles usually does the speaking for the quartet.

In telling of the group, Mr. Jersey said, "We have taken as our theme song 'Winning Men for Jesus,' and by the strength and grace of God this is what we plan to do the remainder of the year and also this summer. We will then be going on a ten day tour through upper New York, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey."

They have travelled over 2000 miles and participated in over fifty services during the present school year.

On Looking Upward . . .

BY MYRON BROMLEY

"Here, Norm, do you remember how this brake shell fits over these cams?"

"What do I know about bicycle brakes? That's why I asked you to come down and help me fix the thing, fella."

"Well, I've got everything but this last piece now. Don't know why they don't make these Morrow brakes more simple. Wish I could figure which way that shell is supposed to go."

"We took it apart; we must be able to get the gadget back together."

"Let's see. This has to go in a certain way for it to work. It all goes together easily, if I could just remember how this shell is designed to go over these cams. If only we had a diagram, we could know how all the pieces fit."

I wonder how many people are sitting on my chair right now. There's the Bill Houghton who sits in my chapel seat and walks around campus. Then there's the fellow who kneels beside my bed for morning devotions and testifies for me in prayer meeting; he seems to be a good sort of person most of the time. Of course he doesn't get around on campus very much, and I couldn't find him when I had that chance to witness over vacation. The only one who showed up was that last Bill—the one who always seems to be around when I don't want him. He never seems to do anything but look sour and doubt and procrastinate. C'eve' rest, he is, though, and too successful.

Surely there ought to be some way of putting these together to leave out the misfitted parts and make one effective "Bill." Paul keeps talking about being *teleios*, complete, mature, perfect. Is there a plan for an honest, united, efficient life?

"Hi, Bill. How's the chem research paper coming?"

"A little slow, Jim. I intended to get a first draft done last night, but some of the boys got into a bull ses-

sion. Of course I couldn't resist and didn't get a thing done."

"Well, I hope you get it licked before deadline. It ought to be a good paper."

"Maybe, if I could only get organized to finish it. It seems as though my time gets chopped up into small pieces and all sifted away before I accomplish anything."

"Well, if you ever get that schedule of yours to work, let me know."

When the seniors marched into chapel the first morning, frankly I felt a little odd. Is it possible that I, Bill Houghton, am at last finishing college? It wasn't the forbidding blackness of the gowns, nor the march music, so much as it was the realization that the end of college was in sight. Soph lit, Pantry cokes, Tuesday chapel, purple-gold games, class prayer meetings—all of them are nearly gone.

Yet the picture seems hazy and disorganized. How do all of these fit into the future? Just now I can't seem to put my life together.

In the confusion of life, Bill, there is a purpose, a plan, a way of fitting things together. Paul said we could prove what is *teleios*, complete, whole—the will of God. If God exists eternally and has any relation to our lives, then His will alone can give unity. He will be "all and in all," and to the extent that His purpose is not fulfilled in me my life will be disorganized and disintegrated. Time, personality, the future fit together in His plan. Paul held as a goal for us, "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect (teleios) man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

This is the end of a series of Star articles. It is nearly the end of the school year. Be honest, Bill. Is this just the end of another year at Houghton, or is it complete, united, meaningful in Christ? For you, Bill, and for me, there is completeness in Him.

Registrar Asks Information

Any student desiring to take summer school courses elsewhere and to transfer the credit toward graduation requirements at Houghton should secure a copy of the summer school bulletin and present it to the Registrar's Office for approval of the program planned.

It is customary for a college to require a student attending the summer session only to present a certified statement of good standing as well as course recommendations from the Registrar's Office of the college to which the credit will be transferred. The statement of good standing and of approval of courses will be issued by the Registrar's Office upon presentation of the catalog giving a description of the courses.

QUARTERLY PAPER INFORMS CHURCHES

One rarely hears anything about the Houghton Interpreter, a quarterly bulletin published by the school for distribution to Wesleyan ministers and congregations.

This publication performs the vital service of keeping Wesleyans informed on the news and the needs of Houghton College. It emphasizes the spiritual life, the scholastic development, and the financial needs of the school. Through the Public Relations Office *Interpreters* are sent to the seven Wesleyan churches in this conference, each of which contributes an educational assessment of one and one-half dollars per member to Houghton College.

The January edition contained an editorial by the editor, Rev. George Failing, an article, by Rev. C. I. Armstrong, called "The Pastor's Corner," and other feature and news articles including a report by Dr. Paine announcing a current loss of between \$4000 and \$5000 in 1947 and a consequent raise in tuition of fifteen dollars per semester.

The college publishes three quarterly bulletins, *The Alumnus*, *The General News Quarterly*, and *The Houghton Interpreter*.

Bess Hall, Pianist, Gives Senior Recital

Miss Bess Hall, pianist, will present her senior recital in the Houghton college chapel on Wednesday, April 28, at 7:30 P. M.

The program will open with a Bach chorale, "Bist du bei mir (Thou art Near Me)," followed by "Fantasia in C Minor" by Wolfgang Mozart.

For her second group, Miss Hall will play four numbers by Felix Mendelssohn: "Unrest," "Sweet Remembrance," "Restlessness," and "Scherzo a Capriccioso."

Miss Hall will close her recital with the playing of three modern compositions: "Refrain De Berceau" by Selim Palgren, "The White Peacock" by Griffes, and "Niads at the Spring" by Juon.

Miss Hall, a student of Mrs. Philip Mack, is a member of the band and the senior cheerleading squad. She is also active in extension work and Foreign Missions Fellowshipship.

A music education major, Miss Hall's plans for next year are to teach elementary vocal work and woodwind instruments at Bemus Point on Lake Chautauqua.

Sportscriptions

by Iggy

"Sing a song of sixpence,
Sports is on the rack,
No one has the gumpion
To swim around the track.
And when the ball clubs organize
The teams turn out for sport!
They'll play a game of tiddly-winks
Out on the tennis court."

by Sanction Smigly

It has been said that with the turn of spring a boy's thoughts turn to those things that girls have been thinking about all year. Those "things" may or may not be spring sports, but there are many who are enthusiastic about the coming out-of-doors sports program. There were those who even went out for tennis until they found that instead they were "paddling in Venice." Others found time to unwind their pitching arms, practice starting and finishing on the track (skipping the in-between, of course), and generally fuss around.

A new sport has found its way to the Ho'ton campus. Even though it's a bit (not too much) more expensive than other sports, many have found amusement in buying and trying to run jalopies. First, it was Montaldi's "Chemung." Not satisfied with that, he with the help of others (Mitz and an "Investor") bought another named "Sh'mite." After hours of deliberation, the owners decided to paint the car sky-blue-pink, an appropriate color since the sky is blue at Houghton. (?) The next "new" car to hit the campus was Bob Smith's "Topsy Turvy Teakettle." This "peddle-pushing-pramulator" looks like a stage coach on rubber wheels but gets high riding Bob to and fro from his room in the suburbs of our fair city. "Gertrude" and "JoW:No" are two more contributions to the modern sports-minded students on the hill. It has been rumored that the mile run on field and track day will be a "race of the jalopies." Norm Walker's newly acquired (20 year old) is said to be favored.

Now turning from sports to nonsense, I find nothing but a swim meet, volleyball, baseball, track, and—Oh, what's the use, I'll have to work anyway. Bob (the fish) Morgan could find no competition in the class swimming meet. He will be expected to set a standard for future meets in the Purple-Gold meet today. Gilliland was an example of perpetual motion in one of the longer races and had everyone wondering how long he could keep up the terrific pace. He kept it up throughout the long race and gained a first with a good time record besides.

The swimming meet turned out to

CORRECTION

Dean Beck's office hours on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, will be 9 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. instead of 3:30 P. M. as was stated in the April 16th edition of the STAR.

264 boxes shipped at a value of \$3960

72 CARE packages sent valued at \$720

Total Donations - \$1376

SPECIAL PRAISE:

For the help and direction of the Lord in the supplying of all needs and in directing the distribution of clothing.

SPECIAL REQUEST:

Continue to pray for the people in Europe that God will continue to meet their needs, both spiritual and material.

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be better than expected with many entries for most of the races. Both the boys and the girls division proved to be well represented and the enthusiasm given the meet gave optimism to future meets. With a little encouragement, swimming can become a well founded and major sport at Houghton.



Where's Cupid?

There is a possibility that many of the less known sports can be had at Ho'ton. Did you know, for instance, that there are several archery sets in the gym office? That is one sport that both boys and girls like or can like. I'm sure that Coach Wells would see that those who may be interested in this sport be given tutoring. Archery is a fine art. Look at what Robin Hood did with it. Bill Tell sunk a shaft deep in part of a fruit salad over the apple of his eye way back when—. Become famous in ten easy lessons; take lessons from Dan Cupid.

Peeping Tom



The knot-hole gang were out in full force again last Monday when the baseball series started. President Truman started the ball rolling by throwing the first ball at the capitol. Knowing my boys, the Yanks, I wouldn't want to stand in front of that first ball after it left the right handed southpaw's fingers.



Str-rike!

Locally, baseball will take a high-light as soon as the weather permits a safe try-out. The crack of the bat was heard much this past week and together with this sound another familiar one was to be heard. I wonder who went up after the ball that landed in the second story of the science building some time last week? You remember the familiar expression, "Out the window?" Well, now it's "In the window" by Gumm, or whoever is it.

Since this is the last of the regular stars this year, I wish to take this opportunity to bid the readers who have had to read my gab adieu. On behalf of both of my assistants, Don and Mitz, who have done a fine job of reporting the local sports functions, might I say that it was a pleasure to fill Casey's last page week after week after week after. . . I'll see you at Gowanda.

Swimmers Add Records to the Sports Roster

Sophomore men swam away with the highest honors in the class swimming meet held last Wednesday. With a total of 42 points, they were 24 points ahead of their nearest rival class, the juniors, who could amass only 18 points. Frosh and seniors trailed behind with 8 and 5 points respectively.

Sophomore women also came out ahead with 31 points. The frosh gave them some competition by totaling 25 points. The seniors tallied up 3 points while the Juniors ended with zero.

Men

Free Style—45 yds.

1—Cal Tingley, '49—25.5

Free Style—90 yds.

1—Morgan, '50—50.

Back Crawl—90 yds.

1—Arbitter, '51—1:13.2

Breast Stroke—90 yds.

1—Sension, '50—1:14.7

Free Style—435 yds.

1—John Gilliland, '50—7:50

Ind. Medley—35 yds.

1—Morgan, '50—1:34.2

Three Man Medley—135 yds.

1—B. Smith, Johnson, Sension, '50—1:31.5

Four Man Free Style—180 yds.

1—H. Smith, Gilliland, Strong, Morgan, '50—1:50.9

Women

Free Style—30 yds.

1—J. Mote, '50—19.2

Free Style—60 yds.

1—Jean Smith, '50—48.3

Free Style—225 yds.

1—Jean Smith, '50—4:11.7

Back Crawl—60 yds.

1—Rupprecht, '50—59.5

Breast Stroke—60 yds.

1—Merryman, '51—56.6

Ind. Medley—90 yds.

1—Lynne Merryman, '51—1:29.7

Three Man Medley—135 yds.

1—Belding, Merryman, Gibb, '51—2:8.1

Four Man Free Style—180 yds.

1—Krein, Rupprecht, Mote, J. Smith, '50—2:19

In the men's meet Bob Morgan rang up the highest individual score with a total of 12, followed by J. Gilliland with 8. Other men who placed are:

Morgan	12
J. Gilliland	8
Cal Tingley	7
Lehman	7
Sension	7
Arbitter	5
Johnson	5
B. Smith	5
Walker	4
Dryer	3
Davis	3
H. Smith	2
Strong	2
Brown	1
Hayes	1
Samuels	1

In the women's meet Lynne Merryman topped all with 13 points, followed closely by Jean Smith with 12 points. Other women who placed are:

Merryman	13
J. Smith	12
Mote	7
Rupprecht	7
Belding	6
V. Gibb	5
Krein	5
A. Anderson	3
Woerner	1

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FOR

Sadie Hawkins' Day

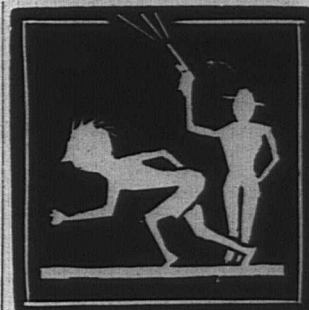
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Records Will Be Smashed When More People Enter

Spring has sprung in Houghton (but one can never tell). This is the time of year in which a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love, but here in Houghton college we're different! Our thoughts become focused on the cinder path. Right, fellas?

We've had some mighty fine athletes in every sport, and track is no exception. Many records have been set and broken at one time or another, but a record that has stood since 1931 is Vogan's pole vault attempt. He soared 11' 4" into the atmosphere; Fisk matched this altitudinous feat in 1933. Lately we have had no pole vaulters in Houghton, but this year may be different. The former athlete also holds the broad jump record set in 1932 when he leaped 22' 4". Incidentally, this was the same year in which Jessie Owens set the world's record of 26' and 8 3/4". So we're not so far behind, are we?

L. Elliot and K. Sackett hold the most individual records, both possessing three records. The former holds the 100 yard dash won in 9.95 in 1941. In 1939 Elliot heaved the 12 pound shot putt 44' 2", and in '40 he let go with a 35' 4 1/2" throw with the 16 pounder. Sackett ran the half mile in 2:09 in '40, and the mile in 4:38 in '41. In the same year he leaped the 220 yd. low hurdles in 27.3. In the 220 yard dash there are two names listed in the record



book. They are R. Homan and M. Armstrong. The former ran the eighth mile in 23.5 in 1938, and he was tied by the latter in 1942. The quarter mile record is 52.0 set by Dunkel (year not recorded). The high jump record is an impressive 6' 1 1/4" held by P. Stewart since 1942. This height has not even been approached in recent years. In the javelin department Dolan holds the record with a heave of 152'. Walker came within a foot of breaking this 15 year old record in last year's meet. The four man half mile relay is held by the 1941 quartet. Their time was 1:50. The discus record is 120' 10" set by Mix back in 1939. The newest record in the Houghton college record book was Les Beach's 120 yard high hurdles which he won last year in 16.0.

Well, fellas, there are the records all in black and white.

Coach Wells Urges Increased Participation in School Athletics

To a student body which is coming out into the open—for spring is here and baseball season is underway—comes a note suggesting a better, happier, and healthier life. In I Cor. 3:16 we read, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God . . ." and this temple is your responsibility. Is confinement to a life between the covers of a book affording the circulatory system proper stimulation?



Is a trip to chapel, a short rest (physically), perhaps a nap, and then a trip downstairs comparable to an hour's recommended activity either competitive or individual in nature? The stimulation, refreshment, and relaxation afforded have been sacrificed by some in favor of high grades or seclusion to an office resulting in failure to achieve desired results and an ordered rest period to permit relaxation from nervous tension. Good judgment and discretion in the care of God's temple would result in a larger and more effective athletic program.

At the present, with a student body of 750, an enrollment of 75 in high school, and 65 members of faculty and staff, we have approximately 200 participating in the athletic program—the only organized, directed physical program on the campus. This is a definite indication that our student body is becoming physically stagnant. In a program such as ours, students participating do not put more than four hours a week to these

activities until spring when some find it easy to forget their studies as much as an hour daily—the minimum required for good physical well-being. Should not we raise our goal and strive for 90% participation?

A new athletic field is the cry, and realization of it seems near at hand. Yet, like all material improvements, finances are needed and are not forthcoming to date. Such improvements can and will be realized if we get our sense of values correctly established. Your prayers in this matter will avail much.

We are admonished that whatsoever we do . . . do all to the glory of God." With this in mind, anyone entering into physical competition will find himself entering a new field of testing spiritually. It's a challenge to take defeat without reproach, a bump with a smile, and victory with humility. Christian sportsmanship is encouraged in our program by two awards annually to those who have best displayed real sportsmanship in the athletic program. If you participate, are you doing so half-heartedly or are you doing "all to the glory of God?" Our current lack of school spirit is the direct result of the former possibility in most of our activities—athletic, social, and academic. School spirit will not come by legislation, idle talk or wishing but only by each individual becoming a vital part of the program and realizing his enthusiasm adds to the total resultant.

This year has been an unusual year with additions to the list of available activities, improvement in caliber of competition, and enlarged student interest, participation, and cooperation. It is my desire to here express to all concerned my sincere appreciation for helping me perform a task I'm not yet trained for, making the year thus far the success it's been. The athletic program is yours, and only in so far as you patronize and support it will it improve and meet the needs of a drowsy, physically stagnant, unathletic student body.

Merger

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mittee of the W.Y.P.S.

The presidents of Torchbearers and Foreign Missions Fellowship, together with heads of other standing committees of the W.Y.P.S. will constitute the cabinet which will in general direct student Christian activities on Houghton's campus if the proposed plan is adopted.

Of particular interest to Houghtonians will be that part of the constitution outlining the future missionary program on the campus. The plan provides that the cabinet of F.M.F. along with a group chosen by the faculty, shall act as the committee for the selection of the college missionaries and the outlining of the expense of paying these missionaries' salaries. In the past Houghton's representatives on the foreign fields have all been serving under the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society. Future plans call for two-thirds of the college-supported missionaries to be under the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society, with one-third being selected, if desired, from the ranks of Houghton students going out under reputable evangelical faith missions. It is envisioned that this change in policy will encourage much larger giving on the part of both students and outsiders who are at least potentially interested in Houghton's missionary program. Doctor Paine told the Torchbearers on Sunday that he hopes to see the college supporting a dozen missionaries within the next three years, with ultimately as many as fifty missionaries receiving their support from the students, faculty, and friends of Houghton college.

Provision is made under F.M.F. for the sponsoring of missionary information on the campus. In this connection the Local Advisory Board have already granted a student request to set aside Room S-24 as the "Missions Room" for the college. A gift of \$200 has been made available for the furnishing of such a room. It is hoped that there will be a map showing the location of Houghton missionaries, an honor roll listing the names of all former Houghtonians serving the Lord on the foreign field, perhaps ultimately curios, pictures of missionaries, and the like.

Copies of the proposed constitution of the W.Y.P.S. are available in the reception room at Gaoyadeo Hall, in the college library, and on one of the bulletin boards. All Christian students ought to familiarize themselves with the proposed constitution and should aim to be present in the various announced meetings where the constitution will be voted upon.

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WILY FRESHMEN ENTERTAIN 49ers IN CLASS PARTY

An ambitious freshman class played host to her sister class, the juniors, at a party held in the chapel, the music building auditorium, the dormitory reception room, and the gymnasium, respectively, Friday night, April 16.

Promptly at 7:15 everyone arrived in the chapel for a half-hour musical program:

Male Quartet and Girl's Trio
Archie Cervera—"The Ninety and Nine"

Prayer—John Rommel

Trumpet Duet—Ralph Nast and Tarnell Lamos accompanied by Phyllis Keeney

"Shortnin' Bread"—Stan Clattenburg accompanied by Phyllis Park

"Clair de Lune" and "Two Guitars"—Ernie Wharton, pianist

"The Swallows" and "'Tis Springtime"—Marjorie Carpenter Quartet

From the chapel four groups scattered to four scheduled stops, the music building auditorium, the dorm reception room, S-24, and the chapel, where they were fed progressively carrot sticks and potato chips, ice cream, tomato juice and crackers, and cocoa and cake.

At 9:30 everyone gathered in the gym for a half hour of games led by the Rev. Walter Watson of the Bethlehem Presbyterian Church, Buffalo, New York. Then came "A Womanless Wedding" starring Richard Dillon, the bride; Clyde Braymiller, groom; Lyle Kennehan, best man; Ian Lennox, bride's mother; Lowell Fancher, bride's father; Bill Jersey, parson; and Glennis Farnsworth, Bud Weaver, Archie Cervera, Jack Marshall, and Denton Mosher.

Rev. Watson closed with a devotional period.

And now, we trust that you too know what only "the shadows knew."

(For write-up of Soph-Sr. party, see next week's STAR.)

STOCKIN TAKES MR. WING TO MEETING

Professor Gordon Stockin and Donald Wing, who is majoring in both French and Latin, are attending the forty-first annual convention of the Middle Atlantic States Classical Association today and tomorrow, April 23 and 24. Professor Stockin says he is sure that an invigorating experience is in store for them.

He believes that Don should have the opportunity to go because he is the first male to major in French and Latin since Mr. Stockin himself graduated.

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PANICH TO OPEN SHOE REPAIR SHOP

Mr. Jack Panich, who has been in the shoe repair business for over forty years, is making tentative plans for a shoe shop, in the building which is now under construction at the side of his home. With a work crew of one to assist him, Mr. Panich hopes to have the major part of the work on his new garage and shoe shop adjoining it finished by July of this year. Along with repairing shoes, Mr. Panich may also sell footwear if time and conveniences permit. However, his plans are still in an embryonic state.

Rabbi Speaks

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by an A Cappella Choir composed of young boys. This is practiced to show their mourning over the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. In addition to the Rabbi presiding at the worship service, a "Cantor" leads the congregation in the chanting of prayers.

By way of contrast, no head covering is required in the Reformed synagogue and the Reformed Worship service is carried on in the English language, or the vernacular depending upon the country in which the service is being held. Contrary to the Orthodox belief, the Reformed synagogue does have music, an organ usually being used. Asked about the origin of the Reformed synagogue, Rabbi Kaber replied that it dated back to 1810 when a large group of Jews wished to throw off the strict laws advanced by the early Jewish fathers and adopt a more liberal point of view.

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Vetville Vignette

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that last five minutes, is the rattle of milk buckets as one of the gentlemen farmers sets out for his pre-sunrise date with Bossie. Last year one of our outstanding citizens owned a nanny goat. After giving birth to a kid she became a liability, however, for the kid got up earlier than the owner and by the time it had its breakfast there was nothing left for the citizen. Thus he sold her.

One of the conspicuous things of our community is the atmosphere of friendliness and hospitality. We have a thriving spiritual and social program which is carried on systematically by competent and interested people. The wives have a weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday nights, and the men have a similar meeting on Thursday nights. They are thus arranged that each family may take care of its own baby sitting. Then once a month the ladies have a sock mend club meeting, when they all meet for a time of fellowship. They actually take their sewing along and work away while they talk. Another feature is the monthly parties for the ladies, which is usually sponsored by an appointed group who care for the entertainment and refreshments. Although they occasionally make a special concession and invite the husband, they have persistently excluded them since February, for at the last party the gentlemen were gently led to the dog house and they remain there yet.

This is a meager idea of Vetville. It is a happy interesting community. It holds and always will hold a special meaning for many of us because here we established our first homes. We are thankful for the privilege of beginning our married lives in an environment of true Christianity and many of us—I believe all of us—realize that our lives our homes and our families will be inestimably benefitted because of having spent a few years among a group of honest, sincere, God-fearing couples.

Building News...

The government surplus building, for which the foundation has been laid on the ground north-east of the music building, will be completed for usage by the first semester term of 1948-49. It must be completed at that time in order to meet the government demands. An amount of \$4700 has already been spent on the building, and \$15,000 in addition will be necessary to complete it.

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Prof. Smith Takes A Rest

Following definite directions from Doctor McMillen, the college physician, Business Manager Willard G. Smith and his wife are taking a vacation of two or three weeks and are traveling south for a time of rest and recuperation. It has been reported that Professor Smith had put in a heavy spring vacation here on the campus, not "sparing the horses" in any respect. The duties of the business manager's office during the previous months had not been light and the net result was that Professor Smith was at a low ebb in the matter of physical and nervous reserve.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left the campus with plans somewhat indefinite. Their first stop was at Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, where they spent the weekend of April 11 with Mr. Robert E. Hauser, Field Representative of the college. Friends on the campus have received cards from the Smiths in Philadelphia, and they are probably motoring farther south as this goes to press.

STAGHALL BAND SERENADES GIRLS

Archie Cervera and his Stag Hall sextet serenaded Tucker House, Gaoyadeo Hall, Panich House, the Verville Ladies' Sock Club meeting, and at sundry other places Monday evening, April 19, from 8 P. M. until 9:20 P. M. (Any similarity between their march around town and Paul Revere's ride on the same date many years ago is purely coincidental.) Members of the Stag Hall sextet include Don Flint, trombone; Paul Nast, trombone; Jack Marshall, trumpet; Milt Trautman, mandolin; Keith MacPherson, tuba; and the group's inimitable leader, Archimedes Cervera and his violin.

There will be a bonfire on the barrack's lawn where the Stag Hall musicians have promised to furnish entertainment from sundown until curfew time, Saturday evening, April 24. Everybody is invited, and it is suggested that they bring marshmallows.

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