

Student and Faculty Vote Favors Campus ROTC Unit

The results of the vote taken Tuesday, Feb. 13, on the question of establishing an ROTC unit at Houghton college show that both the faculty and students are highly in favor of such a plan if it can be arranged with Air Force officials.

Dr. Stephen W. Paine, the college president, took charge of the balloting, which was held during chapel period Tuesday morning. The two questions asked of the faculty and students were, "Are you in favor of a permanent ROTC program at Houghton college?" and "Are you in favor of an ROTC program only during the present emergency?"

The following are the results as received from the Dean's office. With 72 per cent of the faculty voting, 65 per cent of these strongly favored a permanent unit, 22 per cent favored it, five per cent were indifferent and eight per cent opposed it. Seventy-three per cent of those present strongly favored an ROTC program during the present emergency only, 20 per cent favored it, seven per cent were indifferent, and no one opposed it.

Twenty-five per cent of the students strongly favored the permanent plan,

30 favored it, 19 were indifferent, 17 opposed it, and nine did not vote.

As to establishing such a unit during the present emergency only, 43 per cent of the students strongly favored it, 38 per cent favored it, eight per cent were indifferent, two per cent opposed it, and again nine per cent did not vote.

The results of this vote do not determine whether an ROTC unit will be started at Houghton, but it was necessary to record the opinion of the faculty and students before an application for the establishment of such a unit can be made.

Oratorio Society To Sing "Messiah"

Under the direction of Professor Charles H. Finney, the Houghton College Oratorio society will present Part Two of Handel's *Messiah* on Sunday evening, April 1, in the Houghton church.

Mr. Finney has announced the following soloists: "He was despised," Frances Seifert, alto; "All they that see him, laugh him to scorn" and "Unto which of the angels said he," John Atwood, tenor; "Thy rebuke hath broken his heart" and "Behold, and see if there be any sorrow," Richard Elmer, tenor; "He was cut off out of the land of the living" and "But thou didst not leave his soul in hell," Edward German, tenor; "Thou art gone up on high," Orman Spivey, bass; "How beautiful are the feet of them," Marjorie Odor, soprano; "Why do the nations so furiously rage," Stanley Clattenburg, bass; and "He that dwelleth in heaven" and "Thou shalt break them," Lawrence Castle, tenor.

The A Cappella choir will join with the Oratorio society for the singing of the famed "Hallelujah Chorus," making a total of approximately 180 voices singing this majestic finale.

Certificates to be Granted to Teachers

Miss Davison has received word from the New York State Education department that renewable certificates for teaching academic subjects in the high schools of the state will be issued to 1951 graduates in view of the employment situation. According to the present understanding, such consideration will be given as of September 1, 1951, and as of February 1, 1952.

The renewable certificates will be issued only to those persons for whom the department receives the recommendation of the superintendent indicating that they are to be employed due to the fact that a fully certified teacher is not available.

If any senior wishes to change his Bureau of Appointments membership from inactive to active in order to be notified of New York state vacancies as a result of this announcement, he should make the request in writing to Miss Davison immediately.

In fact, it would be well for every senior who wishes notices of New York State high school positions to notify Miss Davison in writing at once.

CALENDAR CHAPEL

Feb. 27—March 2
The Rev. Mr. Roy S. Nicholson

ACTIVITIES

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Revival Services

FMF Group Sees Colored Slides

A glimpse of Mexico and her people was the privilege of those who saw the colored slides shown by Miss Alice Pool on Wednesday evening, Feb. 14, to the mission study group of the Foreign Missions fellowship.



Many of the pictures featured the work done by the national Mexican church. They were of special significance, for each slide, with Miss Pool's explanation, revealed the life of the Mexican people. They showed the poverty, low living conditions, and need of the masses, some of them living in the shadow of the modern business establishments.

Miss Pool spent from June, 1949, to August, 1950, in Mexico City working on her doctorate at the National university. While there, she spent much of her time in actual missionary endeavor.

A brief session of prayer preceded the evening's meeting, and it was announced that the group would publish a monthly paper reporting all the news from the different missions around the world.

Artist Series Features Niles

John Jacob Niles was presented on the Houghton college Artist Series program on Friday evening, February 16.

In addition to his scheduled program, Mr. Niles spoke to the students in the survey of music literature class, and on Thursday evening in the music building auditorium he gave a short musical program consisting of his recently completed oratorio.

Appearing in informal attire, Mr. Niles gave the audience a brief explanation of the dulcimer, a musical instrument which he played as an accompaniment to his songs. The three dulcimers, each in a different key, which he used during the program, were his own creations.

The opening numbers on his program were love songs: *My Little Mo-hee*, *I'm Goin' Away*, *Black Is the Color of My True Love's Hair*, *Go 'way from My Window*, and the *Turtle Dove*.

For the benefit of the children in the audience, Mr. Niles sang three nursery rhymes: *I Had a Cat*, *Frog Went A-Courtin'*, and *The Frog in the Spring*.

The third group included *Matthew Mark, Luke, and John*; *The Carol* (Continued on Page Two)

Nicholson Seeks God's Will In Special Revival Efforts

"I do not have a plan for the campaign. My desire is that God's will might be done," said Dr. Roy S. Nicholson as he opened the present series of special meetings, February 20, in the Houghton Wesleyan Methodist church.

The source of revival is God,

Second Semester Enrollment Drops

Miss Davison, registrar, has just released the final registration figures for second semester, 1950-51.

After the semester shift, the freshman class is the largest with 211 students, and the junior class is the smallest with 148 students.

| | Men | Wmn. | Tot. |
|------------|-----|------|------|
| Seniors | 100 | 61 | 161 |
| Juniors | 93 | 55 | 148 |
| Sophomores | 81 | 77 | 158 |
| Freshmen | 117 | 94 | 211 |

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| Classified Totals | 391 | 287 | 678 |
| Unclassified Totals | 7 | 15 | 22 |

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There is one part-time student among the unclassified and eight part-time students among the classified. This gives the following figures:

| | Men | Wmn. | Tot. |
|--------------------|-----|------|------|
| Full-time Students | 388 | 283 | 671 |
| Part-time Students | 10 | 19 | 29 |

391 287 678

In comparing the figures of second semester with those of first semester, there has been a decrease of 34 full-time students and a decrease of 41 in the total enrollment.

This semester there are eighteen new students, sixteen of whom are full-time and two of whom are part-time students. Besides these, there are seven full-time students who returned after an absence of a semester or more.

In January five students were graduated, three men and two women: Orville Lawrence, Fred Seyfert, Lester Fuller, Millicent Coffin, and Ruth Flint. During the first semester there were 18 withdrawals and 43 withdrawals at the end of the semester, amounting to a total of 61.

Soph Debaters Win By Split Decision

The sophomore forensic team defeated the freshman squad when they clashed in the second interclass debate on the topic, Resolved: That the book store be run on a student cooperative basis.

The debate was held in chapel on Friday, February 16.

Carolyn Makey and Sally Gang, both freshmen, defended the affirmative proposal, whereas David Seeland and William Clemmer, sophomores, upheld the negative. The judges, Professor Bean, Dr. Frieda Gillette, and Dean Lynip decided in favor of the sophomores by the vote of 2 to 1.

The victors will be challenged by the junior debate squad in the third and final interclass debate on the question, Resolved: That the Houghton college dining hall be run cafeteria style.

said Dr. Nicholson, and its subject is each individual. Petition or plea is the secret of a revival, and its consequences are the fruit of a revival.

"Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?" Psalm 85:6, was the text chosen by Dr. Nicholson for the opening message of the series. The answer to this prayer would avert many perils, he stated. First, the individual would be saved from the damnation of materialism; and, second, the church would be delivered from the stereotype of formalism and stagnation; Third, the world would be saved from heathenism, paganism, and moral relaxation.

Dr. Nicholson spoke recently at a great indoor camp meeting held in the Cadle Tabernacle, Indianapolis, Indiana. Over ten thousand people attended this inter-denominational meeting, in which two hundred churches participated.

Dr. Nicholson also spoke at Asbury College for several days before coming to Houghton.

Castle Presents Senior Recital

The music department presented Lawrence Castle, tenor, in a senior recital Wednesday evening, February 14, in the college chapel.

Mr. Castle sang *Thanks Be to Thee* by Handel and *Vanne Si, Superba Va* for his opening numbers. The second group of numbers were composed by Brahms, Wolf, and Strauss. The program also included French songs: *Paysage Triste* by Hahn, *La Bonne Chanson*, *Lamento* by Duparc and *Promesse De Mon Avenir* by Massenet. After the intermission Mr. Castle sang "Recondita Armonia" from the opera *Tosca* by Puccini. The last group was composed of modern numbers, *The Call* by V. Williams and three selections by Quilter: *Weep You No More*, *My Life's Delight*, and *Fair House of Joy*.

Mr. Castle, a student of Professor Philip J. Mack, presented the recital in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the bachelor of music degree in voice.

Mr. Castle was accompanied by Darwin Townsend.

Student Body to Meet Mon., Announces Senate

The earnest support of the students is urged for the student body meeting to be held on Monday, Feb. 26, at 9:00 o'clock in the college chapel. This meeting cannot accomplish its purpose without the active interest and participation of the students.

On the agenda are three topics for student consideration.

1. A discussion of vital student problems on the campus.
2. A brief review of the work of your Student Senate.
3. The ratification of the WJSL constitution.

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Editorial . . .

During the Philadelphia church age, one of the characteristic features of this period was that of a revival spirit among the people of God. It was during this time that we have recorded in history the names of Charles and John Wesley, Jonathan Edwards, Charles Finney, Dwight L. Moody, and many others who were anointed by God in that age.

The rise of evolutionary naturalism and the modern liberal movement in the church have to a great degree silenced the clarion witness of vital, biblical Christianity. Bible prophecy clearly tells us that this present age, that of the Laodicean church, is not an age which is conducive to revivals. You might say, if that is so, we cannot have revival. No, I did not say that. One is reminded of St. Paul's words, "If God be for us, who can be against us?" The power of God is greater than that of one who is working against us. However, a revival is conditioned upon two elements: (1) God's sovereign will; and (2) man's obedience to the conditions of God.

Even though this might not be the period of great revivals, this is no sign that God is not willing to give us seasons of refreshing. We know that "God is not willing that they should perish, but that all should come to repentance." He wills to save those who will come to Him through Jesus Christ.

To illustrate the two conditions of revival let us consider II Chronicles 7:14.

If my people who are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face; then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land.

Let us examine this verse by referring to other scripture verses:

1. My people—Revival is for Christians. It is the process of revitalization for those who have been quickened, made alive by Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:1).

2. Conditions for Christians to meet.

a. Humility.

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. (Matthew 18:4).

Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth. (Matthew 5:5).

God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble. (James 4:6).

b. Prayer.

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me. (Psalms).

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive. (Matthew 21:22).

And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (John 14:13).

Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. (John 16:24).

c. Repentance.

For Godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation, a repentance which bringeth no regret: but the sorrow of the world worketh death. (II Corinthians 7:10).

3. God's Sovereign Will.

Threefold answer.

a. Hearing our pleas.

Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy that it cannot hear. (Isaiah 59:1).

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: A broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. (Psalms 57:17).

b. Forgiveness.

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of His grace. (Ephesians 1:7).

God also in Christ forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32b).

Shall we fall short in revival because we have not done our part?

J. G. Rommel

EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Dear Editor:

After reading "Ole Ken's" dissertation in the *Star* which came out on the sixteenth, several other young ladies and myself have a few puzzling questions which we feel can be asked at this time. In mentioning a fellow's thoughts when he sees a girl for the first time, among other things Ken says that he "wonders whether or not she will be living in the dorm." Ken may or may not have meant this as some of us took it, but it certainly seems as though the majority of the fellows around here won't even consider looking at a girl once they discover that she does not live in the dorm. With my very own ears I have heard fellows say outright that they will not date a girl from a certain other house. Why? . . . Why is it that Dow Hall, one of the largest, if not the largest, housing situation other than the main dorm, is composed of over 35 residents, only 11½ per cent of whom date with any regularity, and this only because they are going steady or beastly close to it. What is wrong with the other 88½ per cent? Do all of us lonely-hearteders have to suffer because of our situation? Not all of us are ugly, minus personality or servants of B.O.! We like fellas, too! And we'd love to have a date once in a while! Do we have to wait till Ladies' Day or Leap Year while meantime we play "Sister," "Mr. Anthony," or distant acquaintance to these guys? How about it? Can't you try to help us poor gals out? . . .

Most sincerely!!!
The reference to the dorm was purely incidental—no meaning attached. You will cheer up when you find out the respective percentages at the dorm. I suggest that you join the Jim Wagner Fan club.—OLE KEN DECK

Dear Editor:

I was pleased by the favorable vote of the Houghton faculty and students for the ROTC program.

The modern college seeks to educate a person in order that he may fit in the present day society. The present society and economic situation is a military one. This is proved by the enlargement of the selective service program. Our students should be educated to fit a military society as well as a peacetime one.

Another reason for such a measure is the present draft standard. Should a Houghton graduate be drafted into the army as a buck private while graduates from other colleges with ROTC are being taken in as officers?

The Reserve Officers Training corps would not only keep more of our students in college, but even from an economic angle an officer gets a much larger salary than an enlisted man.

The fact that Houghton is smaller than most schools now having ROTC is no reason why a program could not be effectively managed on our campus.

Peter Steese

Matched Stewart-Huff

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd J. Stewart of East Rochester, New Hampshire, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to Mr. Donald E. Huff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald V. Huff of Tumbler, New York.

Faltin-Nast

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Faltin of Long Island city announce the engagement of their daughter, Lottie, to Mr. Ralph Nast, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nast of Detroit, Michigan.

Moments of Meditation

By BRUCE WALTKE

By fulfilling His promise to be the same yesterday, today, and forever, God reveals Himself to the atheist, the agnostic and the believer as being vitally concerned about His creation. God's faithfulness to man is seen by His eternal justice, in His eternal love, and through His eternal power. In last week's article we considered briefly how God reveals Himself as the Sustainer of history through His eternal power as evidenced in His answers to the prayers of His children. This week I would like to consider with you how God reveals Himself to man as the Sustainer of history as evidenced in His eternal love. God reveals Himself in this capacity by His conversion of men who have moved the world dur-

ing times of great crises.

The Renaissance period is today proclaimed as the period of the Great Awakening. But I firmly believe that this was one of the greatest crises in the history of man. Discovering his hidden aptitudes and his intellectual capacities, man rejected the God—Jehovah, and bowed down to a new god—man. He rejected the Christocentric ethics of Paul, Augustine, and Thomas Aquinas. He rejected the supernatural and thus denied his responsibilities to God. Man worshipped his own achievements and spurned the God to whom he owed his very existence. But God in His eternal love for man raised up such men as Luther and Calvin, who provoked the Reformation in this time of crisis. Though man was rejecting God, God was not rejecting man.

The Great Awakening bore its fruits soon after in England. No longer responsible to God or his neighbor, man gave free expression to every appetite of his depraved nature. Women became drunk; virtue was despised; and children were left to taste the gall of life in their infancy. But God remembered man and, in the midst of licentiousness, raised up men like John Wesley, whose influence Dr. Brady most clearly portrayed for us in chapel a few weeks ago.

Today, having bowed down to his god found in the period of the Great Awakening, man trembles before his own powers. Two great kingdoms have arisen and threaten to exterminate mankind. But in this period of crises, God in His eternal love has raised up Spirit-filled men like Billy Graham, who seek to move the world by bringing man back to his Creator.

The Greek figure, Archimedes, became excited when he discovered the law of levers—that the longer the lever and the shorter the distance from the fulcrum to the object to be moved, the more force exerted on the end of it, the more could be moved. Finally, in a moment of inspiration, he said, "Give me a place where I can stand and I will move the world." Men have sought to draw analogies from this illustration to claim that it is education or science that will move the world. But their analogies are false, as education or science are of man, and man can never get far enough away from himself to move the world. But God is above the earth and in His love has taken yielded lives to move the world in times of crises.

Relations Office And Senate Meet

The first of the scheduled monthly meetings of the officers of the Student Senate and the Public Relations office was held Thursday, Feb. 15.

Three major matters were discussed: (1) the problem of the entrances to Gaoyadeo Hall; (2) the matter of tests and heavy assignments during revival meetings, and general student interest in attending revival meetings; and (3) a proposal for an additional committee of the Student Senate to give opportunity for student organizations to directly and immediately alert the administration on recommendations or grievances.

The actual purpose of these meetings is to provide a regular conference for the discussion of problems relating to student organizations, particularly when these organizations are charged with maintaining standards of conduct and school ideals.

As a result of these meetings, it is hoped that some items can be taken directly to the Student Senate or administration for action.

Folk Singer Lauds Houghton Audience

By NANCY MACOMBER

There I was, behind the purple curtain of the Houghton college concert auditorium again. This time, rather than a chamber orchestra, my victim was John Jacob Niles, famous folk singer.

One look told me that it was the wrong time to try and interview the man immediately after finishing a tiring performance. However, he smiled broadly and told me to "shoot."

Before I had a chance, Mr. Niles began lauding the Houghton audience saying, "They were simply wonderful. They knew exactly what was going on all the time."

Then he proceeded to show me some pictures of his wife and two little boys, aged eleven and five. The older boy, Thomas Michael Tolliver Niles, is already following in the footsteps of his father. He will be the eighth generation of folk singers in the family. Unlike his father, T.M.T. is very "calm, cool, and collected" when on the stage. He says, "I let Daddy have all the trouble."

The Nileses live on the 32-acre Boot Hill farm in Kentucky, where, according to Mr. Niles, they have "more blooming animals—" The boys love horses especially, and the family has their own stables and several horses.

From his family, the conversation changed to humorous incidents during concerts. "Cats are always walking out on the stage," Mr. Niles said. Once in a very large hall a charwoman walked right out on the stage, stared him in the face, turned and walked out again. The audience screamed with laughter, naturally. Another time the scenery fell down. And then there was the time when the lights went out for no apparent reason. He said he could have continued playing, but decided he should stop until the difficulty was discovered.

During the war, Mr. Niles did a great deal of entertaining among the service men. "I sang for everyone who would stand still, and if another war comes I suppose I'll be doing it again."

As he put on his overcoat, he declared, "Houghton is as inspirational a place as I've been to in a long while. I feel as if I've been greatly benefited during my stay here."

Artist Series . . .

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the Angels; The Seven Joys of Mary; and I Wonder As I Wander. The ballads of local origin were Jack O' Diamonds, The Sea Witch, and John Henry. The last numbers on the program were child ballads: Barbary Ellen, The Farmer's Curs'd Wife, and The Hangman.



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BY CONSTANCE JACKSON

Several different drooling and vacant-eyed females have accosted me this week, flashing membership cards of the Jimmy Wagner Fan Club. Naturally, after talking with these dazed and dazzled women, I investigated this latest extracurricular phenomenon. It seems that the only requirement for joining this elite group is that you have at least two dreams about the ineffable Jimmy. (This includes nightmares, too.) For the uninitiated, Jim Wagner is a campus character lurking mostly around the library, whose Spencerian definition of eating is "glutting his maw" (meaning his mouth, not his mother). The mysterious motto, "V.V.V." muttered by cult members is interpreted "Ve Vant Vagner." "Beautiful Dreamer," crooned in moments of ecstasy, is the club theme song. Remember girls, just two nightmares and you're in! For more pertinent poop, see the great a man himself!

Over by the bench on the bluff, I happened to overhear a couple admiring the evening sky, on one of those rare nights when it wasn't raining, hailing, or snowing. "Oh," exclaimed Jenny Piersons. "Let me drink my fill of the exquisite beauties of the starry night!"

"O. K. Go ahead," replied John Franz. "There's the Big Dipper and the Little Dipper."

"I suppose you think I'm a perfect idiot!" retorted Jenny, perturbed.

"No, no—nobody's perfect."

Here's a gem from the science department: "I won't begin today's lecture until the room settles down," Dr. Moreland said firmly to his eight o'clock.

A voice piped up from the back, "Why not go home and sleep it off, Prof?"

"You know, boys," remarked Bob Macy the other day to the Hess House crew, "There really is something about those old numbers that gets you. That 'Old McDonald Had a Farm' is beautiful—it haunts me."

"No wonder," retorted Ralph Reeb. "It should haunt you—you've murdered it often enough!"

Clearly a case for Prof. Finney!

The latest rage which has taken the place of the Jim Wagner Fan club is the new amazing Ginny Sell Fan Club. Overnight it has grown to amazing proportions.

The only stipulation for membership is that you dream of Ginny three times. If you just want to be an associate member you only have to dream once. No derogatory remarks may be made about Sell-o-phane products. Everyone may be a member as they are all constructed of sells.

Ole Ken Deck gave with a few masculine tricks of the trade last week. Here's one from the feminine angle:

Girls don't run after boys (Oh, no? See "Letters to the Editor."—Ed.) Neither do mousetraps run after mice, but they both catch their quarry!

Students Offered Service Projects

Opportunities to participate in service projects are being offered again to college students by the American Friends Service committee, it was announced today by Lewis M. Hoskins, Executive Secretary of the Quaker organization. These projects include institutional service units, internships in industry, in labor unions, and in agriculture, work camps and community service units, seminars, and institutes of international relations.

Three of these projects—Institutional Service units, Internship-in-Industry, and Friends Service units in Mexico—are planned on a year-round basis and are open to applicants at any time during the year.

The two year-round Institutional Service units are located at Clinton Farms State reformatory for Women in New Jersey and at Clarinda State hospital for the mentally ill in Iowa. At Clinton, unit members serve as assistant cottage matrons. At Clarinda, unit members serve as ward attendants. A third year-round unit will be established at Overbrook Essex County Mental hospital in Cedar Grove, New Jersey, as applicants are accepted.

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BY BOBBIE WOERNER AND
LYN GRAVINK

Ever since the closing of the Rec hall, that particular building has been in the limelight of student interest. In response to this interest and in connection with the current investigation of the Student Senate, the Star has conducted a poll to find out what Houghtonians have to say about the situation.

"Did you use the Rec hall last semester?" was asked. Responses from 60 people show that 66 per cent of the students used the Rec hall. When asked "Does it make any difference to you whether the Rec hall is open or closed?" we found that it made a definite difference to fifty



students, while two benighted souls expressed indifference.

Some of the reasons given for not using the Rec hall last semester were:

1. It's too far away from the campus.
2. We're too busy with school work and outside work.
3. The facilities are inadequate.

Some quotable quotes from a cross-section of the intelligentsia show their favorable attitude toward a rehabilitation program which would improve our Rec hall.

Ginny Ruppensburg says, "I'm definitely in favor of a bigger and better Rec hall."

Dodie Meyer suggests, "Take a hose to the place, then add a paint job. It's beastly dirty."

Bob Denny adds, "Let's take the Anna Houghton Daughters up on their offer to sell food during busy hours and then use the profits to fix it up."

Ed Danks says, "Turn the Rec hall into a Student Union run on a co-operative basis, by, for, and of the students."

Gordon Och's answer is keyed to the student's interest. He says, "If and when the Rec hall is reestablished and rehabilitated as a place for student recreation, it is my earnest hope that the administration will not feel their consciences alleviated, since the opening of the Rec hall is only the beginning of a broader and fuller program for student well-being."

P.S. "Yea, verily," Ed Danks. Ann Fitton suggests, "Why not have fires in that lovely fire place and make it cozier?"

Charmaine Lemmon's answer sums up the opinion of the majority. "For a bigger and better Houghton—a bigger and better Rec hall."

Many constructive suggestions were made for reconditioning the Rec hall. Most students agreed that a general inside clean-up was the first essential. Reorganization under the Student Senate or some other student organization was also recommended as a possible solution to the problem of Houghton's present recreational needs. Facilities for group parties, ping pong tournaments, browsing through magazines, or just listening to the radio would also help create group interest in that little white building downtown.

The solution to the much-discussed Rec hall problem seems to be re-decoration and reorganization. How about it, enthusiasts? We can do it!



Boy, when he comes to get his book, I'll bump into him for sure!

Daffynitions

BY GEORGE HUESTIS

If I remember correctly, the last edition of "Daffynitions" really did a job of changing the face of this world's geography. Now, unless you consider Brooklyn as being a place, and not a regrettable "it," then you might also think of this article as being just another geography lesson. The following list contains only a few of the more common expressions heard every day about the streets of the fabulous, aforementioned metropolis. If youse is ready, we'll commence:

Sensational—fair-to-middlin.

Colossal—average size.

Traffic—great, as heard at a baseball game, "ain't he a traffic pitcha."

Sturgeon—a man who takes out your appendix.

Scalpel—a ticket broker.

Carp—a policeman.

Bet—what you sleep on.

Scram—canned meat.

Seltzer—a politician's answer to the water shortage.

Chorine—what they put in water to make it safe.

Downfront-center—a seat in the 24th row.

Halfway back—a seat under the fire bucket.

Rear of the house—a choice location on the curb.

Washington Square—a fellow from Seattle.

Press agent—laundryman.

Monicker—a round piece of glass worn in the eye by Englishmen.

Dead-beat—a deceased drummer.

Time Square—a triangle full of squares going around in circles.

Chiseler—a gent who whittles while he works.

Copacabana—slang for "stealing a tent."

Bowery—where people go to practice archery.

What About Your Future?

Associated Collegiate Press

A feature writer for the "Daily Texan" summarizes a recent survey made by a national magazine among college graduates. 9,065 degree-holders considered representative were questioned. If you get a degree and go to work, according to the survey, here is what you can expect:

You will become a professional man or an executive with a salary of about \$4,500 a year.

You will own your own home which will have six rooms and a monthly rental value of \$84. You will marry only once and will not become divorced. You will plan to have three children but will probably have only two.

You will read most of the best sellers, both fiction and non-fiction. You will also read from one to four magazines, concentrating on the "Reader's Digest," "Life," "Time" and the "Saturday Evening Post."

You will attend church fairly regularly and belong to about three other organizations. But the other organizations will have to do without you at about half of their meetings.

You will engage in about five political activities which includes reading about politics in newspapers and magazines and discussing it with your friends. You will keep up with

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College Students May Be Deferred

A bulletin issued by the American Council on Education on Jan. 30 discloses that a new amendment to the selective service act scheduled to come before congress soon may provide possible deferment for all college students eligible for the draft.

The amendment states, "The president is authorized to prescribe regulations for the deferment from training and service of any category or categories of students for such periods of time as deemed appropriate."

This provision would permit the president to direct the deferment of all students now in college if he believed such action to be desirable. Leading educators now recommend such a policy.

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Activity continues in Bedford gym with the varsity squads working out on two nights a week. The fellows have slated periods on Tuesday and Thursday nights to try to form a unit which they expect will turn back the frosh on Wednesday, March 7. Only five of last year's letterman will be back to battle for varsity positions once again. The veterans include Nichols, Lennox, Hostetter, Johnson, and Castor. Graduation, transfer, and ineligibilities have ruled out four others from last year's team. With the added members of the soph team which subdued Varsity last year now eligible for letters, the caliber of the team should see no letdown. With potential speed, height, and a good defense, plus accurate shooting, Varsity should make a clean sweep of the series this year.

The squad will again be using Coach Wells' own special souped-up offense which he developed as a requirement for his master's degree. The system is characterized by fast play and will probably leave the varsity men puffing at the end of the first quarter. If it clicks though, the frosh will have a rough time stopping it, and the score should soar up somewhere into the stratosphere.

The frosh have potential scorers, as they have shown at times, but they lack the height to compare with their rivals. This, however, might not prove to be such a deciding factor, as the juniors demonstrated this year. Considering that the sophs, juniors, and seniors all finished ahead of the frosh in the class series, and the fact that the varsity squad will be composed of the cream of this aggregation, the latter should handily dispose

of their younger opponents.

Basketball is one area where our intercollegiate-minded Houghtonians feel we should field a squad which would not be humiliated in competition with schools of comparable size. But this is a time and tongue-worn subject, and you will probably not see it practised here until you are footing your grandson's college bill. For all pros and cons, I refer you to all back issues of the *Star*. For the present, it looks like Houghton's varsity will be able to go through a season with not more than two losses, and undefeated records will not be uncommon.

Team Debates At Fillmore

In an exhibition debate held at Fillmore high school on Feb. 20, the Houghton negative team composed of Stephen Castor and Arthur Rupprecht, defeated the affirmative team, represented by David Seeland and Alfred Tucker.

The debate was held during the student assembly period in the school auditorium.

The topic discussed was the national collegiate debate question; Resolved: That the non-Communist nations should form a new international organization.

Speaking time for each debater was cut to six minutes for each constructive speech and three minutes for rebuttal, because of the short student assembly period.



Exhibition Game Played By Girls

Before an enthusiastic high school audience at Angelica last Friday afternoon, the Purple girls topped the Gold Gladiators, 36-28.

The two college girls' teams journeyed to Angelica at the invitation of the physical education department to play the game as part of an assembly program. They hoped thus to stimulate interest in organizing a girls' basketball team there.

In the first quarter, Gold found little opportunity to break through the Purple defense. Purple, on the other hand, could hardly miss the hoop as Carville and Gravink dumped in basket after basket to rack up a 15-4 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Lazarides and Straley found the range for the Gladiators in the second quarter to bring the half-time score up to 20-15 in favor of the Pharaohs.

Purple scored ten counters to Gold's four in the third quarter, and after a futile rally in the fourth, Gold trailed 36-28 at the final buzzer.

High scorers were Gravink for Purple and Straley for Gold with 16 and 11 points respectively.

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Preparatory Swamp Freshman; 58-53

In a bitterly fought contest, the Houghton Preparatory school outscored the freshmen, 58-53.

The game was well-played and close in the scoring column from the first whistle. The frosh outpointed the high school in the first quarter as Baird and Venlet scored four points apiece. For the high school, Harry Brown and Dave Mills also hit for four counters. The score at the mark was 13-10 in the frosh's favor.

Both teams broke out in a scoring spree in the second quarter. Harry Brown started hitting from the outside and scored 13 points in this canto, and Mills was close behind with seven points. The only man to hit more than twice for the frosh was Paine, who racked up eight points.

Concerning Your Future

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local civic activities and take an active part in the civic affairs of your community. You will also keep up with national and international developments, but your active status in politics will probably be confined to voting.

Interestingly enough, you will not arbitrarily identify yourself with any political party but will vote according to the issue in any given election.

You will have only slightly less than four hours a day to spend in spare time activities. Most of that time will be taken up by reading or visiting friends. You will rarely ever go to a night club for entertainment.

In the matter of attitudes, you will believe that personal integrity of conduct and continuous searching for truth are the most important goals in life, and you will believe less and less that the greatest satisfaction in life comes from financial success, influence, or prestige.

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The score at the end of the first half was 30-29 in favor of the high school.

After the intermission, the high school widened its margin by two points with Valkenburg hitting the cords for nine markers.

The final period also found the high school outscoring the frosh squad to finish the game with a five point lead. Mills was the high scorer for the prep school with 24 points, followed by Harry Brown with 17, and Valkenburg, who hit for 15. For the class of '54, Paine racked up 20 counters and Venlet hit for 17.

BOX SCORE

| HIGH SCHOOL | fg | ft | tp |
|-------------|----|----|----|
| Valkenburg | 7 | 1 | 15 |
| Mills | 9 | 6 | 24 |
| Hobbs, H. | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Brown, R. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brown, H. | 8 | 1 | 17 |
| Richardson | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 25 | 8 | 58 |

| FRESHMEN | fg | ft | tp |
|-----------|----|----|----|
| Paine | 10 | 0 | 20 |
| Hobbs, W. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gosling | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Hazlett | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Jack | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Venlet | 7 | 3 | 17 |
| Baird | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Totals | 23 | 7 | 53 |

Schedule Announced For Girls' Sports

Swimming, volley ball, and badminton are the sports in which the girls of Gaoyadeo will engage at the present time. A schedule has just been released by a committee of six who have been working on the problem since early in February.

The purpose of this sports program is to provide the general recreation which is needed by the girls. If this program proves successful, it will be extended to include girls in other houses in the future.

The following schedule has been announced:

Tuesdays—
2:40—3:40 Badminton
3:40—4:40 Volley ball

Thursdays—
2:40—3:40 Volley ball
3:40—4:40 Badminton

Swimming will continue under the regular girls' schedule.

The girls will compete according to floors.

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