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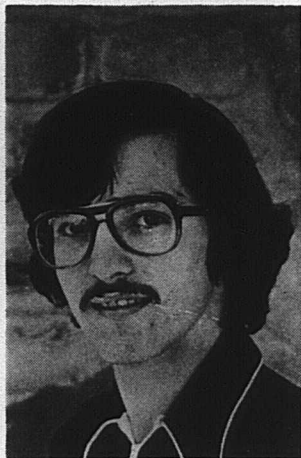
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Debbie Kruse



Paul Young

## Kruse and Young Nominees For Danforth Fellowship

Debbie Kruse and Paul Young have been chosen as Houghton's nominees for Danforth Fellowships. These fellowships have been given since 1952 by the Danforth Foundation to college seniors who wish to do graduate work and become college teachers.

High grades are not the only qualification, even though they are necessary. The Danforth Foundation looks for the personality characteristics that make good college teachers, and for religious and ethical values.

Debbie and Paul are not just aver-

age "bookworms". Debbie Kruse grew up in Japan, where her parents are independent missionaries. She complains that her Japanese is getting rusty; she doesn't use it much in her math and physics majors. Although math and science are her major interests she also works in the kitchen and is active in F.M.F.

Paul Young's major field of study is Psychology. He minors in French and Religion. Paul comes from Canada, and he went to Bethany Bible College for a year before he transferred to Houghton. Since then he's been active in English Expression Club and the Psychology Club. This fall Paul has been playing bass in a brand new outreach group, "Carpenter's Union".

Debbie and Paul have come through a rigid screening process to become nominees. Houghton College is allowed two nominees each year, and the Academic Dean has the main responsibility of selecting them. The Educational Policies Committee picks from ten to twenty of the best students. The Educational Policies Committee is made up of the Academic

Dean, the heads of the Academic divisions, the Registrar and the Librarian. This committee decides on academic policies and curriculum changes and it also has an advisory function on such matters as the Danforth Fellowship nominees.

The students are interviewed to find out if they are interested in graduate study and college teaching. After interviews, Dean Shannon and one committee member narrow the field further. Then Dean Shannon as liaison officer with the Danforth Foundation makes the final decision.

Debbie and Paul now await the next step. Based on the transcripts and letters of recommendation for each nominee, the Foundation selects some nominees to be interviewed. Then, out of the thousands of nominees, sixty-five will be awarded Danforth Fellowships. The competition is rough. Keith Horn, who was active in student life and the first person to graduate from Houghton with a 4.0 G.P.A. received honorable mention. In this kind of company even being considered for nomination is an honor.

## Student Affairs Committee Casts Vote For Removal of Vacation Fine Penalties

On Monday, October 13, the Vacation Fine Committee, a subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee, submitted a written report of the research done on the question of the status of the ten dollar fine charged on the day before and after vacations for absences to classes or chapel.

The committee noted that some classes have been dismissed after attendance was recorded, or the class activities were modified to include irrelevant, inefficient use of class time. It was also noted that some professors (about 1/5) do not report absences on vacation fine days.

It was shown that the nine consortium colleges surveyed did not have vacation fines, and furthermore the committee is not aware of any college that does have such a fine.

The committee feels that the removal of the vacation fine would shift the responsibility of class attendance from the office of Student Affairs to the professor and the students. Also, the vacation fine days may not be unique, "special days" in terms of the total learning experience of a semester.

It was especially stressed that the students have paid for the classes and that the vacation fine is a penalty on the "poor" and not on the "rich." Some parents view the fine as an un-

fair added cost to an already expensive education. Also, Houghton's rural location creates transportation problems that make consistent enforcement of the vacation fine an injustice for some students.

With these points in mind, the Student Affairs Committee tabled the motion to remove the fine until after the sub-committee conferred with Dr. Shannon on the matter.

At the Student Affairs meeting held on Monday, October 27, the Vacation Fine Committee presented an alternative suggestion recommended by Dean Shannon. The suggestion recommended the removal of the fine, but noted that because "some might take the responsibility of attendance too lightly," the absences before or after vacations would count as a three day absence. There would be no excused absence.

Student Affairs discussed the suggestion, and it was brought out by some that the alternative was not wholly responsive to the idea of removing a fine or penalty; for although it took the matter out of the office of the Dean of Student Affairs, it did not project the idea of placing the responsibility on the professor and the student. The committee voted in opposition to the suggestion; however, the vote was not unanimous.

The Student Affairs Committee will send its recommendation for the ab-

solute removal of the vacation fine penalty, along with the alternate suggestion to the faculty meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 5. Dr. Calhoun, the committee's spokesman, will present the recommendations respectively, and will leave the issue with the faculty for a final decision.

## President of the American Institute of Holy Land Studies Speaks at Houghton

The delicate situation in the Middle East has brought the activities of Israel into international focus. The field of modern Israeli-Arab relations is the specialty of Dr. G. Douglas Young, the chapel speaker for November 4. Dr. Young has a long history of interest in Israel, dating back to what was once just a dream of establishing a nondenominational institute there for Biblical studies. This dream became a reality after extensive work and much red tape when the American Institute of Holy Land Studies was chartered in 1957. Located in Jerusalem, this institute now offers courses in archaeology, history, geography, language, and culture, as they relate to Israel. Weekend field trips and one extended ten-

day tour give each student a chance to visit the places he has studied about and to get a working knowledge of the land. The average enrollment runs around thirty or forty, though it may climb to nearly a hundred with visiting tour groups during the summer. Houghton is one of the forty or fifty colleges that has an agreement with the American Institute of Holy Land Studies whereby a student may take a year's work in Israel and get the credits applied toward his degree.

The main purpose of Dr. Young's visit on campus is to give Houghton students the opportunity to learn about the offerings of the Institute, of

which he is both the president and a professor.

Dr. Young's primary academic objective is studying the modern state of Israel and researching what implications this has as far as Scripture is concerned. However, his interest in the people and their nation runs far deeper than merely an academic level. The active involvement of Dr. Young and his wife in the volunteer patrol force evidences this genuine concern. They both spend one night a week shouldering rifles as they walk the streets of Jerusalem on the look out for encroaching Arab terrorists. When the time comes, Dr. Young also plans to retire in Israel.

## Houghton Artist Series Presents Group of World Famous Soloists

Houghton College Artist Series will present The Bach Aria Group, William H. Scheide, Director, in concert tonight at 8 p.m. in Wesley Chapel.

Organized by Mr. Scheide in 1946, the internationally celebrated ensemble performs the arias and duets from the cantatas of Johann Sebastian Bach, a repertoire remarkable for its vigor, melodic qualities, beauty and infinite variety.

The Group is composed of nine

world famous instrumental and vocal soloists — Sam Baron, flute; Robert Bloom, oboe; Norman Farrow, bass-baritone; Bernard Greenhouse, cello; Lorna Haywood, soprano; Lois Marshall, alto; Seth McCoy, tenor; Charles Treger, violin; and Yehudi Wyner, piano/organ. Making their 16th cross-country sold-out tour and their second Houghton appearance — the first was a decade ago — the Group will present a program described by *Washington Post* critic Paul Hume as "music without equal or any near parallel."

In conjunction with the concert, a one-woman show of landscape and

still-life paintings by Clara K. Nelson will hang in the Wesley Chapel Gallery from Oct. 31 - Nov. 12. A native New England artist, Miss Nelson is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, has studied at the Chicago Art Institute and has painted with such notables as Increase Robinson and Hans Hoffman. On the Alfred University Fine Arts faculty from 1920 until her retirement in 1956, she has been actively teaching both children and adult classes at her home in Alfred. Miss Nelson's work has been exhibited at the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, the Finger Lakes Art Exhibition in Rochester, and the Glidden Galleries in Alfred.



The Bach Aria Group

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## Editorial

"We're in trouble,  
Oh, we're in terrible, terrible trouble,  
That game with the fifteen numbered balls is the devil's tool.  
We're in trouble,  
Right here in River City,  
Got to find a way to keep our young ones moral after school.  
Our children's children gonna have trouble . . ."

Song from the movie, "The Music Man"  
From the time I was very small I learned it was wrong to take quarters off my father's dresser to buy baseball cards. I also learned that if I did something like this, I couldn't blame a friend. When I did something, right or wrong, it was still I who did it.

In October of 1969 the first nationwide moratorium was scheduled. I was in the tenth grade. The moratorium was an issue which demanded resolution, one which left room for few compromises. I had to make a decision, to go to school or to stay home and take zeros in several of my classes.

When I was a senior in high school, I applied to a variety of colleges, each offering something I wanted, none of them offering everything. I had discussions with my parents, but they let me make the final decision.

None of these experiences will have a profound effect on the course of Western civilization. But they had an effect on me, because it was through experiences like these and others that I learned the meaning of responsibility.

I am disturbed by the attitude the college takes towards developing responsibility. In theory they encourage it, but their practice at times appears to protect students from making decisions, from becoming responsible.

Two recent examples come to mind immediately. The soccer team will not be allowed to go to the Gordon tournament because a player might have to choose between loyalty to the team and a "spiritual" experience, a decision which many felt should not have to be made at a Christian college.

WJSL is coming under some pressure because of the amount of programming time devoted to rock music. When it was suggested that students should decide on the type of music being played, since they were paying for it through their activity fee, it was implied in the response that students may not know what is best for them.

The Student Guide has an entire chapter devoted to "Developing Responsibility Within the Community": How much responsibility is encouraged in light of these attitudes? How much responsibility is developed when Student Senate has been predestined by those in authority to function as little more than a glorified social committee?

This is not specifically a Houghton problem. The idea of individual responsibility is practically dead in our mechanized age. Corporate structures are called into account for pollution, their metaphorical hands slapped. But what of the real hands of the men who have decided it is more profitable to foul the air rather than clean up their waste? We blamed the military-industrial complex for the Vietnamese war. But decisions to bomb, to strafe, to invade, do not happen by themselves. Pleas of psychological incompetence abound in the courts. And if a person comes from a bad environment, we must be understanding of his actions because of his "situation".

Sartre said man is condemned to freedom. Perhaps man would be happier if this were not the case. Perhaps it would be best to let a government, an administration, make our decisions for us. Give us our daily bread, our car, our house, and a pleasure pill on weekends. But I think not.

I am impressed by the existentialists' emphasis on choice. Man considers his situation, the possible effects of his decision, and any outside factors which might influence him. He then chooses, and must take responsibility for that choice.

Some might say that this is too simplified an analysis of human behavior. There are psychological and sociological factors that influence our choice. Indeed, this is one of the more pragmatic concerns of philosophy, to determine when one can be held accountable for his actions. The point is that in our contemporary society we have become so broad in our definition of accountability that the individual is responsible for practically none of his actions. Man should rise above his environment, above the given. Is not this one of the factors that distinguishes man from the animal world?

What does all this mean for Houghton College? It seems that Houghton should be encouraging individual responsibility, rather than nurturing the paternalistic attitude it now takes. Responsibility is encouraged only where there is the possibility for choice, for decision.

But, you say, "I decided to come to Houghton, to put myself under a set of rules." You have made an important decision, you have taken the first step. But is this as far as you go? And if it is, will you refuse to allow others to go farther, to make more decisions?

The first thing that has to go is the "in loco parentis" thinking. Granted, it is more comfortable this way. It is always comfortable to have your mother feed you, change your diapers, and wake up when you wake up. But there is more to experience beyond that. A lot of good, and a lot of bad. As Tolkein says, "The road goes ever on and on." Each person must choose for himself to make the journey.

Mark Michael

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The movie *Butch Cassidy and The Sundance Kid* may have offended some because of the violence, sex (which was far from graphic) and language. Perhaps some will suggest that the Chapel show only G rated musicals that won't offend anybody.

I am not one of these people. In fact, I feel sorry for anyone who spent their time during the movie being so offended that they were blinded to the film's merits.

Granted, some of the language one would not hear in a sermon in Chapel. The two lead characters were bandits, not born-again Christians. They were never made out to be Christians, so is it reasonable to expect them to talk and act as same?

It was obvious to me that the movie was not trying to be offensive to anyone. I certainly heard worse language in my high school. If a movie is to be believable it has to be situated in the world as it is, not as we wish it to be.

What offends me in a movie is when the picture turns out to be trash, in terms of artistic and entertainment value. If a movie has neither, it is a waste of film. *Butch Cassidy and The Sundance Kid* was a very well thought out and paced movie. It was both funny and sad. The acting and the writing were well above par. In total the film deserved its Academy Awards.

The college seems willing to screen P.G. movies. Some mistakes will be made, and some movies will not be worth the showing. This can only be determined by the film's merits, not its rating. If the movies shown in Chapel are selected not because it's a G picture, but because it's good, the quality of movies will easily surpass last year's.

I'm glad the board allowed *Butch Cassidy and The Sundance Kid* to be shown at Houghton. As a rule, I dislike all westerns. When I saw *Butch Cassidy* Friday night, it was for the second time. I can pay the film no higher compliment than that.

Robert Mallory

Dear Editor,

I clamor not for modesty but for the aesthetically Christian view towards dress and personal appearance. Tight sweaters are one of my favorites, therefore I will speak of them in example. When I see a lady wearing a sweater I have several choices. First,

I may fall to "sinful thoughts." These thoughts have no stronghold in the Christian aesthete's viewpoint, for he knows of a higher pleasure. He does not fight within himself, "Oh, I want to, I want to, but I can not look!" Rather, he says, "Look and understand why the Bible rejects lust. Lust does not represent the good life. There is a better way, a far more pleasurable attitude to be taken." Thus, he looks and enjoys himself as she enjoys being enjoyed. As a Christian he still sees all the beauty of womanhood. As a matter of course, he becomes stimulated.

In the mind of him who lusts, the lusted becomes degraded. Should we not with rapt attention search out those to be appreciated? I would not have a woman to be told, "Take care how you dress, it might cause temptation," but, "Take care how you dress, it might cause appreciation." The first imperative is negative. She to whom the admonition is directed is left with a choice to dress accordingly to arouse lust. But must she dress so as not to arouse lust? Would she not be unattractive if she could not arouse lust? The latter advice is much more appealing to my sense of justice. When she dresses attractively, even outlandishly, she does so with a positive attitude. She becomes not a stumbling block but an inspiration.

Are they temptations, those glori-

ous sweaters? More than temptation, sweaters pose occasion. Every occasion is opportunity for realizing why we do not condone lust. A woman is chained when she is lusted after; made free when appreciated. We have the choice to be either escapists, defamers or encomiasts. Thomas Mann, in *The Magic Mountain* tells why I become so enthusiastic.

Hans Castorp mused, his gaze still bent on Frau Chauchat's arm. The way women dressed! They showed their necks and bosoms, they transfigured their arms by veiling them in "illusion"; they did so, the world over, to arouse our desire. O God, how beautiful life was! And it was just such accepted commonplaces as this that made it beautiful — for it was a commonplace that women dressed themselves alluringly, it was so well known and recognized a fact that we never consciously realized it, but merely enjoyed it without a thought. And yet he had an inward conviction that we ought to think about it, ought to realize what a blessed, what a well-nigh miraculous arrangement it was. For of course it all had a certain end and aim; it was by a definite design that women were permitted to array themselves with irresistible allure: it was for the sake of posterity for the perpetuation of the species. Of course.

Ken Bateman

## Statement on Senate

by Rich Downs

The October 21st meeting of the Student Senate was the shortest in recent history: it was over and the meeting hall emptied in just 45 minutes. The volume of new business conducted was likewise small in quantity, committee reports consuming the bulk of the meeting.

The Chapel Committee report relayed a request for suggestions for chapels for second semester and expressed its desire for students' opinion as to whether or not Spiritual Emphasis Week is scheduled too early in the semester. Students should make their pleasure known to their senators.

It was reported from the Campus Entertainment Committee that the next Senate spot is scheduled for November 25. The committee also requested that students express their

feelings on the decision to hold the spots at the campground dining hall. In previous years the occasions have been held in Fancher Auditorium. However, as the spots became increasingly popular among the student body this location was found to be too small to accommodate the large and growing crowds. The committee also stated its desire to see greater faculty involvement in the spots, both as welcome observers and as participants.

From the Student Affairs Committee came the glad news that they were considering a recommendation to do away with the vacation fines. In the SAC's subsequent meeting the recommendation was accepted and passed on to the faculty for their approval. A long-standing source of student displeasure and financial victimization may well be on the way out.

## Quotes from the American Revolution

"As for conforming outwardly, and living your own life inwardly, I do not think much of that."

Henry David Thoreau, 1850

"(The corporation) penetrating its every part of the Union, acting by command and in phalanx, may, in a critical moment, upset the government. I deem no government safe which is under the vassalage of any self-constituted authorities."

Thomas Jefferson

"The women amuse themselves by teaching their children the principles of rebellion, and seem to take care that the rising generation should be as troublesome as themselves."

British officer in Charleston, 1780

"You are either a victim or a rebel."

Richard Wright

"God forbid that we should ever be more than 20 years without a revolution."

Thomas Jefferson

"If particular care and attention are not paid to the ladies we are determined to foment a rebellion and will not hold ourselves bound to obey any laws in which we have no voice or representation."

Abigail Adams, 1776

"Keep up your spirits, and gallantly oppose this adverse state of affairs."

John Dickinson, 1768

"If Fascism came to America, it would be on a program of Americanism."

Huey P. Long, 1935

"Remember that an honorable death is preferable to an ignominious life; and never forget what you owe to yourselves, your families, and your posterity."

Anonymous handbill published in Philadelphia, 1776

Ed. Note: In keeping with the spirit of the Bicentennial, the *Star* offers quotes from the revolution, interspersed with an occasional contemporary thought of relevance.

"It is an observation of one of the profoundest inquiries into human affairs that a revolution of government is the strongest proof that can be given by a people, of their virtue and good sense."

John Adams

"To reason with despots is throwing reason away."

Tom Paine

"The American War is over; but this is far from the case with the American Revolution. On the contrary, nothing but the first act of the great drama is closed."

Benjamin Rush, 1787

"Money doesn't talk, it swears."

Bob Dylan





Sentimental heroine confronts the Devil's disciple.

## Ed. Policies Committee Advises Academic Dean

The Educational Policies Committee is a group that Houghton College students know or hear little about. However, since it is the central academic committee on campus, it serves an important role in the academic life. All the members are involved by virtue of their positions, not by election or appointment. The group consists of the seven academic division chairmen, the registrar, director of admissions, librarian, and the academic dean who is the chairman.

There are two major functions of the committee. One is to help the academic dean in decisions, thus serving as an advisory board. Secondly, the group studies and formulates changes and modifications in the existing curriculum and calendar. After the studies are completed, recommendations for changes are presented to the faculty for approval.

There are no permanent subcom-

mittees, but they are assigned for specific studies and projects. One of these is now in the process of considering changes in the general education requirements. Facing the committee are questions like "How many general ed. requirements are necessary for a Christian liberal arts college?" This, of course, is a question not easily answered. But this group does the background work and makes these major decisions.

Recently, the Ed. Policies Committee did a full-scale study in dispensing with Winterim. They observed other colleges, compared schedules, did much research, and finally made the recommendation to have a two-semester schedule, which is being implemented this year. Decisions like these are evidence of the impact and influence that this "behind the scenes" committee has, affecting each one in the Houghton College community.

## News Briefs

BEIRUT (UPI 10/29)

Lebanese security forces in armored vehicles battled through Moslem lines to evacuate 200 Lebanese and foreign nationals from the Beirut Holiday Inn as the attacking leftists closed in on the seaside hotel district. But many more persons remain trapped in other nearby hotels as the Moslems push Christian troops back in bloody street fighting.

LONDON (UPI 10/29)

British police say they have arrested six suspects in a car bombing last week outside a house where Caroline Kennedy was staying. Police did not identify the suspects, but did say they were four men and two sisters. An IRA splinter group is suspected of planting the bomb that killed a prominent cancer researcher and wounded six other persons.

## Schedule of Events

October 31 - November 1

The Ice Follies, Rochester War Memorial, Friday, 8:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 2:00 & 8:00 p.m.

November 4

Vienna Choir Boys sing Humperdinck's *Hansel and Gretel*, Eastman Theatre, Rochester

Melissa Manchester plus Orleans in Klienhaus Music Hall

November 6

Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra performs Ravel, Strauss, and Prokofiev, 8:00, Eastman Theatre, Rochester

Local Movies

Olean — Center City Palace — "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore"

# The Devil's Disciple Presented As This Year's EEC Season Opener

by Dan Woolsey

In keeping with the Bicentennial celebration, the English Expression Club, under the skillful direction of Dr. Lionel Basney, triumphantly opened its theatrical season last Saturday night, Oct. 25, with the production of George Bernard Shaw's three-act melodrama, *The Devil's Disciple*.

The well-worn stage of Fancher Aud was transformed into Webster-bridge, a tiny New Hampshire hamlet which has been captured by "Gentleman Johnny" Burgoyne and his British troops during the American War for Independence. The British, having decided to hang a prominent rebel as an example to the townspeople, seek to arrest the town parson, Rev. Anderson (John Tatter). Mistakenly they arrest and put on trial Dick Dudgeon, an adventurous rogue whom they find drinking tea with Anderson's wife, Judith (Roberta Anderson).

Although the action is a bit slow in the early part of the play, Shaw is in rare form for the climactic court-martial scene at the end. The scene abounds in marvelous one-liners and witticisms from the suave and sophisticated British General Burgoyne. As Shaw himself wrote, *The Devil's Disciple* is "stuffed with everything from the ragbag of melodrama: reading a will, heroic sacrifice, court-martial, gallows and eleventh hour reprieve." And yet this is no ordinary melodrama. Shaw adds his own touch. All of the conventional melodramatic situations suddenly take unconventional turns. Just where a melodramatic clergyman should show courage, Anderson appears to show cowardice; just where the melodramatic hero should confess undying love, Dick claims indifference to Judith.

It is Shaw's use of contrast that makes this play more than mere entertainment. The vital natural morality of Dick, the proud non-conformist and gallant romantic rebel stands out against the joyless, systematic and artificial morality of his Puritan family as exemplified by his mother (Kathy Confer), a harsh and severe

woman who clings to a religion which by its very nature must be unpleasant. In protest to this background Dick calls himself the Devil's Disciple because, as he earnestly explains to his mother, "I knew from the first that the Devil was my natural master and captain and friend . . . He comforted me, and saved me from having my spirit broken in this house of children's tears."

Shaw seems to be saying that there is something in the very nature of every man which, when put to the test, responds to the highest demands made upon it. He centers on Dick's natural motives for heroism and virtue and depicts the conventional ideals of religiosity, romance and gentlemanliness personified by Mrs. Dudgeon, Judith and General Burgoyne as snares to truth and virtue.

To complement the excellent quality of the play itself, the actors in both

leading and supporting roles handle their parts capably. Dan Hawkins as Dick has all of the swashbuckling courage and chivalry of Errol Flynn and Burgoyne is admirably brought to life with delightful urbanity and sarcasm by Dave Mitchell. Although they might have been realized a bit more subtly and gradually, the difficult character changes of the Rev. Anderson and his wife were portrayed fairly effectively by John Tatter and Roberta Anderson. The delicate beauty of the sentimental heroine, Judith, is well-counteracted by Mrs. Dudgeon who is shrilly played by Kathy Confer a la Wicked Witch of the West.

A good deal of hard work and effort by a talented cast and director have gone into this endeavor and the result is an effective and entertaining production. The final performance will be held on Saturday, November 1.

## Dr. Lionel Basney To Give Lecture About The Theater

Dr. Lionel Basney will present a lecture on the theater on Wednesday, November 5 at 8:00 p.m. in Fancher Auditorium as a part of the Faculty Lecture Series. One-half of the presentation will be a lecture and the other half will be a performance.

The lecture will be on the theory of the theater. Dr. Basney will explain the purpose of the theater, the need it fills, and how the purpose is achieved. An explanation of some of the techniques of theatrical production will be included. Steve Paine will demonstrate the new lighting system in Fancher Auditorium and Meredith Bruerton will be applying Dr. Basney's make-up on stage and explaining the procedure as she does it.

For the second half of the presentation, Dr. Basney will perform two extended monologues from Shakespeare. One will be Shylock, a Jew, from *The Merchant of Venice*. The other will be King Richard II from *Richard II*.

The monologues will consist of excerpts from the character's speeches in the plays. Dr. Basney says that he has long been attracted to King Richard II. Richard is a brilliant personality but at the height of some of his speeches he slips over the edge of reality into self-pitying melodramatization. He is capable of interesting poetry.

Shylock is also a complex figure. He is a comic fool incapable of seeing past his own situation to reality. He does have a serious side, too. He is justified in railing about the prejudices of the gentiles but his downfall is the irrationality of his plan for revenge.

All are invited to the lecture. It promises to be a good show. It will also be a cultural opportunity for people who are not acquainted with the theater or who have misgivings about it. There will be a time for questions and rebuttals at the end.

## Federal Government Defied By Brigham Young University On Religious Grounds

(CPS) Civil disobedience is not restricted to eccentric individuals who live in the woods or radical political groups. The largest private university in the country recently announced its intention to defy the federal government's anti-discrimination laws which took effect July 21.

Brigham Young University, a four-year school in Utah affiliated with the Mormons, advertised in several state, local and campus newspapers that it would not comply with Title IX regulations "on the basis of moral and religious grounds." The result of the University's action could be a loss of \$1.5 million in federal aid.

Even more serious for the government enforcement agency, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW), Brigham Young's action could plant the idea of rebellion in the minds of other university administrators who dislike the idea of government interference in the affairs of private schools.

University administrators have isolated six sections of the Title IX regulations which they find most offensive. These include:

— The Title IX ban on inquiries into marital or parental status, pregnancy or termination of pregnancy of job or school applicants. The Uni-

versity argues that such inquiries are basic to the maintenance of "the highest Christian standards of morality."

— The broad interpretation of educational program or activity by Title IX regulations.

— Requirements for obtaining religious exemptions. The University maintains that it is unconstitutional for HEW to rule "on the content . . . of religious belief or practice."

— HEW's ban on different rules of appearance for men and women. The University said it would continue to enforce different dress codes for men and women because "we believe that differences in sex and grooming of men and women are proper expressions of God-given differences in the sexes."

— The Title IX regulations requiring comparable toilet and shower facilities. "We cannot believe," the University said, "HEW would be so absurd as to require that men's and women's restroom facilities contain identical sanitary fixtures, or that they would not permit us to continue providing booth showers for women and gang-type showers for men."

— Rules requiring pooling of single-sex scholarships. Brigham Young's opposition to the

Title IX regulations stems from two areas. As Brigham Young's President, Dallin H. Oaks, said in a hearing before the House Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, the Title IX regulations "threaten the independence of private colleges" and endanger the "diversity of thought and action that have been the strength of American higher education."

Oaks also accused the regulations of restricting academic freedoms and thus violating the First Amendment.

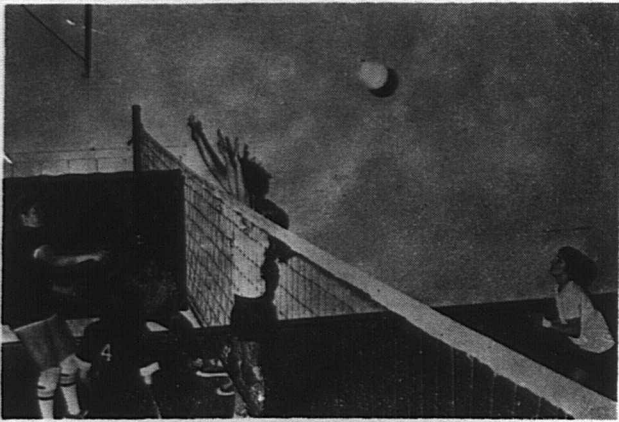
So far, Brigham Young is the only university which has come out openly against the new regulations. But other members of the American Association of Presidents of Independent Colleges and Universities joined Brigham Young's president in expressing concern to the House subcommittee. On behalf of the organization, Oaks said the regulations were "a dangerous and illegal quantum jump in the extent of federal control over higher education."

## Intended

Rebecca Locke, '76 to Stephen Thorson, '76

Joan E. Fitch, '77 to Robert W. Davis, '77





Volleyball players display spiking finesse.

## Women's Volleyball Team Records Four Victories

The women's varsity volleyball team had their first and last home game of the season, Saturday of Homecoming weekend. The team faced R.I.T. and Binghamton. The girls beat R.I.T. 2-1, winning their first game 15-12. They lost the second game 14-16, but came back to win the third game 15-5 which gave them the match. Binghamton presented the team with a few problems. Houghton was unable to put things together, so by consistent playing Binghamton took the match 15-12 and 15-3.

The following Wednesday, the team traveled to Fredonia to play Villa Maria and Fredonia. The team played a tough and exciting match against Fredonia. They lost their first game 7-15, but rallied back to win the second game 15-7. The third game, tied several times during the game, was close. With one minute left in the game, Houghton pulled ahead. As time ran out, Houghton won the game and the match 11-8. Due to a few tough breaks, the team took a disappointing loss to Villa Maria. The scores of the games were 13-15, 15-9 and 8-15.

Saturday the girls traveled to the University of Rochester to play Geneseo and U. of R. Recovering from the disappointment Wednesday, the girls pulled together to defeat both Geneseo and U. of R. The team played consistently and worked together as a team. They beat U. of R. 15-9 and 15-7. Geneseo was a tough team to beat but Houghton's teamwork gave them the win 15-7 and 15-12.

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On Saturday October 25th, the Senate sponsored a bus trip to Buffalo. This provided a day of shopping, or simply a day off campus to all who participated, a luxury to most students. Out of a possible 40, only 29 students took part. The Senate thus lost money in this attempt. It was, however, an experiment, and the Sen-

ate believes they will offer this bus trip again, before Thanksgiving vacation. Hopefully, the students will take better advantage of this opportunity. The cost is \$2.50 per person for the trip.

The Melbourne-Australian basketball team will be touring the Northeastern United States, and, on November 22nd at 8:00 p.m., they will be challenging Houghton in a game. The exact site for the game has not yet been selected, but will be a school around the Houghton vicinity. Admission for students will be 75¢, and for others, \$1.50.

Also being planned for the coming ski season are weekend ski retreats.

The Student Affairs Office and the Senate encourage students to offer suggestions and ideas for the coming year.

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## Women's Varsity Tennis Team Ends Fall Season with Major Tournament

The Women's Varsity Tennis Team wound up a rather brief and soggy fall season with some especially difficult contests. On October 7, the women netters lost to the State University College of Buffalo five matches to two. An outstanding performance of both skill and endurance was provided by Debbie Maples who played in a singles match that lasted over two hours. The outcome, however, was a victorious 6-2, 5-7, 7-5 win which made the effort well worth it. Gail Johnson and Barb Mullen added the only other win by default.

A confrontation with Elmira College yielded similar results. Penny Smith emerged as the only bright spot with a 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 win in singles and as a consequence, Houghton was defeated four matches to one. It was at Elmira that the opposing coach broke an established rule in women's tennis by playing his number one player to participate in both the first singles and first doubles matches. This incident occurred much to the dismay of the Houghton women who were unaccompanied by a coach and as players, did not have the authority to protest. Such an occurrence is indicative of problems that can arise due to the unavailability of coaches to travel to away games because of other obligations.

An even more disconcerting event took place when the girls traveled to R.I.T. expecting to play a regular match and found themselves participating in a major tournament. Apparently there had been a mix-up in scheduling and the "tennis match" turned tournament required an impromptu performance against three schools — Wells College, R.I.T. and Canisius. The tournament was arranged in eight game pro-sets so that everyone played three times, one time against each school.

The results were as follows with Wells capturing first place, Houghton and R.I.T. in third and fourth place respectively.

Singles	Wells	R.I.T.	Canisius
M. Kaltenbaugh 8-0 (d)	8-6	8-0 (d)	
Jan Eriksen 8-5	5-8	3-8	
Penny Smith 0-8	3-8	2-8	

### Doubles

Sheryl Osgood			
Carol Goodnight 1-8	8-5	8-0	
Gail Johnson			
Debbie Maples 1-8	8-5	8-3	

The past season has provided the women's tennis team with valuable experience and added skill so that the players look to the spring season with great anticipation. The highlight of the upcoming season will be the P.C.A.C. tournament hosted by Houghton College.

## Houghton Defeats Geneseo State and Behrend College

Highlander Soccer improved its record this past week to 9-3-1, by defeating two tough opponents. They had a 3-1 victory over Geneseo State and a 2-1 decision over Behrend College.

The Geneseo game was an excellent show of soccer. It was a clean yet physical game. The spark on the offense was Danny Woods. Even though Woods only scored one goal, he was all over the field making things happen. Scoring the other two goals was freshman Danny Irwin. Defense was led by senior Patrick Okafor. Pat was the man to watch. He stopped many Geneseo breaks and intimidated their players with tough "D". After the game Coach Burke said that he thought it was one of the best games the teams had ever played against each other.

The Behrend game turned out to be a hard fought victory, with the win-

ning goal coming with only about three minutes left to play in the game. Behrend dominated play at the beginning of the game but after Houghton settled down to play, they took command. There were many excellent passes giving the Highlander line several opportunities for good shots. However, most of the shots were turned away by a fine Behrend goal keeper. The scoring for Houghton came from Johnny Cool and Danny Woods. John's shot was a blast that went to the upper right hand corner of the goal, while Danny Woods scooted a ball past the Behrend goal keeper. Once again the Highlander defense rattled the opponent's line. Led by Patrick Okafor, the defense stood strong, not allowing Behrend to take many shots. Coach Burke said after the game that it was good team effort that had won the game.

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