

"... WHOM SHALL I SEND,
AND WHO WILL GO FOR US? ...
HERE AM I SEND ME."—Is. 6:8

The Houghton Star

"... AND HOW SHALL THEY
HEAR WITHOUT A PREACHER?"
Romans 10:14

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Queen and Parade Highlight Homecoming

Queen Crowned

Sally Benton, a music major, was crowned queen of Homecoming at the Purple-Gold game Saturday. Mr. William Johnson, president of the alumni association, placed the gold crown on the auburn-haired queen.

The ceremony took place during the half-time of the game after the



queen and her attendants, seated in two convertible cars, had been driven around the football field to the strains of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," played by the band. After the coronation the cars again circled the field.

Miss Benton, who is a senior, was selected for the queen's position as the result of an all-school election. She wore a white lace gown and carried a sheath bouquet of red roses. She was attended by Corrine Hong Sling and Barbara Woerner, juniors; Lois Race and Betty Barn-dollar, sophomores; and Janice Straley and Ruth Olsen, freshmen. The attendants wore gowns in pastel shades and carried bouquets of white "baby mums."

Celebration Held For Hallowe'en

Most of Houghton celebrated Hallowe'en last Friday evening at the first school-wide party of its kind held here.

After students, faculty, and staff were divided on the basis of the four classes, senior, junior, sophomore, and freshman, in front of the Luckey Memorial building, each group progressed alternately to the tabernacle, gym, chapel, and library. In the tabernacle, chains clanked, while minor piano music echoed, and laughs set the atmosphere for a "ghost walk" leading through dishes of "eyes" (hulled grapes) and over various kinds of obstacles.

In the gym, announcer Connie Jackson reviewed and previewed styles of the past and future designated by couples dressed in clothes from the era they represented. Walking through rows of cornshocks, pumpkins and leaves distributed about the gym floor, each couple put on a brief skit narrated by announcer Jackson. Alice Romito and Edward German closed this part of the program representing a couple from 1950 as they sang together "Shine On Harvest Moon." Virginia Sell furnished solos and background music on her marimba.

"Beauty and the Beast" and "The Owl and the Pussy Cat" were the comic movies. Ed Neuhaus showed in the chapel.

Miss Josephine Rickard entertained in the library from the back of a "horse" set up behind the counter where, as she spurred the horse, she

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Homecoming Parade

Out of twenty-five entries, the Verville float captured first prize in the Homecoming parade Saturday afternoon. The floats were judged for appearance, for originality, and for the amount of work spent on each.

A huge bassinet in which Pamela Ryan sat as baby queen was the float that won the prize of \$15 for Verville. The money will be given to help one of the missionary couples that the college is supporting.

The second prize of \$10 was won by Gaoyadeo hall for their float of the "Old Women Who Lived in the Shoe." Cott house took the third prize of \$5 with their float of the Seneca Indians.

Honorable mention was given to Maplecrest for their float on "Then and Now," to the sophomore English Literature classes for their float on the Canterbury Tales, and to Dow hall and Barnett cottage for their float, representing Dow hall.

Judges for the parade were Miss Ruth Cowles, Mrs. S. W. Paine, Mrs. J. W. Shea, Mr. William Johnson, and Professor Marven O. Nelson.

In the center of the parade on a cream-colored Buick convertible rode Houghton's first Homecoming queen, Miss Sally Benton. With her rode the junior attendants. In another convertible ahead of Miss Benton rode the sophomore and freshman attendants.

A comic feature of the parade was the "horse" that performed at the end of the procession. The "horse," made up of Ed Lewellen and Paul Clingen, produced many laughs from the spectators.

Students May Still Join Oratorio

Any students wishing to sing in the Oratorio should come to the next rehearsal and see Mr. Finney for permission to join.

CHAPEL

Fri., Nov. 4
Missionary Convention
Tues., Nov. 8
Dr. Paine
Wed., Nov. 9
Prof. Shea
Thurs., Nov. 10
Dr. King
Fri., Nov. 11
Dr. Wightman

ACTIVITIES

Sat., Nov. 5
Church Choir Rehearsal—7:30 p.m.—Church
Mon., Nov. 7
Oratorio Practice—7:30 p.m.—Chapel
Tues., Nov. 8
Student Prayer Meeting—7:30 p.m.—Chapel
Wed., Nov. 9
Mission Study—7:30 p.m.—S-24
French Club—7:30 p.m.—S-23
Thurs., Nov. 10
Pre-Med Club—7:30 p.m.—S-24
Student Ministerial—7:30 p.m.—S-27
Fri., Nov. 11
Lanthorn Pictures—Chapel

WJSL Broadcasts In Near Future

The radio staff has announced that radio broadcasting will begin on Nov. 9, depending upon whether or not the studio will be completed by that tentative date. At the present time the staff is hindered by lack of materials, acoustical supplies to come from Cleveland and material to finish the floor from Buffalo.

All the construction work on the studio has been done by interested students, under the direction of Dr. Luckey. The staff extends a cordial invitation, to anyone who is interested, to come and see how the studio is progressing.

Paine Presides At Committee Meeting

The third meeting of the Houghton College Development committee was held on Saturday, Oct. 29, 1949. Dr. Stephen W. Paine presided.

The first session of the meeting began at 10:00 a.m. Dr. Paine read the report of the coordinating committee as outlined in the agenda. This included reports on the financial status of the athletic field and new dormitory funds, progress of the projects, a report on fund-raising procedures, and the consideration of Houghton's over-all fund raising plan as outlined in the proposed master plan for institutional development and immediate procedures to be followed in that plan.

Four of the important questions discussed and voted upon were: Should there be an honorary chairman for the campaign, and, if so, for how long should he serve? Should all of Houghton's public be given the over-all total of our requirements for future needs as well as the present? Should there be one high pressure campaign or a low pressure campaign

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Paine Stresses Needs At Alumni Banquet

At the Homecoming Alumni banquet last Saturday night, Dr. Paine told alumni and friends that the three things Houghton needs for development are: (1) a new girl's dormitory, toward which there is now \$55,000 in cash; (2) a new athletic field, the special project of the

Alumni association; and (3) improvements of the inadequate dining hall and gymnasium. He added that the College Development committee was more desirous of a "low pressure ride" system, consisting of one or two annual drives, rather than a "high pressure program" extending over two years or more.

Mr. Bill Johnson, president of the Alumni association, presided over the short business meeting which followed the dinner. The nominating committee presented its nominations for the officers of the association for the coming year, and for substitutes to fill three positions as directors of the Alumni association, which will be vacated this year. Mr. Hugh Thomas gave a brief report concerning the athletic field, which is the special project of the Alumni association.

Black and orange streamers, and 1925-1948 class banners decorated the gym, where 340 guests attended the banquet. The menu was as follows: grapefruit juice; tomato aspic salad; olives, pickles, celery and radishes; chicken, fresh peas, mashed potatoes with gravy; old fashioned strawberry shortcake and coffee.

Dinner music was provided by Miss Virginia Sell. An alumni male quartet sang two numbers. Members of the quartet were: Dick Farwell, Orven Hess, Alton Shea, and Wil-lard Smith. When a roll call was taken, six members of the first class of Houghton, the class of '25, stood to their feet. There was also a good representation of alumni of Houghton seminary, as well as other college classes.

Bedford Speaks At Convocation

We are building our eternal building, and that building is Christian character, stated Rev. H. Clark Bedford, speaker at the annual Founder's Day convocation on Friday, Oct. 28.

Mr. Bedford, of Middlebury, Vermont, was a prominent figure in the early days of Houghton college, and contributed a great deal to its advancement. It is his firm belief that one should look to the future rather than the past. In the latter there is devotion, but there is energy in the future.

"Man is always building, from Adam until the present day," he has built houses of all types, continued Mr. Bedford, built up science in the development of the atom, and promoted medicine by conquering diseases. "However, it is more important to build something that will last. In order to do so," Rev. Bedford stated, "it is important first of all that one has a good foundation." The aspect of morals is important and should not be omitted.

"The American way of life is good in itself, but is not sufficient," he said. As a foundation for Christian character, it is more important that one has faith in God as the Creator and Preserver of life; in God as a spirit or person who possesses two characteristics, self-conscience and self determination; and faith in God that He is able to reveal Himself," stated the builder of Bedford gymnasium.

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Albro, Stuart Win Boulder Elections

Lois Albro will be editor of next year's *Boulder*, and Charles Stuart will be business manager as a result of the election held on Oct. 17, by the sophomore and junior classes.

Miss Albro, a psychology major, is a resident of Swanton, Ohio, where she was a member of her high school yearbook staff. This year she is a sophomore student council representative and devotional chairman of Gaoyadeo hall. She also teaches a teen-age Sunday school class in Fillmore.

Mr. Stuart comes from Worcester, Mass. A history major, he is a member of the International Relations



club and the *Star* staff.

In announcing the results of the election Walt Fitton, editor of this year's *Boulder*, explains that the election was held earlier than usual this year in order that the editor and business manager of the '51 *Boulder* might observe the methods used by the present staff.

World Telescope . . .

BY CHUCK STUART

Strikes Tie Nation

Continuing to tie up the economy of the nation, the strike of two of America's basic industries seemed to be just as far from settlement this week as it was last week. The strike of 500,000 workers in plants that make steel has just completed its fourth week while the strike of 380,000 workers in the bituminous coal mines is going into the seventh week of work stoppage.

The strike in these two basic industries which at first had only a local effect are now slowly gathering force for an attack on the whole nation's economy. Unless such a paralytic movement is stopped, the economy of the nation may be dealt a blow from which it will not quickly recover. On Friday of last week the Federal Reserve board announced figures which show very graphically what the strikes are doing to the nation's economy. It said that the index of industrial production, based on the 1935-39 averages at 100, was 170 in August. The figure went to 172 in September showing the nation's recovery from the recession of the first part of the year. However, by the end of October the board said that the figure would drop to 150—the lowest since February of 1946 when the country was undergoing a period of post-war strikes.

It is thought in many quarters that the White House will soon step into the tie-up. Just what action the government will take is not really known. It is felt, however, that the strikes, which have come to a place where no headway seems possible, can only be broken as the President brings to bear the prestige and power of his position. Mr. Truman is still very non-committal on his plans. He did say that he would invoke the Taft-Hartley act if there was a national emergency. He added, however, that that was a long way off.

Navel Shakeup

The "Battle of the Pentagon" took a new twist this past week when the Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Louis E. Denfield, was removed at the request of Secretary of Navy Francis P. Matthews. It has been known by many observers in Washington that these two men have been at odds in the past few months. This situation came to a show-down this past week when the Secretary of Navy disclosed his inability to work with Admiral Louis E. Denfield. Consequently, Admiral Denfield has been relieved of his position as Chief of Naval Operation. A possible successor to him has not yet been named, but a good choice is thought to be Vice-Admiral Forrest P. Sherman,

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Parade Spurs Spirit . . .

Homecoming brought forth those potentialities of school spirit that have too long remained latent in the breasts of the student body. Scores shared their enthusiasm over the excitement of the parade, hailing each float and its enjoyment-thrilled contestants who had expended so much valuable time and effort in their fashioning. Encouraged by the pleasure of the parade, bristled by the presence of the alumni, added throngs cheered the Purple and Gold gridmen. A similar experience was last spring's drive for funds for the new girls' dormitory, for it unified Houghton's students and stirred them to action. Those events were a sorely needed shot in the arm of the student body, strengthening its solidarity and spirit.

Spirit might be defined as aggressive devotedness. Not simply devotedness, but aggressive devotedness—the type that advances, that seeks to accomplish new achievements for its cause. Had the pilgrim fathers merely been devoted to their cause, they would have remained in Europe and suffered their persecutions; but, their devotedness being aggressive, they pushed to the shores of the New World and established the frontiers that developed into the strongest nation in the world. Our national fathers proved their devotion the cause of freedom by spilling their blood—by aggressiveness.

Had the founders of our country been devoted to freedom, they never would have fought and died for it, and thus obtained it. If the students at Houghton lack school spirit, perhaps it is because they lack devotion to the school. However, most students have come here because they regarded it as the best college for them in the country; therefore, the most striking reason for the lack of spirit on Houghton campus remains a deficient aggressiveness. All of the school should continue to exhibit the sort of aggressive, devoted spirit displayed Homecoming weekend.

Patriotic Christians . . .

Followers of Christ are bound by the claims of government, in as far as these claims do not conflict with the demands of their God. The Apostle Paul admonished believers at Rome to "be subject to the higher powers." Would anyone attending Houghton deny the veracity of the two preceding sentences? Not by direct statement, but by deed. In fact, he already has.

At the front of the Homecoming parade, marched a uniformed color guard, a tradition for any parade. A husky standard bearer carried Old Glory, the symbol of all that democracy and freedom mean to an American. As the flag of the United States of America floated by, most were too interested in what was following to give it any attention. Those sitting on the bank continued to sit, and the standers remained standing, just standing; pityfully few stood at attention. If asked, the negligent would proclaim themselves to be loyal Americans. They had often pledged allegiance to the flag and sang "God Bless America," but they ignored the Stars and Stripes. They cheered the service man in battle and worked hard to preserve American liberty, but forgot the emblem of that liberty.

Christians have always been respected for their patriotism and cannot afford to relinquish that honor. May the followers of Christ ever "render unto Caesar those things which are Caesar's" and pay the proper respect to Old Glory.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

We, the Alumni of Houghton college, through the avenue of the Houghton Star, wish to express our heartfelt appreciation of the all-out effort of the faculty and student body which made this 1949 Home Coming the greatest in the history of the college. The novel parade will long be remembered, and the hours of effort by the students were well repaid, as the many delighted comments testified. Purple-Gold enthusiasm, that we forgot we had, revived as we watched the football game. And our everlasting gratitude goes to Miss Gillette and her sacrificial staff who served us so efficiently at the banquet in Bedford gym. When we can meet all together like that, in the beloved old haunts, memories throng and plans evolve for a greater Houghton indeed.

God's richest blessing in the Alma Mater this year and always.

Cordially,

Erma H. Thomas,
Alumni Secretary

Dear Editor,

Too many Americans are staying home on election day and saying, "My vote won't count." Too many want the American way of life without doing anything to suppress its deadly opponents, who are creeping in and gaining footholds by encouraging stagnance on the part of Americans in national affairs.

Under God our forefathers came to America to secure freedom; under God they felt the need of strong government and established the now one hundred sixty-year-old Constitution; and under God we have an obligation to get out and vote to keep these precious freedoms flowing in the land.

Today communistic elements are gathering little sticks of American dynamite here and there with which to blow up the dam of democracy and allow their ungodly waters to flow unchecked over the United States. A vote in the wrong direction, or no vote at all may spring a leak in the dam. A wise vote may be a sandbag to build it up. We as citizens cannot afford to let election day lightly pass.

Sincerely,

Robert Maycumber

Dr. Rickard Opens Ministerial Meetings

"Ersatz Israel" will be the topic on which Dr. Josephine G. Rickard will speak at this year's first meeting of the Student Ministerial association, which will convene in S-27 next Thursday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. All students are eligible for membership in this organization who are preparing for full time service as a minister, missionary, or some other phase of Christian activity.

In its plans for the year, the Student Ministerial has engaged Dr. William Ward Ayer, who will speak next spring on the national issues involved in the Cardinal Spellman and Eleanor Roosevelt affair. At present Dr. Ayer is pastor of the Calvary Baptist church in New York city.

Professor J. Whitney Shea will speak on the subject of communism on Nov. 30. The club will also have one or two round table discussions during this year, thus allowing student participation in the treatment of some topic which the club will select.

Introducing . . .

By ANNE RABENSTEIN

Rudolph Rabe, '50, senior class president. Rudy, as he is familiarly known on campus, hails from Minnesota. His first good look at Houghton was accomplished via that traditional college backdoor—the freshman registration line, followed by dubious second looks from the center of the chapel back rooms and the "R" seats in S-24. Even a mailbox in the high 300's shed little illumination on a somewhat gloomy prospect.

Students of that enormous freshman class of September '46, will recall the shortage of everything, primarily space, and that many of the married veterans were quartered temporarily in unheated dormitories on the campground. Rudy will vouch amply for his share in this experience, too, and agrees that Verville apartments were a welcome change.

Rudy has served actively in many campus organizations, winning recognition and honor especially in the field of debate. He has participated in the college debate team tours for the past three years. He has the distinction, also, of holding the class presidency for two consecutive years.

During the summer, Rudy, accompanied by Mrs. Rudy and Mike, has piloted four country charges in the far northwest section of Nebraska. With his small son, Gregg, who has just joined the family, have come added diversions which will be removed to Asbury Seminary where Rudy has already been accepted for next September.

Sommers Corson, '50, senior class vice-president.

"I spend my summers doing flat rate inspection for the hometown

Rev. Tucker Gives Insight To Working With Criminals

At Prof. J. W. Shea's regular 1:30 Criminology class on Monday, the Rev. Park Tucker, chaplain at the Atlanta Federal penitentiary, was the guest speaker. Rev. Tucker gave those present an insight into the difficult work of ministering to the hearts of hardened criminals.

He passed some pictures around the class showing various views of the prison, the chapel services, and his own private plane, as well as the graduates of one of the Bible classes. In explaining the difficulty of reaching the inmates for Christ, Chaplain Tucker said that the men must accept you as a "Good Joe." "If you cannot gain the confidence of the men," he said, "you might as well pack up and go home."

He told how he first tried to introduce Christian teachings among the inmates by using motion pictures. As the men slowly progressed, he was led of the Lord to introduce some type of religious education. He asked the Lord for help in writing a systematic Bible course for the men. This he did using, directly or indirectly, many of his notes from Bible courses here at Houghton college. Using this, he set up a Bible class for inmates entitled "The National Training institute." A copy was passed around the class for examination.

He mentioned that there is a great wave of crime in the U.S. by young G.I.'s. They are holding up many of the National banks and he stated that one young fellow at Atlanta was sentenced for 45 years for a robbery. This was his first offense.

He concluded, that before becoming eligible for permanent appointment for penitentiary chaplaincy a major in sociology, a seminary training, a short course in psychiatry, a period of training in a penitentiary, and a probationary period of one year are necessary.

(Ocean City, N. J.) water company. That means that I go through every house and apartment, check all the outlets and fixtures, and then tell the water company so they can fix a standard rate for everybody. It's certainly a good place to use some of that psychology I've had in college. You never can tell about some of those women, or how you're going to persuade them to let you go through their house from cellar to attic."

In Houghton, Somers concentrates on fulfilling the duties of a history major with a branch-off into botany and education. During his spare time he relaxes in International Relations club. Now, as vice-president and class social chairman, he steers the diversity of opinion into a vital activity program. Future plans are divided at present between graduate work in history and a possible career in business administration.

Dr. Hurwitz Views "The Three Cases"

Dr. Hurwitz, of Cornell university, speaking to the Science club, Oct. 26, presented the theme "The Case Book of the Mathematical Detective." Dr. Hurwitz proved to be a well qualified speaker on this subject as he is a teacher of mathematics at Cornell university.

Dr. Luckey was a student of Dr. Hurwitz while doing graduate work at Cornell.

Dr. Hurwitz presented his talk in three parts which were: "The Case of the Strange Square"; "The Case of the Torn Ticket"; and "The Case of the Freakish Fractions."

The first case consisted of a number of four digits which was a perfect square. The first two digits were alike and the last two were the same, but the first two were not the same as the last two. By use of simple algebra and arithmetic Dr. Hurwitz found the number that would satisfy the above requirements.

The second case consisted of a ticket which had been torn in half, but which had a two digit number on one half of the ticket and a two digit number on the other half. Again, by use of simple algebra and simple arithmetic he found the number in the ticket.

The third case consisted of a school teacher's problem. Her students had a new system of cancelling fractions. For an example, use 16/64ths. If you cancel the two 6's you get 1/4 which is the correct answer. Dr. Hurwitz also found three other fractions which would act the same way if cancelled thus.

Committee Meets . . .

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with two appeals a year? What should the amount of the spring objective be?

The meeting was adjourned in time for the parade. The members of the committee attended the football game and were guests at the alumni banquet.

Editor's Note

Houghton college students in preparing for student elections have recognized the difficulty of evaluating the qualities of each nominee.

We of the Star staff have sought for a method to alleviate this condition. But it is difficult to acquaint the student body with its leaders without creating a column of political news.

This week a new column, "Introducing . . .", appears in the Star. We are starting with the officers of the classes. Read this column each week, and you will become acquainted with the leaders of our school.

Just in Passing

STANLEY SODERBERG

By STANLEY SODERBERG

Slim Chance once hit himself over the head with a hammer and wondered why only rubber hats would fit him. His brother Not-a fell into a horse-pond and then wondered why he was wet. Protestants twiddle their thumbs and waste their time trying to condense hot air into useful water, to be stored away in a sieve for the benefit of our future posterity, while our freedom is being wafted away from under us by religious tyrants, and then when we are reduced to slavery, we will cry, "who would have thought it?" or "blessed are they who are persecuted for righteousness' sake." To a large extent, our philosophy, as judged by our deeds, may be summed up in five words, "All blow, and no go." I wish we could see the truth of the old Moravian hymn that my mother would so often quote to me:

"Heavy are the ills we borrow,
Those from Heaven God helps us bear."

The "blessed" ones are the ones who are persecuted "falsely" and not necessarily the ones who are merely persecuted. If sheep were as scarce of wool as we are of sense, they would look like hogs. We need to wake up, lest through the influence of the Roman hierarchy in Washington we are reduced as Protestants to a mole's existence—and that is not impossible, but very probable. Yet I have heard little protest from the Protestant pulpits of America. Why?

Well, there are several reasons. The average preacher, along with his parishioners know more about the significance of the windows in Solomon's Temple, or theories as to where Cain got his wife, than they do about current events in general, the Barden Bill in particular. Deer know the scent of the hunter, but preachers have seldom been able to detect the smell of rats in Congress. Much ignorance on the part of the laity can be laid at the door of the parson, for, as Chaucer said, "If gold ruste, what shal yren [iron] do?"

Then there are some who fail to speak up for fear that it might smack on controversy, and that, for them, is the one thing not needful. They work evidently on the principle, that if a dead fish can float along with the stream, why should we try to buck it? They will chastise poor brother Schiversstick from the pulpit for playing other than mournful tunes on

Sunday, and for using more than the black keys to do it, but to "cry aloud and spare not" against prevailing national and international sins on the Sabbath is to them a grievous crime—not in keeping with "the Christian spirit." We must love our enemies by all means, but that does not mean that we must help them to ruin us by not helping ourselves. A distinction should be made between "love" and "mushiness"—"Christianity" and "suckerism." A noble character is oft-times evidenced by a righteous indignation.

Whipple rightly said, "The minister's brain is often the 'poor box' of the church," but preachers are not the only pitiful creatures. Far too often the laymen have stoned the prophets verbally, and like vultures have picked at their bones because they dared to bring what they called "politics" into the pulpit. Men of vision have set the world on fire by preaching a negative, as well as a positive gospel, while the visionless stand by and reprimand them—yet warm their hands by the fire. "Verily they have their reward."

"Since I must fight if I would reign,
Increase my courage Lord.
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain,
supported by thy Word."

Old Tucker Leads League

As the House League football schedule comes to the half way point, we find Old Tucker house leading the pack in the first group and Miller house the only undefeated group in group two. The standings are as follows:

GROUP I				
Team	W	L	T	
Old Tucker	3	0	0	
Barnett Cottage	1	1	0	
High School	1	1	0	
McKinley House	1	1	0	
Barracks	1	2	0	

GROUP II				
Team	W	L	T	
Miller House	1	0	1	
Barnett House	2	1	0	
Russell House	1	1	0	
Hazlett House	1	1	1	
Burford House	0	2	0	

Competition has been keen as only one team has failed to win a game.

YOU LIVE AT DOW?

By SHIRLEY HAVENS

"You're living at Dow again this year? Why did you choose that place again?"

"Yes, I'm living at Dow again this year. I like it up there. Have you ever seen Dow?"

"No, I never have, but from all I've heard, it sounds too inconvenient and small and far away to be worth all the trouble."

"You've never seen Dow? Let me tell you about it, then. First of all, it isn't any more inconvenient than most other houses on the campus or in town. Yes, it is small, but to me the small size affords a coziness which destroys the idea of crowdedness. Those pine walls remind me of a pleasant hunting cottage in the woods, which you would enjoy thoroughly if you had the chance to live in one for awhile. As for its being too far away—well, it's no farther than downtown, and the hill is not nearly so breath-taking. And besides, the walk is good for you. You know how much leg-work and fresh air there is connected with a research paper or book report. If you want to be ambitious, you could get a lot of thinking done on the way to and from the campus."

"Well, maybe Dow wouldn't be so bad after all, as a house. I could probably lose a few pounds and grow a stronger pair of lungs by trekking up there. And I always did like a hunting lodge. But a dorm is not just a building; it's the people who live in it. What about them?"

"Oh, that's one of the best features about the place. All the rooms are the same until you get to know the people who live in them. The size of the house is about right for building a community spirit. Everyone can become well acquainted with each other, as is not likely the case in a larger dorm."

"It's fun to share problems, joys—and birthday cakes from home. When it is necessary, ten girls can be easily accommodated in one room for a party after study hours or an 'after-lights-out' ghost rendezvous. The double decker bunks come in to good advantage here. The closet is large enough to envelop several girls at the proctor's arrival to check on the undue disturbance caused by illegal entries."

"Well! Who keeps law and order in the place?"

"That's the job of our house mother, Mrs. Reynolds. We call her 'Mom' because she takes care of us as though she were our own mother. We all have our faults, and she tries to overlook them or help us with them in a very tactful way. She prays for us, too, and that helps us more than we can realize."

"We have our odd moments up there, too. One girl got so excited that she washed her hair with tooth paste one evening. Once another washed out her clean clothes and wore the dirty ones for a day. Test times may be considered odd moments for us, too. Many a night I have spent sprawled out on the floor in the reception room reviewing for some professor's day of reckoning. Usually everything from the amoeba to our date for the next artist series go through the conversational mill."

"You are quite sold on Dow, I can tell. I guess it's not such a bad place after all. What is the thing you like best about Dow, anyway?"

"That's hard to answer, but if I had to choose, I would say it is dorm prayer meetings. There is nothing to draw us closer together than praying for one another. It's good to hear how the Lord is helping us individually. The thing that makes the prayer meetings seem so valuable is seeing how God answers in the things we ask for. I can recall instances in

Dicks Doodles

By DICK SCHNORBUS

Before the Dean's list had a chance to come out this semester I thought it would be interesting to visit some of the potential 3.5ers just to find out how they get that way. Just why is it that some guys burn the midnight oil and scoop all the laurels, while the rest of us get nothing but smoke in our eyes, not to mention the bags under them? If it's study habits that make the difference, then I want to see how some of them do it, I said to myself, and out I went on my personal tour of inspection.

It was rather dark on this particular night. As I groped my way past the lighted houses I was attracted to one in particular because of the hideous sounds which struggled, gasped, wheezed, gargled, and then finally collapsed in an agonizing way just outside of the window. As I glanced in, I noticed a timid, but gallant little fellow straining every nerve as he tried so hard to glue his attention to the open text book which lay open before him. It was going to do him no good, I thought to myself, for barely missing him by inches on either side of his head slid the menacing arm of his roommate's mal-adjusted pipeline—the trombone.

Though already blue in the face, framed by bulging cheeks swelled to the breaking point, the windy enthusiast seemed determined to keep right on squeezing out one sour note after another. No chance here for a 3.5 I mused to myself, and down the street I strolled in search of some gallant student who might unfold to

which my requests made have been granted."

"Say, I'd like to see Dow sometime. When may I come up?"

"We've having open house Saturday, November 12, and would be glad to see you then."

"Good! I'll be there . . . Will there be refreshments . . . Yes? . . . Then I'll come twice!"

me the road to success.

Window after window I passed—but alas! Not one seemed to reveal even the slightest hint of a likely subject.

Farther and farther I went until finally I reached a house so shrouded in silence that I thought surely my ear drums would burst if I did not hear at least a cricket chirp a note. Still nearer I went until from the lighted window I saw a figure bending over a familiar anthology. He wore heavy creases in his forehead, and as I watched I was shocked to see him collapse several times during a matter of minutes. Again and again he struggled to hold up his head until finally he walked dazedly to the cupboard and from it he took a bottle, shook out a few tablets, gulped them down, returned the bottle and set out again to conquer his assignments. (I found out later the tablets were concentrated vitamin pills, guaranteed to add years to your life if you should live that long.)

Once or twice he lifted the bifocals from his face in order to give them a high polish and then went back to work. His knuckles grew white as he clutched the book this time; I could almost see sparks flashing from his eyes as he scanned the pages. Back and forth moved his eyes. Faster and faster they went until I could see nothing but a blur. Then, as I watched, I saw him slowly slip from sight to the floor.

Eager no longer to observe the stuff that makes up the intelligentsia, I hurried back to my room. After I had been there a short while and thought back on the night's experience, I wondered if I should venture out in quest of so high a mark. One look in the mirror which hung over the bureau convinced me that already I had done too much. "The Dean's list—a noble thought," I half muttered to myself as I snuggled under the covers determined to start out with new ideals—first thing in the morning.

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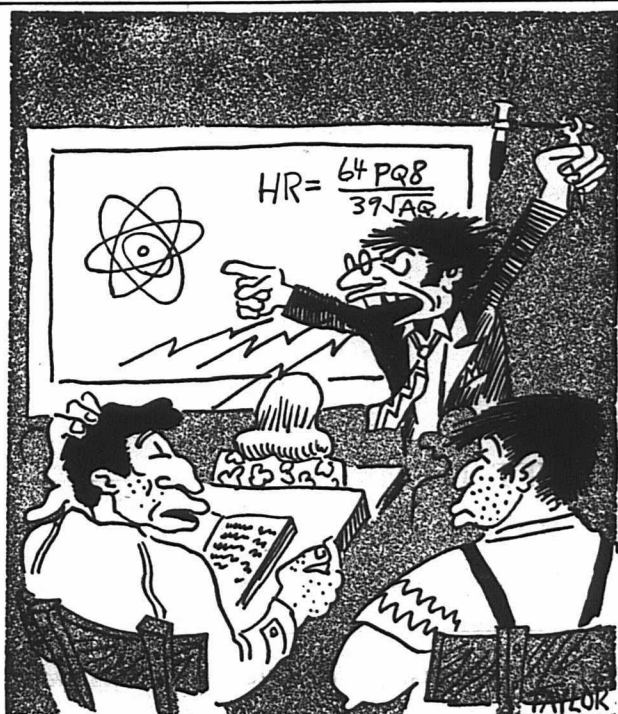
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The Gridiron

By Bob Terry

If you notice some senior slinking around the unfrequented parts of this campus, consider it only in the light of what happened Homecoming weekend. Those who wonder what color I actually represent, please see Miss Davison; I can't remember. But I was certain that Gold couldn't win three in a row from Purple, but I guess better oracles than I have been wrong.

From a serious viewpoint the game was the best played and most equally fought contests of the three, deciding the destiny of the pigskin sport on the campus for this season. Again

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Secondly, he said, one must have blueprints in order to build. The architect for a Christian character is God, and His plans are laid out in the Sermon on the Mount. "Blessed are the meek" does not in the original refer to such a person as Uriah Heep. Instead it is one who is open-minded, has faith in God, and has a willingness to let the will of God control his life, continued Mr. Bedford.

Last but not least, the outside of the building must have a good appearance. The Christian character should be embellished by love, joy, peace, and long suffering. Love is an emotion built upon reason. In concluding, Rev. Bedford stated, "those things which one gives up would have been the soft spots in the 'eternal building'." He challenged the students to strive for the best, because God is not satisfied with mediocrity.

Following the address, Professor Woolsey presented Rev. H. Clark Bedford to Dr. Paine as a candidate for the honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity. The radio choir, under the direction of Prof. Mack, rendered "O Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove" and "Blessings of Peace." The program came to a close with the group singing the "Alma Mater," and Prof. Fancher offering the benediction. Professor Hazlett had given the invocation.

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it was superior material versus superior fight in the Gold victory over their Purple rivals. Perhaps, in the future, the material will be more evenly divided between the two squads. Let us hope that football, in caliber of play and standard of infractions, will rise to greater heights in next year's competition. This is asking a great deal, I realize; for this, my fourth year on the campus, revealed the best class of gridiron contention; at least from my point of observation.

Next year will mark the inception of the utilization of the new athletic field on the camp grounds. Full dress equipment may also be the norm of play, but above all may God continue to receive glory from future years of competition.

Now we shall turn our telescopes around to the front and consider the basketball prospectus in this yet embryonic season. With the defending champions, the class of '49 lingering in our minds, this season promises class squads as evenly matched as the season of 1948-1949, when the championship was decided in the final game. Such notables as Mary Lou Armstrong, Paul Markell, Med Sutton, Dave Buck, and Norm Walker will be missed; their accomplishments should spur this year's production of ing virtues. Of course, Mary Lou's hoopsters to emulate their outstanding 51 points in a single game will be difficult to match, but it will be stimulating, I am sure, to watch other stars rise from the cream of this year's crop to fill the shoes of those, and others of the past whom I have not mentioned.

Current Events . .

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now commander of the Sixth Task Fleet in the Mediterranean. At any rate, whoever the new Chief of Naval Operations is likely to be, it is the general consensus that he is likely to take a more cooperative attitude to the other members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The Navy Department yesterday announced its plan to "mothball" 77 more ships of its active fleet. This

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Gold Defeats Purple Yorkwood 28-0, at Homecoming Loses Float

Last Saturday afternoon an estimated 1000 students and alumni turned out at "Bedford Stadium" hoping to witness the downfall of a theretofore undefeated gold. The cheering awarded the Purple squad upon completing of successful maneuvers towards the goal, and the poignant silence with which the Gold Gridders were rewarded upon exhibiting their prowess with the pigskin, was testimony to the fact that this was a Purple-partisoned throng. However, the Gold Gladiators in their bright new gold jerseys did not seem to be inhibited in their playing ability by the lack of moral support from the bleachers. They proceeded to whitewash the victory hungry Purple team in a fashion that has become quite stereotyped. Nast (R. and P.) & Co. were able to push the pigskin over the goal stripe four times while Eckler and his cohorts were unable to accomplish this task once. The defensive forward wall of Denny, Strong, and Chapman should be given credit for making Eckler hurry his passes. Not only was Eckler rushed but he had the added disadvantage

action is in line with Secretary of Defense Johnson's plan to cut the defense forces' budget down to 13 billion dollars. The bulk of the cut in active naval strength will be from the Atlantic Fleet.

French Approve Premier

On the foreign scene, France was the center of interest when early last Friday morning Georges Bidault received the approval of the National Assembly as Premier Monsieur Bidault's approval came after a period of twenty-three days during which time France was without a government. Bidault, a Popular Republican, succeeded where others had failed in being able to receive the recognition of the National Assembly. The political picture in France is really one of confusion. On the extreme left is the Communist party while on the extreme right is the DeGaulle party. It will be Monsieur Bidault's job to try and steer the middle road between the two extremes.

of hitting targets that were considerably smaller than those at which P. Nast aimed. Dongell, MacPherson and Nast, R. are all over six-feet tall while Juroe, Aldermen and Hunsburger are all under six feet. It was not so much that Purple was out played but rather that they were outreached and outweighed. There was just one score in the first half. In the second quarter Nast, R. intercepted an Eckler pass and scampered to within three yards of pay dirt before receiving the double touch. Brother Paul then clotheslined to MacPherson for the only six points of the first half.

After the queen had been crowned, Eckler received the Gold kickoff and standing still pitched deep past mid field to Dick Alderman who romped untouched to the end zone. However, the ball hit a wire as it came down to Eckler. Hence the play was nullified. This seemed to knock some of the spirit out of the Purple team for they were not as effective in the second half as Gold scored three more touch downs in the second half. One of these touchdowns was a beautiful fifty yard runback of a punt by Paul Nast. The final score was 28-0.

Bonfire Finishes Hallowe'en Party

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narrated "The Wife of Bath's Prologue" by Chaucer. Red socks, spurs, and a straw hat tied over her ears set off "Dr. Jo's" costume.

Apples, frankfurter sandwiches, cider and doughnuts were served from the dining room and kitchen.

Terminating the evening was a bonfire in the valley below Gaoyadeo where Boulder editor, Walter Fitton, announced that Sally Benton was Houghton's first Homecoming queen attended by juniors, Corrine Hong Sling and Barbara Woerner; sophomores, Lois Race and Betty Barn-doll; and freshmen, Janice Straley and Ruth Olsen. Gifts and a cake

Where was the missing float? That's what Yorkwood wanted to know. Here is the story.

Aroused by the alarm bell on the little hand drawn engine they had procured for use as a float, the girls of Yorkwood rushed out to find a group of boys trying to carry it off. That was Monday night of last week.

The boys had apparently forgotten, or had not known, that the bell sounded with each revolution of the wheels. When the girls appeared the boys took off in all directions, the girls after them.

At about 11:45 the boys returned, and having removed the offending bell, again tried to make off with the engine, but the girls were ready and drove them off.

On Tuesday night, however, the fellows were more successful. They got away with the engine and hid it.

Not satisfied with the injury, they proceeded to add insult. That was Wednesday night. They marched up and rang the bell in front of Yorkwood. Immediately the yard lights went on and the boys scampered off.

Then, some members of the Student council decided to take a hand. They stood guard around Yorkwood on Thursday night. One hour passed, two, then three, but no culprits. In the end, all the Student council members caught were colds.

were given Dr. Paine in celebration of his birthday. Effigies of purple and gold were burned among cheering and singing.

The senior and sophomore classes made the plans for the party, with Somers Corson, vice president of the senior class, officiating as general chairman of the affair. Chairmen of the four committees in charge of entertainment were Marilyn Phillips, tabernacle; Somers Corson, gym; Al Bennett, library; and the two class presidents, Richard Price and Rudy Rabe, chapel.

The Athletic association committee in charge of the bonfire and refreshments was headed by Oliver Dongell, who worked with James Snyder, Harold Jenkins, and Charmaine Lemmon.

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