

# NINE ELECTED TO WHO'S WHO

## Athletic Field "A Must" -- Paine

Standing in front of a leaf-framed mural of the proposed athletic field at the alumni banquet, Dr. Stephen W. Paine asserted that the new field is "a must." "Our prayers and our cash will make it," he said.

Construction plans for the project indicate that the field will include a standard quarter mile track and a regulation gridiron and baseball diamond, the president reported.

Mr. George Failing, assistant to the president, reports that funds collected for the field have reached the \$2,000 mark.

According to business manager Willard Smith, the area, which has been plowed, should be leveled, equipped with drainage, and the track laid before winter.

Dr. Paine presented the need for greater contributions and listed as specific necessities: gravel, tile, seed,

fertilizer and pipe. Since there is much to be done to improve college facilities, projects must be started simultaneously, the president declared.

He presented the need for \$45,000 before spring in order to begin construction on a \$150,000 center dormitory. "In the event of war a new dorm will possibly be the lifeline of the school," he explained.

Of the almost 200 present at the banquet, the largest group consisted of those who attended Houghton before 1925.

A prize set of bookends was given to Mrs. Hannah Tarrell, the oldest alumnae present, who was a student from 1891-1897. At that time the total enrollment was 37. Mrs. Stanley W. Wright, 1897, who was awarded second prize, related that, "Every Monday morning we had to sign a paper telling about what we

did every minute over the weekend. If we missed one church service!" A prize for traveling the greatest distance to attend Homecoming was given to Miss Ione Driscoll, '27, Dean of Women at Taylor university in Upland, Indiana. She is a former Houghton college dean of women and missionary to Africa. Bookends for the alumni with the largest family were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barnett who have eight children. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith were runners-up with six.

In addition to the speeches and the presenting of prizes, the program featured alumni musical talent, a group of three readings given by Prof. Stanley W. Wright and the introduction of alumnus Dr. Paul Fall, president of Hiram college.

Hugh Thomas, president of the

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## AMPARO ITURBI, VOLUNTEERS DONATE BLOOD LAUDED PIANIST, FOR RED CROSS CAMPAIGN PERFORMS HERE

Amparo Iturbi, pianist, plays tonight in the college chapel at 8:00 p. m. Born in Spain, Madame Iturbi has performed with this nation's leading orchestras, including the New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Symphony, Chicago Symphony and Toronto Philharmonic in Canada. About her playing, the Los Angeles Examiner said, "Ever maintaining subtlety of mood, her performance was clear-cut, intelligent, technically consummate."

Before coming to the United States in 1938, Madame Iturbi toured Europe where she played with Orchestre Lamoureux, Pasdeloup, Marseille and others. During the war, Madame Iturbi was heard by the Armed forces over 400 times in Central and South America and in the Mediterranean area. She has also performed for a number of movies, twice on the Ford Sunday Hour and has made recordings, some with her brother José.

One hundred and nineteen people in Houghton are minus a pint of blood as a result of the visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile last Thursday. There were 144 applications but 22 applicants were rejected, one donation was incomplete and two resulted in suspensions. The program was sponsored by the Pre-Medic club.

The Bloodmobile consisted of a group of 14 American Red Cross workers headed by a field representative. All of them are members of the National Staff of the American Red Cross. They are assigned to the Rochester Regional Red Cross Blood program, which covers eleven counties including Allegany county.

Immediately after it was donated, the blood was placed in iced containers. Thursday night it was taken to the blood processing center in Rochester where it was given tests to determine the type and the RH factor. The blood was then ready for use by doctors of the 39 area hospitals, comprised of VA, state, private and public hospitals.

Blood not used within 21 days is returned to the processing center where it is made into blood plasma. It may then be used at any point in the United States in case of disaster.

Mr. Orrin C. Cross, the field representative, stated to his interviewer, "I would like you to stress the fact that the blood is given free of charge to whoever may need it. The only charge is an administration fee which may be charged by the doctor of the hospital."

All donors will receive a card within ten days giving their type of blood and the RH factor.

## VA State Medical Plan Extended Until Dec. 31

The Veterans' administration and the Medical society of the State of New York have extended until December 31 the VA State Medical plan under which veterans with illnesses incurred in or aggravated by military service may be treated by a private physician. In accordance with this regulation, a veteran desiring medical treatment for a service-connected condition must—except in an emergency—obtain prior approval from the VA. A provision has been made for the payment of \$1.00 per day to members of the Armed Forces of the United States who were prisoners of war of the Japanese government or its agents for the conditions which they suffered that were contrary to the Geneva Convention in 1929.

## 'Study Elsewhere,' Library Suggests

Since the library is overcrowded, students are urged to study in their rooms unless they need library materials. The hour after chapel, 9:40-10:30, and Monday and Thursday evenings are times when students are especially requested to study either in their rooms or in S-10 in the science building. An announcement will be made concerning other rooms available for study. Since the reading room of the library accommodates only 130 people, please use this space to the best advantage of the student body.

## NACD Presents C. H. Finney In Afternoon Organ Program

The Southern Tier chapter of the National Association of Choir directors will present Charles H. Finney, Fellow of the American Guild of Organists, in a concert of varied compositions at five o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 31. At that time the beautiful Moller organ given to the Village church of Alfred in memory of Sara Rosebush will be featured in a vesper organ recital.

Professor Finney received his A.B. degree at Wheaton college, Mus.B. at Oberlin and Mus.M. at Eastman School of Music where he is currently studying for a Ph.D. He is Associate Professor of Organ and Theory at Houghton college and serves as organist of Houghton church. He began his organ study in 1926 and has given concerts in 20 states.

The Southern Tier chapter will assist Mr. Finney, presenting the an-



CHARLES H. FINNEY

them by a choir composed of its members and the soloists from the various choirs represented.



David Kaser



Elmer Sanville



Lloyd Montzingo



Mary Harris



Margie Barnett



Barbara Phipps



Warren Ball



Leslie Beach



Frank Robbins

Publishers of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* announce that Warren Ball, Margie Barnett, Leslie Beach, Mary Harris, David Kaser, Lloyd Montzingo, Barbara Phipps, Frank Robbins and Elmer Sanville have been chosen as Houghton's representatives in this annual publication. The selection based on scholastic standing, extra-curricular activities and popularity, was made by joint action of a Student council committee and the faculty. All nine leaders must be seniors to qualify, according to a new ruling.

## CALENDAR

Sat., Oct. 30  
Halloween parties—8:30-10:30 p. m.  
Choir rehearsal—church—7:30 p. m.  
Mon., Nov. 1  
Oratorio practice—church—7:30 p. m.  
Tues., Nov. 2  
F.M.F. Prayer Meeting—S-24—6:45 p. m.  
Student Prayer Meeting—chapel—7:30 p. m.  
Wed., Nov. 3  
Junior Music Recital—chapel—7:30 p. m.  
International Relations Club—S-21—7:30 p. m.  
Pre-Medic Club—S-34—7:30 p. m.  
Spanish Club—S-23—7:30 p. m.  
Thurs., Nov. 4  
Class Prayer Meetings—7:30 p. m.  
Fri., Nov. 5  
Junior-Soph. basketball game—gym—7:30 p. m.

## DAVIS EXPLAINS MEMORY SERVICE

Mr. Phillip Davis, a representative of the Mt. Vernon foundation, which is a research and study educational organization, talked with college students and others interested in filing books, pamphlets, and magazines during scheduled times from October 22 through 27. He explained the Filco-Memory-O-Matic Service, an invention of a Christian businessman. Mr. Davis is lecturing at Christian schools prior to his departure as a missionary to Africa. In his interviews with students he discusses their problems, briefly shows them methods of filing and most important of all suggests how to find filed material.

Warren Ball, president of the student body and vice-president of the International Relations club, has been active as a class officer and as a member of the '48 *Lanthorn* Staff; Class, Purple-Gold, and Varsity football, baseball, track and tennis; Big-H, Student Ministerial and Paleolinguist clubs. Student Council, Varsity Debate team, and Oratorical contest.

Margie Barnett has played in Class basketball, field hockey, track and volleyball. Last year she was secretary-treasurer of the W.Y.P.S., extension secretary of the Torch-bearers, secretary-treasurer of the Athletic association, and one of Houghton's representatives in *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*. Margie has also participated in Student council, Church choir, extension work, Oratorio society, Meteorology club, and Pre-med club.

Leslie Beach, president of the senior class and the Athletic association, chairman of the Varsity club, advertising manager of the '48 *Boulder*, co-editor of the '48 *Info* and vice-president of the '48 Athletic association, has participated in Class, Purple-Gold and Varsity basketball, track and football; Class volleyball; Purple-Gold and Varsity baseball; Forensic union, *Star* staff, W.Y.P.S., Expression club, Big H, Extension work, Student council and the Innasmuch group.

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## Dillon Fractures Ankle in Accident

Sophomore Richard Dillon suffered two broken bones in his left ankle when a ladder slipped while he was working for Sears and Roebuck in Hornell last Saturday.

Dick, who is in St. James hospital, Hornell, says that he is afraid he won't be able to return to school until next semester.



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## We Approve . . .

Last week's edition of the *Star* reported tentative adoption by the faculty of a new set of by-laws, which would provide student membership on two committees in the campus government—the Committee on Student Affairs and the Committee on Counsel and Spiritual Life. The *Star* heartily endorses this and further action in the same direction.

This decision is unique in that it places students on equal authority with faculty members in administrative problems pertinent to these specific committees. Actually, for the first time, the student body has more than mere advisory power, to which it has been previously limited. The Student Council, which has always exerted influence and continues to sponsor progress in campus institutions, nevertheless, has no more than advisory powers. It is evident that formulation of these plans has accomplished a *bona fide* departure from precedent. It should be interjected here that democratic institutions of a similar type are the exception not the rule; and, therefore, the experiment viewed in this light is all the more laudable.

Student council nomination will insure student backing of these committee members. While on the one hand it is to be hoped that this confidence will not be misplaced, yet on the other hand the success of this attempt depends upon the manifested interest of the student body.

It cannot be stressed too strongly that here is a *legitimate* outlet for *legitimate* criticism. Direct access to the student committee members can and should eliminate much misdirected and divisive ferment. There also appears the possibility of partially solving a heretofore baffling enigma. The problem stated briefly is that there are more intimate, and quite often really more vital problems, which demand action. To present them in the columns of this paper or to otherwise give them widespread currency is to incur the risk of having them misunderstood and misrepresented to outsiders who are not cognizant of the facts. The experience of other years has given ample illustration of this pitfall. The motive for accomplishing this would not be to diminish our awareness of weaknesses, but to cope with them through more efficient channels.

(Editor's note—We still reserve the right to determine what material is capable of being easily distorted.)

## Well-Rounded Wheels . . .

Congratulations! to those nine seniors who were selected to represent Houghton College in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. These leaders among us have sacrificed time, and in many cases the highest scholastic achievement, in serving various campus functions. Surely they are not begrudged this small reward for a big job well done.

The work of the faculty and cabinet of the Student Council in making these selections, which reveal an unusually well-balanced group, should be recognized. There are always queries of "What didn't this or that individual attain this honor?" He has a good grade point and he's outstanding in sports, or class functions, or literary activities, or in religious activities. The person who makes this assertion fails to realize that selection does not depend only on excellence in just one or two sectors, but in the whole circle of student life. The de-emphasis upon grade point in deference to other qualities is noteworthy.

## Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor:

Ochids to the Staff that put out the October 22 issue of the *Star*. It was the best issue so far this year.

## Music Majors Give Sophomore Recital

Piano majors took the lead in the sophomore recital held in the college chapel, October 20. Outstanding selections were Brahms' "Intermezzo" played by Howard Bauer; Chopin's "Impromptu" by Darwin Townsend; and Debussy's "Gardens in the Rain" by Phyllis Park. Other pianists were Phyllis Keeney, Elisabeth Dunkin and Helen Sanborn.

The only other instrumental music was Handel's "Sonata II in G Minor," played by JoAnne Ludwig, violinist.

Of the vocal numbers, mention should be made of Schumann's "Die Reiden Grenadiere," sung by Stanley Clattenburg. Marjorie Odor, Edwin Foot, Esther Bortner, and Ruth Russell sang compositions by Jensen. Wolf, Purcell and Horsman respectively.

## Supervisor Tells Advantages of FM

Why is frequency modulation better than amplitude modulation? Mr. Dinter, supervisor of the Wethersfield FM radio station asked the members of the Science Club Wednesday night. No static and no wires were two of the answers given.

Mr. Dinter thoroughly discussed the coverage of New York state by the FM stations located at Wethersfield near Pike, Bristol Center, Ithaca, Turin, DeRuyter, Cherry Valley and WGHF New York, carrying twelve hours of programs—religious, cultural, and informative. The programs are backed, he said, by various farm organizations such as the Dairy-men's league and the Federation of Home Bureaus.

Mr. Dinter, who is affiliated with the Rural Radio network, outlined the program for reaching every farmer by means of frequency modulation.

He included also a condensed scientific study of the basic principles of FM and accompanied his explanation with diagrams.

Beginning in November, electrical transcriptions of Houghton musical programs will be broadcast over the FM stations.

## Asbury Hears Paine Lecture on Holiness

Dr. Stephen W. Paine, president of Houghton College, will be the guest lecturer at Asbury Seminary during their annual "Holiness Emphasis Week." He was invited by the student council cabinet to give a series of lectures from November 8 to 12, concerning the doctrine of Holiness.

## FEDOR BECOMES YOUTH DIRECTOR

Mr. Bert George Fedor, '47, recently joined the staff of St. Mark's Methodist Church at Rockville Centre New York, as director of youth work. He is to supervise the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Intermediate Youth Fellowship, do parish work and assist the minister in the Sunday services.

During 1947-48, Mr. Fedor was a student at Princeton Theological Seminary and a member of their touring choir. Last summer he entered New York University as a candidate for a Ph.D. in the field of religious education.

## Worship The Lord . . .

BY MILDRED PAVELEC

Dear Phil,

So! You have "out grown" your simple, childish faith in God! I say, good, for now you have a grand opportunity to get yourself a more mature one; one which will be big enough to last you for the rest of your life.

I shall not betray your confidence to our good friends at home. I don't doubt that it would be very embarrassing to you to reveal your change of mind to them. Yes, how they would pray for you! And, of course, you don't believe in that now, even though you need it.

You try to convince me that you are as carefree as a bird, but you're fooling no one. I know that more often than you speak, conflicting thoughts crowd your mind and cry for a satisfying answer. Well do I remember the months I mulled over the same problem. I guarded it just as cautiously, fearing that some well-meaning individual would force me to a premature conclusion, leaving me with the seeds of doubt that would again spring to life as soon as I paused to toy with them some rainy day.

I felt then that doubt was a hideous thing. I knew that many regarded doubt as "Devil-born," preferring to smother their natural curiosity and reason, and keep their faith well set apart from their intellect so that the one would have no danger of challenging the other. I took consolation in the thought that I was honestly desiring to believe if there was anything sure to believe, and if God was looking down at the situation, He would, at least, have to say that I was sincere. Furthermore, if the quality of faith I possessed could not stand reasonable questioning, it couldn't amount to very much and wasn't worth keeping after all. I'll end my own personal narration there and not give you the subsequent details. I will only say that I am persuaded in my own mind that I am now holding fast not to shifting sand, but to a Rock; not to a dream, but to Eternity.

It wouldn't be hard to guess some of your conflicts. Does, however, that

## Band Arranges Gospel Work

Plans for Houghton's 1948-49 band feature the holding of Sunday evening services in churches of the surrounding area, probably to begin in three or four weeks. Professor Raynard Alger, conductor, believes that the band should be a testimony for the Lord and that it can accomplish part of this purpose by these services.

It is planned that the whole band will participate in programs appropriate for church services. Music will be furnished by trumpet trios, brass quartets, ensembles, the band as a whole and by a double quartet consisting chiefly of band members. Testimonies and the main message will be given by various members, though at times there will be outside speakers.

Professor Frank H. Wright has offered his services as speaker, and other faculty members are expected to assist from time to time.

The music used will consist of hymn arrangements and Bach chorales. It is also planned that the ensemble groups will play a number of Professor David Heydenburk's compositions.

Through this experiment it is hoped that the band will be built up as interest increases and that the group will eventually be able to make tours as does the A Cappella choir.

Professor Alger adds that those interested in playing woodwinds may still join the band.

new philosophy really work? Have you gone to the task to find out where evolution is weak scientifically? Have you given due consideration to historical record? Can finite mind fathom infinite things? Is reason faith or is reason complementary to faith?

You were always fond of Tennyson. Let me quote him:

"There lives more faith in honest doubt, Believe me, than in half the creeds."

He fought his doubts and gathered strength, He would not make his judgment blind,

He faced the spectres of the mind And laid them; thus he came at length To find a stronger faith his own.

I almost envy you the fresh delight you will experience when the reality of faith breaks on your consciousness. And you'll find it not so far removed from the simple faith of the child, except that one does not know that a conflict surrounds, and the other realizes that the conflict is past.

Just one thing more: attack the problem as though your life depended upon it—because it does.

Yours,  
Bill

## Visitation Group Reports Conversions

Six decisions for Christ have been reported from the visitation work done this weekend by the forty-two students who went into surrounding communities. Those in charge of the work express appreciation for increased financial assistance toward the \$30 needed each week and solicit further cooperation.

The Gospel Envoys provided special music Sunday morning at Paul Markell's Community Church in Riceville and conducted the evening service at Scio Methodist Church where Carroll Brentlinger is a student pastor. Gordon Talbot brought the evening message on the crucifixion.

Dean Lauren A. King spoke at the Rushford Baptist Church both morning and evening, Sunday.

Rev. Alton Shea and Rev. George Failing addressed the Wesleyan Sunday school convention at Jackson and Holland, Michigan, October 19 and 20.

Requests for groups are increasing, extension chairman Charles Rupp has announced. Next weekend three services will be conducted at the Bradford Christian Missionary Alliance Church, an evening service at the Seventh Day Baptist Church near Friendship. Students will also assist in services at the Christian Missionary Alliance Church at Franklinville.

The last in a series of Sunday school classes and open air services was held for the migrant workers at Pike, who will be leaving this week for southern Florida. Additional clothes for both adults and children were donated to those who lost their possessions in the late fire at the camp.

## Boyle - Holland

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyle, of Erie, Pennsylvania, announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Agnes, to Mr. Robert Cleveland Holland, son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Holland, of Schenectady, New York.

Wedding arrangements are being made for August, 1949. After their marriage, the couple will reside in Dubuque, Iowa.



## Missionary Speaker Interviewed

BY JANE CROSBY

Miss Winona Ingalls smiled patiently. Leisure moment activities? What were they? She suggested that a brief resumé of her work was in order.

Her Zululand station is called Dumisa, which means Praise. When it was built, the board decided that four missionaries could handle it adequately. For some period of time Miss Ingalls has managed alone.

She orders and distributes supplies. She keeps the accounts, of which there are four divisions to be checked constantly; but she confesses, sometimes this executive work escapes her station confines, as in the case of an outlying station's expiring hold on a land grant for building purposes. If no building is begun on such areas within one year's time after the grant is made, the government reclaims them. There was not even the shadow of a building on this particular piece of land. There was no one of the frantically busy missionaries free to superintend the job.

This aggressive missionary lady persuaded an Indian friend with a truck to lug cement to the spot. "Then I just had to look intelligent and hope," she said. Under her direction, a native who had been exposed to construction work experimented with mixing cement. The sole male missionary in the section made a hurried call to align the building, but his aid was somewhat insufficient since the dimensions end in quarter and half inches. Nevertheless, the land grant is secure.

Each day she conducts worship services morning and evening. Everyone who works or attends school in the station is included in the morning group. The second service is for teachers and boarding students. She teaches a scripture class daily and organizes two children's meetings and one young people's meeting each week.

Of course, she also has charge of the dispensary. Her preparation was fourteen months as an observer in the Zululand hospital, and she frequently finds it necessary to exercise an imaginative ingenuity. She thinks that her most horrible case may have been the woman whose head was mangled with an iron bar in a drunken brawl. The patient had delayed seeking medical aid, and her face was swollen past belief. Her blood-matted hair was ground in the loathsome scalp wounds. Her temperature was 105 degrees. For an hour Miss Ingalls wiped away pus and prayed and cut putrid skin and prayed. She stitched skin for the first time. When a message could be relayed to a doctor the woman had begun to get better. She is living today, and she represents the first missionary thrust in a small heathen tribe.

Miss Ingalls plans to return to Dumisa next May. She will be glad to be among her Zulus again.

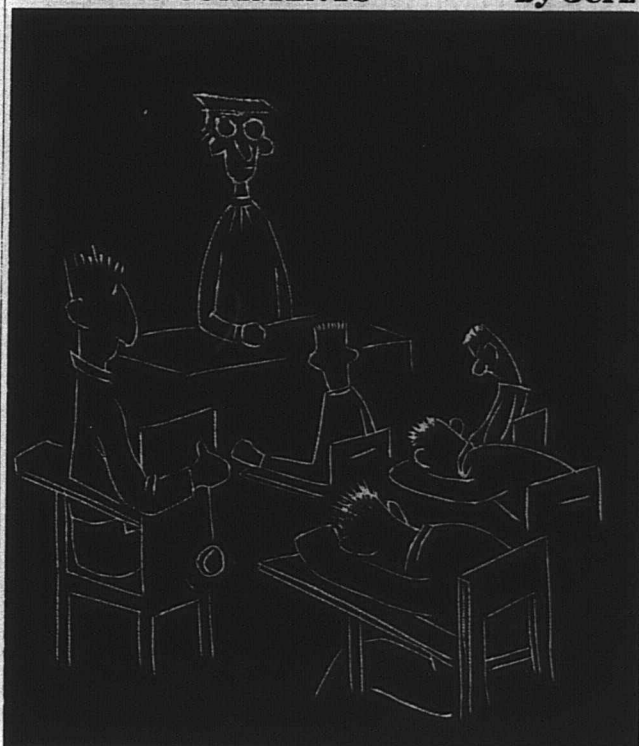
## JOHN DeBRINE ADDRESSES GROUP

"The world has high standards for a Christian. Let's measure up to them," Rev. John DeBrine, former student here and recently ordained minister, declared at the Student Ministerial association meeting, October 20. Mr. DeBrine, director of Rochester Youth for Christ, addressed the group on the preaching of Paul. He also explained the Youth for Christ program.

Since the main function of Y.F.C., according to Mr. DeBrine, is to win others, a most important phase of this work, therefore, is personal witnessing.

## CLASSIC COMMENTS

by Jerz



Gentlemen: I'm dismissing you ten minutes early, please go quietly so as not to wake the other classes.



## THE RUT

BY JAN BURR

Our hall of fame is positively crowded. We have with us, ladies and gentlemen, no less than nine child prodigies, and three more on the way. According to the reports turned in at the deans' offices by these amazing individuals; Joe Barber, Frederick Bedford, Harold Blatt, Bob England, Edward German, Bill Kerchoff, Don Storms, and Walter Vikestad (as of last Wed.) were all born sometime during 1948. And you can watch for three more blessed events in the next two months. Douglas Ward announces that his arrival is scheduled for November 17th; Bill Masters, Nov. 28th; Evan Lutke, Dec. 19th. Won't it be nice to have them with us too? Albert Haley, on the other hand, admits that he's not quite so sensational; he's already nearly two years old, his date of birth being Jan. 30th, 1946.

One thing we can say for these lads—at least they can't say age.

The Houghton Debutante:  
She's lovely  
She's knitting argoyles  
She reads the *Lantern*.

The Red Cross blood bankers probably won't forget Houghton in a hurry. We hear that the doctor looked pretty skeptical when Mike Kay gave pure apple cider. Dingman reluctantly gave his best—all of it; but it took a pretty nurse to squeeze it out of him.

In the recent blaze at the Twin Spruce, Kaser lost all his neckties. Some kind friends suggested that they should help him out by throwing a necktie—a shower.

Do you realize that it was just seven weeks ago that you walked out of the registrar's office thinking that you had just survived the worst trial college could offer? Then you bought a new notebook and said, "This year things will be different; this year I'm going to keep a neat notebook. Everything will be in its place, and I'll know just where to look for my assignments—all of which will be up to date, of course." (Everybody repeat "of course.") Then you bought

some pretty new texts, lined up everything in an orderly array on your desk, and decided that you would put at least the required two hours of outside work on each class hour. Then after all your hard work you stretched, relaxed, and said quite happily, "Won't the folks be pleased when I come through with a 4.00 point?" ... Then you sauntered complacently up to the Pantry with the gang and batted the breeze for two hours ... But that was seven weeks ago. Oh the humanity of it all! Incidentally, can anyone tell me what one would have to average in with a point 0.4 to get a 2.0?

(Guess I'll start writing the editorials.)

A woman doesn't always have the last word; in this outfit it's the linotypist, and he's a ma—well, anyway, it's not a woman.

● I'll give you a clue! I'm not a mouse. (S.M.)

Danger—Walt Dryer is out for a concession on the barber trade. Last Saturday, Bob Simpson subjected himself to the first operation by Dr. Dryer. After two hours of deft surgery, Simpson was released, with—no hair.

I trampled on the hour-glass  
I did it just to make this rhyme  
For now like all great men, I've left  
Footprints in the sands of time.

## Athletic Field "A Must"

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Alumni association, acted as master of ceremonies for the program. He also announced the names of the members of the Athletic committee: S. W. Paine, Keith Farmer, Edward Willett, Allan Baker, Paul Steese, Homer Fero, Richard Farwell, Everett Elliott, George Failing, Willard Smith and Hugh Thomas.

A chicken dinner was served by candlelight, which shone on sprays of autumn leaves and Houghton college bookcover placemats. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stockin arranged the decorations. The bookcovers and prizes were furnished by the bookstore.

## Talk of Many Things . . .

BY MIRIAM KING

"Me—a drunkard? Insane? Just how do you figure that?" he would vehemently protest should be accused of such a condition. Yet most of us have something that's fundamental to the drunkard, to the insane, to the person who is a slave to dope, to the person who by his emotional state paralyzes himself or simulates all kinds of diseases. The highly abnormal individual exhibits this factor to a large extent. We do so to varying degrees, but all of us—normal and abnormal—in our own unique fashion practice this desire that's basic in mental and emotional deviations—the desire to escape the problems and discipline of life.

There's a choice among hard service, harder service, and hardest service. Perhaps when we select hard service we feel that we're to be commended. More often we procrastinate; we blithely waste time.

We escape our escapism by rationalizing: "I can't study history. I just am no good at it, so there is no use studying."

"I don't like math and that's all there is to it. I don't intend to study it, either."

"There's no use even trying with Mary Brown in the class."

"My Greek prof has a grudge against me. No matter how hard I try, he would never think my work was any good."

"You'll never catch me studying hard. Only 'jerks' do that. Besides, I'm having too much fun this way."

There are other ways in which we try to escape life's problems. We simply ignore them. We refuse to face facts. We are intellectually dishonest. We just don't think. We act like so many ostriches, feeling that perhaps if we bury our heads in

the sand the facts we are ignoring will not have any effect on our lives. After all, it is painful to think and much easier to forget that the world is at a crisis; thus we look at no more of the world than can be viewed from the edge of Houghton campus. We also forget that there are any other views in the world that have some truth in them besides Christianity and our own limited interpretations of it. We don't bother to learn what non-Christians are thinking, of what our reasons might be for believing in one side or the other of various controversial issues such as amusements, war, forms of worship, forms of government, dress, sex education. We escape these problems by ignoring them. Dr. Ousky sounded a warning Friday night when he said that anyone who cannot face facts, especially facts contrary to his pre-conceived theories, will not be prepared to meet the demands of modern life.

One of the largest areas where we practice escapism is in our attitude toward ourselves. In his column, "Let's Explore Your Mind", Dr. Albert Wiggam was asked whether it's easier to make up excuses for remaining as we are or change ourselves. He replied that it is far easier to make excuses. Of course it is. We don't like to face the fact that it's selfish to have a complex, that we can't be consistent by giving a testimony in church and do something questionable outside, that we may have some habits that keep people from thinking of us as we would like to have them think.

These are all symptoms of a disease—only symptoms. Yet the disease, if allowed to continue, produces a personality that finds itself unable to face life, first in the little things and then in the big ones.

## THE QUERIST

by  
joe

Hello again. We had fun this week finding out what the well-read college student reads in the *STAR*. As 426 patient students can testify, this week's query was, "What part of the *STAR* do you usually read first?"

For the sake of simplicity, we divided the paper into six general divisions, namely: news, features, editorials, sports, cartoons, and ads. Students, faculty members, and staff members were queried. The tabulations are as follows:

NEWS—243	57%
FEATURES—103	24.2%
EDITORIALS—7	1.64%
SPORTS—44	10.3%
CARTOONS—28	6.58%
ADS—1	0.235%
TOTAL	426

There are a few sidelights, of course. You can see that the majority of those queried start with the front page, which this department feels is a good place to begin as it makes for a well-rounded reader, figuratively speaking. Next, the majority of those that turn first to the sport section are, as might be expected, men. Mr. Jersey's cartoon is in there for an undisputed third place, and while it may offer the line of the least resistance, intellectually speaking, it's good medicine for weary eyes and brains.

Of special significance is the department which placed second in popularity, the features. Of the 103

who flip first to that department, all but 3 specified *THE RUT*. Hats off to Miss Burr! (The *QUERIST* is wondering if the Chief realizes the popularity of his Rut Riter and her column. This department would like to go out on a limb and recommend that Miss Burr's salary be raised from \$50 to \$100 a week and that her ditch be dug on the front page where it might be more readily found.) It should be said that many of those who specify news as their first choice are quick to add that they turned immediately to *THE RUT* after reading the first page. Others say that they save the best till last, reading *THE RUT* after reading the rest of the paper. Don't be surprised, Mr. Bitner, if your entire staff begins to write similar columns.

In a more serious vein, your *QUERIST* would like to put in a plug for the editorials. While you need not necessarily turn to the editorial first, you should not neglect to read it each week. Prof. Frank says, "I save the editorial till last because it usually contains something that we should think seriously about." Hint: Be thinking who you want for president of the United States and why.

## Bowers - Roy

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bowers Jr., of North Caldwell, New Jersey, announce the engagement of their daughter Martha Carolyn to Donald W. Roy son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Roy of Lisbon, New York. No date has been set for the wedding.



# The End Zone

BY MED . . .

Well, the drug-store quarterbacks are still hashing over last Friday's thriller. There is so much to be said for both sides that I do not pretend to be inclusive with this commentary, but some facts should be noted.

The game was by far the best that has been played in the Salad Bowl in many a moon. Both teams played exceptionally well and the closeness of the contest kept the spectators at the sidelines until the end. It was too bad that such a fine display of "semi-football" had to be ruined for the teams and for their rooters by errors which could have been avoided.

Check the things that went wrong:

Lack of co-ordination and teamwork by the officials.

Playing the last quarter in almost total darkness.

Two disputed safeties.

Two fellows injured.

Some of these things could not be helped, but others had traceable causes. Any good coach will tell you that in regular tackle football the actual tackling of the ball-carrier constitutes about one-eighth to one-tenth of the body contact. The reason is that on each play every player has to block while only one or two get the man with the ball. Now it isn't for this actual tackling that they equip their teams with proper equipment. It's for the entire play. Friday's game was a good example of this. Both teams were playing good ball and blocking well. What could we expect less than the fact that someone is going to get hurt. Someone did—or rather two people.

Another thing—the game should have been called when it got dark enough to hinder efficient play. It is not a question of whether the teams want to play or not. It is rather up to the officials' good judgment and common sense. Up until that game all quarters had been eight minutes. But, in order to prolong the agony and make everyone late to dinner, it was decided to make them ten minutes in duration. No wonder it got dark.

The final decision as to what will happen to the little gold ornaments will be found elsewhere on this page.

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Purple-Gold series starts Friday. I should have made that sentence in bolder type because, after all, it is the highlight of the year. Or is it? I noticed that it was given a whole paragraph in the Handbook anyhow. Please note, all you constituents of the cause of the Purple Pharaohs, that Purple is mentioned first in this paragraph and twice in this sentence. What is the reason behind this partisanship, this departure from the path, this falling away from the high and mighty standards of the *Star*? Why chilluns, that's the only way Purple can take a first in anything.

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A twinkling of lights, a vibration of the antiquated walls of Bedford Gymnasium, and futile calls for a bottle of blister blighter indicate that basketball season is being ushered in with a rattle. But that's another story.

## Letter Department...

Dear Sports Editors:

It has been of great regret to note that the back page of the *Star* has fallen to the level of being used for filler. It seems to me that much of the news is stale and very uninteresting. Why can't you get on the ball and have bigger and better write-ups of the games that are played and mention more names than just the "wheels." It also appears to me that much of the news comes from the same pen. Can this be true? How about expanding your department and have a few writers on the staff who can make the news interesting and informative, yet be written in such a way so that when we pick up our *Stars* years from now, we can vividly remember what happened back in the dim days of '48 and '49.

Sincerely yours,  
Constructive.

Ed. Note—If there are others who feel as "Constructive" does, drop a note in the "official" slot in care of either sports editor.

## Who's Who . . .

(Continued from Page One)

Mary Harris, a major in English, associate-editor of the *Star*, '49 *Lanthorn* staff, '48 *Lanthorn* editor, '48 *Boulder* staff and '48 *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*, has taken part in the International Relations club, Church choir, Oratorio society, Bookworms, Extension work, and Class basketball and hockey.

David Kaser, majoring in English, president of the Student council, *Star* Feature editor, and a member of the Executive Literary board, Expression club and Oratorio society, has held the positions of '48 *Star* editor-in-chief, subscriptions manager of the '48 *Boulder* and business manager of the '48 *Lanthorn*.

Lloyd Montzingo, president of Torchbearers, vice-president of the senior class, and vice-president of the Student council, has actively participated in Class, Purple-Gold, and Varsity football, basketball and baseball; Big-H club, A Cappella choir, Oratorio, Band, Torchbearers, Science club, Executive Literary board; acted as chemistry and physics lab assistant; and was included in the '48 *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*.

Barbara Phipps has been active in class work, extension work, Torch-

## OSUSKY LECTURES ON RUSSIA

Who will win in the battle of Democracy vs. Communism? Dr. Stefan Osusky, who spoke in the first of the Houghton college lecture series on October 22, believes democracy will win. He bases his opinion on the scientific curiosity and the evident concern for the moral and spiritual welfare of the world on the part of Americans. Citing from Spengler and from his own observations, he pointed out that the first World War showed the break-up of the world economic system as proved by the 1929 crisis and that the second World War marked the disintegration in the political structure of the world.

Dr. Osusky said that Russia, in closing her eyes to true scientific facts to meet her political needs, is bringing about her own downfall; while the United States, on the other hand, by facing scientific facts regardless of their consequences, is more progressive and will win out against the Bolshevik threat. Dr. Osusky looked to our Declaration of Independence, which states that we believe men to have the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, with the hope that the United States will bring it forth as a guide in her "great adventure—a divine one—to raise civilization."

Dr. Osusky and his wife have an apartment in Hamilton, New York, near Colgate university, where Dr. Osusky teaches political philosophy and philosophical history and lectures once a week to the student body. The Osuskys have three children. One daughter is the wife of a member of the French foreign office who was recently transferred from Buenos Aires to Washington; another daughter writes for a literary paper in Europe; their son will graduate from Oxford university in December.

bearers, Student council, Oratorio, Church choir, A Cappella choir and Foreign Missions fellowship.

Frank Robbins, vice-president of the Student council and executive literary board and a student pastor, has been in the Church choir, Oratorio, Latin, Expression and French clubs, Bookworms and *Star* staff.

Elmer Sanville, editor of the '48 *Boulder*, president of the Foreign Missions fellowship for two years, a member of the Executive Literary board and '47 *Lanthorn* staff, '47 Y.M.W.B. treasurer, instructor in weekday religious education and assistant director of the Junior church, has been in the Student council, A cappella choir, and in extension work.

## Juniors Declared Winners

The junior football team was declared the winner of the '48 football season Wednesday afternoon by the athletic association. Due to a series of questionable decisions by the officials during the game held Friday, October 22, the game was put under protest by both teams. Before relating these protests and the subsequent ruling by the association that the juniors are the champions for this year, we shall give a short run down of the game.

The first half of the game was strictly in favor of the juniors. Passes were completed and yardage made often and easily. The soph team could not get in motion and though they fought hard little gain was made by them during the entire half. The first score came on a pass from Nast to Jenkins and Lombardi converted. The second score came on a half-blocked pass which was caught by Jenkins in the end zone for the score. The conversion was not successful.

The second half saw a reversal as Buck began to find open receivers and completed passes to Miller, Eismann and Lennox for sustained marches up the field. A pass to Miller accounted for the first soph score but the conversion failed. The next score came on a pass to R. Nast and again the conversion was no good. By this time darkness had fallen and the ball could only be seen when silhouetted against the sky. The sophs marched again to the junior goal and a try for a field goal by Buck was not good. The ball fell in playing territory, the official blew his whistle but Paul Nast scooped up the ball and ran for a touchdown. The referee

said that his whistle stopped the play and therefore no score. The juniors protested at this point. The ball was then given to the juniors who were back on the goal line. Dongell went into punt formation on the one yard line and last down. But the ball when centered touched his fingers and landed in the end-zone. The officials declared that according to local rulings and the usual interpretation, the ball was dead at the spot Dongell last touched the ball. The sophs protested at this point. The officials gave the ball to the sophs with but a few minutes to play. Darkness had fallen by this time but the game was continued. The next play saw Paul Nast intercept a ball in the end-zone and try to run it. He slipped while so doing and threw the ball away. The official declared that this was in his interpretation, a safety and awarded two points to the sophs. Coach Wells called the game at this point with a minute and ten seconds to play because of darkness.

After much gnashing of teeth on both sides a rule book was found that bore out the decision of the officials on the field goal try. The fumble was declared right as called by the official. But it was found that the decision of the officials regarding the safety was false. Thus the matter was turned over to the athletic association. The sophomores handed a written protest to the president of the association in lieu of the fact that the two points previously awarded to them were taken away when the proper ruling was discovered concerning the safety.

The protest reads as follows: WE the sophomore football team protest the game held Friday, October 22 for the following reasons. 1. The latter minutes of the game were under protest. 2. We were awarded two points during the playing time of the game and after the game was over these points were removed. 3. We question the rule concerning the recovery of a ball fumbled by our opponents which we recovered in the end zone after it had hit in the end zone. We were awarded no points and the decision of the officials to our knowledge was not backed up by a concrete rule. 4. The fourth quarter was played under adverse conditions. The conditions could have been avoided if the game had been started earlier.

The athletic association after an hour and a half of discussion and hearing from both captains voted that the protest be rejected. This established the juniors as football champions for the '48 season and they shall receive the gold football charms.

## Athletic Ass'n To Conduct Ballot

The results of the election by the Varsity club for the members of the newly formed cabinet of the Athletic Association took place after chapel Wednesday October 13. The following upperclassmen were elected and took part in the meeting held Monday, October 25: "Iggy," Norm Walker, Jan Burr and Lynn Phillips.

The secretary, Miss Armstrong told a reporter that there will be a popular ballot held to determine whether Hockey will be retained as a major sport or softball be substituted for it, or added to the list. She said that ballots will probably be put in the girls' boxes in the near future for the purpose of having each girl express her individual opinion concerning this matter.

## GAME SCHEDULE

Friday, November 5	Two Games	Jrs. - Sophs.
Wednesday, November 10	One Game	Srs. - Fac.
Friday, November 12	Two Games	Jrs. - Frosh.
Wednesday, November 17	Two Games	Sophs. - Frosh.
Wednesday, November 24	One Game	Sophs. - Fac.
Friday, November 26	Two Games	Srs. - Jrs.
Wednesday, December 1	One Game	Jrs. - Fac.
Friday, December 3	Two Games	Srs. - Sophs.
Wednesday, December 6	One Game	Frosh. - Fac.
Friday, December 10	Two Games	Frosh. - Sophs.
Wednesday, December 15	Two Games	Srs. - Jrs.
Monday, December 20	Two Games	Srs. - Frosh.

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