

## Speaking Frankly

By BLUMER

### Capital to Campus

According to ACP, latest Washington figures show that college enrollment has fallen off at least 10%; the final figure may prove to be much higher! Technical and professional courses have enrollments of a relatively high level, the liberal arts curricula having taken a kick in the face. Apparently there is no answer while the war lasts. And it's a moot question whether an answer should be sought before the war's end.

Since there's nothing to be done about war-inspired curriculum changes, the attention of educators here is now focused on two problems: getting a specific policy on the Selective Service status of college men, and clearing the way for much more government-financed college raining. Both knotty problems present questions. Some of these questions have been partially answered, but on the whole answers have been inadequate and confusing. A clear-cut system is needed.

### Jobs . . .

About all you have to do now if you can use a federal job is ask for it. Since the outbreak of war in September, 1939, the number of persons on the government payroll has considerably more than doubled. There are openings right now, for example, for technical assistants in engineering, metallurgy, or physics for applicants who have completed one, two, or three years of college. Pay—\$1440 to \$1800 a year. Dietitians will be paid \$1800 per year. You can get information and blanks concerning any of the jobs mentioned at a first or second class post-office. You may write the Civil Service Commission in Washington, 801 E. Street, N. W.

### Shortages . . .

Butter, it may be scarce, for war-booming America drank more milk than ever this summer, 16% more than last summer—no seconds in milk, fellas—Water... just when it was needed at the Pierce House fire last Monday noon—A girl for Bill Work—Something to do on Saturday night for potential "saboteurs" and air raid wardens... Water in the "Andrews Abbey" (but what do you want for \$45 a semester—use of the front door, too?)... A ladder, a two-way telephone, and an axe for Tschudy—come, come, Faber, is there no other way to meet love's requirements (?) than to romeo under Jane's balcony, meanwhile giving a long and tedious earful to all the dormites?... Yes, a definite scarcity in clothes for Vic Smith and Bob Whitmoyer who were cleaned out by last Monday's fire. C'mon, gang, let's do something about this!

### It Can't Happen Here

But it will on Friday night when Houghton plays host to one of the music world's outstanding piano teams at the first of the Artist Series. Tickets are still available... that Frank "Available" Kennedy made Lil' Abners Comic Strip last Sunday—now all "Boney" needs for companionship is Horrible Falkins and Hairless Joe Little.

### Labor . . .

Last week's 7 war strikes represents a decline of six from the previous week's total of 13... a million men are away from work every day because of illness (What's Kouwe's excuse for not waiting tables at breakfast?)... United Mine Workers left CIO last week under John L. Lewis' direction... for a change labor was commended recently (this time by the

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## Dr. Stephens First On Lecture Series

### To Speak Tuesday Evening in Chapel

Dr. Waldo Emerson Stephens, authority on international law and international affairs, will speak in the Houghton College Chapel on Tuesday evening, Oct. 20th at 8:15 P.M. on "The Challenge of World Disorder".

Today's tangled lines of international allegiance requires the services of the proverbial Philadelphia lawyer to discover any thread of consistency running through them, and Dr. Stephens for more than twenty years—much of that time at Columbia University—has devoted his whole life and career to research and study in this field, and to spreading through the United States a better understanding of these problems.

He feels keenly the paramount importance of getting to the American public the information needful for citizens in a democracy to make their decisions at the polls. A firm believer in this form of government, Dr. Stephens' foreign travels have only confirmed his belief in our institutions, but have not blinded him to some of the vulnerable points in Uncle Sam's armor, which he boldly discusses.

Many trips abroad have been necessary in his study of world complexities. In a fifteen-month trip through Asia and Europe, he visited twenty countries to study the main industrial and commercial centers. He spent a year in Geneva, Switzerland, studying international relations under Paul Mantoux, former head of the Political Division of the League of Nations. From Geneva he went into Russia, where he covered five of the Soviet Republics—with his eyes open. Industrial centers in the Don River basin, Baku oil fields, hydroelectric developments—the world's attention is focused upon them at the moment, and he has seen and studied them.

A recent book "Revisions of the Versailles Treaty", gives much of his philosophy, but more will be brought out at the meeting which will of course be followed by an open forum. Dr. Stephens, in fact is never satisfied with a public appearance unless the public has its chance too, and he welcomes discussion.

## Juniors Hosts To Frosh On Saturday

Saturday afternoon at 3:15 the freshman and junior classes will leave the campus to take part in the annual junior-frosh party. This party or picnic is given for the freshman each year by the junior class and until this year has always been held at Letchworth Park. This year, however, something new has been planned. More we cannot say.

The program will be co-educational and it is expected that all attending will enjoy themselves. All male members of both classes are urged to investigate the charms of the various female members and if possible, come prepared to escort one or more of said females.

With Carol Gilliland in charge of refreshments, attendants will not go hungry. The program is in charge of "Gerry" Schuster and "Phil" Chase. It sounds good. George Wells has the problem of transportation well in hand.

## CALENDAR

Today, October 15  
7:00 p.m. Music recital in the chapel  
Friday, October 16  
9:45 a.m. Dean Hawkes at Convocation Ceremonies  
8:15 p.m. Artist Series Concert  
Saturday, October 17,  
3:15 p.m. Frosh-Junior party  
Monday, October 19,  
7:00 p.m. Club meetings  
Tuesday, October 20,  
7:00 p.m. Student's Prayer Meeting  
8:15 p.m. Lecture Series—Dr. Stephens

## '43 'Boulder' Staff Gives Details of Photo Contest

The 1943 Boulder staff announces that the annual candid camera contest, initiated last year, will open next Monday, October 19. As an added attraction, the staff announces that the prizes are to be as follows: first prize, a \$5.00 cash award; second prize, a free 1943 Boulder; and third prize, a Boulder upon down payment.

An impartial staff of judges composed of Prof. Willard G. Smith, Donald C. Pratt, and James S. Martin will judge the candids on clearness and subject interest. The subject of the picture must pertain to student and campus life.

The rules for the contest are as follows:

1. The entrance fee for the contest is the down payment on a 1943 Boulder. (see Jim Hughes.)
2. There is no regulation in size or (Continued on Page Two)

## \$1470 Is Pledged In Missionary Drive

### Dr. Tanis Delivers Inspiring Messages

On Tuesday, the college annual missionary day, \$1473.41 was the total amount received for the support of Houghton's Missionaries. Ruth Ortlip, Y.M.W.B. treasurer revealed that \$212.26 was paid in cash, while the rest was received in pledges. As is the custom, solicitations are made at the service on Baccalaureate Sunday and at a special date in October. This fall's pledges were more than double the amount pledged last spring.

Dr. Carl J. Tanis, Deputation Secretary of the Sudan Interior Mission, delivered a very earnest, passionate address at the chapel exercises. He cited especially the need for workers among the lepers in Nigeria and other parts of Africa. In spite of the war, new missionaries are being sent to the field. Last year 39 new missionaries were sent out and this year already 16 have been sent. Several are in New York now pending receipt of passage from America. God's work is not conditioned by war, Dr. Tanis asserted. Six million souls in the district of northern Nigeria and Anglo-Egyptian Sudan need the witness of Christ. The response to this address seems to indicate that Houghton Christians are becoming more missionary minded. Dr. Tanis remained on the campus to speak at the student prayer meeting Tuesday night.

## Luboshutz and Nemenoff Play Here Tomorrow Night

### Duo-Pianists Popular In U. S. and Abroad



LUBOSHUTZ AND NEMENOFF

Pierre Luboshutz and Genia Nemenoff, well known duo-pianists, will be the artists for tomorrow night's concert, the first of this year's series.

After their marriage in 1931 Pierre Luboshutz and Genia Nemenoff gave up their separate piano careers. Desiring to be together as much as possible they became duo-pianists and have since been making joint tours.

Both have been playing ensemble music since they were children. Pierre Luboshutz was one of a family of three gifted children who played together as a trio, first privately and later on concert tours throughout their native Russia. At the age of twelve Pierre was sent to the Conservatory in Moscow from which he was graduated with the highest honors. Indeed, so highly was he thought of that when Kreisler visited Moscow for a series of concerts, arriving without an accompanist, fourteen year old Pierre was chosen to meet the need.

Luboshutz continued his studies and in 1912 made an auspicious debut in Moscow as guest soloist with the Koussevitzky Orchestra—Koussevitzky himself conducting. Then, deferring to the wishes of his gifted sisters, he toured with them as a trio.

He first visited the United States in 1927. In the intervening years he has toured the country annually, often in collaboration with other artists and also appeared in numerous recitals of his own. He has appeared as guest artist with major symphony orchestras including the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra. And, in recent years, the appearances of Luboshutz and Nemenoff as duo-pianists, have been hailed as bringing to the public the finest in the art of two-piano music.

Genia Nemenoff has also had the advantage of a highly musical background. Her mother was an accomplished pianist and her father was an opera singer. Her brother studied the cello and, at ten, she was giving ensemble performances with him.

Her first teacher was her mother, who began giving her piano lessons at the age of four. When Genia was six, the great composer Moszkowski heard her play some of his works and was so impressed, he arranged for her to be enrolled at the Paris Conservatory.

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## Over 95% Give To Testament Drive

Over one hundred and seven dollars, representing the contributions of over ninety five percent of the student body in the "Testaments for the Armed Forces" drive, begun a week ago today, was presented to the president of the International Gideon Organization, Mr. A. Lewis yesterday morning at the close of chapel by William Johnson, president of the student body. This drive, conceived and carried out solely by the students, means that over four hundred members of Uncle Sam's fighting forces will be "armed with the gospel too."

Before the presentation of the check by Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis explained the origin, formation, and work of the Gideon movement, following which movies were shown describing the printing of the Gideon New Testaments and their distribution among the various branches of the service. After expressing the appreciation of the Gideons for the contribution of Houghton students, Mr. Lewis stated that it was our responsibility "to keep those presses running and the boys reading."

Next month's Gideon will carry a full account of yesterday's chapel.

## Dr. Herbert Hawkes, Dean of Columbia, To Speak Tomorrow At Convocation

Dr. Herbert E. Hawkes, educator, author and dean of Columbia University, and the Reverend Royal S. Woodhead of Lansing Michigan, will be the principal speakers at the annual Founder's Day exercises tomorrow morning in the chapel.

Dr. Hawkes earned his A.B. at Yale in 1896 and four years later received his Ph.D. from the same University. Subsequent degrees have followed from Hobart College, Wabash College, University of Rochester, Columbia University and Bethany College. From 1901-1902, Dr. Hawkes was a student at University of Gottinger. Dr. Hawkes started teaching mathematics at Yale in 1903

and continued until he became dean of Columbia University in 1918.

Dr. Hawkes has shared a number of responsible positions in the educational field including: Chairman of the Board of Educational Records Bureau, President of the Association of Colleges and Universities, 1934-1935, and Chairman of the American Council of Education 1938-39. He has been a member of the executive board of the latter since that time.

Dr. Hawkes has also written a number of text books on geometry and algebra. He also was the author of *College, What's the Use?* Dean Hawkes is a regular contributor to both American and German Math publication.



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## RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PIERCE FIRE

It is a sad fact that Houghton's biggest fire in fifteen years resulted in considerable financial loss to Dr. Pierce and his family and to some of the fellows who roomed down there, but it is a still sadder fact that much of this loss could have been avoided had the Houghton fire department functioned as it should have. A number of reliable authorities, individuals acquainted with fire-fighting technique in Houghton and similar small towns, lay much of the responsibility for the utter demolition of the main part of the Pierce residence at the feet of the local fire squad inasmuch as at least some of the latter, they affirm, "cracked under fire."

To begin with, much time was lost by the foolish maneuver of carrying the wrong end of the hose to the river for water — the hose had later to be reversed in its position before it could be of any use. Then, too, it was apparent that there was some misinformation as to the use and location of hose fittings. We believe that if these two mistakes had not been made, a not inconsiderable part of the Pierce house could have been saved.

In defense of those on the local fire squad who may have been responsible, we acknowledge that several of their best workers have recently been lost due to the war. It is unfortunate, however, that the incapacity of the remaining crew for proper functioning had to be discovered in such an emergency as this.

Some students have been of the opinion that there is a need for a trained squad of college fellows to help out in the event of fire anywhere on the campus. Local officials, however, deny this need. Nevertheless, it was decided Tuesday night to have a corps of students trained in fire-fighting to assist the local fire department in case of an emergency, said students being covered by insurance just as regular members of the department are. It is hoped that this measure will help to prevent the repetition of incidents like last Monday's.

— R. J. O.

## MORALE — A LOT OF LITTLE THINGS

Morale is a lot of little things — you have heard it before. The words are almost meaningless; the statement, a truism perhaps, but ... four children floated on a raft in the Caribbean ...

The merchant ship sank quickly when a torpedo ruptured her side, and eighteen people collected on a life raft. Days went by until the near exhaustion of rationed food brought hunger and thirst. Then followed — the usual life-boat sequence of torture after torture, with the captain becoming insane and dying; with sharks eating his body and following the raft for more; with prayer for rain, and its cold, drenching answer. A submarine attacked again, but somehow the worn-out survivors escaped. A friendly plane brought them food and hope, but more days passed, and hope became bitter again.

Four fatherless children were on this raft in the Caribbean. Two found their missionary mother safe with them, but the other two had seen their mother drown. Men and women paddled with hope, but hope turned to despondency, and then to despair. When people became too weak to hope, they gave up praying.

Through the ordeal, however, the missionary mother and the four children were singing. Hymns of faith and trust ... here and there a dry, croaking voice caught up the tunes. It helped a little, and the singing spread. Tired bodies sat up a little straighter; bloodshot eyes searched the horizon a little more carefully, and help did come.

Days had folded into three weeks when the searching destroyer brought the survivors to port. According to *Time*, the censors let the statement of one survivor be published. Speaking of the four children, he said, "They kept us going."

## LECTURE SPEAKER



Dr. Waldo Emerson Stephens, authority on international affairs.

## What You Buy With WAR STAMPS

It's not a pleasant picture to contemplate, but War calls for "blood and sweat and tears." And the Army Medical Corps, with its efficient nurses and its volunteer Red Cross "Angels of Mercy", needs thousands of surgical beds for field and base hospitals on every front.

These beds cost approximately \$22 each. They are the latest thing in modern hospital beds, with elevating springs. In some instances surgical cots are used in temporary field hospitals and there is a folding bed which may be used in ambulances. Your purchase of War Bonds and Stamps can buy many of these beds for the Army. You'll sleep better if you know our boys have every hospital comfort. Buy War Savings Stamps weekly. — U. S. Government

## From the Boys in the Service

The latest news on the boys in the service is that three more Houghtonites have joined Uncle Sam's ranks in the Army. Hal Homan, ex '42, left last Tuesday, while Barney Hallstead, ex '45, preached his farewell sermon at the Centerville Methodist Church several Sundays ago. Carl Beatley, ex '45, nephew of Dr. Rosenberger of the religious education department, is now with the Army in California. In addition, Bob Stanton, '40, reports that he is now stationed at Scott Field, Illinois, in the Aviation Cadet Attachment.

Editors Note: This week's letter is from Dick Bennett of Westfield, N. Y., a former music major and popular member of last year's sophomore class, who is now at Santa Ana, California in the Air Corps. When at Houghton Dick was a member of the A Cappella Choir, a member of his class basketball and football teams, a finalist in last year's ping pong tournament, and active in extension work.

Sept. 30, 1942

Greetings, you old buzzards:—

Our second day here, and I like it better every hour! It's by far the best Army Camp I've hit yet. Today we were assigned to permanent barracks (in alphabetical order) — you see, from now on everything is done alphabetically — that's the only way they can keep all of us here (about 60,000) straight. Tomorrow we actually start classes — that's done alphabetically too, with groups of 30 in each class. This morning, we went thru what corresponds to registration day there at Houghton — just as confused and crowded, too! It sure seemed like old times once more! As I said before, the chow here is simply wonderful. There is a reason (we're paying \$1.00 a day for it as compared to the 49¢ before), but they still give us one super meal ticket for just 33 1/3¢ a meal — believe you me!

Our barracks have never been lived in before, because they're just finished. They're the same style as the Shepard field barracks — 2 story, with 30 men sleeping on each floor. Naturally everything is dirty — just fresh from the carpenters, so we've done a lot of cleaning up.

It's now 4:00 p.m. and by your time 7:00 — that does seem peculiar to me — instead of 10:00 my time. It's now 7:00, and that's easier, because we're getting ready for supper

Little things... The sights of a king and queen walking through the bombed slums of a city... the voice of a statesman: "Never have so few, so young, done so much." ... a hymn ... cheerfulness, a letter ... a contribution to the "testament for soldiers fund" ... a gift to help a boy who lost everything in the fire, — these are little things, the spirit that keeps a nation worth fighting for.

— W. S.

at that time. (We get up at 5:30 a.m.) Our days are awfully full, and it's really time to fall out again.

This noon we were issued our books (14 of them!), then at 1:30 p.m. (2:20 to you) until 16:10 (4:10) we had our classes. It so happens I had just 3 of them, Chemical Warfare, Army Math, and Map reading and Navigation ... they all promise to be quite interesting, and believe it or not, it seems good to get to studies again! By the way, here's our daily schedule:

5:30 First Call  
5:45 Reveille  
7:20 Breakfast  
8:15 - 9:15 Drill  
9:30 - 10:30 P.E. (Physical Ed.)  
11:00 - 11:30 Dinner  
11:30 - 13:10 Study  
13:20 - 16:10 Classes  
17:00 Supper  
22:00 Taps (10:00)  
and on Sunday  
6:45 First Call  
7:00 Reveille  
12:30 Dinner  
15:30 Assembly  
16:30 Dress Parade  
23:00 Taps

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in subject as long as it pertains to college life.

3. Be sure when you hold the photographs off at an angle to the light that there are no scratches visible across the face of the photographs and no tiny white specks in the background as such imperfections are reproduced.

4. No members of the 1943 Boulder staff are eligible.

5. All pictures must be placed in an envelope with the person's name appearing on the outside.

6. The decision of the judges is final. All pictures submitted become the property of the 1943 Boulder.

7. All entries must be in by December 8, 1942.

The candid shots in the Boulder add a great deal to the appearance of the book in general. As the contest of last year produced satisfactory results, the staff of the 1943 Boulder hopes that by offering greater awards a larger variety of good candid shots will be submitted.

## DEGENERATE



## DIOGENES

BY MILLER

I was hurriedly staggering past the other victims of Friday night's dinner ... safely I reached the hallowed ground opposite the dean's office ... the crowd was milling all around ... some for Bromos ... some for dope pills ... and some for just dopes because one of Houghton's new additions draped itself around me quite unexpectedly and cried:—

"Oh, Tom, where to tonight?"

And so after I could put my tie back on ... find the three buttons ripped off my shirt ... pin the sleeve of my coat back on ... put my hair on straighter ... get off my knees and generally gather both of my wits back, I said:—

"My dear girl, I'm sorry I look like a Commando training course; but you have made a mistake — I'm not the barber you're thinking of —!

And to think I tried all summer to buy a box of tacks for my room ... Tch! Tch!

## Danner and Artist Series

The line was quite long at the Artist Series' Ticket Office ... timidly I edged into line ... but my view was absolutely stifled by something that must have been a refugee from London's corps of barrage balloons ... and when it laughed the whole room shook ... as it approached the person who was selling tickets, it said:—

"Two, Pal!"

"Hi, Ed," I said, as 'Uncle' Danner toted his tickets off ... careful, Sarah!

## Friday's Dinner

Fridays night's dinner was so lovely it reminded me of our Ladies' Aid covered dish suppers ... I punctured my alleged fish four times before I discovered it was equipped with self-sealing rubber ... and all the young ladies draped in their dinner gowns ... reminded me of that passage somewhere in Tennyson ... where it speaks of 'ladies gay gowned like gooney gargoyles' ... that may have been a quote from "The Sporting News" ... I'm not sure ... amazing patience shown by Sheffer, Paine, and Waaser as the Cigar Store Indian sang his solo ... he also plays football ... it is no wonder dinner at Houghton Tech provides ideal social groups ... this last statement is based on a contention held by Stew Folts in his last symphony "Eve at Houghton" or the "Tragedy of Three Flats With No Spares."

The blackout was on ... the hideous roar of airplanes sounded ... the crackle of gunfire ... on the horizon over Stratton Manor there loomed an elusive Navy Blimp ... Dr. La Sorte aimed ... fired and "Carmel Kid" Cole bit the dust ... he's soon to be equipped with boilers, steel plate and funnels ... his commission in U. S. Navy ... U. S. S. Cole ... patrol boat in the Genesee between Bliss and Ignorance ...

—HC—

Hearty thanks is expressed to the firemen and students who helped to save the Powers house during the recent fire. — The Powers House



## Searching the SCRIPTURSE

By ED MEHNE

We learn as a principle of composition that repetition of a thought or idea tends to make for emphasis and to display the relative importance of that idea or thought. Applying this same principle to the Scriptures, it is significant to note just what God attempts to especially impress upon us.

There is probably no promise made to Abraham and his seed, other than that of the Messiah, which is repeated more than that one which makes its initial appearance in Genesis 12:7. "Unto thy seed will I give this land." These very words appear again and again throughout the Pentateuch. Realizing that the Holy Spirit does not use vain repetition, we may be doubly certain that these words embody something of vital importance.

The land of Canaan was, as the Bible describes it, "a land flowing with milk and honey." There is no doubt that the place was entirely unknown to Abram, being at least three hundred miles distant from Haran, and separated by great rivers, and an extensive and perilous desert. In other words, the children of Israel were strangers in the land. That phrase, "strangers in the land," reminds me of something. Are we not strangers in this land? This world is not our permanent abode, but merely a passing through place.

### Abram on the Move

Another thing of interest concerning this promise land is the fact that Abram had little comfort in the land. He didn't have it to himself; he found it peopled and possessed by Canaanites, who were likely to be bad neighbors and worse landlords. He didn't have a settlement in it—"he passed through the land." How analogous Abram's position is to that of ours. The children of this world have commonly more of it than God's children. It is sometimes the lot of Christians to be unsettled and obliged often to remove.

### The Promise Still

And yet, on top of all this, God told Abram that unto his seed the land would be given. Surely enough, the day came where God told the children of Israel to go in and possess the land. Mind you, conditions were just the same; things and circumstances proved equally adverse. Wasn't God terribly intolerant? Imagine that sparse remnant attempting to possess the land against such terrific odds, certainly God was asking something and promising which was apparently impossible. Evidently the only sensible thing to do was to forget the bright prospects of the promised land and to be content with a peaceful, but inferior life.

Thank God, however, some of Abram's seed had a vision. They looked at their position as God's favorite people; they looked at their meager, submissive place in the wilderness. They looked at an Almighty God's power; they looked at their vain strivings. Then something happened; Abram's seed decided to let go and let God—take God at his word. I don't need to tell you what the result of the vision was.

If we want victory we must do the same thing. We have the same God of the Old Testament; the same promise; we can have the same vision. The only thing that differs is Canaan. In our case, the entire world is the promised land. Here are we as Christians, meekly and shamefully pretending to maintain a status quo. Such a condition God never meant for us. We are children of the King of Kings. We ought to have power and authority. God wants us to

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## Monday's Fire - Opinions of Parties Concerned

"We were here 90 seconds after the alarm was in. Students should be kept entirely away from the fires, and from interfering with the firemen. They aren't constructive in their help—it is better to let the stuff burn than to ruin it by throwing it out the windows."

—Royal B. Ingersoll, Firechief

"The fire was in the front room when it started, if we had had water when the fire-trucks arrived we could have saved the house."

—Mr. Reynolds

"The fellows of the Pierce House wish to thank the students who assisted in gathering our belongings after the fire, all those who supplied us with refreshments during the all-night watch, and those who found us room until we could arrange for permanent ones."

—Pierce House Boys

## Most Devastating Fire in 15 Years Razes Front Part of Pierce Residence

Houghton's worst fire in fifteen years broke out at about noon on Monday in a house owned by Doctor Pierce of Buffalo. The alarm sounded immediately upon discovery of the blaze, and the local firemen responded in seconds. But despite their promptness, difficulty in assembling the hose sections and in securing a sufficient volume of water gave the flames such headway that for a time it seemed doubtful that any part of the building would be saved. Fire-fighting apparatus and men arrived soon from Canadea, Fillmore, and Belfast. The Fillmore and Belfast outfits set up in the field and pumped water to the Houghton and Canadea trucks, which in time played powerful streams upon the flames. This teamwork succeeded in saving about one half of the building from absolute destruction. The unburned section was somewhat damaged by smoke, water, and window-breaking streams from the fire hose.

### Heat Intense

At their height, the flames were so hot that window panes softened and melted, rolling to the ground. The crowd of onlookers were at times forced back yards from the house by the intense heat. There was little smoke until the fire waned; then great clouds of it swept up, intermixed with steam and particles of ash.

At one o'clock the conflagration was well under control. In one hour the whole southern section of the house had been burned to the ground with only smoking bits of wood and charred boards remaining.

Aside from the building itself the property loss was heavy. Expensive X-ray equipment belonging to Dr.

Pierce was destroyed. Several of the students were unable to save any of their belongings; while all of the boys who roomed there sustained at least slight damage to their clothes and other property. Mr. Reynolds, who with his family lived in part of the house, was prevented from rescuing much of his furniture by the fire's rapid spread. It is expected that insurance will cover most of the damage.

### Origin of Blaze

The origin of the blaze was apparently in Robert Whitmoyer's upstairs room. From there the flames ate through the roof and the floor, spreading to the first-story rooms. The cause of the fire was not determined. Mr. Reynolds, who discovered the burning while it was still confined to the upper rooms, hesitated to move the furniture from the first floor rooms because he believed that the firemen would soon smother the fire. However, the slowness of the firemen to get water caused the loss of furniture that might have been saved.

Traffic on the highway was forced to halt till the fire was put out. The passing motorists seemed as interested in the spectacle as the crowd of students, and did not resent the firemen's blocking the road with their equipment.

John McLachlan, senior from West Pittston, Pa. will be in charge of student's prayer meeting next Tuesday night while Harold Landin will be the song leader. The brass quartet composed of Gordon Barnett, Russell Clark, George Wells, and Jim Fenton will play.

## As We See It . . .

This week we decided to test the reactions of representative students to the present system of eligibility for extra-curricular activities. The question used was "What do you think of the present system of basing eligibilities for sports and other activities on grade point indices taken on a ten-week basis, with .667 as the minimum?"

To avoid the possibility of prejudice, the inquiry was confined to freshmen. The consensus of opinion appeared to favor a 1.0 minimum, with sentiment divided among five-week, ten-week, and semester periods as to the length of time over which the eligibility should be computed. Some representative answers follow:

Gerald Wightman, from Richburg, N. Y.: "I believe that the present system is satisfactory, and that any athlete who cannot maintain an index of .667 is missing his purpose in coming to college."

Larry Birch, from Makeni, Sierra Leone, and vice president of the freshman class: "I feel that the scholastic standard should be maintained, for otherwise this school would degenerate to an institution in which activities and athletics outweighed the real purpose of a college-intellectual education."

Ellsworth Edling, from Huntington, Mass.: "It would be advisable to raise the standard in consideration of the fact that .667 is too low for graduation."

Mel Lewellen, from Toronto, Canada and sports editor of the Star: "I approve of the present system. Eligibility on a five-week basis would mean that we would have to 'cram' twice as often."

Donald Kouwe, from Rochester, N. Y.: "That's all right, since none of the freshmen will go that low anyway."

## Fulkerson and Other Former Students Show Effects of Dan Cupid's Arrows

### French Club and Forensic Union to Meet Monday

Forensic, French and Bible School Clubs will hold their regular meetings on Monday, October 19.

The topic of discussion in Forensic Union has not as yet been definitely decided upon (due to unavoidable circumstances). However, be assured, all you with silver tongues, that on the night appointed, an appropriate program will be in order.

"Le Cercle Francias" announces president Munger, "should hold no terrors for those just beginning the games etc. will be conducted in such a way that all will be able to understand a denjoy." Here's a club for all you students of that romantic romance language.

The Bible School Club will hold an election of officers and make plans for the coming year. Two members of the club, Martha Crabtree and Gerald Madison will speak on "What I expect to receive from the Bible School."

### Student Fire Dep't.

The Houghton Volunteer Company has decided to invite students to join its ranks. They particularly desire those who have had special training or experience in fire fighting. Willard G. Smith and Coach Harold McNeese are the committee receiving applications. From the applicants the fire company will select about a dozen fellows who will be insured and given assignments in the fire company.

We suggest that you write out your application stating training experience, and special fire fighting interest, if any, and present it in person to one of the committee.

### Religious Column . . .

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"possess the land." Naturally the odds are against us from the human standpoint, but we are heirs of the promise.

Men of the world seem fearless, even in our own strength alone. Julius Caesar in his Letter to Amanius said, "I came, I saw, I conquered." Great things would be accomplished if we would say, "I came, I saw, God conquered." Then, and then only, would we be living up to our privileges.

### Smith and Reynolds Married On Monday

Carl Fulkerson, '42, and Miss Mildred Ripple of Akron, Ohio, will be married next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock in the First Wesleyan Methodist Church of that city. Bob Longacre, of the class of '43, religious editor of the Star last year, will be best man while a sister of the bride will be maid of honor. While at Houghton Carl was active in campus activities, serving as a member of student council, forensic union, the Latin club, the Ministerial, and the W. Y. P. S. in addition to being a student pastor. At present he has a church in West Virginia.

Helen Reynolds, '40, and Herman Smith, '42, were married last Monday evening in the Cuba Chapel, of which the groom is pastor, with Prof. Claude A. Ries of the college faculty performing the ceremony. The best man was Harold Crosser, '44, and the maid of honor, Bertha Reynolds, '42, sister of the bride. A number of Houghtonites were present at the service.

Word has also been received that Harry Palmer, '41 and Pearl Burleigh, '41, were married some weeks ago. Harry is in his second year at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Both were prominent in collegiate life at Houghton.

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## Speaking Frankly . . .

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President) at the AFL convention in Toronto. Roosevelt cited labor for its war record—its present production achievements. However, Dormitory and Kitchen Workers Union, Local No. 1, still hasn't produced to satisfaction. The boss of the union announced Monday . . . too much chiseling, eating the "fruits" of their labor, and other miscellaneous misdemeanors are much too frequent (We're at war!) — Orchids to the fellows who pitched in to help at the Pierce House fire—and another extra large bunch to the folks of town and college who knew how to be intelligent bystanders and keep their distance. If it were my prerogative, I'd give you all a 3-point index and seconds in dessert at the dorm. Whoops, maybe these two cancel out.

### Quote - Unquote

Shakespeare: "A politician . . . one that would circumvent God."

Horace Greeley: "I never said all Democrats are saloonkeepers. What I said was all saloonkeepers are Democrats."

Wendell Phillips: "Politicians are like bones of a horse's foreshoulder—not a straight one in it."

Robert Whitmoyer: (upon hearing of the raging conflagration at the Pierce House) "What do you know about that?"

Herman Smith: "I do."

HC

### Frosh - Junior Game . . .

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will with their opponents ever ready to down them after the catch. Except for Hertel and Hughes who were active in intercepting, the defenses of both teams were not very united. The juniors played a one-two-two formation on the defensive with Kouwe backing up the line. The winners lined up in a two-one-two defensive with Hertel in the center position.

The frosh received a break in the early stages of the game and took advantage of it, but from then until the end of the game the juniors played superior ball.

## . . . Activity Eligibilities?

Rosemary Molyneux, from Elmira, N. Y.: "I do not think that the grade point index should determine whether the individual should participate in extra-curricular activities. Many students excel in sports, but are not scholastically minded."

Ian Morrison, freshman president from Staten Island, N. Y.: "As yet, I cannot form a prejudiced opinion. I feel that anyone who is unable to average a grade point index of .667 is unequal to other tasks required of him."

David Page, from Providence, R. I.: "I believe that the standard should be raised to 1.0, so that the individual would raise his own grade point by being kept out of activities."

Albert Wilson, from Albany, N. Y.: "I believe that grade points should not affect eligibilities. If anyone is so foolish as to prefer athletics to scholarship, that's his look-out."





BY MEL LEWELLEN

I was quite startled the other day when, walking past the athletic field, I stopped to watch what I thought was a new course on the campus. It looked to me as if this course was open to all those who wished to be clowns. I looked around—everybody was laughing at the boys. The onlookers informed me it was the physical education class for all the boys in the U. S. Reserves. I would almost have believed them had I not seen that poor excuse for a human being, "Stringbean" Miller, out there rolling on the ground and every five minutes or so lifting a leg or an arm into the air. Tch, tch.

Mr. Miller, do be careful! I'm afraid you're over-exerting yourself and will have a physical breakdown on top of your mental one that was so apparent in last week's edition of "Degenerate Diogenes."

### Local Football

6-0! 19-0! Yes, this week, Houghton's gridiron saw two shutouts. Last Friday those frosh, who yet have to be beaten, though tied in their first encounter, shut out their sister class, the juniors, in a close, hard-fought battle. The senior sages were a little more severe with their "little sisters", the sophs, and took them to the time of 19-0. The standings, with each team having played two games, now show the seniors still leading the pack, the frosh in the second slot, and the sophs and juniors following in that order. It is still early enough in the season for anything at all to happen, so you members of the lower three classes can still keep your chins up.

### Human Interest

Another chapter is beginning in the career of Johnny Beazley, the 23-year-old Nashville boy who climbed so quickly from virtual obscurity to world stardom. Reports that Johnny was going to enlist in the Marines after the series were denied by the same Mr. Beazley, as he is the sole support of his mother.

It's all like a dream—"but a darned nice one"—to Johnny who suddenly found himself famous last week after pitching the Cardinals to Yankees. Feted, backslapped, mobbed by autograph seekers, the Nashville youngster will become a State employee November 1, teaching health and physical education to Tennessee's school children.

### Rose Bowl Contest

For you who are wondering and worrying about the Rose Bowl game, here is your answer: there will be a Rose Bowl football game New Year's Day, but it may not be in the Rose Bowl and possibly won't be a college intersectional contest as in the past. The Tournament of Roses Association made this announcement last Saturday night after a conference with representatives of the Pacific Coast conference. It was also stated that said plans would proceed subject to approval of military authorities.

If developments prevent holding the game in Pasadena, its historic setting, then it will be moved elsewhere. There was some indication that the game might be between two service elevens for Army and Navy relief.

### Joe Louis

Heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis declared Sunday "I'm in the Army now, and they're taking care of my plans, but as for the ring—my

## Frosh Eke Out 6-0 Win Over Juniors

### Misplay Early In Game Causes Loss

Unfolding their wings in a lazy, rather indifferent skirmish the junior and frosh squads met last Friday on a wet field to vie for last place in the current series, the frosh winding up on top by the score of 6-0. Neither team showed much spirit except at rare intervals which were dissipated by interceptions or losing the ball on downs. On the first play a poor pass from center into the junior backfield resulted in a fumble which the frosh recovered and of which they immediately took advantage. Two running plays failed to push the ball over from the four yard line but on the third play, a pass from Powell to Scheesley, the referee raised his arms signifying that a touchdown had been made. The kick for the extra point was blocked.

Finding themselves behind so early in the fray the juniors buckled down and their passes began to click for a series of short gains. Shortly before the close of the half the frosh perked up. Hertel stopped the junior drive by intercepting a pass and running the ball back 30 yds. before being halted. On the next play Hughes returned the courtesy and intercepted Lewellen's pass. At the half the juniors were making a drive for the 20 yd. line.

The second half opened with a barrage for the light artillery on both sides. The battle waged back and forth with neither team gaining much advantage. The passing on both sides was rather accurate but resulted only in short gains. The juniors made an average of about 5 yards on passes completed, while the frosh averaged about 4 yards.

All of the passing for the juniors was done by Fenton, and the kicking and running by Hughes. On the line "Baldy" gave his opponents a little trouble. Outstanding for the frosh was the left end, Scheesley, who proved to be an able pass-receiver and who broke up several attempted end runs. In the backfield, Creque was most valuable in kicking and in snagging passes. The blocking on both teams was a sore spot, much ground being lost for lack of it.

Four first downs were recorded, each team gaining two. The juniors acquired both first downs on passes to Chase. For the frosh, both first downs were on passes to Creque. The longest pass of the game netted only 18 yards.

The pass defenses of both teams showed sieve-like tendencies as both teams passed and received almost at

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fightin' days are over. By the time this war is over, I'll be in my 30's, and that's too old for a fighter. I'm too old for it now." Joe is 28.

### Defense of the Yanks

On the final day of the last World Series you could hear them asking what happened to the Yanks—and to Joe McCarthy. Here is proof again how short man's memory is in the whirl of busy events. They had overlooked the fact that Joe McCarthy and his Yanks had the greatest World Series record of all time—above John McGraw and his Giants above Frank Chance and his Cubs above Connie Mack and his famous Athletics.

All Joe McCarthy and his Yankees had done was to make it six out of seven in the World Series count—25 victories against eight defeats. How much more can they ask of a team? What other manager or what other team has turned in such a job? They forget to check back.

## Yesterday's Game...

The sophomores defeated the juniors, 2-0, yesterday afternoon on a freak play on the opening kick-off when Jim Fenton was caught behind his own goal line for a safety. From there on the game was quite even, with the juniors displaying marked superiority on the ground while the sophs had a better aerial attack. The juniors made a number of first downs but were never able to put the ball over the line for a touchdown, mainly because of poor spirit, poor blocking, and a lack of cooperation—so it looked, at least, from the sidelines.

## Famous Duo-Pianists To Present Program

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atory. There, she studied with Isidor Philipp. She made her recital debut in Paris and not long afterwards played a joint recital with the brilliant cellist, Pablo Casals. Later she toured through Spain, Algeria, Holland, Belgium and Germany.

It was in 1929, when Pierre Luboshutz was conducting a master class in Paris, that Genia Nemenoff enrolled as his pupil. A romance ensued and two years later they were married. She kept up her music, however, and the two formed the habit of playing together regularly—for their own amusement. It was out of this practice that their joint recital tours grew—tours which, in past seasons, have taken them throughout the United States and Canada—averaging at least fifty appearances each season.

Pierre Luboshutz and Genia Nemenoff say that the smallest cities they visit have as fastidious a taste in music as do the cosmopolitan centers.

"We never 'play down' to an audience," Miss Nemenoff said. "The small towns demand the best we have to offer. Why, we have given lighter programs at times in New York than in small communities."

Both pianists are glad that the audiences they encounter in small unpretentious auditoriums throughout the country make them work for applause. They feel it indicates a healthy interest from which important new musical developments may spring.

—HC—

## Local Scrap Drive Hits 3 Ton Total Yesterday

Three tons was the approximate amount given by Mr. Worth Cott, president of the local fireman's organization to represent the proportions that the scrap collection campaign had assumed by yesterday afternoon. Boy Scouts and local firemen are assisting in transporting the scrap which will be weighed and collected by government officials and taken to a smelting plant, probably in Buffalo.

The collection is now being deposited in the lot next to Cronk's general store. Among some of the articles received have been a potato digger, a cultivator, lawn mower, as well as several car fenders, bed springs, stovepipes and other articles. Contributions consisting of almost any kind of waste metal will be gladly accepted.

So you want a bite to eat,

And a pleasant nook to meet —

Well, here's one place

That can't be beat!

COLLEGE INN

## Sophs Lose to Seniors, 19-0, As Sheffer's Passes Click

### Senior Girls Beat Juniors In Field Hockey Thursday

The field hockey series was opened last Thursday afternoon when the senior girls defeated the juniors, 2-1. Coach McNeese remarked on the improvement over last year's series both in technique and in team playing.

The seniors battled through a strong junior defensive for a goal in the first quarter. In the third quarter, in a show of fine pass-work, the seniors again put the ball between the posts. The juniors threatened in the last quarter and came through with one goal but were unable to tie up the game.

The inauguration of the use of shin guards promises to lessen the number on the casualty list of last year. The series this year promises to be of a much higher quality.

## Soph Music Students To Present Recital Tonight

Making their first public appearance, for this year, the sophomore music students will present a class recital tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the college chapel. As freshmen last year, their potential abilities were well marked. Thus it will be interesting this year to note individual progress and developed musicianship.

Rather unusual is the fact that the sophomores have but one piano major left, Lillian Fisher and Monette Martin having transferred to Westchester State Teachers College and Ithaca College, respectively. Another loss is Marian Schultz who is now a French major here at Houghton. Thomas Crook has changed from trombone, and will be heard vocally.

Others missing from the class are Eunice Jones, who is working; and Harry Morrison and George Bayne, both of whom are claimed by Uncle Sam.

However, much is expected from the present students, especially Peg Snow, Jeanne Hazlett and Carolyn Keil, who consistently have turned out good performances.

—HC—

## Bennett's Letter

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(We're on 24 hour day instead of dividing it into 2 twelve hour periods, see?) It's a pretty full day, when you consider all the extras we have too! We have to meet every formation unless we're on some special duty such as M. M. (a new term meaning Mess Management!) or fire guard. I rather enjoy it, tho', and I'm sure glad to get to learning something for a change—instead of drill—drill—drill—K. P.—drill!

Sincerely,  
Pvt. Dick Bennett

## Where Friends Meet



THE PANTRY

## Houser Grabs Two For Touchdowns

The senior sages added another scalp to their belt last Monday afternoon as the sophs fell beneath an avalanche of power to the tune of 19-0. The first quarter, as the case seems to be in most of the games, was spent with each team trying to figure out what the other one had to offer. Then in the opening of the second quarter the seniors started off with a pass from "Hank" Kennedy to "Virg" Polley, putting them near enough to the goal line for a line plunge by Bob Clark, which netted the first touchdown of the game. The try for the extra point failed with aa blocked kick.

## More Touchdowns

In the third quarter a 30 yd. pass from Sheffer to Houser netted another touchdown for the seniors, but again the try for extra point was blocked. This same combination clicked for the second time in the fourth quarter, completing a 40 yd. pass to bring the score to 18-0. Clark's successful kick for the extra point—the first one in any of the games this year—brought the score to 19-0. Warren Woolsey, the senior's right end, suffered a badly cracked elbow in the middle of the quarter at which time it was necessary to take him out of the game.

The sophs played a hard game considering the inexperience of the players, and Walker's kicking can only be described as superb, for loss of good blocking made it more than difficult to get the punts off.

Walker's kicking and Sheffer's passing were the two outstanding features of the game. Sheffer's passing accounted for two of the touchdowns—one directly and the other indirectly—while walker's kicking kept the score within somewhat reasonable proportions. The blocking of Polley and Kennedy must also come under consideration, for it was this tremendous factor that gave the seniors so much advantage in their passing attack.

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