

EDITORIAL

SHOVELS OR SILVER PLATTERS?

The time has come when Christians must learn, when the church universal must learn that a marked impress upon the consciousness of the world can only be realized if we are willing and able to fight fire with fire. The intellectualism of a scientific, philosophy-minded age must be combated by a shrewd, Christian intellectualism that is conversant with the world-wisdom of the day, and which is able also to give to all who ask, a reason for the Bible-founded hope that we have. Sheer dogmatism is no longer sufficient. Emotionalism divorced from logic is not enough. Sound thinking and scholarship is the order of the day, and we need to lay hold of it. The "real fifth column" is basically a scientific, intellectual movement, dominated by the "spirit of scientific naturalism." Sincerity of heart and holiness of life is fundamental but not adequate in itself to stop the rising tide which is threatening to sweep over us as a mighty tidal wave.

It is in this light, partly at least, that Houghton College, Founded on the Eternal Rock, is making a lasting and needful contribution to the righteous cause of Almighty God. (We would not be unmindful of the great need of evangelism and spiritual revival, without which all intellectual pursuits would become as "wood, hay and stubble.") We feel that the Wesleyan constituency deserves special commendation for the keen foresight and vision it has revealed, especially in the field of education. The Wesleyan Church, judging by all outward appearances, has been conscious of the intrinsic weakness of the modern "Bible School" Movement, which has, for the most part, overemphasized the "running Sunday School commentary" variety of teaching, dishing out deep spiritual truths on a silver platter. Houghton College has adopted to a large extent the "pick and shovel" method in education, and we of the class of '50, after four years of personal experience and hard labor, are mindful of the callouses on our hands, to be sure, but thankful for the adequate preparation received for the battle of life — which is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, powers, the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Our sincerest bouquets then to Houghton College, our academic and spiritual nourisher, and to the church which gave her birth!

—S.D.S.

"I HAVE A LITTLE SHADOW"

The little nursery rhyme, "I have a little shadow that goes in and out with me," may teach a great lesson if we apply it properly. Our influence is like our shadow. It is "very very like us from our heads down to our toes." There are many all about us who, like the multitude which lay their sick along the streets of Jerusalem that the "shadow of Peter might fall upon them" are expecting that the shadow which we cast will be one of healing. The Senior Class of '50 are leaving, some perhaps never to return, but the effects of the shadow that we have cast throughout the past four years, both individually and collectively, will remain forever. Our judgment or commendation must lay in the hands of God and of those who knew us here.

—S.D.S.

THANK YOU STAFF

Our heartfelt thanks to all those in the Senior class who gave so willingly of their time and energy to help carry the burden of our class STAR. The old phrase "lay yourself out for the cause" takes on added meaning as we put our "shoulders to the wheel" to get a job completed. We trust that the Lord may use the consecrated efforts materially expressed in this issue to the "praise of His glory" and the eternal good of our readers.

—S.D.S.

CALENDER

Thursday, June 1	Fancher
8:00 p.m.—Joint Program of the Music and Speech Departments in the College Chapel	12:45 p.m.—Luncheon, Houghton College Development Committee at Gaoyadeo Hall
Friday, June 2	3:00 p.m.—Alumni Ball Game
8:00 p.m.—Class Night Exercises of the Division of Theology and Christian Education and the Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest in the Houghton Wesleyan Methodist Ch.	6:30 p.m.—Alumni Banquet in Bedford Gymnasium
8:00 p.m.—Class Night Exercises of the Houghton Preparatory in the College Chapel	Sunday, June 4
Saturday, June 3	10:30 a.m.—Baccalaureate Service. Address by the Rev. J. R. Swauger, Secretary Home Missions Department, Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society
10:00 a.m.—Class Day Exercises of the College	7:30 p.m.—Annual Missionary Service. Address by Mrs. Helen Davison Stark, Class of 1925, Wesleyan Methodist missionary to Sierra Leone, West Africa, in Houghton Church
12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, Class of 1925 at Glen Iris Inn, Letchworth Park	Monday, June 5
12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, Class of 1940 at the Pantry	10:00 a.m.—Commencement Exercises of Houghton College and Preparatory. Address by Dr. Billy Graham, President Northwestern Schools of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Vice President of Youth for Christ International
12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, Class of 1945 and Class of 1946 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lucky.	
12:30 p.m.—Luncheon, Class of 1949 at the home of Miss	

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GRUNSTRA HONORED IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

The annual contest sponsored by the National Classics Fraternity, Eta Sigma Phi, a contest involving nation-wide competition of all students pursuing an advanced course in Greek, announced this week that Mr. Bernard Grunstra, class of '50, had tied for first place, thereby becoming the first Houghton student outside of the English department to win top honors in a nation-wide contest. The announcement was released in the morning chapel service last Tuesday by Professor Gordon Stockin,

Associate Professor of Classical Languages here at Houghton. The award was fifty dollars.

Unruh Speaks; Athletes Feted

The Athletic Association held its annual banquet in the cafeteria of the Almond-Alfred Central school on Friday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Paul Unruh, All-American basketball star from Bradley University of Peoria, Illinois was the speaker of the evening. *Time* magazine says, concerning Unruh, "lanky Paul Unruh... is the teams undisputed star." (*Time*, March 13, 1950).

The varied program was opened with prayer by Coach Wells, followed by a reading of the familiar "Casey at the Bat" by Walt Thomas and a rendition of the perennial favorite "Sweetheart" by the College Girls' Quartet.

The banquet consisted of generous portions of turkey, dressing, peas, potatoes, and ice cream with strawberry shortcake for desert. The meal was served by the students of The Almond-Alfred Central School.

Presentation of awards and letters won by the gathered athletes were made following the meal. The sportsmanship awards this year went to Dick Price and Jo Fancher.

Mr. Unruh, scoring ace of the Bradley Team which was ranked No. 1 in the Associated Press poll during this last season, spoke to the group on his life as a sportsman. He stressed the fact that an intramural sports program is better for a college than an inter-collegiate program because the latter soon becomes a business and fails to fulfill the correct obligations of sports to the students.

The program concluded with a short devotional period with the quartet singing "The Lord's Prayer."

Dr. Roddy Speaks To '50 Theologs

Dr. Clarence S. Roddy, holder of the James H. Maxwell chair of English Bible at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, will give the address at the theological class night exercises on Friday evening, June 2.

Former pastor of the Baptist Temple, Brooklyn, one of the largest Baptist churches in New York City, Dr. Roddy has received his Th.B. at Gordon Theological Seminary, Boston, and earned his Ph.D. at New York University.

He will address the theological students of both the June and August graduating class on the topic, "Men of the Preeminent Calling." Also on the program will be the annual Strong Memorial Bible reading contest.

All graduating students and their guests are welcome to attend.

The National Classics Fraternity, with headquarters at St. Louis University have sponsored similar contests each year for the purpose of creating enthusiasm among college and university students in Classical studies. The examination this year was composed of two parts, each one recognized as a separate unit. The first part was translation, the second, essay, written in English on some subject related to Greek culture. Mr. Grunstra received his honors in translation, but several students of the Classics department attempted the essay section. Further results have not been released as yet.

The examination, the sole deciding factor in the contest, was given on March 15th, the several students taking it "merely for the experience," commented Prof. Stockin. The papers were judged by three different professors of Classics from three different schools throughout the country.

Mr. Grunstra, a transfer student from King's College at New Castle, Delaware, is a mathematics and physics major and a Greek minor.

CHOIR CLOSSES 1950 SEASON

The Houghton College A Cappella Choir gave their annual home concert at the Houghton Church last Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. to an enthusiastic audience. It was the choir's eighteenth annual home performance, and the fourth and last of Professor Donald Butterworth's, conductor, who has accepted a position at Taylor University for next year as head of the music department. The thirty-five voice choir began their well balanced program with the traditional "O Thou Eternal One" by Eric Delamar.

The aim of the choir this year has been "to present a program of worship through works which have a vital Christian message." The repertoire included several modern compositions such as; "Alleluia" by Randall Thompson; "I Sat Down Under His Shadow" by Baird, and the stirring "O Lord God, Unto Whom Vengeance Belongeth" featuring both organ and choir, by Baker.

A note of simplicity was struck with the singing of several of the favorite Negro Spirituals including "My Lord, What a Mourning", "Little David Play on Yo' Harp", "There is a Balm in Gilead" and "Didn't my Lord Deliver Daniel?"

A special arrangement of the popular hymns "O Thou in Whose Presence" and "Just as I Am," as arranged by Professor Butterworth and Professor Finney respectively, brought the program to a fitting "home like" conclusion.

The choir manager this year has been Dr. Bert Hall.

Social Reverse Satisfies Coeds

The newly proposed Ladies' Day proved itself a worthy substitute for the traditional Sadie Hawkins day of the past on Wednesday, May 17, in spite of adverse weather conditions which dampened the spirits as well as the participants and spectators of the Purple-Gold track meet as the day began.

The highlights of the day were the Purple-Gold track meet and the Ladies' night program. Due to the unfavorable weather the cafeteria style lunch and evening program were held indoors. The track meet, which commenced at ten a.m. in spite of a steady drizzle, attracted many spectators; and favored by clearing weather in the afternoon, the sidelines were crowded by those who watched the Purple team defeat the Gold again this year. Following the track meet, several groups went on picnics to Letchworth Park while others found this a good time to catch up on some back lessons before final examinations.

The Ladies' night program, sponsored by the Athletic Association, concluded the events of the day and was greatly enjoyed by all. Preceding the main program, Miss Lejeune showed colored slides of some of the famous and beautiful sites of her homeland in Germany as well as some of the pictures which she had taken since her arrival at Houghton.

The main program of the evening began at eight o'clock in the auditorium with Harold Blatt as master of Ceremonies. Stanley Morse led the evening's entertainment with a masterly conducted performance of the ensemble in his original arrangements of "Summertime", "Song of India", "Three Blind Mice", and other well spiced selections. The monologues of Dean Gilliland and Jean Gross aptly portrayed the ignorance of the fairer sex at sports events and the Barber Shop Quartette consisting of Edward Foote, Edward German, Paul Nast and Clarence Martin accompanied by Paul Rasmann with his guitar proved very entertaining.

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Soph Fundraisers Cop Dorm Drive

The final report from the Office of College Development on student participation in the Dorm Fund Drive shows the Sophomores to be the winners with a total \$893.95 contributed and 87.8% participation at \$4.54 per capita. The Juniors came in second with a \$624 total with 46.7% contributing at \$4.16 per person. Next are the Frosh with a total of \$756.25, 66.2% of the total class contributed at \$3.72 per head. In the basement were the Seniors with a total of \$544.65, 46.4% of the class participating and a total of \$3.05 per capita.

Persons and Things

ELMER SANVILLE WEDS MISS BENTON

Special to the Senior Star
By MARIAN BERNHOFT

The marriage of Miss Sarah Benton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Benton of Lockport and Mr. Elmer Sanville, son of Mr. S. Sanville of Delanco, N. J. took place at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Houghton at 3:00 o'clock on May 20. The double-ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. I. Armstrong of Houghton and the Rev. Harold Carter of Philadelphia.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a frosted organdy gown, with a wing collar and leg-of-mutton sleeves. A tulle fingertip length veil fell from a pearl tiara. She carried a bouquet of white roses and baby's breath.

Mrs. E. Benton of Lockport was matron of honor. Carrying a colonial bouquet of white and pink carnations, she wore a pink frosted organdy gown with a matching cap. The bridesmaids were dressed in similar gowns of blue, yellow and orchid with bouquets matching the gowns. They were Mrs. Katherine Benton of Washington, Mrs. Gertrude Sanville Ford of Philadelphia, Pa., and Mrs. Ruth Mayberry of Philadelphia. Miss Kathy Benton, niece of the bride was flower girl. She wore a white organdy dress with a white tiara and carried a basket of red roses.

Kenneth Motts of Silver Springs, N. Y. served as best man. The ushers were Mr. Walter Sanville of California, Mr. William Benton of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Frank Sanville, of Philadelphia. The ring-bearer, Roger Benton, a nephew of the bride, wore a white suit and carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

Preceding the ceremony, Professor Charles Finney played organ music. Mr. Richard Elmer sang "My World" and "The Ninety First Psalm". During the ceremony, he sang "O Perfect Love."

A lawn reception followed at the home of Miss Bessie Fancher in Houghton. Many out-of-town guests and college friends of the couple attended.

The bride and groom were graduated from Houghton College in the January class of 1950 with bachelor degrees. Mr. Sanville is, at present assistant pastor at The Westminster Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia.

The couple left immediately following the reception on a two week honeymoon trip through the New England states.

ROBBINS-McCONN

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Robbins of Elmira, New York, announce the marriage of their daughter, Lois, to Richard McConn, also of Elmira, on Friday, June 9, 1950, at 7:00 p.m. in the Birchwood Baptist Tabernacle of Elmira Heights. The couple will make their home in Elmira, where Mr. McConn will be employed by the International Business Machines Corporation as a consumer engineer.

PREXY TO WHEATON

Dr. and Mrs. Paine are planning to attend the reunion of the Class of 1930 of which Dr. Paine was a member, at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, on Saturday, June 10. In the afternoon Dr. Paine will be speaking at a meeting of the Scholastic Honor Society there.

On Friday, June 9, he is attending an executive committee meeting of the N.A.E.

It is possible that Dr. and Mrs. Paine may stay for the Commencement exercises at Wheaton on June 12.

FACULTY FAREWELL

On Wednesday evening, May 24, the Faculty Organization and Program Committee gave a farewell party for those faculty and staff members who are leaving the college this year.

Professor Charles Finney was the master of ceremonies at the gathering held in the dormitory reception rooms.

Lawrence Castle sang a solo after which Mrs. Gordon Tropsf delivered an interesting reading. After Dr. Paine gave a few farewell remarks, refreshments were served. Dr. Bert Hall closed the program with devotions.

ENGAGEMENT

Brigadier and Mrs. John Bivans of Charleston, West Virginia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Florence Helen, to Corporal William H. Swyers, son of Captain and Mrs. Walter Swyers of Jacksonville, Florida.

FLASH!!!

Seniors enjoy last exemptions; extend sympathies to underclassmen.

COUNCIL CITES '49-'50 GAINS

In keeping with the sentiment expressed in the preamble to its constitution, the Student Council has tried to be of definite, directive aid in dealing with student problems this past year. Having finished its term of office, the Student Council has reviewed its proceedings, and notes the following items as of interest to the student body: (1) Successfully sponsored a new student government; (2) Proposed for faculty approval a uniform class constitution; (3) Proposed for faculty approval a revised set of class regulations; (4) Recommended to the faculty that campus parking administration be turned over to the student government; (5) Investigated the National Students Association, and returned a negative commendation; (6) Purchased games for entertainment at women's residences; (7) Purchased subscriptions to five top-rate magazines for use in the dorm reception rooms; (8) Inaugurated the Student Social Committee; (9) Successfully sponsored Ladies' Day, upon the abolition of Sadie Hawkins' Day; (10) Published the Info; (11) Proposed the present dining hall bell system; (12) Recommended to the faculty the continuation of Reading Day; (13) Recommended to the faculty an increase of 50c per semester on the Boulder allotment; (14) Interceded on behalf of WJSL for the rescheduling of its Talent Show; (15) Assisted the faculty in planning freshman orientation activities; and, (16) Unsuccessfully recommended to the faculty a series of fire-drills.

FMF Formulates Conference Plans

The second annual Missionary Conference of Houghton college will be held from Nov. 21 through 24 next year. Thanksgiving Day, when three outstanding missionary speakers will be featured, will be the main day of the conference.

Approximately 12 speakers will appear here for the conference, some of whom were contacted through the local F.M.F. representatives who attended the recent missionary conference in Boston's Park Street church. Exhibits of curios, pictures, and costumes from the various countries represented, may be set up in S-24.

The daily programs will be similar to last year, with missionaries speaking in chapel and in the afternoon discussion periods. Those with a background in a particular field will be allowed to address classes which would be interested.

Leaders of the local chapter of the F.M.F. are praying that, through this conference, the Lord will challenge many students to the open doors of the world.

QUARTETS TRAVEL

Wednesday of this week has been set as the deadline for the raising of five thousand dollars by the Royalaires quartet who are planning to travel in two of the Scandinavian countries this summer under the sponsorship of Youth For Christ International.

The foursome consisting of Harley Smith, Dave Juroe, John Wheeler, with Dick Meloon, a former Houghton student now connected with Buffalo Youth Time, as accompanist will carry on a threefold ministry of singing, witnessing and preaching.

The College Girl's Quartette have also released their tentative summer schedule which includes engagements in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, and New England in July, and Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and Canada throughout the month of August.

Think On These Things

By MARK ANDERSON

It is essential that Christians keep things in their proper relationships in their thinking. The primary thing we as grads take from Houghton is—not degrees, honors, etc., but an enlarged Christ. Infinity is constant, hence Christ has not become bigger during our four year sojourn here, but our understanding of Him has increased. All we have done while here should in some way contribute to our knowing Him, Phil. 3:10. Therefore, we take a bigger Christ than we brought.

We have realized with greater clarity that "Christ is our life." This is a statement so frequently reiterated some might consider it trite. It is not; it is the core of Christianity. No Christian has life apart from Christ. To think of one's self apart from Christ is to be lost. Christ dwelling in our hearts by faith is our life. We go forth living in Him.

These four years have refined our

Extension Director Releases Figures

Dr. Bert Hall, director of the school's extension program has released the latest reports of the work done by the Torchbearers for the year 1949-50. Dr. Hall expressed his satisfaction at the interest in the spiritual welfare of those living in the vicinity of the college by the students and hoped that similar work could be carried on next year on an even larger scale.

The record below does not include the activities of the a cappella choir, band, or the fruitful labors of the weekly "house to house visitation" and hospital groups.

It was noted, however, that only two tracts and ten gospels were given out. Dr. Hall suggested that the school's extension program make more use of this type of ministry in future years.

No. of states reached	9
No. of places visited	137
Approximate no. of messages given	110
No. of decisions	173
Approximate attendance	30,222
Approximate offering	\$1917.12
Approximate no. of miles traveled	19,796
Average monthly participants	77
Tracts given out	2
No. of calls made	12
No. of Gospels issued	10

This report includes only those going out in public-services programs.

theology too. The theology we take from Houghton is not a system but a person—Christ. He is our creed. Christ has in some instances degenerated into a manual on Christian living. Christ is not a rulebook; He is life—infinite, abundant, free. He transcends rules to the same degree that life transcends language. Life cannot be reduced to rules anymore than personality can to a definition. Whatever fits in with Christ is good theology; He is theology alive.

The testimony we take from these halls is Jesus Christ. Not my or your interpretation of Christ, but the testimony that He Himself is. Well has it been said that Christ is bigger than anything we can say about Him. Hence, Christ expressing Himself through our mode of living will exceed in effectiveness anything in the way of a verbal testimony. Oswald Chambers notes that many Christians are more zealous of their reputations than for the testimony of Jesus in them. If we are zealous for His testimony in and through us we will forget what is happening to us or to our prestige while that testimony is being expressed. This testimony will increase in effectiveness to the same degree that we by the Spirit lessen the disparity between our word and our walk.

Lastly, we take Christ with us knowing that He is the will of God for our lives. Whatever Christ as God's will means in specific instances will be ascertained by our letting Christ have His way. Christ by the Spirit will interpret God's will for us. Paul prays for the Colossians to be filled with the knowledge of God's will. To be filled with this knowledge is to be filled with Christ because "In Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily" — including God's will for your and my life. Remember, Christ not only knows the will of God—He is the will of God.

As we face the world let us embrace that Scriptural optimism which unequivocally declares us to be equal to anything in Christ. "In Him who strengthens me, I am able for anything." Phil. 4:13. Moffatt.

Library Sells Old Books

Mrs. Thelma Johnston, acting librarian, announces that the library has for sale in the stacks a number of books rejected because of duplication or bad physical condition. The price ranges from five cents to seventy cents with a few slightly over the dollar mark. Anyone interested may inquire at the librarian's office.

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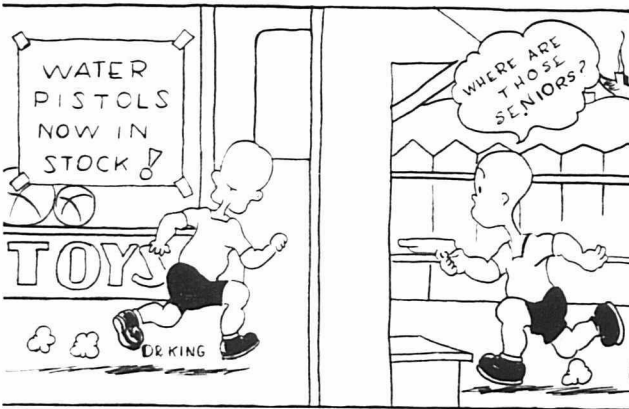
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MEMOIR OF SKIP DAY



Dear Dr. King:

You've given us "something to remember you by when you are far away from home."

Sincerely,
The Seniors

Dr. Ken Wright, Alumnus

By BOB PRITCHETT

From cotton picker to supervising tuberculosis physician via Houghton College is the route traced by an alumnus. Other positions held in this progression include: private practice, college physician, captaincy in the U.S. Army Medical Corps, and writer of articles in the *Wesleyan Methodist*.

Dr. Kenneth Watson Wright is one of the outstanding medical students that Houghton has sent out. His present position at Biggs Memorial Hospital, Ithaca, New York, includes heading the X-ray department there. His supervising work includes nine countries with a total population of 300,000 persons besides the hospital of 250 patients. He does considerable consultation work, has four technicians and a full time secretary working under him, and travels in the territory between the Pennsylvania border and Lake Ontario in the discharge of his duties.

He took two majors in college, chemistry and general science with a concentration in biology, and minored in education. His teachers report that he was sincere, co-operative, and industrious, and completed one of the finest pieces of research ever done by an undergraduate in Houghton College. This was done on "Inheritance of Hemophilia in the Molyneux family." It had been traced through six generations, and Kenneth carried it for three generations further.

Dr. Wright was placed in charge of collecting and summarizing the data on the experimentation with streptomycin in Biggs Memorial when that drug was receiving prominent attention. His careful work with this plus his intelligent and conscientious performance of his professional obligations obtained for him a leave of absence for six months and an appointment to take a residency in internal medicine in Bellevue Hospital. He did creditable work there and returned to the staff at Biggs in October 1948. His graduate training has been in chest and X-ray work and has included work at Cornell Medical Center besides the work in Bellevue Hospital.

He gives full assent to the Evangelical Christian position, and has probably made his convictions felt more in respect to the question of alcohol having been a strong opponent to all liquor all through his medical career, both civilian and military. In his position, he frequently finds occasion to entertain. Other doctors have cocktail parties; but he serves tea and cookies and makes his parties so entertaining that more attend his than the others.

Dr. Wright has done some writing for the *Wesleyan Methodist* magazine on the medical issues from the standpoint of the Christian doctor. In the February 9 and February 16, 1949, issues appeared "A Doctor's Notes on Alcoholism." Why people drink, how the majority of alcoholics begin with the social drink, and that the government attitude is favorable to the use of alcoholic beverages, are shown; however alcohol is a poison to body, and the results of its use cost heavily.

"Should We Change Our Moral Standards?" is the question Dr. Wright asks and answers in December 15, 1948, *Wesleyan Methodist*. Pseudo-scientific books on sex are exposed, and a "comprehensive sex education stressing continence" is advocated. His conclusion is "that it is not new moral standards that we need but a renewed consciousness of what man is."

Color photography is his hobby. He works most of the time and does what reading he can, mostly medical; however, he is a student of history and likes to read about the Civil

War. He has visited many of the historical points such as Valley Forge and Gettysburg.

Their daughter Nancy Evelyn, born February 15, 1949, is the central interest of the Wrights.

Dr. Wright has good clinical ability; and so far, he has done better than hold his own in the terrific competition of the medical field. He has made rapid progress in the advancement since the war, and is now preparing for promotion to Medical Director of a hospital. He doesn't desire to enter private practice but would like to be associated with a Christian Institution.

Clubs Picnic; Elect Heads

As the end of the year approaches, various clubs on the campus have held their final meetings. Most of these have been an occasion for a picnic or party.

There was a special meeting of the Art Club on Tuesday, May 23 for the purpose of electing officers for next year.

On May 20 the members of the Science Club went to the University of Rochester where Dr. Peters lectured them on "Cosmic Radiation." There they saw the Rochester University cyclotrons. On the way to Rochester they enjoyed a picnic lunch at the Genesee Park.

The final meeting of the Psychology Club, held on May 17, included elections of officers, and the showing of a movie called *Dead End Kids*. Refreshments were served.

The Spanish Club held their last meeting on May 3 with a Weiner Roast at the creek. Elections of next year's officers were also held.

The Classical Society was served a buffet supper at the home of Prof. Stockin on May 17. Dick Schnorbus had charge of the entertainment, which consisted of a series of skits in which the participants wore Roman togas.

Officers were elected and softball was played by the members of the French Club at their last meeting at Wolf Creek in Letchworth Park. Refreshments were served.

May 3rd, Mr. Wesley Ashman, Ass't Superintendent of Kodak at Kodak Park, Rochester, spoke and showed slides to the I.R.C.

Finally, on May 19, Mr. Buell Fuller, a resident of the Western New York area spoke to the International Relations Club at their last meeting. Mr. Fuller told of his trip behind the Iron Curtain and showed colored slides of Germany, France and Switzerland.

JUNE 5th FEATURES

At Commencement exercises this year members of the first graduating class of Houghton college (1925) will be given a place of importance in the academic procession. Members of the class now in Houghton are Mrs. S. I. McMillen, Miss Josephine Rickard, Miss Rachel Davison and Mrs. Price Stark.

In addition to this Keith MacPherson and Robert Harter will receive their commissions in the Marine Corps.

Mr. Harter first joined the Marine Corps in July 1945 and was discharged in October 1946. He re-enlisted during his college term in May 1947 and attended the Marine Reserve Officers training program during the summers of 1948 and 1949.

Mr. MacPherson also enlisted in May 1947 and went to camp in the summers of 1947 and 1949.

WJSL PLANS SENIORS SCAN FUTURE EXPANSION

This semester Houghton's Pioneer Station WJSL, located in the FWA building, first went on the air under the direction of Robert Neumberger and faculty advisers Luckey and Wightman. The small studio and control room were finished and equipped with funds contributed by the student body through the activity fee. The new large studio is under construction and will be ready for use some time next year. Plans are under consideration for work on FM equipment which will widen the services and quality of production.

Many students gave considerable time and effort in establishing WJSL as an integral part of the campus activities. Edward Barsum was elected by the student body to succeed Robert Neumberger as station manager next year. Others elected to succeed present officers include Dick Schnorbus as program manager, Wesley Eismann as business manager, and Chester Rudd as chief engineer.

Care in presentation of good programs was exercised. Both transcriptions and live campus produced shows were used. Announcers, technical workers, and other staff members are all students who volunteer to give many hours in promoting the station and making it a success. Expansion and continued success depend primarily upon the interest and cooperation of the entire student body in the future.

The plans for the operation of the station next year include a wider broadcasting schedule and more of a variety of programs. Tentative programs include club sponsored shows, and educational units in close cooperation with the English Department. Church and chapel services will continue to be broadcasted; both throughout the summer and next year.

Senior Class Elects Organization Committee

The Class Organization Committee of the Class of '50 was elected on Tuesday morning after chapel. The function of the Committee is to organize a class letter and class reunions.

Donald Flint was chosen as chairman. Other committee members include Jo Fancher, Lynn Phillips, Ruth Krein and Mary Brunner.

The following list is far from all inclusive, but it will give you some idea of what some of the members of the present graduating class will be doing next year.

Eight senior men will commence studies at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. They are: Harold Blatt, William Calhoun, Jesse Deardorf, Brayton Gifford, Tony Lombardi, Philip Roddy, Charles Samuels, and Stanley Soderberg.

F. H. Wright Receives D. D.



At the annual Commencement Day exercises, June 5, Houghton College will honor its Emeritus Dean of Men and Chairman of the Division of Theology and Christian Education, Frank H. Wright, with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. With the conferring of the Doctorate Degree, Professor Wright will relinquish his office as chairman of the Theological Division to Dr. Claude A. Ries.

Professor Wright has been with the Houghton College faculty since 1921. Born the son of Rev. J. F. Wright at Hague, N. Y. in 1880, he received his early training at Mt. Herman, Mass. In 1905 he took the pastorate of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Acorn Hill, New York, and came to Houghton in 1907 to finish his high school studies. His college work, however, was not completed until 1914 at Oberlin where he took his A.B. degree. While at Houghton in those early years Professor Wright ministered to the American Indians at

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Five students will attend Dallas Theological Seminary in Texas, namely, Robert Bitner, Paul Clingen, John Mulholland, Willard Petrie and Robert Pritchett.

Henry Morris, Michael Shell and Neil Arnold will grace the campus at Asbury Seminary in Kentucky next semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morgan will further their missionary training at the National Bible Institute in New York City.

Paul Ellenberger etc. will attend the Missionary Training Institute at Nyack, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Atwater will live in Boston where Charles will undertake studies at Boston University in preparation for educational missionary work.

Houghton will be represented by four from the Class of '50 at Western Reserve, Cleveland, Ohio: Jo Fancher, Alberta Gibbs, Marjorie Helfers, and John Woodhams.

Shirley Reitz will go to summer school of linguistics at Oklahoma University, and Janice Walton will study at the Syracuse University School of Library Science. Wayne Gfroerer will earn his Bachelor of Science degree in zoology at Wheaton College. Ruth Winger will take a course in medical technology at the University of Pennsylvania. Geneva Daniels will remain at her alma mater next year, this time as instructor in botany. Janice Mote will attend the School of Education, University of Pittsburgh this summer and next year. Gladys Talbert will return to her home in the state of Virginia to teach a section of the seventh grade in Bassett. Merle Blowers will head south in the fall, for he is planning to teach in the high school at Southern Wesleyan Bible College in Florida. Martha Hartshorne will teach grades one to three in a Christian Day School at Trenton, New Jersey. Anne Rabenstein will be the first grade teacher in Whitesville, New York.

Mary Brunner will serve as pastor's assistant to the Rev. Conley of the Willet Memorial Wesleyan Methodist Church in Syracuse. Mildred Overrein will serve in the ministry within the Rochester Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Doris Wheaton is planning to teach in the vicinity of Dayton, Ohio.

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To Go Or Not To Go

By BRAYTON GIFFORD

Sometimes public opinion polls show things and sometimes they don't. Then again, sometimes they show things to be different than they appear on the surface. And it seems that this is what happened to our poll this time.

College men and women, we feel, should have much to say when their independence is questioned. A broad-minded attitude and a feeling of independence marks every college campus. These things are a part of education, the former being a product of the scientific method, and the latter a product of an untied apron string!

I approached our collegiate eds and co-eds with the question: "Should attendance be taken in the classroom or should the students feel free to come to class without compulsion?" The results show that they had much to say concerning their independence.

Digging into the complexities of teachers' attendance records, I found that the system of cuts and grades by which that complicated little mathematical figure called a grade-point index is computed, is dependent in part upon the class attendance sheet we pass around in some classes or the blue book which professors use.

The results are as follows: out of one hundred persons asked, little over half figured they could concede that attendance must be taken in classes.

The race was close, however, in that almost all of the others felt that no attendance should be taken and the remainder said that in some classes it should be required and in others not. Then there was the freshman who didn't quite get the significance of the question and answered, "Well, if the teacher didn't take attendance, how would she know if anyone were absent?"

Some of the reasons put forth for attendance taking in classes were that college men and women work best under pressure and should be checked on as often as class meets. Another reason is that only by daily attendance can accurate conclusions be drawn from tests given and grades recorded; therefore, to maintain this standard, attendance is made compulsory.

All faculty members who were polled wished to be recorded as being definitely in favor of compulsory attendance at classes. Typical of their

reactions was this comment: "The human race is such that they'll skip at every chance they get."

Those who reasoned that attendance should not be compulsory maintained that required attendance at classes and the feeling of obligation that it engenders stifles that feeling of interest and love that one develops for his studies. At least that is the gist of one senior's written reply. An underclassman feels that the students' "own interest and initiative will motivate a right attitude toward preparation and attendance." More reasons given included everything from the fact that college men and women should be of an age to feel responsibility to attend classes to the attitude — "What a wonderful holiday that would be!"

A number said that some classes should be made compulsory. One frosh maintained that it is a matter of degree in two respects: freshman and sophomore required courses should be attended under compulsion, or only the first and second year students names should be listed on the attendance roll in all courses. In that way, all upperclassmen would not be required to attend classes.

One of the faculty members had his eyes on the horizon when he said "All college students should be required to attend classes. However, there should be no such requirement in graduate school." Thus he implied that the age of responsibility has not quite grasped the collegiate mind to keep it in line. Perhaps he's right.

I thought that most men and women here at Houghton would be all for no required attendance. However, a poll shows different. Maybe we at Houghton know our frailties.

—HC—

SENIORS ENTERTAINED

The Anna Houghton Daughters' annual reception for the Senior class was held on Monday evening, May 22, from 8 to 10 p.m.

The students were received by faculty members and their wives. Miss Marian Bernhoft, head resident of the dorm introduced the students to the reception line.

Punch and cookies were served to the Seniors who attended.

JUROE LANDS BATTING TITLE

Leading the college in batting this year were the co-captains of the champion Purple squad, who finished in the select circle of the magic "400." They are Dave Juroe and Park Reed with a healthy .474 and .412 respectively. Norman Hostetter, who was not only the pitching star for Gold with three victories, but also their batting star, finished third in the final statistics. Over all, this was predominantly a pitcher's year which saw little batting punch. The team averages can well prove this point. As a team Purple averaged .238 and Gold an anemic .184. These averages include only the Purple-Gold games and not the Varsity-Frosh game. Listed below are the players who finished with an average of .200 or above:

PLAYERS:	AB	H	GP	AV
1. Juroe (P)	19	9	6	.474
2. Reed (P)	17	7	5	.412
3. Hostetter (G)	19	7	6	.368
4. Hunsberger (P)	23	8	7	.348
5. Eckler (P)	15	5	6	.333
6. P. Nast (G)	16	5	5	.313
7. Crocker (G)	20	6	6	.300
8. Zike (P)	17	5	5	.294
9. Trautman (G)	21	6	7	.286
10. Johnson (P)	9	2	5	.222
11. Alderman (P)	19	4	7	.210

Key: AB—Official times at bat

H—Hits

GP—Games played

AV—Batting Average

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LIBRARY APPEALS

If anyone knows the whereabouts of any of the following books, which have been lost by library patrons, the library would appreciate their prompt return:

Abbott. Impressions of Theodore Roosevelt.

Cummock. Choice readings.

Hart. The psychology of insanity. John Dewey Society. Yearbook. 3rd edition.

Lorenz. Church music.

Mason. Active games and contests.

Michigan. Sports for recreation.

McGraw. Prose and poetry series.

Peck. Economic thought and its historical background.

Stalkee. Life of Christ.

Vertical File Material. Nurses and nursing.

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Ladies Day Program . . .

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Following this the honors of the Purple-Gold track meet were given to the winners by Miss Krehbiel, and Dave Juroe gave us the latest sports news of both Houghton and abroad. The students then participated in the evening's entertainment by singing old favorites and hymns with Dick Dunbar as song leader. This was followed by a devotional period which included a recently released movie of the Protestant Film Commission entitled "Beyond Our Own."

The devotional committee of the W.Y.P.S. wishes to thank all the students who have participated in the Sunday evening meetings and have made them an inspiration to the Christian lives of those who have attended, thanking especially those who have spoken, and given vocal or instrumental assistance. Have a pleasant vacation, and we pray that you will continue to grow in fellowship with the Lord.

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Purple Pharaohs Triumph In Track - Field Meet

Despite the drizzly rain at the track on the Purple-Gold field day both the men's and women's division turned in a good showing. The following winners copped first, second, and third places. The time for only the first place winner is shown.

MEN'S DIVISION

One Mile: 1. Denny (G) (time: 4:51.1) 2. McCreary (P); 3. Lombardi (P)

100 Yd. Dash: 1. Stuart (G) (time: 10.7) 2. Horst (G) 3. Barnett (P)

120 High Hurdles: 1. Clemmer (G) (time: 20.3) 2. MacPherson (G) 3. Chambers (P)

440 Yd.: 1. Barnett (P) (time: 55.7) 2. Lombardi (P) 3. Banker (G)

220 Yd.: 1. Robinson (P) (time: 25) 2. Stuart (G) 3. Rounds (G)

Price, Fancher Win Athletic Honors

The Athletic Banquet on May 19 was the scene of the annual presentation of awards to those athletes who have earned letters.

This year's Sportmanship awards went to Jo Fancher and Dick Price. Big "H" letters in the women's division went to: Charmaine Lemmon

Field Hockey, '48; Basketball, '48-'49-'50; Track, '50.

Ruth Winger

Field Hockey, '49; Tennis, '49; Basketball, '49-'50.

There were no big "H" awards in the men's division this year. However, varsity letters were awarded to:

TRACK

Robert Barnett, '50; Robert Denny, '50; Ollie Dongell, '49, '50; Frank Horst, '50; Chas. Stewart, '50.

BASKETBALL

Steve Castor, '49; Robert Guest, '48, '49, Capt.; Norman Hostetter, '49; Chas. Hunsberger, '49; Allan Johnson, '49; Ian Lennox, '49; Max Nichols, '49; Robert Tiberio, '49; Milton Trautman, '49.

BASEBALL

Dick Alderman, '50; Don Eckler, '50; Oliver Dongell, '48, '49, '50; Norman Hostetter, '50; Chas. Hunsberger, '50; David Juroe, '46, '49, '50; Paul Nast, '47, '48, '49, '50; Ralph Nast, '50; Park Reed, '50; Jim Snyder, '49, '50; Milt Trautman, '49, '50.

Varsity letter winners in the women's division were:

BASKETBALL

Joyce Bown, '48, '49; Joan Carville, '48, '49; Claire Ejov, '49; Jo Fancher, '47, '48, '49, co-captain; Marilyn Gravink, '49; Charmaine Lemmon, '48, '49, co-captain; Annabelle Russell, '49; Edgard Wieschollek, '49; Ruth Winger, '49.

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Relay: 1. Stuart (G) (time: 1:53.4) 2. Denny (G) 3. Rounds (G)

Pole Vault: 1. Peterson (P) (height: 9.4 ft.) 2. Spencer (G) 3. Castor (G)

Javelin: 1. Dongell (G) (distance: 150.8 1/4 ft.) 2. Davis (P) 3. McClure (G)

Shot Put: 1. Dongell (G) (distance: 31.2) 2. Taylor (G) 3. Davis (P)

High Jump: 1. Banker (G) (height: 5.5 ft.) 2. Horst (G) and Peterson (P)

Discus: 1. Dongell (G) (distance: 93 ft. 8 in.) 2. Robinson (P) 3. Thomas (G)

Broad Jump: 1. Horst (G) (distance: 19 ft. 9 1/4 in.) 2. Davis (P) 3. Thomas (G)

WOMEN'S DIVISION

50 Yd. Dash: 1. Giles (P) (time: 6.9) 2. Phillips (P) 3. Gravink (P)

100 Yd. Dash: 1. Phillips (P) (time: 14.5) 2. Lemmon (G) 3. Gravink (P)

220 Yd. Dash: 1. Giles (P) (time: 32.4) 2. Lemmon (G) 3. Bjorkgren

Relay: 1. Bjorkgren (P) (time: 1:13.8) 2. Gravink (P) 3. Streeter (P) 4. Giles (P)

High Jump: 1. Bown (P) (height: 4 ft.) 2. Gravink (P) 3. Brunner (P)

Baseball Throw: 1. Bown (P) (distance: 152' 3") 2. Bjorkgren (P) 3. Brink (G)

Soccer Kick: 1. Bjorkgren (P) (distance: 81' 8 1/2") 2. Bown (P) 3. Krause (P)

Broad Jump: 1. Giles (P) (distance: 11' 8 1/2") 2. Lemmon (G) 3. Streeter (P)

Although the Gold men came out on top, the Gold women fell behind, thus clinching the meet for Purple.

TRACK

Betty Bjorkgren, '50; Joyce Bown, '49, '50; Charmaine Lemmon, '50; Marilyn Phillips, '50.

Varsity Managers Joanna Fancher, '50 and Walter Fitton, '50, as well as the following cheerleaders also received letters.

CHEERLEADERS

Dolores Cauwels, '50; Diana Krikorian, '50; Marilyn Phillips, '48, '49, '50; Barbara Woerner, '49, '50.

—HC—

Frank Wright . . .

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Red House, N. Y., and did mission work in the slum sections of Olean and Bradford, Pa. Also, his ministry in this area included a pastorate in the Higgins Wesleyan Methodist Church and the Hume Baptist Church at Hume, N. Y.

In 1921 he came to Houghton as Dean of Men and Dean of Theology. It was in these early days that Professor Wright felt led of the Lord to enter the lecture field on behalf of Prohibition. This is the only time he has entered the political ring.

In 1932 he took his B.D. degree at Alfred University, and in 1931 he was granted a Master of Arts degree after completion of his work at Winona Lake Institutions.

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