

## Med. School Entrance Test Will Be Given May 13

The Medical College Admission Test, required of applicants by a number of leading medical colleges throughout the country, will be given twice again during the current calendar year, according to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the test for the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Candidates may take the MCAT on Saturday, May 13, 1950, or on Monday, November 6, 1950, at administrations to be held at more than 300 local centers in all parts of the country. The Association of American Medical colleges, through its Committee on Student Personnel Practices, recommends that candidates for admission to classes starting in the fall of 1951 take the May test. The results will then be available to institutions in the early fall when many medical colleges begin the selection of their next freshman class.

The MCAT consists of tests of general scholastic ability, a test on understanding of modern society, and an achievement test in science. According to ETS, no special preparation other than a review of science subjects is necessary. All questions

are of the objective type.

Application forms and a Bulletin of Information, which gives details of registration and administration, as well as sample questions, are available from pre-medical advisers or directly from Educational Testing Service, Box 592, Princeton, N. J. Completed applications must reach the ETS office by April 29 and October 23, respectively, for the May 13 and November 6 administrations.

## Winter Sports Pictures Shown In College Chapel

The thinly snow-covered hills of Houghton were forgotten for the moment, as spectators viewed the skilled acrobats of winter enthusiasts in "Sun Valley Spring Ski Chase," "Sun Valley Holiday," and "Winter in New York State," shown in the chapel Friday evening, Jan. 3. There were several other movies concerning American economic life, dealing with mass production of houses and the cost and problems in the distribution of goods.

## Curtains For Chiang Kai-shek

BY CHARLES STUART

It is with no little interest that many Americans today are looking at the Far Eastern situation, and in their own minds pondering the complicated affair, and wondering just what can be done now so long after the horse appears to have been stolen.

The world has witnessed, since the conclusion of World War II in China, open warfare between the forces of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek on the one hand and the Chinese Red forces of Mao-Tse-tung on the other. This outbreak of hostilities was not a new development, but rather the revival of long strife between the two forces. It was hoped that, with the defeat of Japan, China could unite her forces and perhaps take her place among the family of nations.

The Allied powers, the United States in particular, sought to put this hope into concrete form when General George Marshall was appointed by President Truman as a neutral representative in the Chinese affair. His principal aim was to bring the two sides together around the conference table in an effort to bring about a satisfactory solution. General Marshall's sincere and honest efforts on behalf of peace in China were all in vain, however, for in the fall of 1946, negotiations between the Kuomintang and the Communists broke off, and civil war once again was ignited in North China and Manchuria.

During the past year, the world has witnessed the spread of Communism in China and the seemingly hopeless plight of Chiang Kai-shek's forces today. The Generalissimo's government is relegated to the island of Formosa, and his number of dependable supporters is rapidly diminishing. With the refusal of aid from the United States in an effort to hold Formosa, it is generally conceded that his position there will be seized just as soon as the Communists feel ready to launch an amphib-

ious operation.

Just where is the line going to be drawn on the spread of Communism? Some are insistent that the United States call a halt now and see to it that Formosa is kept on this side of the curtain. The opposite stand, that of our State department, is a definite "hands off" policy, designed to do nothing that would provoke hostilities between the East and West.

Arguments can be given for both sides of the situation, but, unfortunately, it is a debatable subject whether our present stand in the matter is the position which a nation of our caliber should take. I will not attempt to answer that question, nor will I try my hand at predicting any future consequences which will result as an aftermath of our position.

My main objective in this column for the next few weeks will be to seek to give just a little of the background and history of China, so that perhaps we can see a few of the reasons why China is in the position she is today. It is true that not the entire situation in China today can be attributed to events which took place years ago, but it is an established fact that the seeds of much of the fruit that is being harvested today were sown decades ago, in a large measure by our own country.

## Dorm Serves Pancakes For Festival Breakfast

A most unusual breakfast was devoured by students last Saturday morning between nine and eleven when pancakes, sausages, maple syrup, coffee, butter, and tomato juice were donated by Pillsbury Company, Vermont Maid, Mr. Chester Barker, and Mr. Howard Eyler for Houghton's first winter festival.

Between 11 and 12 o'clock, many organizations were setting up displays in the Science building for competition in the afternoon.

## March of Dimes Finishes Campaign

In the local March of Dimes campaign, \$79.96 has been received so far, revealed Mrs. A. H. O'Neill, wife of college junior Alfred O'Neill.

Serving as local representative for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Mrs. O'Neill expects a final return of about \$90. Most of this will be turned in by the college.

One-half of the funds collected go to the local Wellsville chapter, of which Houghton is a part, and one-half to the national foundation. If a local chapter needs extra funds, the national foundation provides what is necessary. Little red tape is involved in securing aid for those afflicted by the disease.

Having begun on Jan. 15, the campaign concluded on Feb. 1. Many aided in house-to-house canvassing.

## Kleinhan's Offers Students Cut-Rates

Kleinhan's Music hall, Buffalo, N. Y., is making an outstanding offer to students during the latter part of this season.

As a special offer they are presenting concerts which may be attended for the price of the ticket tax only. This is 20% of the entire ticket price, which means that tickets may be bought for \$.36, \$.48, and \$.72.

The performers for these concerts will be Andries Roodenburg, violinist, Jan. 15 and 17; the Leventritt Award Winner, (piano), Feb. 5 and 7; Sir Ernest MacMillan, guest conductor, Buffalo Philharmonic, March 5 and 7; Seymour Lipkin, pianist, March 19 and 21.

## Treasure Hunters Find Candy Bars

Candy bars were the reward for Houghton students and faculty members last Saturday afternoon at the end of the treasure hunt.

All students and faculty members were divided into groups which left the Luckey Memorial building for a tramp through the woods and over the hills. Finally, each group found its way back to the Luckey Memorial building where their rewards were waiting for them.

Joanne Ludwig played three violin solos at the special baked ham dinner served that evening.

## Mock Jury Tries Prof. Nelson

After the third motion picture on Friday night, Feb. 3, a scream was heard from the balcony, and in a few minutes Judge Arthur Rupprecht and clerk Kenneth Post were walking down the aisle to set up a mock trial.

Three suspects, Betty Barndoll, Robert Dow, and Betty Buddle, were called to the platform and questioned by the prosecuting attorney, Robert Dingman. Professor Marvin O. Nelson was called to the court as the final suspect, and John Zavitz came forth as the defense attorney. An unbiased jury (all psychology majors) was called from the audience.

Neither attorney could obtain satisfactory answers from the suspect, and Mrs. Nelson and John Gilliland were brought to the stand as witnesses.

## Talent Program Stars In Festival Weekend

A dramatic monologue and vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles were combined with pumpkin pie, popcorn and getting Professor Hall out of bed in WJSL's dual program of talent and truth or consequences, Feb. 4.

The result was a balanced presentation of serious and lighter entertainment climaxing Houghton's first winter festival.

In the individual class, John Eliason, first prize winner, received a wrist watch, donated by Barker's, for his performance of a narrative in monologue form.

A high school sophomore, David Evans, is entitled to \$10 of sundaes, sodas and milkshakes from the Inn and a \$5 orchid from Campbell's as second prize winner. He played Rachmaninoff's "Prelude in C Sharp Minor," a piano solo.

Virginia Sell, third place, received a book ends and a leather bound picture album from the college bookstore for her marimba solos entitled "A Rhapsody Fantasy" and "Flight of the Bumble Bee."

Group winners were: first place, a trombone quartet, consisting of Paul Dekker, Norm Jones, John Dilling and Stan Morris, playing Stan's arrangement of "Down by the Old Mill Stream"; second, variations and comment on the Thrive Song with Phil Goodman and Jean Gross.

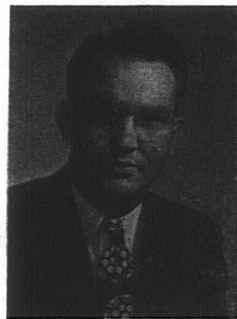
## Conferees Discuss Dorm Construction

A meeting of the committee which has charge of the construction of the new girls' dormitory met Monday evening, Jan. 30, at the college.

Mr. Decker, a member of the committee, is associated with the Decker Construction company of Elmira, N. Y., and he will be the supervising contractor. Mr. Olsen, also on the committee, is an alumnus of Houghton college. He will be the building foreman. It is the hope of the administration that construction will begin by April 1.

Other members of the committee are: Mr. Ellsworth Decker, Mr. Lawrence Olsen, Miss Elizabeth Beck, Mr. Everett Gilbert, Dr. Stephen Paine, and Mr. Willard Smith.

The committee was entertained for dinner at the dining hall and then held their conference in President Paine's office to discuss plans for the construction of the dormitory.



The decision of the jury was guilty, and the suspect was sentenced to be hung.

as the Moylan Sisters; and third, a combination of numbers with Lillian McAdams and Paul Raszmann singing and playing the ukulele and guitar.

The quartet received four Parker pencils from Cott's. Jean and Phil won \$10 contributed by Dr. Fero and \$5 credit at Houghton Cleaners.

Lillian and Paul received book ends from the Word Bearer Press; shampoo from the College Barber Shop; \$3 shoe repair service at Panich Shoe Shop; and \$3 credit for car service from the Laughton and the West garages.

Other entrants were Dick Trounman, playing a saxophone solo; La Verne Whitman, singing "Rose Marie"; Micky Stratton, singing "Slumber on My Little Gypsy Sweetheart"; Homer Cornish, playing a trumpet solo; and a barber shop quartet comprised of Ed Foot, Paul Nast, Clarence Martin, and Ed German.

Lois Karger, Art Rupprecht, Joe Wharton, Ruth Fink, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Seyfert were participants in the truth or consequences activities. Dick Schnorbus acted as master of ceremonies with Bob Nueemberger and Bob Harter assisting.

Mrs. Seyfert threw a pumpkin pie at her husband, who ducked. The pie splattered in the direction of the audience, but no one was seriously injured. Professor Hall was awakened by Lois Karger and Art Rupprecht who persuaded him to come to the talent show. Joe Wharton sold popcorn to the audience.

An applause meter was used in judging contestants.

## Literary Contest Terminates March 1

Come on, all you budding Sinclair Lewises and Emily Dickinsons! It's time to start working on an entry for the annual literary contest.

First, second, and third prizes are to be awarded in each of three classes: short stories, essays, and poems. The *Lantern* will publish the prize-winning entries as well as other exceptionally good entries.

The contest is not limited to students now taking an English course, so think up your idea right away in order to meet the March 1 deadline.

Houghton's co-eds have an added incentive to enter the contest this year, according to *Lantern* editor June Dukeshire.

The best short story written by a girl will be sent in to the College Fiction Contest sponsored by *Mademoiselle*. The two winning stories chosen by *Mademoiselle* will be published in the August 1950 issue of *Mademoiselle*, and the winners will each receive \$500 for all rights.

## Storage Shed Erected

Has your curiosity been aroused by the building going up behind the Pantry? The business office tells us that it is being built as a storage place for the equipment used by the maintenance crew. This will make room for the tools that are now in the Fine Arts hall, so that it will be possible to finish that building.

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## Hydrogen Bomb--What Next?

Like the horse and buggy, the plutonium bomb is now old-fashioned and puny. The streamlined "super-bomb"—a hydrogen-fueled thermonuclear weapon many times as powerful—is the latest thing.

Although still in the drawing board stage, the H-bomb is perfectly feasible in theory, and most scientists agree that it is practical. Its atomic action is the reverse of the A-bomb in which plutonium is used. The A-bomb is a process of splitting an atom, which splitting releases high amounts of energy. This process is called fission. But the H-bomb is the process of fusion, of building up an atom into a heavier one to make a new element. Really, the "super-bomb" builds up atoms of hydrogen, the lightest and simplest element, into atoms of helium, a heavier gas; such an operation goes on in the sun all the time.

But the difficulty has always been to generate heat comparable to that produced by the sun—up to 20 million degrees centigrade. However, the production of the atom bomb solved this problem, for it could be used as a trigger for the H-bomb; its heat would fuse atoms of hydrogen into heavier atoms of helium.

At a cost of \$2,000,000 or more, this terrifying weapon can be produced within two years. One thousand times as powerful as the A-bomb, it would have a destructive range 10 times as great—13 miles, and an area of devastation 100 times as great—530 square miles or an area greater than that of Los Angeles.

The United States could have started to develop the hydrogen bomb as far back as 1945, for once the A-bomb was built, there was really no formidable obstacle in the way. Numerous reasons existed for not beginning work on the H-bomb immediately, but the primary reason was moral. Officials and atomic experts were appalled by the scope of death and destruction released by the A-bomb, and were horrified by the idea of developing an even more murderous instrument. Another deterring factor was our sole possession of the A-bomb and the probability of Russia's not being able to produce one before 1952. However, on Friday, Sept. 23, President Truman announced an explosion of atomic nature in Russia, which later turned out to be a real A-bomb test.

With this announcement, the greatest armament race in all history gathered momentum; our atomic monopoly was gone. Officials and atomic experts again started to consider the possibility of producing the hydrogen bomb, this time without the security of sole atomic possession, and under the threat of possible atomic attack.

Harry Truman, in an effort to retain the lead in the race for armament, issued a formal statement on Jan. 31, directing the Atomic Energy commission to work on the "super-bomb." But the hope for a secure lead was shattered by the arrest of Dr. Fuchs as a Russian spy this week.

What comes next: international control of atomic energy or an all-out war to exterminate the enemy? We hope the former, but cannot help observing that previous efforts have been fruitless because of the refusal of one nation. The "end time" may be closer than was previously supposed. Men are forced to think of meeting imminent death and God. Is the thought trite? Truth often is.

"For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away."

## Pre-Med Club Visits Hospital

Monday, January 6, 20 members of the Pre-Medical club visited the medical school of the University of Rochester at Strong Memorial hospital.

The three carloads of Houghton students arrived early in the afternoon, and were first allowed to attend a lecture on neurology being given to the medical students. The responses of a patient, a victim of hemiparesis, or shock, were tested and then discussed.

Following the lecture, they visited the physiology, bacteriology, pathology, and several other labs of the pre-clinical students. The students were also taken through a sample ward of both Strong Memorial and Municipal hospitals, and through the operating rooms, although they saw no surgery.

Frank Toozie, who was graduated from Houghton college in June '49 and is now attending medical school at the University of Rochester, made arrangements with Dean Whipple for the visit of the club.

## Master Mottoes

I had a motto once. I hung it in my room one spring and read it sometime the following fall. If anyone had asked me in between what color it was, I could have told them—I would have hoped they did not ask the words. There are those people, though, who have a favorite saying and who strive to live up to it. Some students on another Christian campus gave the following as some they had:

Plan your work; work your plan.  
 People who use the most time have the most time.

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## Photography Club Elects Officers

On Feb. 6, Monday evening, the Photography club elected the following officers: President, Leonard C. Jeffreys; Vice-president, Leonard Hallman; Sec-Treas., Glenna McClure; Chaplain, Lola Jones.

In a meeting in S-21 at 7:30, it was proposed that a coverage of all sports and activities of the campus be made. Dr. Bert Hall was chosen advisor.

## Letters to the Editor . . .

DEAR EDITOR:

To those responsible, I should like to say thank you for eliminating the soft coal smoke which formerly smudged the campus.

Ronald Neidrauer

This is the copy of a part of a letter received in Houghton a short time ago.

Dear—

Today, I received a beautiful hammered silver dish from Germany. It was inscribed, "In Dankbarkeit Matthew 25:40," ("Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.") with the signatures of a German pastor, wife, and six children. I shed a few tears as I read the enclosed note. The dish was a wedding present. Because they had no money to buy a gift, they had sent a treasure of their own. Naturally, it is doubly valuable to me now.

You are probably saying, "What has this to do with me?" I believe it was in 1933 you and I passed on the street one day. I had gone a few steps past, when you called me back and gave me five dollars. I do not have the words to tell you what it meant to me. I asked you how I could repay you, and you told me

Superficiality with a capital "S" is the predominant note of the present day. As the black, foreboding clouds foretell the impending storm, so surface thinking is usually the harbinger of crooked thinking, and few, inside the church or without, have learned to substitute the shovel for the rake. The offer of "a penny" for some people's thoughts is highway robbery, for the worth of the copper in comparison is about one-hundred to one in its favor. Like robins, they feed best when the worms are on the surface. They poke fun at the mole for his burrowing habits, while they themselves are moldy from constant exposure to the outer elements. It is better to be alive and useful underground than to be dead and rotting above it. Curiosity may have killed the cat, but it won't do any harm to the man who will put it to good use. It was probably the cat's poor eyes and not his curiosity at all that ruined him.

He who sees sharp, will seldom be flat, and keen eyes are often the products of a keen and active mind. He who scratches the surface will see the tip of his nose and no farther, and if he follows what he sees, he will be in the predicament that the average man is now in.

I can think of no better motto around which not only these jottings, but the entire new year should revolve, than that which was given to me by my mother some years ago. She said, "Whatever you do, be sure of one thing—that you 'lay your ax to the roots.'" Get to the bottom of things. Trace every effect to its most certain cause in so far as that is possible, and lay the ax there, letting the chips fly where they will.

The world has fallen short at this point. Experience may teach many lessons, but that is no sign that we learn by experience. Experience demands proper interpretation, which in turn demands proper thinking, and the only thinking worthy of the name is that which "lays its ax to the roots." The little boy who tried to cure his toothache by drinking cold water and sitting on a stove until it should boil, would benefit little by his experience

## Pause to Ponder

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if he blamed his misery upon the cold water. Chaos is not the result of collective ignorance but individual sin. The remedy is not education but Christ. The muddy river, in this case, does not stem from a pure source. Rotten fruit—rotten tree. Like heart—like life. Lions don't bleat. Remember, Ferdinand was the exception and not the rule. Value, to the world, is in terms of the tangible; reality in terms of the here and now; immortality, if recognized, in terms of doing, not being. Hope is attained by faulty rationalization, for true reasoning would reveal the instability of their foundations. In short, to make bare the roots would soon destroy the world's optimism. Blue and black do not give pink.

But the churches are guilty of shallow thinking as well. We condemn the man who gripes about the church, but if we would "lay our ax to the roots," we might possibly stop giving him so much to gripe about (chronic gripes excluded). We question the moody "Hamlets" who seem somewhat uncooperative and rebellious, but Hamlet saw things in Denmark that the average person did not see. The man who sits in the business meetings is often less enthused about the church's program, and more outspoken in his opinions than they who merely occupy the pew on Sundays—and sometimes reasonably so. It is an evidence of superficial thinking to brand a possible prophet as a mere rabble-rouser. The churches have too often played into the hands of the smooth, urbane, winsome, and gracious spider, who always had a good word for the preacher, a slap on the back for a job well done or otherwise, and have left the warning, but sometimes desky, fly to go unheeded because he seemed to disturb the "peace" at a time when peacefulness was held to be the highest virtue in the church.

## Leffingwell - Worman

Professor and Mrs. G. E. Leffingwell, Millersville, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Claire Jean, (ex '49) to William G. Worman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Worman, West Lampeter, Pa.

Miss Leffingwell is a former music major of Houghton college.

## Student Ministers Discuss Politics

"What part does politics play in the pulpit?" The topic was discussed in the meeting of the Student Ministerial association on Wednesday night at 7:30 in room S-27. Brayton Gifford, Stanley Soderberg, and Orville Lawrence each spoke for seven minutes, after which time members of the club presented questions to the speakers. Charles Samuels, president of the club, acted as arbitrator. The group all fully agreed that the Christian minister must inevitably face and deal with political issues in a direct manner.

Special mention was made at the meeting of a special meeting to be held in May, when Dr. William Ward Ayer will give an address on Catholicism. The emphasis this year in the Student Ministerial association has been on the issues that confront the Christian Church as a whole: Dr. Josephine Rickard addressed the club on the Palestine question in October, and Professor J. Whitney Shea spoke on communism in the November meeting.

## "Think On These Things"

BY CHARLES SAMUELS

Oh, that God would speak! This desire may spring from the mind of modern man, buried pitilessly in an endless maze of perplexing problems. Certainly the desire for certainty is a universal hope.

Is there not a divine Intelligence guiding all existence? Does such a being not love man? Would He not, in His wisdom and power, reveal to man that which is essential?

But the Christian need not take concern for what God ought to have done. Indeed, it is foolish for man to face his Maker and try to exact justice. Furthermore, the truth is: God has spoken. He has, in His providence and sovereignty, given man the gift of revelation, of which Christ is the center.

Yes, God has revealed Himself in various ways throughout the ages. In a fragmentary manner, his creation reveals Himself—His creativity, beauty, and wisdom. His Spirit convicts men of sin, righteousness, and judgment. He revealed Himself to the children of Israel by His dealings. He spoke through the word of the prophets. Finally, the completion and consummation of revelation rests in the person of Christ the Redeemer. Christ—the hope of all ages, the center of history, the bridge into eternity! It is significant also that the gospel of Christ was completed not by Christ, but by the apostles.

God has given to us not only revelation, but He has also endowed us with the gift of reason. Reason is a necessary complement to revelation. But has not human reason rebelled against revelation? Has not reason been a curse as well as a blessing to mankind? Man cannot know God personally through his independent reasonings. Sages and philosophers who have relied on the gift of reason have been "Ever learning, and never able to come to the

knowledge of the truth." (II Tim. 3:7).

True, reason of its own is insufficient. When reason is given first place, it is destructive. For then it usurps the place of revelation, which is primary. Reason is secondary, yet essential and inescapable. For it is only through reason—using the term to denote all our means of understanding—that we can receive God's revelation. Therefore, when reason finds its proper place in respect to revelation, it is honored and blessed of God. Thus reason itself is right, pure, and holy. However, man because of sin has misused this great gift.

Just what value has all this "reasoning"? Does it merely serve the purpose of vindicating our own beliefs, seeing where others have failed? We do have grounds for rejoicing because of God's triumphant gift of revelation, but perhaps there are considerations applicable to our practice. First, if we try to escape using God's gift of reason, we will likely use it poorly, and hence miss the full blessings of reason and also revelation. Second, we have no right to trust our snap judgments and unwarranted intuitional feelings in situations which demand intensive deliberation and waiting upon God. Third, we will honor God by laying stress on the essential doctrines of the Christian faith, giving our personal ideas and convictions lesser importance, however precious they may be. It is almost painful to realize that many of our beliefs about sacred and divine matters are really products of our own reason. More important than our personal opinions about Christ is the acceptance of Christ Himself as our Redeemer.

An individual always has personal opinions about Christ before accepting Him. Thus, acceptance is inextricably linked with opinions. Yet each of these things can and should be delegated its proportional significance.

## Faculty Participates In Extra Curricular Activities

Did you think that college professors were all both absent-minded and narrowed down to just one thing—their immediate school duties? On the contrary, many of them give much time to public service.

"Dr. Paine—where is he? When will he be back?" These are questions frequently heard about the campus, in classrooms, and the president's office. As President of the National Association of Evangelicals he has an executive committee meeting approximately every three months and is in charge of the annual convention to be held in April. He is a member of the joint commission of the Wesleyan and Free Methodist churches, which is working out a union of the two denominations. He is also on the board of directors of the Genesee Memorial hospital at Fillmore and of the Bi-county Bible club. Besides all this, he is kept busy with speaking engagements from Chicago to Boston.

Willard G. Smith, business manager, is chairman of the board of directors of the Fillmore hospital, which is supported by five townships. He is a member of the board of education of the Fillmore Central school and also chairman of the fire commissioners of Caneadea township.

The position of justice of the peace for Caneadea township gives Allen R. Smith, manager of the college press, a seat on the town board. He also fills the positions of notary public and president of the local fire company.

The establishment of a duplicate

set of herbarium sheets of the plants of Letchworth State park is under the supervision of Miss Crystal L. Rork, professor of botany, and Mr. Frederick Short, landscape architect of the park. Over a period of two years \$500 has been provided by the Genesee State park commission for these sets—one of which will be stored in the new park office, the other in the botany department.

Miss Frieda A. Gillette, professor of history, is one of four on the local election board, which is composed of two from each party. It is the duty of these members to help voters register for the primary and general elections and to aid those who need help to manipulate the voting machine, such as elderly people, the blind and the crippled. Miss Gillette is also a member of the Allegany county Health and Tuberculosis association.

The faculty is well represented in the Boy Scouts organization. Bert H. Hall, instructor in philosophy, is scoutmaster; George R. Wells, instructor in physical education, is a troop committee member; and Gordon Stockin, professor of Greek, is the institutional representative.

H. LeRoy Fancher, professor of German, is one of the school directors of the district, whose duty is to fill the position of district superintendent when a vacancy occurs.

Robert R. Luckey of the mathematics department is one of the assessors of the township of Caneadea and is in the fire department.

## "Sonnetitus"

Some hundred students or more on the campus have come in contact with a new disease called "Sonnetitus" which seems to be most prevalent in those classes taught by Professor Stone. In fact, every member in some of these classes seems to have become infected in one way or another. The symptoms are not always the same, but some of the most common seem to be:

1. General conversation carried on in metered feet.
2. Euphuistic (refer to Prof. Hazlett) conversation.
3. What appears to be an attempt to relearn the alphabet as: a b a b c d c d e f e f, etc.
4. Frequent dates with Shakespeare, Milton, Petrarch and other buddies.
5. Sometimes association between a boy and girl called a "heroic couplet."

The effects are many and varied according to susceptibility or resistance, mental or otherwise. A few seem to be affected permanently, but the majority find relief instantly upon completion of a written draft of fourteen lines such as the following:

Oh, could I be a poet for a day,  
With my imagination much aflame,  
To capture lofty thoughts that would obey  
My every wish and help me to proclaim,  
To all the world the feelings that within  
My breast recline—emotions that in vain  
Would burst asunder, then indeed to win  
A victory o're pent up stoppage—most insane!  
And could I with a captivating style,  
Display the hidden powers of my mind,  
And could I conjure up (but for awhile)  
Some vivid images both strong and kind,  
I'd write a wondrous sonnet even now  
And prove to Mr. Stone that I know how.

The sequel to the whole thing is—as the saying goes—it doesn't affect me—affect me—affect me—affect me.



## Buffoonery

Friend—"Ah, professor, I hear your wife has had twins. Boys or girls?"

Prof. (absent-minded)—"Well, I believe one is a girl, and one a boy, but it may be the other way around."

Beggar—"Have you got a nickel for a cup of coffee?"

Student—"Oh, I'll manage somehow thank you."

Mr. Jones—"The timid looking young man, 'er—ah—that is, can—er—I—will you—"

"Why, yes, my boy, you may have her," smiled the girl's father.

The young man gasped.

"What's that? Have whom?" he asked.

"My daughter, of course," replied Jones. "That's what you mean. You want to marry her, don't you?"

"Why, no," said the young man. "I just wanted to know if you could lend me \$10."

"Certainly not!" said Jones sharply. "Why, I hardly know you."

A Scot was engaged in an argument with a conductor as to whether the fare was 25 or 30 cents. Finally, the disgusted conductor picked up the Scot's suitcase and tossed it off the train just as they were crossing over a bridge.

"Mon," screamed the Scot, "it isn't enough that you try to overcharge me, but now you try to drown my little boy."

He—"Say something soft and sweet to me."

She—"Custard pie."

There was a young fellow named Hall  
Who fell in the spring in the fall;  
I would have been a bad thing  
If he'd died in the spring,  
But he didn't—he died in the fall.

Young woman (on sleighride, hinting)—"Nobody loves me; and my hands are cold."

Obtuse Swain—"Oh, that's all

right. God loves you and your mother loves you—and you can sit on your hands."

"My, what a strange-looking cow!" exclaimed the sweet young thing from the city. "But, why hasn't she any horns?"

"Wal, you see," said the farmer patiently, "some cows we de-horn, and some cows is born without horns and never has 'em, and some cows shed 'em. There's lots of reasons why some cows ain't got horns. But the reason that cow ain't got horns is, she ain't a cow . . . she's a mule."

Summer Visitor—"I do hope you keep cows in a pasture."

Milkman—"Yes, madam, of course we keep them in a pasture."

Summer Visitor—"I'm so glad to hear that. I have been told that pasteurized milk is much the safest."

"Darling," said the poor young man, when the subject of marriage came up, "you know I love you, but marriage is—just impossible. Why I couldn't keep a canary."

"Of course, you could, dear," the girl declared firmly. "I just love them."

The young couple were finding out about the joys of a joint bank account.

"The bank has returned your last check," said the husband grimly.

"Goody," gurgled the bride. "What should I buy with it next?"

A motorist stopped in at a little restaurant late one evening, and ordered a cup of coffee.

"Without cream," he added, as the waitress headed for the kitchen.

Presently the waitress came scurrying back, empty-handed and apologetic.

"I'm awfully sorry, sir," she said. "There is no more cream. Do you mind having it without milk?"

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## Backboards

BY STEVE



With soph jackets arriving in the afternoon, and a basketball championship in the evening, the sophomores, in general, seem to be pretty well-pleased with the whole situation.

True, the girls of '52 tripped again over their ever-present stumbling block, the juniors, but still, the loss does not eliminate the possibility (only the probability) of the sophs' sweeping the inter-class series.

In winning over the sophs, the junior girls not only threw the girls' league into a tie for first place, but also firmly demonstrated to the sophs for the second time that they had the "mostest of the bestest." Of course, one look at the score book would create some doubt about the outcome of the playoff game, since the junior girls twice lost to the senior girls, who, in turn, lost both games to the sophs.

The soph men, on the other hand, clinched the championship and avenged their one defeat by upsetting the junior men 52-44 last Friday night, and in doing so saved Coach Wells the confusion of playoffs between the three top teams. From the first whistle, the sophs (and I hope I am not too one-sided) played better basketball than the upperclassmen. Undoubtedly, they worked together as a team better than they have since the Christmas holidays. A quick look at the box scores proves the point, since each member of the first string had four field goals, (excepting Bob Tiberio, who more than made it up both defensively and offensively).

Scoring honors were divided between Captain Chuck Hunsberger and Al Johnson (as usual) for the sophomores, and Max Nichols (also as usual) for the juniors with 12 points apiece.

In behalf of the soph men's squad, I would like to say a sincere "thank you" to Dane Turner for his efforts as coach. Win, lose, or draw—without Dane to coordinate and direct the team, they would not have gotten to first base, much less the inter-

class championship.

Class spirit (say the seniors) has gone way up this year. And I can't think of anybody who deserves the blame more than the cheerleaders. While I'm giving out with the commendations, congratulations, and the like, I would like to extend heartfelt condolences to the juniors and the frosh who just missed out on a three-way tie for first place and another crack at the interclass crown.

As we look ahead to the Purple-Gold series, the situation looks just about the same as it did last year. Gold has virtually all the talent, and Purple barely enough to scrape up a starting five. But if Gold has all the talent, Purple has all the "scrap," because they have won the series for four consecutive years.

If last year's series can be used as an indication, then the contest will be "individual play" vs. "team play." And good team play almost invariably wins out against good individual play. Perhaps the story will be different this year. If so, we can look forward to a color series as close and nerve-racking as the recent class series. Let's hope that such will be the case.

### Mottoes...

(Continued from Page Two)

The educated man is the man who can do the task that ought to be done, whether he feels like it or not.

The door of success swings on the hinges of opposition.

You can borrow brains, but you can't borrow character.

It's not a disgrace to fail, but a disgrace to do less than your best.

God has enough ability for both of us.

God doesn't want all chandeliers, but some back hall lights.

When we waste time we are only existing, but when we use it for the Lord, we are then living.

Now that I see what others are trying to live up to, I think I'll try again. Want to join me?

## Steaders Lead House League

House league is roaring into its last games of the year in fine pugilistic style.

After some seven rousing "rounds" of basketball, league standings have changed considerably. With the exception of the Homesteaders, currently leading the pack, the teams which were on top last year have taken rather decisive dives for the lesser half of the league.

Until Saturday, Feb. 4, Burfords and Homesteaders had been battling neck-and-neck, matching each other win for win, in their struggle for league leadership. Then, each team boasting a record of 5 wins and no losses, they met, and the Homesteaders emerged victorious, 31-14.

Three players have dumped in enough counters to be rated as outstanding. Bob McClure is setting the pace with almost 112 points for the season. Trailing him are Johnny Thornton with 102 counters and Ted Hazlett with 97. Chuck Scott went wild under the basket for Hazlett house, and scored 31 points to set the high mark for the year.

House league standings to date are as follows:

Homesteaders	6	0
Burfords	5	1
McKinley House	4	2
Barnett House	4	2
Barnett Cottage	3	2
Hazlett House	3	3
Bowen Bears	3	3
Twin Spruce	1	6
Old Tucker House	5	5.5*
High School J. V.'s	5	5.5*

\*Double Forfeit

### Purple-Gold Schedule

Feb. 22	Purple—Gold
March 1	Purple—Gold
March 3	Purple—Gold
March 8	Purple—Gold
March 10	Purple—Gold
March 15	Varsity—Frosh
March 17	Varsity—Alumni

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## Soph Men Top Juniors To Win Championship

The sophomore basketball team officially ended interclass competition by topping the junior men, 50-42, last Friday evening, Feb. 3.

Both teams were slow getting

started, but the sophs gained a slim lead of three points by the end of the first quarter. Narrow though the margin was, it was never relinquished by the sophs whose zone defense forced the juniors to make most of their shots from the outside.

### Hunsberger Scores

In the second frame, both teams played faster and better basketball, but captain Charlie Hunsberger dumped in two consecutive set-shots to give the soph squad a five point lead, 25-20, at the half.

The sophs went on a scoring spree in the beginning of the third quarter and used an effective fast break to build up a twelve point lead. They soon cooled off, however, when the juniors switched from a man-to-man to a zone defense, and the quarter ended with the score favoring the sophs 38-31.

### Individual Scoring

In the last quarter, as in the others, the sophs outscored the juniors. Max Nichols brought his individual score up to 12 points for the game to share scoring honors with Al Johnson and Charlie Hunsberger.

The sophs, considerably frightened by an unexpected number of set shots by the juniors, froze the ball for the last minute of the game effectively enough to defeat the juniors by a final score of 50-42, and to clinch the interclass championship for the '49-'50 season.

### BOX SCORE

JUNIORS:	G	F	T
Hostetter	2	2	6
Lederhouse	0	0	0
Nichols	4	4	12
Arbitter	0	0	0
Troutman	5	1	11
Nast	0	1	1
Vining	2	0	4
Lennox	2	0	4
Totals	15	8	48
SOPHOMORES:	G	F	T
Carville	2	2	6
Russell	7	3	17
Knapp	5	0	10
Lemmon	0	0	0
Ejov	0	0	0
Totals	14	5	33

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