

# Soulima Stravinsky, Pianist, Presents Fifth Concert of Artist Series



Soulima Stravinsky, a well-known artist and composer, will be presented in the Houghton college chapel on Friday evening, March 9, on the Artist Series program.

Mr. Stravinsky is the son of the famous Igor Stravinsky. Mr. Stravinsky has appeared many times in joint concerts with his father. During his own career as a concert artist, Soulima has been recognized as an outstanding interpreter of his father's compositions.

Last spring, Stravinsky toured Europe, appearing in Paris, London, Brussels, Zurich, Barcelona, Rome, Vienna, Copenhagen, Belgrade, and South America in Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. In the United States he

has appeared with the symphony orchestras in Boston, Reading, Nashville, Denver, with the CBS Symphony, and in Canada with the Toronto Symphony.

Mr. Stravinsky, who was born in Switzerland and brought up in France, has played the piano since he was five years old. During World War II, Mr. Stravinsky was a member of the French army. At present he lives in California with his wife, Francoise, and his son, Jean, who is four years old.

The program for the Artist Series on Friday evening includes numbers by Scarlatti for which Mr. Stravinsky's interpretations are famous.

Italian Concerto	J. S. Bach
Allegro	
Andante	
Presto	
Serenade in A	I. Stravinsky
Romanza	
Rondoletto	
Cadenza finale	
Five Sonatas	D. Scarlatti
Largo 23, 467, 286, 128, 422	
INTERMISSION	
Four Mazurkas	Chopin
Three Etudes	Debussy
Chromatic Digressions	
Repeated notes	
Appoggios	
Mouvements Perpetuels	Paulenc
Bourree Fantasque	Chabrier

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### A Cappella Choir Tour Features "Beatitudes"

The A Cappella choir will be presenting concerts in the Riverside Wesleyan Methodist church in Painted Post at 10:45 a.m. on March 11; the Avoca Central school, Avoca, New York, at 3:15 p.m. and at the First Presbyterian church in Hornell at 7:30.

The main work to be featured on the spring tour is the *Beatitudes* by Professor Charles Finney.

The choir will leave March 16 for the trip scheduled to take them to New York, Pennsylvania and the New England states. Their itinerary is as follows:

- March 16, 8:00 p.m.—Memorial Baptist church, Cortland, N. Y.
- March 17, 8:00 p.m.—First Reformed church, Amsterdam, N. Y.
- March 18, 10:30 a.m.—Calvary E.U.B. church, Albany, N. Y.
- 3:15 p.m.—First Baptist church, Watervliet, N. Y.
- 7:45 p.m.—Emanuel Baptist church, Albany, N. Y.
- March 19—Pleasant Street Baptist church, Worcester, Mass.
- March 20, 10:30 a.m.—Gordon Theological seminary, Boston, Mass.
- 3:30 p.m.—Christian High school, Cambridge, Mass.
- 7:45—Roxbury Presbyterian church, Boston, Mass.
- March 21, 7:30 p.m.—First Presbyterian church, Providence, R. I. (to be broadcast over WPTL).
- March 22, 8:00 p.m.—Baptist church, Lynbrook, L. I.

March 23, 12:00 N.—First Reformed church, Newark, N. J.

8:00 p.m.—Elmwood Presbyterian church, East Orange, N. J.

March 24, 8:00 p.m.—Vineland High school, Vineland, N. J.

March 25, 6:45 a.m.—Sunrise Service, Ocean City Baptist church, Ocean City, N. J.

3:15 p.m.—First Methodist church, Collingswood, N. J.

7:45 p.m.—Bethany Collegiate Presbyterian church, Havertown (Philadelphia), Penna.

March 26, 7:30 p.m.—Lutheran ch., Mifflinburg, Penna.

Post cards with this schedule suitable for mailing to your friends may be obtained at the print shop.

### Nationwide Prices Boost Book Costs

High book prices are due to the nationwide rise in the cost of living, the Student Senate committee, investigating bookstore prices, reported this week.

On a reorder of books this semester, the bookstore found the prices had jumped fifty to seventy-five cents. The management of the store has tried to keep prices low by not charging the students for postage on the orders.

CALENDAR CHAPEL	
Tuesday, March 13	Dr. Paine
Wednesday, March 14	Interclass Debate
Thursday, March 15	Mrs. Rufus Reisdorph
Friday, March 16	Expression Department
	Dane Turner

### Pool to Teach In Puerto Rico

Miss Alice Pool is planning to teach English phonetics and intonation at the University of Puerto Rico, June 11-28, 1951.

The university is located at Rio Piedras, a suburb of the capital city, San Juan.

Her students will be persons trying to improve their English, as Miss Pool, according to her own statement, will be trying to improve her Spanish. To this end she "would like to live with a Spanish-speaking family."

Miss Pool became interested in teaching there through Professor Ralph Long, ex '28, who taught at the university one year. This is Miss Pool's first experience in teaching a class in English to Spanish-speaking people, although she has taught the language to individuals.

During her stay in the island, she plans to visit Maria Alvarado, '49, two candidates for admission here next year, and one of her former classmates at the University of Mexico, (Continued on Page Two)

### Faculty Accepts Senate Plan To Reopen, Improve Rec Hall

Student Senate proposals for rehabilitation of Houghton's Recreation hall were approved by the Local Advisory board, meeting Wednesday afternoon, March 7, at the college.

Specifically, the Advisory board agreed to that portion of the Senate's plan whereby the college is to grant \$100, outright, for renovation and bear expenses for heat, light and water. Redecoration and administration are to be under the direction of the Senate, working through the Athletic association.

Approval came from the Advisory board directly following a presentation of Senate recommendations, in regard to the Rec hall, to the Administrative board of the college. A four-fold proposal, stressing Rec hall reconditioning and a progressive recreational program, was outlined to the board by Charles Hunsberger, chairman of the Senate investigating

committee.

First, the committee requested rescindment of the motion which closed the Rec hall last semester. Second, a change in policy, giving the Senate administrative authority through the Athletic association, was asked. Third, to meet the immediate financial needs arising with the opening of the hall, three suggestions were made. Fourth, a continuing plan for finances, suggesting the possibilities of raising the student activity fee slightly, student sales of magazines and cards, or charging for use of facilities, was offered.

In support of the Senate's four-fold proposal, Mr. Hunsberger pointed out several factors revealing the urgent need for recreational facilities. He also presented a summary of his committee's findings in regard to the material costs of rehabilitation and the extent of the resources from which material aid may be forthcoming. In addition to the financial support anticipated from the administration, the committee had estimated the possibilities for contribution of time, labor and materials by the personnel of the college, both faculty and students, to be of major importance. Significant, too, the committee declared, were the offers of material assistance from the Anna Houghton Daughters, the Ladies' Policy committee, the Community Organization class, and several members of the college staff.

Probable Senate reaction to acceptance of its proposals by the Local Advisory board was predicted in conclusion. (Continued on Page Four)

### Nicholson Says Battle Is in Will

By ART RUPPRECT  
"Our battleground is that of the will," emphasized Dr. Roy S. Nicholson, evangelist, throughout the spring revival meetings held at the Houghton Wesleyan Methodist church. Whether our need is for salvation or for a deeper Christian walk, the decision to be made is a problem of volition, not of sentiment.

Dr. Nicholson, president of the Wesleyan Methodist church of North America, and Rev. Richard Traver, song leader and minister of the Free Methodist church, pooled their efforts in services held each evening in the church and in the morning chapel services at the college.

In his opening message, Dr. Nicholson spoke on Psalm 85:6. "Evangelism," he said, "is the work of a revived church." He emphasized the source of revival, the subjects of revival, the secret of revival and the consequences of revival.

In the evening service of Friday, February 23, Dr. Nicholson spoke on repentance. His message was characterized by deep-felt concern for the members of the student body. In the course of his sermon he spoke of the substitutes for repentance—fear of personal detection, church membership, resolution to do better, reformation, confession, and shame, and the contrast between these and real repentance.

In his message on Sunday morning, March 4, Dr. Nicholson directed his (Continued on Page Three)

### Rev. Traver Is "Jack of All Trades"

By NANCY MACOMBER  
If the newly-painted walls of the famous, or perhaps infamous, Star office could talk, undoubtedly they would have many interesting stories to tell. I wish you could hear the story of Rev. Richard Thomas Traver from his own ears as the walls did, but since that is impossible, reading will have to do.

Rev. Traver may be said to be a "jack of all trades." Newspaper and yearbook work, art, music, dramatics, athletics, teaching, and preaching are among his past and present activities.

High school was the beginning of this line of interests. "I was a pretty timid little fellow until somebody started putting me to work. They saw me drawing funny faces and they handed me the job of art editor of the yearbook. It almost scared me to death," Rev. Traver recalled. This led to speaking pieces and then on into more dramatic work.

In college, these "trades" were in-

dulged in to a greater extent, for he had ten extra-curricular activities, which, he said, is much too many. He was artist of the yearbook, a regular contributor to the newspaper, editor of the "scandal sheet," participant in musical organization, member of the school dramatic group, track and gymnastic athlete, and student pastor. Concerning his preaching he said, "I began preaching when a junior at college. It was a 100-mile trip each way to the little country church, but it paid for my room and was good experience, as well as a wonderful ministry."

After college he secured a position as high school teacher at Wessington Springs, South Dakota. There he taught voice, public school art, and first year Spanish, and also managed the track and tumbling teams. His art course was an entirely new experience and an experiment. He built his own course. "It worked out fine, and we had lots of fun," he admitted.

One day his class showered him with peanuts in the shell when he entered the room. To retaliate, he made each one pick up every last peanut, which involved crawling around the floor on their hands and knees. In spite of occasions such as that, the course was successful.

After his brief teaching experience he went into the ministry, where he remained as a pastor for eight years. For the past twelve years he has been in evangelistic work. He has been in or through 44 states and all the Canadian provinces but two during his years of evangelism.

Besides all his other "jobs," Rev. Traver has had time to raise a family of four children: Jane, 17; Susan, 10; George, 9; and Rachael, 6. "They're a nice bunch of kids when they're asleep," he remarked, grinning.

From Houghton, Rev. Richard Traver proceeds to Port Allegany, Penna., to continue in his main vocation as an evangelist.

### Paine to Speak At Detroit Church

President Stephen W. Paine will speak at the Detroit Wesleyan Methodist church, Sunday morning, March 11, and address a Union meeting of the Romulus, Avondale, and Van Born Road Wesleyan churches in the evening.

Dr. Paine returned to Houghton on Friday, after attending a special meeting of the executive committee of the N.A.E. in Chicago, where efforts were made to draw up plans for the annual N.A.E. convention.

On Wednesday, President Paine spoke at a union lenten service held in the Presbyterian church, Fredonia, N. Y.

### "Messiah" Postponed

The presentation of the "Messiah" by the Oratorio society has been postponed until April 1.



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## Spring Is Sprung!!

"Spring has sprung, the flowers have riz;  
I wonder where the green grass iz."

Alas, the poor embryonic little grass roots are submerged in the mud and slime breathing their last as careless Houghtonians trample them to death. Later on, there will be brown patches of dirt where they once reared their verdant heads.

Is such a state of affairs absolutely necessary? We'll admit that cutting across the grass is the shortest distance between the Science building and the library. And we'll admit that the pools of water and quagmire on the walk seem virtual traps for unwary owners of overshoes. But just a little consideration and perseverance will save our campus from becoming an eye-sore. Now's the time to "keep off the grass." It's up to you!

## Sleepy on Sunday?

Johnny was so tired. There really wasn't much use in getting up yet. Besides, Sunday was a day of rest, wasn't it? He rolled over and rationalized some more: "It is the only day of the week that I can sleep in—except Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday." Mentally blotting out the "Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday," Johnny was off again to dreamland.

Week by week it became easier for Johnny to talk himself out of going to Sunday school. Every Sunday he gave the proposed venture less thought. Pretty soon, he would be able to sleep right through until it was time to go to church—maybe even to dinner time Sunday noon.

Hard as it may be to believe, Johnny's case is typical of a majority of Houghton students. The upperclassmen have a potential Sunday school class of 274 students. Actually, they average about 25 in attendance. True, of the 274, approximately 45 will be on extension work; 35 will have gone home for the weekend; about 25 will go to Sunday school in the church. Estimate these figures even more liberally, and you will still find that a significant number choose to sleep.

The other classes find themselves in much the same predicament. The frosh men have a potential class of 117; an actual class of 30. The junior and senior women could have an aggregate of 116, but only 15 turn up. The soph girls have a class of 76, but only 20 show up at the college Sunday school. The freshmen girls have a potential of 95 enthusiasts, but actually, they have only 15 in Sunday school.

Obviously, a large percentage of Houghton students either see little value in Sunday school or a great value in sleep.

But, is Sunday school without value? Ask any one of the faithful why they go. They won't tell you that it is your solemn duty to "uphold your Sunday school," or that you will be miraculously transformed into a righteous saint. They are far more likely to tell you that they go because they enjoy it—lectures, discussions and earnest study of the Word. In fact, they enjoy it even more than they do the sleep which some students find so vitally necessary on the Lord's day. Incidentally, you might learn something, too.

In the final analysis, this editorial is highly unlikely to mend your ways, but I hope that it will make you turn over twice before going back to sleep on Sunday mornings.—Anonymous.

## EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Dear Editor:

I wish to acknowledge with grateful appreciation the kindness shown by the student body in sending flowers and expressions of sympathy in the recent loss of our loved one. Our family has greatly appreciated the prayers which have been offered in our behalf, for we know that the Lord has answered them.

Sincerely,  
Marianne Boyce

Dear Editor:

The students of Houghton proved themselves to be very sincere in not granting approval to Mr. Failing's chapel message of Wednesday morning.

As one student has stated it, "the tip of her mind was curled" against the message from the beginning since the letters, sincere letters, of the students were scoffed at. We are only desirous of having an improved Houghton, and firmly believe that better, adequate recreational facilities, as we are advertised as having, is an important step in that direction.

Yes, 700 students do have a will and they will find a way to aid Houghton in the manner in which they feel will help them as well as aid Houghton—not necessarily by contributions to the new dorm fund. In fact, personally, I shall not give further to the dorm drives, since I feel they are no longer the primary need of Houghton students. If, however, a recreational fund were established, I would "give until it hurts."

To those of us who are going home this vacation to talk was hardly an encouragement to "talk up Houghton."

Name Withheld

## Matched

Swartwood-Farrell

Mr. and Mrs. Gale K. Swartwood of Foxboro, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn Jeanne, to Mr. John C. Farrell, son of Mrs. Lillian Farrell, Providence, R. I.

The wedding will take place in July.

## Medicine Course To Be Offered

A course in fundamental medicine for missionaries, formerly slated for introduction in the 1950 college year, will be offered beginning September, 1951.

A six-hour credit course, fundamental medicine for missionaries features valuable training in first aid, dentistry, minor operations, and many other medical processes which aid the modern missionary.

The course will be open to juniors, seniors, and other students obtaining special permission, and includes two lectures and three laboratory hours per week.

## Pool . . .

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who teaches Spanish literature in Puerto Rico.

As the university is secular, Miss Pool expects to have considerable opportunity for witnessing for the Lord. She also hopes to engage in other Christian work which can be secured through the director of Christian and Missionary Alliance work on the island.

## Houghton Spirit Defined

By DEAN MARIAN BERNHOFT

As a country's spirit is the sum total of the individual spirit of its citizens, so is Houghton's spirit the sum total of each student's spirit. As students on Houghton campus, we have a responsibility in implanting and nourishing that spirit in incoming freshmen, and maintaining that spirit in the other classes.

What should the Houghton spirit be? Dr. Nicholson stated it well in his explanation of the Good Samaritan.

It encompasses a spirit of selflessness, a spirit of sharing, and a spirit of love for others that springs from our first love, belonging to Jesus Christ.

What are some habits that would nourish this spirit? A reverence for things that are holy and pertain to the Holy Scriptures; a regard for the lives of our fellow students or a less critical attitude toward our fellow students; a conscientious attendance at Sunday School and church (a habit by most at home, but somehow lost in the hustle of college life); a regard for the rules of the school, particularly those which are to uphold the spiritual standards of our school; a personal attendance at prayer meeting, or a constructive use of the time if not in attendance; a whole-hearted effort to build up our school together scholastically, socially, and spiritually.

What is the individual responsibility for maintaining the Houghton spirit? The administration and faculty might seem to be a good place to shove the responsibility. But they do not comprise the entire citizenship of the campus, so why should they have the entire responsibility? Campus leaders are easily blamed for a low ebb in the spirit around the school, but logically, can we blame them when they are actually just representatives of ours? It seems to leave the responsibility to each individual including campus leaders, administration and faculty. Since it appears to rest upon each one of us to give of ourselves in upholding the spirit of Houghton, we could question ourselves concerning the positions we have taken that have added to or subtracted from the sum total. Then, with the computation before us, we may decide to continue in our way or to change our way.

The Houghton spirit becomes a part of us, even more so than much of the information we receive in our classes. In the final analysis, this is what we take with us from the campus, as much as we take a "sheepskin." Do we rob anyone of this Houghton spirit because of our individual spirit?

## Jubillaires to Tour for College

The Houghton College Jubillaires, Esther Unger, Florence Crocker, Helen Lewis, Mary Wenger, Richard Sanford and David Naglee, have been selected to represent the college during a spring recess tour from March 16 to 26. The tour will be evangelistic in nature and an effort will be made to interest young people in attending Houghton college.

The itinerary will include Detroit, Michigan; Ohio; Collingswood, N. J.; Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia. The driver and chaperone will be Mr. and Mrs. Almer Baker.

The Jubillaires will be presenting a full program with Mr. Sanford as speaker and Mr. Naglee as song leader. Mr. Naglee and Miss Crocker will present cello and violin duets and Miss Helen Lewis will assist in youth and children's work.

## Houghton Publishes First "Exchange"

The first issue of the *Exchange*, a pioneer Houghton publication for the central schools of the surrounding three counties, has provoked encouraging response from teachers, P.T.A. members, and higher educational officials.

"Your recent issue of the *Exchange*," writes one teacher, "interested me very much. It is very helpful to receive ideas . . . and there are some teaching experiences which we . . . would like to share. I am in favor of future publications, perhaps monthly."

## Klub Korner

### French Club

The "Chasse de Neptune," a French film, was presented by the French club to interested students on Monday.

The picture, which was filmed in France, portrayed the underwater sport of sea hunting. It was narrated in French and showed scenes of excitement beneath the blue waters of the Mediterranean.

### Science Club

At the monthly meeting of the Science club held Wednesday, Feb. 28 in the college chapel, four movies were shown—*The Heart and Circulation*, *The Bottle of Magic*, *The Master of Molecules*, and *The Locus*.

The members of the club were asked to decide where they wished to go on their field trip. Possibilities were the Union Carbide Company, Corning Glass Works, the National Gypsum company, or the Bethlehem Steel corporation. The club decided upon the National Gypsum company near Buffalo.

## Boughters Arrive Safely in Portugal

Luke and Ruth Boughter and their son, Mark, have arrived safely in Portugal, according to a letter recently received from them.

Out under the Evangelical Alliance, they expect soon to visit the various preaching centers to become acquainted with the field and then to choose a permanent place from which to spread the Gospel. They may decide to settle near the Spanish border where an independent, fundamental work may be turned over to the Alliance. In the future there is the possibility of Bible school teaching.

Commenting on first impressions, Luke says, "This is certainly a mission field of opportunity. There is tremendous need everywhere with an open door to preach the Gospel now! In just a few days, it is impossible to know the thoughts of these people, but I believe they are quite hungry for the Truth, for something lasting and secure. The Christians we have met here in Queluz (pronounced Kay-loosh) are very strong and going on." Gospel meetings, Luke recounted, begin at 9:00 p.m.

Luke, '49, attended Columbia Bible college, 1949-1950. Ruth was one of the college nurses, 1945-46. Luke is supported by the college students and faculty as one of their college missionaries.

Their address is: Rua Martim de Frietas, F.K.A. 1D, Queluz, Portugal.



## Seniors Seek Exemption From Final Examinations

Reprinted below is the text of the senior petition for exemption from final examinations and the refusal of the administration.

We the undersigned members of the Class of '51 do hereby petition the faculty of Houghton College for the reinstatement of exemptions from final examinations in those courses in which a senior has attained an average grade of B or higher in his final semester's work.

We make this petition for the following reasons:

1. To many seniors the pressure of impending final examinations under the present ruling necessitates their abstinence from the numerous activities which pertain primarily to seniors. Some of the activities coming in the month of May are: senior recitals for music majors, junior-senior banquet, honors banquet, athletic banquet, etc.

2. With the possibility of exemptions in view the students are apt to be more diligent and consistent in daily work.

3. Applications and interviews for permanent positions frequently demand much time.

4. The two days remaining between the cessation of final examinations and the baccalaureate exercise are scarcely sufficient to complete final personal packing and obligations and to attend the required activities.

And, most important of all:  
5. We have labored for three years with the understanding that the policy of final exemptions would be effective in our senior year. Being upperclassmen when this policy was so suddenly abrogated at the close of

last year, we consider it unjust to have just attained the position of being the recipients of this privilege, only to now be denied that which we have anticipated for so long.

We are cognizant of the prime reasons for discontinuation of this policy. Therefore, each signature is affixed with the understanding that faculty decisions in grades shall be unquestionably accepted. No information other than the officially posted list shall be requested.

We shall be grateful for any consideration given this matter.

### Faculty Denies Petition

The faculty acknowledge with gratitude the consideration that the members of the class of '51 have shown in the matter of submitting their request for re-instatement of exemptions. After careful thought and research the faculty have decided that they must turn down the recommendation.

There are two basic findings that have led us to this decision:

1. The tendency among recognized colleges is not toward exemptions from examinations but rather toward requiring comprehensive examination at the close of the senior year.

2. The action to eliminate exemptions allowed a time lapse before it went into effect that is consistent with other faculty actions regarding academic regulations and that a longer period is not consistent with our general policy.

Signed—Alice M. Pool  
Secretary to the Faculty



## THE RUT

By GEORGE HUESTIS

Just in case anyone might be interested, the usual author of this article, Corny Jackson, is not dead or even dying. The truth of the matter is that said Miss Jackson is now resting as quietly as possible in the infirmary. In between mouthfuls of multi-colored pills she painfully mutters something about getting even with Ken Decker. Here is how it all happened. Connie was blissfully sitting in the *Star* office reading the last edition of this ill-fated publication when in storms Ken waving his copy of the *Star* as if it were a three-day-late feature and shouting that as a loyal member of the Science department it was his sworn duty to do what he then proceeded with great finesse to perform, namely, to beat poor Connie over the head with a Battus baseball. As she was carried from the room, she weakly pleaded with me to write the "Rut" for her this week, and I graciously consented purely out of sympathy for the maimed Jackson, and not from any personal desire to see my name connected with this infamous report of campus catastrophes.

To get down to serious business, contrary to popular opinion, the author of this week's "Rut" did not hang that poster over the mail boxes urging all students to buy a copy of the *Lantern* and to read "Upland Waters." I would, however, like to catch the character who during the crushing mail box rush was heard to exclaim, "Upland Waters! What is it, a commentary on the salmon going upstream in the spring?" Thank you—peasants.

"Have you ever read proof?" asked Doc Jo in journalism class the other day.

"Why, no," came the brilliant re-

ply from Tony DiGiuseppi. "Who wrote it?"

The following was gleaned from a conversation of the "Hi, Lover" boys at Mills' house.

Dave Hill: "Bob, I think that I'll walk around on top of your head."

Bob Ingraham: "What! Walk on my head?"

Dave Hill: "Yeah, I just feel like a walk around the block."

That's it for another week, folks, but I just can't pass up the opportunity to put in this one daffynition given to me by Bill Clemmer.

Incongruous—Where laws are made.

I don't know what makes me do these things, but here's another one also submitted by Bill.

Oboe—An ill woodwind that nobody blows good.

Pardon me, Bayrum, for poking my nose into your own inimitable scribbles, but here's a daffynition I couldn't resist inserting:

A bachelor is a man who has been crossed in love, but a married man is one who has been double-crossed. (C. J.)

### Nicholson . . .

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thoughts to those who wished a life of complete victory in Christ. His topic was "Inward Crucifixion; his text, Gal. 2:20. He spoke of human depravity, of man's and God's ways of removing it, and of the life of inward crucifixion as a result of God's dealing with man's depravity. He spoke of the paradoxes of Scripture concerning this matter—"A man crucified yet living, a man himself yet not himself, a man in the flesh yet in the Spirit." He emphasized "Christ's death for sin, Paul's death

## Getting By . . .

By OLE KEN DECK

Winter is fighting a losing battle, which means that spring is just around the corner, and when spring is that close, you can bet your boots that spring fever is not far behind. (Catch that literary allusion?)

Pretty soon the library will be considerably depopulated, and soon after that there will follow a sharp drop in the grade point index of a great percentage of the students. To the end that the drop might not be too severe I am going to disclose some of the methods I am told our sage forefathers used in getting themselves graduated. If the shoe fits, wear it.

Perhaps the most widely used method, and therefore the most prosaic, is the "Universal Bluff," of reputation (either good or bad) both in the United States and abroad. This has been worn rather threadbare, but occasionally you will find that it will work (usually when the teacher has just returned from three weeks in the hospital after a hogus bogusectomy—a serious operation). You can work it by learning a few of the first questions really well, answering them, and then raising your hand at every question from there on in. You can be confident that the prof will "want to give someone else a chance to answer." Another way to keep from being called to recite is to look very intelligent (as much as would be in keeping with your general capacity to do so), for the prof invariably calls on the person that looks as if he would know the least about the question at hand. You can also try to answer the question, and, as is so often done, "kill with a shot the male bovine" all the way through.

A variation of the "Universal Bluff" is the "Ham Intelligentsia" act. If you think the teacher is going to ask you to say something, ask him a question before he gets a chance, something you have prepared out of class, such as, "In our study of juvenile delinquency, where, would you say, do the disciples of Thornton fit in?" That gets him off the subject, and by the time he gets around to it again, he has forgotten that he was going to ask you, and, of course, gives him to believe you are far ahead of the majority of the class. After that, it's a life of ease.

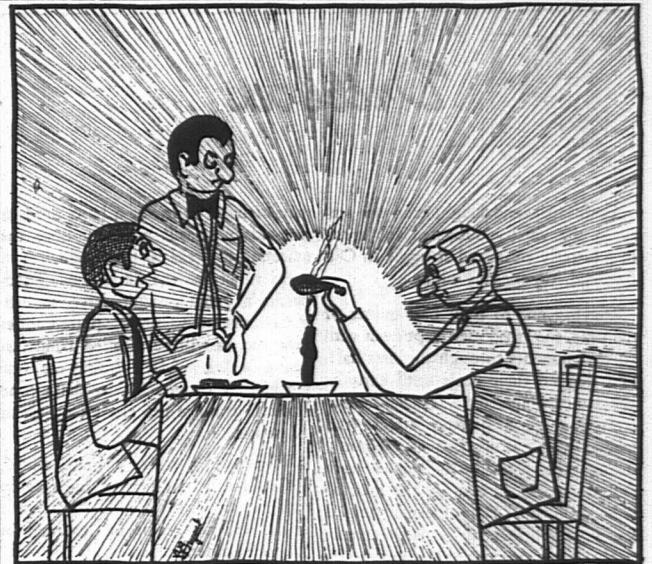
Another method they used is that of buying a book, or borrowing one, from some brain of the year before who has jotted down all the important notes (I'm working on this one myself) and using them to good advantage. Don't buy any tomes from someone who is too much of a brain, because that kind usually doesn't even use a book. You have to know how to use the notes, of course, but when you learn, you can bet your grade point will skyrocket. Usually, but not always, the more a book is marked up, the better it is.

Then last, but not least, is the old method of studying. The method is fast going out, however, so we will treat it very briefly here. It will be enough to say that it is the most difficult and trying of all the methods mentioned, but it usually brings fairly good results. It is too methodic a system for most of you students, although I have heard of several who have become quite proficient in the art.

There you have several of the many means by which you, too, might safely get your B.A.

to sin, Christ's life in Paul, and Paul's life for Christ.

His final message was entitled "The Soul's Crises" and was drawn from Hebrews, the third chapter. Today represents to every person in the world "an hour of decision, an hour of delay, an hour of destiny, or an hour of damnation."



But, John, he likes his meat well-done.

## Meet Your Senate!

By CONNIE JACKSON

"What do you know about your Student Senate?"

"The Student Senate?" you ask, bewildered. "Oh, that's a campus organization around here that's supposed to keep both the student body and the administration happy." You vaguely envision a group of characters solemnly pondering school problems, seconding and carrying motions that have something to do with Houghton. But actually what do you know about your Senate? It's about time you and that august organization got acquainted.

Maybe a menacing little ticker under the windshield wiper of your car has left you a trifle bitter about the Senate. The task of directing the parking of Houghton's traffic is carried on under the supervision of Leo Powell. And it's no easy matter, either. Senators volunteer as checkers to track down likely victims who will add their two bits to the parking fund. It was their job to see that space was provided at the bottom of the hill.

Remember the Homecoming parade and all that went with it? It was the Senate, working together with the publicity office, that managed the thousand-and-one details involved in such a program. Rounding up prizes, distributing float info, organizing the parade—all these were carried on under the directorship of your Senate.

That invaluable yellow booklet, in which you found out the telephone number of the cute blonde who sits across from you in English, was sponsored by the Senate. Curt Taylor had his headaches, rounding up the names and addresses of everybody in the student body and seeing that they appeared correctly in the *Info*.

Magazines in the dorm reception room for your enlightenment are Senate-provided, too. And when anyone of the student body is laid up in the hospital, it is that organization who sends cards and flowers to the patient.

### Death in Family Calls Burnell to Nebraska

Miss Dorah Burnell was called to Nebraska last week because of the deaths of her brother-in-law, niece, and great niece.

All were killed in a highway accident, Wednesday, Feb. 28, when an empty Army ammunition truck rammed into the rear of the car in which they were riding, crushed the car, and killed all the occupants instantly.

The only surviving members of the brother's family are two boys, one in school and one in the Army. The niece's husband also survives. The deceased were members of the family of Miss Burnell's sister, who died a few months ago.

Vern Alexander enjoyed the sunshine basket from Houghton—another project instigated in the Senate.

Have you a justified gripe that you think needs remedying? Tell you: Senate! One of its most important functions is as a connecting link between the student body and the administration. You objected to the exclusion of upperclassmen from the side entrance of the dorm before meals. The Senate, after studying the situation, reopened the hallway, eliminating the problem of crowding and standing around in the dining room before the last bell. Seniors were dissatisfied with the diplomas usually awarded them at graduation. The Senate put several varieties on display and was the impetus behind the vote that left the decision to the students.

Unfortunately, some Senate action agreed upon by the administration has been shelved for indefinite future reference. For instance, the boys wanted a mailbox for the downstairs dorm cloakroom since they were not allowed to mail letters upstairs before 7:30. Last fall the Senate voted unanimously that the business office be notified about the project. "It will be done later when the weather is too cold for the men to work outside," was the vague reply. As yet, the mailbox has not materialized. The Senate recommended that more fire drills should be staged for the safety of the student body. So far, there has been no action. You see that whether Senate recommendations are actually perpetrated depends on the active interest of the administration.

Current difficulties are under investigation in the Senate. Perhaps you were one of those who wished wistfully that you could have attended revival services more often. A stack of tomes faced you and several tests loomed ominously in the near future. A committee is drawing up a report on the problem of heavy assignments during revivals with suggestions for future procedure. Have you wondered about bookstore policies? A committee report on that situation is published in this issue of the *Star*. Maybe you've suffered a serious handicap due to the closing of the library during mealtime. The Senate is working on a proposed solution for that problem, too. You see, it pays to let a senator know when you're bothered with a troublesome situation that is of importance to the student body.

The biggest problem currently under Senate investigation is the reopening of the rec hall. A committee, headed by Chuck Hunsberger, has thoroughly examined the ins and outs of the question and has presented a clear picture of the problem to the school. Your interest has helped the Senate show the administration that you as a student body are behind your representatives.





## Dribbles . . .

DICK PRICE

Endurance and height told the story as the varsity outlasted the frosh in a bitterly contested struggle in Old Bedford Wednesday night.

Playing one of their best games of the year, the frosh men kept even with their opponents through the first half, and dogged their heels until early in the fourth quarter. They demonstrated a good passing attack and weave, which if worked as efficiently during the class series might have netted a game or two for the men of '54. Each huck Hunsberger helped the younger men to a large extent as they were prepared for the type of game which varsity played.

The varsity women had a rough time, too, but losing a few players via the flu route hampered them somewhat, and they should make a better showing next time.

The frosh girls made it two in a row over the high school lassies last week by virtue of a last-minute 18-16 victory. That makes it two for nine, girls; you'll have to tell the fellows how it's done.

With reports still to come in from the alumni, it's hard to judge just how next week's games will shape up, but from present indications, the varsity women should keep their slate clean with another victory. But the

men seem to be in for a hard time, as the oldtimers will probably have the material to field a team which will press varsity to the limit. Last Wednesday's game doesn't serve to estimate fairly varsity's potentialities however, as will be recalled from last year's series. After losing to the frosh, they caught fire in the second game to trounce the alumni by about 30 points.

With spring recess a jump ahead, activities will be quieting down again until about April Fool's day, when action will no doubt be resumed in diverse manners.

## Foust Continues to Improve, Goes Home

Miss Ethel Foust was discharged from the Meyer Memorial hospital in Buffalo the last week in January. At the present time she is staying at the home of her brother in Elida, Ohio.

During Miss Foust's absence, the Christian education classes will be taught by Miss Martha Woolsey and Miss Elizabeth Eyer. Mrs. Ruby Reisdorph is teaching the course in world missions.

## News on Draft Status

New amendments to the Selective Service Act are still being debated in Congress, Dean Lynip announces.

The most recent trends are: (1) in favor of allowing colleges the usual freshman registration; (2) in favor of permitting the better students to complete their college education, although there is more uncertainty about legislation concerning upperclassmen.

"An early decision is possible," Dr. Lynip believes.

## Hall to Conduct Lecture

Dr. Bert Hall, associate professor of philosophy, announced that he will conduct a series of four lectures on parliamentary procedure.

This series of classes, open to both students and townspeople, will be offered on Monday evenings starting April 2, at 7:30 in room S-24.

## Class Swimming Meet Is Scheduled

The women's class swimming meet is slated for Tuesday, March 13, with the fellows to compete on the following day.

In last year's meet the women of '52 won easily, while the fellows of '52 were edged out by last year's seniors. Finishing behind the maroon and white in the women's meet were the classes of '51, '53, and '50, respectively. The standings for the fellows were in the order '50, '52, '53, and '51.

With the qualities of the frosh still unknown, it is not possible to compare their capabilities with those of their older opponents.

Chief point-getters for their respective classes last year, and ones who will probably figure in largely in this year's championship are senior Lynne Merryman, junior Ruth Brink, and sophomore Florence Pulver.

Although this year's seniors finished far in last place last year, they have gained two outstanding junior swimmers, Henry Cornell and Dick Bar-eiss, by reason of change in classification, and so stand a good chance of taking the meet this year, as John Chambers is the only swimmer left from the squad of '52.

## Student Body Votes, Accepts Constitution

The proposed constitution for WJSL was voted upon and accepted in the student body meeting held Monday, February 26.

Charles Hunsberger, head of a Student Senate committee investigating the possibility of reopening the recreation hall, gave a report. After explaining that the rec hall was closed because of lack of funds and too little student usage, he reviewed the attitude taken by the administration. He then urged the students to express their opinion by signing the petition for the reopening of the rec hall and by writing letters to members of the administration.

Norman Hostetter, president of the Student Senate, reviewed the activities of the Senate during the present school year.

*The amazing story of  
DE SHAZER  
The Doolittle Raider who turned  
missionary  
The Word-Bearer Press*

## Varsity Triumphs Over Frosh; Danks Leads Way, Win 51-41

In a game characterized by running, fast passing and interceptions, the varsity came out on top of a 51-41 score to defeat the freshmen.

The game was close most of the way as the quarter time scores indicate. It wasn't until the last period that the varsity ran up a significant lead.

The first period ended with the scoreboard reading 9-9. Neither team hit consistently from the floor. Hostetter of the varsity started the scoring with a foul shot and a quick tap in to put the varsity in front. Soon after Venlet put in a 12-foot set from

the side to star the frosh scoring. Hostetter was high man of the quarter with 6 points.

At the half-time buzzer, the score was still tied, 23-23. Venlet was high man for the quarter with 8 points to keep the frosh in the game. During this quarter, the varsity was composed entirely of sophomores.

After the intermission the varsity came back to pick up a four-point lead by outscoring the frosh 14-10 in the third period. Once again the scoring was evenly distributed among both teams. The score at the end of the period was 37-33.

Led by Danks and Dekker with six points apiece, the varsity went ahead in the final quarter. With four minutes to go, Coach Wells cleared the bench. The final score was 51-41 in favor of the varsity.

The frosh were able to stay in the competition by their ability to intercept varsity passes.

The foul percentage for the frosh was 56 per cent, while that of the varsity was 64 per cent.

FROSH	fg	ft	tp
Paine	4	1	9
Hazlett	1	0	2
Gosling	0	1	1
DiGuiseppe	0	0	0
Venlet	4	2	12
Jack	3	1	7
Baird	5	0	10
	18	5	41

VARSIITY	fg	ft	tp
Price	0	0	0
Dekker	5	0	10
Hostetter	2	2	6
Johnson	0	1	1
Castor	1	0	2
Peterson	1	0	2
Lennox	2	0	4
Zike	2	2	6
Denny	0	0	0
Young	0	0	0
Danks	5	1	11
Wilson	2	1	5
Dole	2	0	4
Arbiter	0	0	0
	22	7	51

## Rec Hall . . .

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clusion to the committee's presentation. It was suggested that Saturday, March 10, might be designated as a general clean-up day, a committee being organized immediately to manage this project. Further, the probability of holding a student-body meeting on March 12 for oral expression of Senate plans was indicated. Finally, hopes for a grand opening, soon after the Easter vacation, were expressed.

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