

## Sophomore Testing Program To Be Reactivated March 4

The Sophomore Testing program will be reactivated on March 4 and 5 when a battery of tests will be administered to all sophomore students on the two successive afternoons. These tests will be given in the chapel.

The Sophomore Testing program is a national undertaking devised to accomplish two objectives: Inform the student as to his progress and potentialities for college work and graduate work and to inform the school as to the relative standing of its students in comparison with students of other colleges across the country.

Dr. Marven Nelson will conduct the examinations. The March 4 session will last from 1:30 until about 4:15. The March 5 session will last only one hour, according to present plans. The results of these tests will be very useful to the examining committee from the Middle States Association of Colleges when they visit the campus on March 16. It is anticipated that the Sophomore Testing program will be continued now year after year, so that these results will afford the college an effective measurement for determining the progress of its students. The areas to be covered by the tests given are as follows:

On Wednesday, March 4, students will be tested in General Culture in the subject divisions of History and Social Studies, Literature, Science, Fine Arts, and Mathematics. The Thursday session is wholly given over to a test in Contemporary Affairs. In each instance, the objective of the examination takes into consideration the fact that some students will be strong in one field and less strong in another. The final scores are so weighted that a person will be able to know whether or not his knowledge of General Culture and Contemporary Affairs is up to the standard that is to be expected of college sophomores.

—A. W. Lynip

## Torchbearers Give Semester Statistics

Torchbearers visitation groups have been actively engaged each week end in sending forth various groups to the Warsaw convalescent home, the Allegany County Home in Angelica, the Green Sanatorium, Norton Nursing Home, the View Point Nursing Home in Castile and the Cuba Hospital.

The High School Bible Clubs, which meet once a week for songs, testimonies, Bible teaching and ques-

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## Houghton Debaters Down Fredonia State Teachers

With both the Houghton affirmative and negative teams winning their respective debates, the Houghton College Debate Team defeated Fredonia State Teachers College Friday night in Houghton. For H. C. this was a return to form, for previous to their off performance at the "Buckeye" tournament they had placed second in each of their last three tournaments. This was the second time this year that the H. C. team has met Fredonia and the second time they have won from them.

Approximately 160 persons viewed the debate held in S-24 and S-27. The negative team of Carl Schultz and Dave Seeland represented Houghton against the Fredonia affirmative team in S-24. Dr. S. I. McMillen, judge of this debate gave the verdict to Schultz and Seeland. He explained that he had been assisted in his deci-

## Finney Elected To New Regional Post In N.C.M.F.

Professor Charles Finney was recently elected one of the eight regional vice-presidents of the newly-formed National Church Music Fellowship. His duty as vice-president will be to form affiliate chapters in this area.

The National Church Music Fellowship was established in Chicago this winter by representatives from

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## Reisdorphs Reveal Work Of Wesleyan Missionaries

Dr. and Mrs. Rufus D. Reisdorph, recently returned from a six-months world tour, presented a panoramic picture of the Wesleyan missionary work around the world, in church Sunday evening.

By slides and tape recordings, they portrayed the needs of the mission fields, especially Africa, India, Formosa, and Japan, and the work being done by our missionaries. They showed pictures of many alumni and parents of present Houghton students, among them Rev. and Mrs. David Tsutada and children, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Wolfe, and Mr. and Mrs. Laug and son of Japan; and Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Banker, and Miss Vera Clocksin of India.

Dr. Reisdorph also spoke in Torchbearers Monday evening, emphasizing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as the "need of the hour" on the mission field and here at home.

The Reisdorphs traveled under the auspices of the Wesleyan Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of which Mrs. Reisdorph is the president. Dr. Reisdorph is the General Sunday School Secretary of the Wesleyan Church.

## Selective Service Tests Announced

All eligible students who intend to take the Selective Service College Qualification Test in 1953 should file applications at once for the April 23 administration, Selective Service National Headquarters advised today.

An application and a bulletin of information may be obtained at any Selective Service local board. Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill out his application immediately and mail it in the special envelope provided. Applications must be postmarked no later than midnight, March 9, 1953. Early filing will be greatly to the student's advantage.

Results will be reported to the Selective Service local board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student, according to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test.

## Second Semester Enrollment Drops; 13 Students Enter

According to information received from the registrar's office, this semester's enrollment is 570, as compared to 599 last semester. Most of the reduction is due to transfer of students, illness, and financial difficulties.

The freshman class, with 114 women and 60 men making a total of 174 is the largest, and the sophomores, with 134 students, of which 70 are women and 64 men, ranks second. The senior class has 52 women and 78 men and the juniors 39 women and 72 men, making a total of 130 and 111 respectively.

There are thirteen new students this semester: Ralph Betters, Elaine Holloway, Emogene Ives, William Moore, Howard Rowley, Josephine Kingsley, Dorothy Klenk, Josephine Slentz, Paul Steese, Richard Timmer, Peter Van Horn, William Van Hoven, and Mrs. Pauline Wood. Twelve are freshmen and one is a sophomore.

## Lanthorn to Sponsor Pantomime Tonight

Tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel the Lanthorn program will be presented. The theme is a patriotic one answering the question: What does freedom look like?

Six scenes depicting American history will include: The Pilgrims, Lincoln, Slavery, Opening of the West, World War II, and the Statue of Liberty.

The scenes will be in pantomime form while the Houghton Chorale, Trumpet Trio, Mr. Hale and Mrs. Schonhard supply the necessary musical setting. Dr. Lynip's poetry class will supply the choral speaking.

Mrs. Ruth Dekker will supply the chalk drawing backdrops, as well as draw a portrait of a soldier with background of a reading which is a tribute to American servicemen, during the program.

The Chorale choir will sing such numbers as "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," "This Is My Country," and "God of Our Fathers." Some of the other selections are: "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child" by Mr. V. Hale and "Bring Me Your Tired, Your Poor, Your Tempest-tossed" by Mrs. Schonhard.

—HC—

## Chemistry Rooms Renovated, New Equipment Added

Have you been aware of the improvements in the chemistry room? They have taken on a radiant, new look.

In the new laboratory is a recently purchased chain-o-matic balance for the use of advanced quantitative analysis students. Another new one—yet to come—is an analytical balance for general use and also for classes in quantitative analysis. Enclosed storage space was built for desiccators used in quantitative analysis and semi-micro apparatus used in qualitative analysis.

The old lab is to have a 25-gallon storage tank for the still to replace the 10-gallon one.

Every balance except one has received a cover and case; that one exception has a cellophane cover. S-10 displays a two-door storage cupboard and a two-door display cabinet under which analytical weights are stored.

The desks of the laboratories have been scrubbed and polished by volunteers, bottles and shelves washed and arranged, and every surface has had a thorough cleaning. The stock room has been straightened and everything put in its place.

You may wonder where all the money came from. Because of the never-tiring efforts of Miss Burnell, a total amount of \$850 has been received thus far in answer to letters to her former students. The chain-o-matic cost \$400, lumber cost \$40, and labor cost about \$300.

## WJSL Nominations Made Election to be Held Soon

The WJSL Board of Controls met February 18 and made nominations for next year's board. Elections will occur at a general student body meeting, March 9.

The nominations are as follows: Station Manager, George Bagley and Allyn Foster; Program Manager, Al-

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## Prexy Conducts Special Meetings

Dr. Paine held meetings in the First Methodist Church of Ashley, Pennsylvania, February 21 and 22. On Saturday night he spoke to the young people about Houghton and their college plans and showed Houghton slides, and on Sunday morning he gave a message on revival. His niece Peggy and daughter Marjorie furnished special music.

Dr. Paine is planning to give a Lenten message entitled "Why the Cross?" in Syracuse, New York, at a noon meeting, March 4.

## James Stowell Lectures In Chapel ; Stresses Natural Wealth of Labrador

"The United States industrial centers could easily be bombed out by Russian planes coming over the North Pole," James Stowell, veteran of 26 years in the Far North, told a large group of Houghton students and faculty at a bonus lecture, February 20.

Mr. Stowell declared emphatically that the changes in the Far North since World War I are incredible and that more American troops are now stationed in that area than ever before.

Those who were present were quite impressed with the fact that Labrador now contains the finest type of iron ore in North America. For this reason Mr. Stowell believes Labrador will continue to grow in economic importance as iron mines in the United States become depleted.

Mr. Stowell, a former resident of Rochester and an authority on Indian lore, assisted in setting up the Indian exhibits at Letchworth Park. He recently traveled with Commander MacMillan throughout Labrador and along the coast. In addition to his lecture, he showed a travelogue of his

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## APO to Sponsor Ugly Man Contest

The first drive to be initiated by the Houghton chapter of Alpha Phi Omega is an "Ugly Man" contest to be held on March 3, 4, and 5. The proceeds of this drive will go to the March of Dimes, whose funds are rather low this year, due to the great increase of polio last summer. This method of fund raising has been used on many campuses throughout the country.

Nominations for the "Ugliest Man" have been received from the dorms and houses on the campus. They are: Gayoadeo—Chuck Paine; East Hall—Jack Storck; Steese and Murphy—John Seeland; Maplecrest

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# Editorially Speaking . . . A New Berlin Blockade Debate in Houghton

BY LOU ELTSCHER

Last Friday evening approximately one hundred and sixty Houghton students heard the Houghton College Debate team in action for the first time. Most of them left the debate room satisfied with Houghton's triumph over Fredonia State Teachers College.

Debating represents the only inter-varsity extra-curricular activity sponsored by Houghton college. In this activity, the Houghton college debate team competes on equal terms with many other schools from every part of the United States, debating the same question at each debate throughout the year. It might seem to a person not acquainted with the interworkings of debate that the question would get old and stale; however, the inverse is true as each team places its own emphasis and interpretation on the question. Each debate reveals new facets of the question and different techniques of presentation which must be met with skill. In short, although the team debates the same question throughout the year, it never gets boring.

Forensic endeavor of this nature brings out the fact that mere evidence on one side or the other is not enough. Debates are won because one side or the other has incorporated their evidence in the best organizational pattern and has presented it in the most logical fashion, utilizing every means available to point out the inadequacy of their opponent's position.

There are disadvantages to being on the debate squad; in the first place the mental strain is terrific, and then, when the squad travels from Houghton, classes must be cut, and this, of course is lamentable.

The debaters will admit, however, that the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages. Visiting other campuses is in itself an interesting and educative experience.

We congratulate the coach of the debate team, Dr. Bert Hall, for the fine job he has turned in thus far this year and further extend our good wishes to each member of our debate squad. To the students—congratulations for a fine turnout at the recent debate.

Last week the Russians in Berlin began a new blockade in an effort to stop the mass migration of refugees into the western sector. West Berlin is an island of freedom in a sea of Communist domination and is the only avenue of escape behind the Iron Curtain. Previously the person desiring escape merely boarded a subway or streetcar in the eastern sector and got off in the western sector, or else he walked from one to the other.

The influx of refugees has reached such proportions, however, sometimes a thousand a day, that the Russians have taken measures to stem the flow. Barbed wire and other barricades are being thrown up on the streets in order to reroute all traffic to a few checkpoints. All streetcar traffic between the sectors has been halted, and the railway trains are stopped at the border for inspection. Motorists are likewise halted at the border. The Russians have furthermore ordered all shops closed and all residents evacuated from the East Berlin border. This "death zone" is to be several hundred yards wide. It is similar to the one established last year on the East-West German frontier.

This rise in the number of refugees, apparently stimulated by recent Communist purges and anti-Semitic activities of the Russians, has created many problems for the West Berlin officials. Paramount of the problems is the problem of detecting spies in the midst of the refugees. It is accomplished by carefully screening the individuals. Any suspected refugees are detained and kept under close surveillance.

The West Berliners greet these refugees with a noted lack of enthusiasm. They remember that the refu-

gees now flooding in demanded exorbitant prices for their produce when the West Berliners were living on dried vegetables. It is also claimed that many of the refugees were Communist sympathizers and betrayed their own countrymen.

Naturally these refugees are a terrific strain on the Economic life of West Berlin. The city has 250,000 unemployed without these added refugees. Those who aren't flown to West Germany become absorbed into the life of West Berlin and compete with the natives for jobs, creating a heavier burden on the city. Now, however, with the new Russian moves, the flow of refugees will be greatly slowed down, if not completely stopped; but for those still living under Russian domination, perhaps the only way of escape has been closed to them.

## Hale and Choir Sing in Buffalo

The Houghton College Chorale and selected members of the Chapel Choir, under the direction of Professor Charles H. Finney, took part in the promotion of "The Passion According to St. John" by J. S. Bach, Sunday, at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Buffalo.

Professor Virgil Ha'e sang the tenor role of the evangelist. Mr. Hale is a regular member of the Westminster Church Choir. Earl Obermeyer, baritone soloist, sang the part representing Christ.

An unusual characteristic of the presentation was the use of the harpsichord. Squire Haskin, organist of the First Presbyterian Church, played on the instrument to accompany the evangelist.

## Letter to Editor

January 15, 1953  
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Dear Editor,

I would like to call your attention to a mistake that appeared in the issue of The Houghton Star, published Wednesday, January 14, 1953.

The person in the picture of the Purple football team that you called John Zavitz, was not Mr. Zavitz, but Bud Manary. Bud was very faithful in practicing and most valuable in relief substitutions.

I trust that in the future you will be more careful in your captions.

Sincerely yours,  
John Rollo  
Purple Men's Manager

EDITOR'S NOTE: We express our gratitude to Mr. Rollo for calling our attention to this error and extend our apologies to Mr. Manary.

## Engagements

### Willey - Hughes

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hughes of Canandaigua, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lu Anne ('55), to Mr. Ronald Willey of Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania.

### Mills - Lee

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan L. Lee of Florence, New Jersey, announce the engagement of their daughter Antoinette to Mr. Frederick V. Mills (ex '53), son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mills of Houghton, New York.

## Births . . .

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Huff on January 23, 1953, a daughter, Constance Joy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis on January 28, 1953, a son, Dwight.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Black on February 16, 1953, a daughter, Susan Kay.

## Performer Dies

Frederick Baldwin, a concert pianist from New York City, has agreed to present an Artist Series concert here on April 22.

Adolf Weiser, originally scheduled for the performance died of a heart attack in early February. He was a professor at Indiana University.

## Psychology Club News

The Psychology Club will hold a special business meeting at the Deyo Montanye Home March 4. Two films, "Behavior Disturbances After Bilateral Removal of the Frontal Areas of the Cortex in Cats," and "Impairment of the Abstract Attitudes As Shown on the Stick Test," will be shown.

The latter concerns a human male adult suffering from a gunshot lesion in the frontal lobe, thus connecting the case with that of the removal of the frontal area of the brain in the cat as shown in the first film.

## Contest . . .

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and Hazlett—Dick Castor; Tucker House—Bob Hardy; Rickard House—Herb Spring; McMillen House—"Pop" Mills; and McKinley House—Herb Queen.

Pictures of these men, made up to look their ugliest, will be printed by Both and Teall and will be posted in the lower hall on Tuesday. Each vote is five cents and all may vote as often as they wish. Stuffing of ballot boxes is strictly permitted.

The winner will receive a miniature loving cup as APO's appreciation of his distinction.

# Thinking Seriously . . . Take The Best!

Mrs. Kellersberger of the Mission to Lepers says that it is all right to be "greedy" for God's best because we are building temples and not taverns. We can strive for the best God has for us. If you want His best for you:

**Don't Get Sidetracked**—A young Kentucky physician who was in charge of an important hospital, fell in love with art. He dreamed of painting a large Southern mural on the wall of one of the great rooms in that hospital. He curtained off the wall and in secret began his task of painting. So attached was he to the work and so fascinated was he with the art, that he gave less and less time to his needy patients. Finally, his hospital services were so lacking that he was called to give account of his work to the directors. In an attempt to justify himself he proudly threw back the curtain thus revealing the completed painting. The answer he received from the directors came: "You were not engaged to paint pictures." The Apostle Paul says, "I press toward the mark." He held his calling in view, as he lived his life. However proper is your project, you do well to re-examine your calling lest you be sidetracked.

**Don't Procrastinate**—"Do well is better than say well," reads an old proverb. Think of the numerous spoken intentions to do that which has been imperative for God's best in your life. Think also of how often that act has remained yet to be done. "Procrastination," says Edward Young, "is the thief of time." The person who waits for an easy way or a convenient time is comparable to the traveler who was resting on the bank of the great Mississippi River, and waiting for the stream of water to pass that he might resume his travel and walk across the dry river bed. Let me repeat the Apostle's words: "I press toward the mark . . ."

**Obey**—"Brethren," exclaimed the Negro minister, "whateber de good God tell me to do in dis blessed book, dat I'm gwine to do. If I see in it that I must jump troo a stone wall, I'm gwine to jump at it. Goin' troo it belongs to God—jumpin' at it belongs to me." There exists a real need for binding our God-sent convictions to the vehicle called "action." Obedience is real only as it acts. Moses preached obedience to Israel and when he gave them Deut. 13:4, he delivered quite a message in one sentence. "Ye shall walk after the Lord your God, and fear Him, and keep his commandments of the Lord your God . . . and a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God . . ."

Will I be sidetracked? No! I cannot afford to neglect God's best for my life. Shall I keep putting off what should be done? Never! Will I carefully obey? Always! By the sufficient grace of God.

"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:14)  
—Paul Swauger

To each of our new students—we wish God's richest and best throughout the new semester. We are sure that you will enjoy studying at Houghton college and will appreciate the unique Christian spirit that is prevalent on our campus. God is here. We trust that you will amiably fit into the pattern of student life in Houghton and will be praying with us for His will for Houghton college this semester.

—The Editors.

## See You There!

- Mar. 11, Wed. Student Recital by Miss Margaret Allen at the church.
- Mar. 13, Fri. Student Piano Recital by Miss Doris Ulrich
- Mar. 18, Wed. Senior Piano Recital by Miss Giles and Miss Jeanne Hotaling at 7:30 in the chapel.
- Mar. 6, Fri. Artist Series—Mac Morgan.
- Mar. 10, Tues. Artist Series—Berkshire String Quartet.

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# Much Ado About Nothing ANGELL'S Sport is the Thing . . . ANGLES -

BY RICHARD DUNBAR

The philosophers have it all wrong: "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we die," does not contain as much truth as, "Push, argue, and shop, for tomorrow she'll return it." I dedicate this treatise to all who have had more than five hours of service beyond the call of, "till death us do part," in the pursuit of bargains, fur coats, and gifts for her in-laws. (The latter is a corruption of the old maxim, "In the pursuit of grape juice, maidens, and Bach.)

I remember the time we went to buy a hassock. I thought my wife wanted some boneless fish, and then I saw what a hassock was. She said they were to put feet upon, but I said the floor was good enough. We bought two, one for each foot. What a time I had carrying them. I cleaned out the counters on both sides of me like a bulldozer. A mother in answer to her son's inquiries replied, "Quiet, Junior; he's probably happy."

After I had deposited those packages, she wanted to go into a dress shop. I gave a firm "No" to her invitation and said this time I was not going in.

One thing about those shops, they are pleasant inside. She liked one dress, but would not buy it since she had seen a woman last year that had one with similar buttons. She then found one she liked, but did not take it because there were seven other shops she had not looked in as yet.

We were going by one store and she noticed a sale on the latest sport clothes for yachting and cruising. She went in, even though I told her we were not planning to take a cruise—in fact, the only bodies of water near us were the neighbors' bird bath and a body of dirty water appearing after rains, commonly called a puddle. All she replied was, "It's a sale, it's a sale!"

My wife then wanted to visit a shoe store and I use the word visit appropriately. She must have been in this place before because as we entered all the clerks, except one, went to lunch; and the one remaining hung a sign in the window that said "Closed for Inventory." Then he turned to us and said, "May I help

## WJSL Election . . .

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lyn Foster and Peter Steese; Business Manager, Charles Gosling; Chief Engineer, Charlene Stuart and Robert Grinnell. Further nominations may be made from the floor at the time of the election.

At this meeting the board also appropriated money to buy some new semi-classical and semi-popular music for the radio station.

## Prof. Finney . . .

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leading Christian schools to provide "spiritual music for a spiritual church." Donald P. Hustad, director of the Sacred Music department of Moody Bible Institute, was chosen to be the first president.

The Fellowship plans to hold its next annual convention in Chicago in late October, 1953.

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you—for the next few hours?" The only shoes she did not try on in the whole shop belonged to the salesman. We did not buy any shoes because she wanted toeless flats with a cuban heel, and matching spikes equipped with saddles and pumps. (Men—those names actually refer to shoes) Oh, yes, as far as color was concerned, she wanted chlorophyll shade to match her toothpaste.

She then went to the hat department and while in this place a clerk said this to a prospective buyer, "this hat just matches your complexion." I would have slugged her if she had told me that. The hat had sort of a tired salmon hue with just a touch of chartreuse. Need I say more? From what my wife purchased I think she is planning to run for the presidency of the local Garden Club, because she left with a hat that reminded me of an exhibit from the Amalgamated Garden Club of America, Local 68.

One could continue *ad infinitum* on this pleasant discourse, but I think you have an idea of what I mean. The wife and husband in this case could be any Joe or Janie Doaks, and any resemblance to actual people is purely intentional.

Plato, when considering this subject said, "I think that there shall never be, a funnier sight to see, than a man and woman on a shopping spree."

## Broken Bleachers

You were misinformed, Students, Two weeks ago in the *Star*; So I feel that you ought to know Things as they really are.

The way Fidler has related it, Is untrue; so don't go by it. For he would have you think That Teed and I need to diet.

After his eight hours afternoon nap, Fidler wanted to have some fun; So he came to the Soph-Junior game And to our bleacher added his ton.

Although the game was exciting, Fidler need not have been so rash As to yell and jump up and down— Thus bringing us down with a crash

—Helen Banker

BY EDWARD D. ANGELL

Mr. Smith was in a hurry, but as he glanced ahead he saw an old man standing at an intersection leaning casually on his worn-out cane, thumbing for a ride. Because he appeared to be deserving, Mr. Smith picked him up. Evidently the man was an extrovert, for he began, maneuvered, and continued the conversation. He was saying that he believed he could get a job if he could get to a certain factory at a certain time and meet a certain man. Jobs were scarce at this time, however, and Mr. Smith asked him what he would do if he couldn't get a job. Immediately he replied that he had that all figured out, too. He said that one time while working on a certain paper, his managing editor sent him down to a state insane hospital where a lot of graft was going on. He said that his job was to investigate the place and that he had learned a lot the week that he was there.

The most interesting fellow he met was a man who believed that he was a big-league ball pitcher. Consequently he had made a pitching mound and every afternoon he would go out there and pitch an imaginary baseball in an imaginary game. For two hours or more he would be out there winding up with an imaginary ball and sweating as much as if it were a real game.

At this point Mr. Smith interrupted him. "But what has that got to do with your plans?"

"Well, sir, if I don't get this job, I think I'll go back to that asylum and try to get a job as catcher for that fellow," he replied drily.

How could a man with such a streak of humor ever get the blues? He had the ability to smile when there wasn't a joke—he could laugh in the face of all of his difficulties. Depression and the blues, after all, to a very large degree, are mental affairs. Of course, one might look at this in the wrong way. But more than once I have made this observation, that people with a sense of inner strength and adequacy have a sort of divine sense of humor. They have a way of dismissing their difficulties with a smile and looking upon every problem as an opportunity. Troubles are very sensitive to ridicule, and they are never stand being laughed at. Paul

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BY DICK CASTOR

What are the advantages and disadvantages of Houghton's intramural sports program in comparison to other intercollegiate athletic programs? Although many on campus are heard to favor the engaging in sports with other colleges in the vicinity, they seldom take time to contemplate the advantages of both systems; i.e., conclusions are drawn first, and then the thinking process takes place. Here are the opinions of a very biased individual.

Intercollegiate sports would necessitate alterations in Houghton's financial program, requiring insurance which neither school nor every participant could afford, transportation, additional body equipment, a required number of officials paid set fees, additional training room equipment and personnel, increased seating capacity in the gymnasium, completed track, football and baseball fields, and perhaps in years to come, athletic scholarship awards. This concerns merely the financial side of the problem. Moreover, a subsidizing of players by bribery, although surely improbable on a Christian campus, is still a possibility by means of external influence, and thus a disadvantage in the intercollegiate program. Public relations would have an increased burden in dealing with the various institutions within the athletic league. Personal injuries in this program would not necessarily occur, provided sufficient equipment and training techniques were afforded. One of the greatest disadvantages in the intercollegiate system is that less than half of the number of students are able to participate in sports as compared with the intramural system. Elaboration upon these disadvantages is not necessary, but a few minutes of concentrated thinking should prove valuable.

The definite advantages come to mind for the intercollegiate system with reference to Houghton. First, is that of more enthusiastic school spirit, kindled by school rivalry. However, this spirit in extreme is not conducive to making the participators play "just for fun" or enjoyment of the sport, but often leads to an antagonistic spirit on the part of the spectators, resulting ultimately in a "bloody battle," certainly not an admirable situation for either of the institutions involved. The second advantage, and surely the most essential, is to display Christian principles in the game, thus offering a testimony worthy of our

God. This advantage also has the possibility of being nullified if the Christian sportsmanship is not consistent. Quite recently, a Christian college very similar to Houghton, went on the offensive when some "plays" were called unsuitable to their valued opinions. The result? — reflecting words passed by the president of the institution to the referee, and a riot which soon required a good number of able policemen to control. Was there an advantage in their Christian testimony? What are the advantages of the intermural system of athletics in Houghton? It would be well to ponder the question.

## Student's Mother Dies

The mother of Donna Uhlendorff, eighth grade student in Houghton Preparatory, died Sunday, February 15 at Fort Belvan, Va., of cancer.

The mother was given only a month to live by doctors at Christmas time. Donna flew home the last week in January and returned to school last Tuesday. Her father, Captain Lewis F. Uhlendorff is a United States Army chaplain.

## Torchbearers . . .

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# PURPLE WINS SECOND GAME, NEEDS WIN TONIGHT

## Purple Downs Gold In Last Quarter Spurt

A smarting Purple team took the floor in Bedford Gym last Friday night seeking to win their first game of the year after they were surprised and beaten by Gold on Wednesday. Coach Luckey started his regular five for Purple and "coach of the year" Green countered with his first five also. The game opened at a fast clip as Johnny Wilson took a tap play on a drying lay-up to put Gold on top the opening tip-off and drove in for 2-0. They could not maintain that lead, however, and led by Zike and Beck, Purple took a 6 point lead at the end of the first quarter, 18-12.

Gold would not give up and fought their way back to a tie at halftime. During this drive to the tie, Paul Dekker scored two from the floor and Bud Lewis had two more baskets. Things looked very bright for Gold at that point in the game for their tight zone defense had Baird and Beck bottled up outside and without their guards hitting, Purple's offense cracked down. Between the two of them they shot 11 times in the second quarter and did not hit on one of them. Score at the half stood at 24-24.

The third quarter was slowly played and neither team scored very many points. Once again the Gold zone was keeping Purple's guards off balance and they were not hitting. Gold took advantage of this and took a good lead of 36-31 as the quarter closed.

With the fourth quarter came Purple's victory. The game was virtually won in the opening 3:40 of the period. Bob Baird came up with four long one-handed sets, each one from 25 feet out or more, and Phil Janowsky had 3 more Purple field goals and a free throw to give the Pharaohs an 8 point lead with 7 minutes remaining. From there it was easy going and Purple went under the wire on top by a score of 58-47.

### Debate . . .

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there will be another debate here. This time the competition will come from Oswego State Teachers College. That will be the first time that these two teams have met and Dr. Hall would not predict who he thought would win.



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## Sports In The Star

BY AL JOHNSON

The color basketball series this season in my estimation brings together two of the most evenly matched men's teams seen here at Houghton in recent years. What Gold lacks in sharp shooting artists, they more than make up for in height. No one can deny the fact that Purple has the best shooting team. Zike and Janowsky proved this point by leading the scoring race in class competition. On the other hand, we find height lacking in the Purple line-up. Which ever team makes the better use of its particular advantage will undoubtedly cop the color crown.

The first two encounters of the color teams revealed their equality. In the initial game Gold made excellent use of teamwork both in floor play and rebounds. To the surprise of everyone they were in command throughout the entire game. The optimistic Purple squad fell to defeat, not because they were an inferior team, but because individual ball playing never did have a place among champions. Lewis and Wilson paced Gold in the scoring department, with Janowsky and Baird filling in for Purple.

The second game saw the score reversed, with Purple on the long end. The Pharaohs in the closing minutes finally started to click, pulling themselves up even with Gold and continuing on to win by a substantial margin. The removal of Paul Dekker during the last quarter of the game seemed to be the turning point. Gold up until that time was leading, but during the absence of Dekker, Janowsky was free to score. This new spark enabled Purple to crack the Gold defense completely. After this Bob Baird hit consecutively with his deadly one-handers, tucking the game away for Purple. Janowsky and Baird were the big guns for the victors, with Dekker and Lewis doing their share for Gold.

The remaining games will enable us to see which has the team work to overcome their deficiencies. To pick a winner would be a hard choice to make. Therefore, I shall let time decide the victor.

Girls' basketball had even more of a Gold tint to it. Winning both of their first games, it looks as though a clean sweep of the series is in order for Gold. Gold owes its strength chiefly to Jan Kerchoff at forward supported by a sparkling defensive trio. Purple's chief bid for victory lies in Barb Bean. The most definite factor of victory this year will be in defensive ball. Both teams have good offensive players, but Gold gets the nod when defense comes to mind.

## Zike's Two Baskets Decide, Baird High With 19 Points

Purple's high flying Pharaohs downed their Gold rivals Wednesday night in Bedford Gymnasium by a convincing score of 62-56. For Purple this was their second straight series win and brought them within one game of clinching this year's color championship.

## Gold Girls Cop Championship; Win 3 Straight

The girls of coach Jonny Wilson won their third straight game Wednesday night to win the best three out of five series without suffering a loss. The first two games were won relatively easy by Gold but in their last game Purple made them work extra hard to win. Purple led most of the way but could not stop the Gold forwards when it counted. Jan Kerchoff led both sides in the scoring department with 14 points but trailed Barb Bean for the series scoring title. Bean scored 52 points in the 3 game series for an average of 17.33 points per game. Kerchoff scored 40 points for her 3 games to give her an average of 13.33 points per game. Thalia Lazarides and Joyce Fischer had totals of 28 and 23 points respectively also for the champion Gold Gladiators.

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For the second straight game it was Bob Baird's outside shooting that kept Purple on top. But when things got tough it was Willy Zike who came through. With the score deadlocked and only three minutes remaining he calmly flipped two long one handed push shots through the hoop and thus gave Purple the victory. For Gold this was a major calamity, for they had just fought back from the short end of a ten point Purple lead to tie the score. Purple had opened that lead midway through the third quarter and lead by Johnny Wilson, Gold had cut the lead to one point, 45-44, as the third quarter closed.

The gym was a bedlam of excitement as the fourth period opened. Janowsky opened the quarter with a brilliant tap in to give Purple a 3 point lead. Bud Lewis came back for Gold by hitting on a one hander from the side to cut the lead to only one point. The noise in the gym was terrific at this point. Purple came down on a quick break and Zike drove in hard for a lay-up but back-handed a pass to Janowsky at the last possible minute but Phyl missed the easy shot from 10 feet out. Dekker got the rebound for Gold and fed off to Wilson who flipped a long pass to Lewis driving under for Gold and he was fouled by Bill Fountain. Here Bud could have knotted the score but missed the opportunity. The score swayed back and forth and the rafters in the gym swayed with the noise of the fans. Paine connected on two shots and Baird equaled them with two more. The score stood 51-51 with just three minutes left. Here Zike stepped in and performed the Merriwell act for Purple and gave them the victory.

### Angell's Angles . . .

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