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Ferm Receives Degree: **Lanthorn Reveals Winners**

Robert O. Ferm, dean of Houghton College, received his doctor of theology degree yesterday, from Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City. Dr. Muncy of the Seminary has been advisor to Dr. Ferm during his work.

Dean Ferm wrote his thesis on the psychology of religion. He brought out that salvation is an actual crisis experience and not something gradually attained. He discussed religion as a crisis, conversion and an experience.

Dr. Ferm has spent about two years working on his thesis. Most of his research was done during the period of recuperation after his back operation last year. Some of the information used was from a questionnaire distributed among students in Bible introduction last year.

Dean Ferm received his A. B. from Houghton in 1939; his A.M. from the University of Buffalo in 1947; and his Th. M. from Central Baptist Seminary in 1951.

Dr. Ferm wishes to express his special thanks to Josephine Rickard for the help she gave in proof reading and arranging literary style. He also extends his thanks to many in Houghton who have aided him.

Seath, Cross To Teach Here At Summer Session

Houghton is engaging two visiting professors for its summer session.

Dr. Hildreth Cross will teach Case Studies in Problems of Adolescence during the August 6-24 session. Dr. Cross is head of the psychology department at Taylor University and formerly held the same position at Asbury.

Dr. William Seath, director of the Chicago Industrial League will teach two courses: Current Trends in Rescue Mission Work and Modern Methods in Rescue Mission Work. These will be taught June 25-July 7 for one hour credit each. Dr. Seath has taught three times before at Houghton.

Miss Marie McCord will be teaching in Oakland City College, Oakland City, Indiana, for ten weeks in the summer session. She will teach Music Methods, Music Appreciation and Conducting.

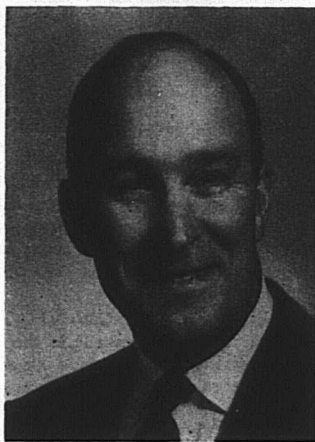
In addition, Miss McCord will be studying piano at Indiana University under Ernest Hoffzimmer.

Davison Attends Registrar's Conv.

Miss Rachel Davison was one of the 800 representatives at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, held in the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, April 20.

Twenty-five registrars and admissions officers from Christian liberal arts colleges and Bible colleges met for fellowship and discussion of such topics as transfer policy, registration and admission procedure.

Paul Elicker, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, stressed that the academic level of admissions



Dean R. O. Ferm

Fulbright Awards Competition Opens

Competitions for United States Government scholarships for graduate study abroad for 1957-58 are now open. The program under the Fulbright Act and the Convention for the Promotion of Inter-American Cultural Relations is part of the international educational exchange activities of the Department of State. They will give almost 1000 American citizens the chance to study abroad during the 1957-58 academic year.

Eligibility requirements for these foreign study fellowships are: United States citizenship, a college degree or its equivalent at the time the award is to be taken up, knowledge of the language of the country of application sufficient to carry on the proposed study and good health. (Knowledge of a foreign language is not required for some non-English speaking countries). Preference is given to applicants not more than 35 years of age.

Competition for the 1957-58 academic year closes November 1, 1956. Further information may be obtained at Dean Lynip's office.

AA Banquet to Be Held May 23

The annual Athletic Association Banquet will be held May 23. Special musical entertainment will be provided by McCarty's Midnight Men.

All of this year's letter-winners will be guests of the Association at the banquet. Letter-winners from previous years are also invited to bring a friend and attend the banquet as paying guests. Members of the faculty who are interested in the sports program have been invited also in this capacity.

In his position as vice-president of the Athletic Association, Don Gordon will be toastmaster of the dinner. A speaker has been obtained and a place to hold the banquet decided upon, but these facts will be kept secret until the day of the event.

should equal the level of college instruction. Dr. John J. Theobald, President of Queen's College and Deputy Mayor of the city of New York, recommended that four-year senior colleges introduce shorter courses similar to those now offered by junior colleges to meet specialized needs as enrollment increases.

School To Stage Plans Proceed For Annual Clean-up Day For Campus

The campus make take on a new appearance Monday, May 21. Students will be set to work trimming trees and shrubs, pulling weeds, washing windows, painting and picking up papers. The tennis court, athletic field and dormitories will be cleaned also.

The annual Clean-up Day will begin at 8:00 with chapel. At 8:30 students will proceed to their various tasks until noon, when a picnic lunch will be served on the lawn.

Questionnaires have been distributed in hopes of determining the job preferred by each student. Lists will be posted, assigning each job, as nearly as possible, to those who indicated their preference. Fred Nagle and Bruce Hess have been working with Dr. Willard Smith on the plans.

Last year out of the 424 assigned work 94.5 per cent participated. Campus Clean-up Day can be continued only as long as the students are willing to co-operate, the administration states.

Avery To Conduct ROTC Chapel For Men Today

Major Philip S. Avery from the R.O.T.C. Headquarters at Alfred University, will conduct an all-male chapel Friday, May 11. He will explain the Reserve Forces Act of 1955, which changed the reserve and draft program as established by the Draft Act of 1952.

Major Avery will be on campus for the remainder of the morning for personal interviews with any individuals who may be interested.

Houghton representatives for the East Hall wing met with the director of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, April 30, in New York City in order to present the college's final application for loan assistance on the wing.

The meeting resulted in several revisions and final application will be submitted May 28. It is anticipated that it will take until the middle of August to secure final approval by the New York and Washington offices. Bids for the contract will probably be received September, 1956, and the building begun in the spring of 1957.

The government-estimated cost for the wing, which will provide space for one-hundred and twenty-six students, is \$390,000. It is hoped that some of the addition will be ready for occupancy by January, 1958.

Earl to Assume CYF Presidency

Paul Earl will be president of the College Youth Fellowship next year, as a result of the election following student body prayer meeting, May 1. He has been chaplain of the class of '57 three years.

Assisting him as vice-president will be Edward Stansfield, with Laura-belle Hyde as secretary and Forrest Gass as treasurer. Lily Marville will serve as advertising manager, while Judith Miller will be membership chairman and Phyllis Neal, youth solicitor and bulletin board manager. Miss Hubbard was re-elected as advisor.

Included in plans for next year is a Spring Youth Conference on April 6.

Johnson, Davis, Heilman Take First Place Prizes

Marilyn Johnson, Charles Davis and Sally Heilman placed first in the *Lanthorn* literary contest, in the short story, essay and poetry divisions, respectively. The *Lanthorn* will be out the week of May 21.

Marilyn's story, *Going Up*, tells about a girl's first job as secretary to the president of a large advertising company. A soldier in Korea who finds the answer to the question, *Why Am I Here?*, is the subject of Charles' essay. Sally's poem is entitled *Twilight*. It looks at the setting of the sun with a reflection on death.

Second and third prizes in each section were awarded as follows: short story — Evelyn Bagley and John Percy; essay — R. Kingsley Gill; poetry — Wayne Miller and Garrison Rice.

The *Lanthorn* will have a larger page size this year and more illustrations by Fredi Krantz, Alice King, editor, announced. The cost is fifty cents, more than in former years because of the increased costs of publishing incurred by the enlargement.

Academy Chorus Sings At Festival

The Houghton Academy Chorus earned a rating of "B" at the State Festival at West Henrietta, May 5; while the girls' chorus won an "A."

All three academy music groups — the girls' chorus, the boys' chorus and the mixed chorus — will present a program Tuesday, May 22, in the college chapel. The selections to be sung include *Cindy*, *Finlandia* and *The Battle Hymn of the Republic* in the arrangement of Fred Waring.

McCord To Star In Faculty Recital

Miss Marie McCord will present a faculty piano recital Monday evening in the college chapel. On the program will be music by Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy and the contemporary composer Eugene Goossens.

Among the selections included is the *Sonata, Op. 110* by Beethoven. One of his later works, it is highly imaginative and is thought to have been conceived in a dream or vision of the deaf composer. Another of her selections is Chopin's *F Major Ballade*, which is based on a poem related in an ancient Lithuanian legend, about a knight seeking the secret of the maiden of the lake.

Miss McCord is a graduate of Indiana University, having earned the master of music degree in piano in 1948 under the instruction of Ernest Hoffzimmer, pupil of Ferruccio Busoni. She also studied in France under the Fulbright Grant.

Before coming to Houghton, Miss McCord taught piano in Oakland City College and Evansville College, both in Illinois, and in Washington State University.

(ACP) — What Shakespeare had to say after he took a test: "I am afraid to think what I have done; Look on't again I dare not."



Miss Marie McCord at piano.

To Learn Is To Mature

The college student, because of the very nature of his education, must have his whole manner of life changed from freshmen orientation week through graduation. It is a constant process of change. Each item of knowledge added and every insight gained into human problems and their solutions must change the person to some slight degree. This change must be evident in every phase of the personality.

The goal is maturity. We do not expect immature persons to sit quietly and attentively through a chapel band concert. Nor do we care for the immature attitude of some who sneer at opinions held by the majority merely to raise eyebrows. The student who wants only to be different is receiving a shallow education, and it is not the fault of his professors.

He does not make use of his education; he makes use of the supposed prestige of his education. Such a person is worse than the blind con-

former, for the former assumes he is correct by virtue of his being different, whereas the latter merely does not recognize any intellectual problem to be different. Both are immature.

A good four-year comprehensive examination would be to put each senior into a cage full of monkeys to see which act more maturely.

Seven Expedient Uses Of Modern Christianity

BY MARILYN JOHNSON

1. Always have clearly in mind all of the Lord's work you have been doing recently, when you find it necessary to hand a paper in late or to be ill the morning of the quiz.
2. Always be sure to pray-through any doubtful course or action, so that you will be sure that it really was the Lord's will for you to have acted in such a manner.
3. Never "break up" with a boy or girl-friend without camouflaging the fact that you're attracted to a new freshman by saying "I don't believe the Lord would have us continue this friendship any longer." This leaves a more pleasant taste in the mouths of all concerned and also makes disagreement or regret on the part of the other party religiously impossible.
4. Always begin your letters "Greetings in the Saviour's name," whenever you have something insulting to say to the recipient but still sound "Christian."
5. To attain the security of acceptance, be sure to attend all meetings and services. One need not pay attention to the message, or the meaning of the hymns and songs, but by closing one's mind to the purpose of the meeting one can find it a friendly place to bring a date or to meet one's chums.
6. When it is discovered that the work you have been employed to do and been paid for doing, has not been done efficiently, recall that some of your working time was spent doing what really was "more important," for it was Christian Work.
7. Be sure to preface any impulsive action that is liable to hurt another by the phrase, "I was led." This immediately removes all blame or responsibility from the doer and places it squarely on the Lord.

In Medias Res



OUR HATS ARE TOO SMALL

If your eyes will amble over to the left a few columns, you will note the *First Class Rating* that our one and only 'baby' has copped. Needless to say, all our shirt buttons have popped. For a few days we were walking on air, even. After expecting about seventh-class rating, it was a pleasant surprise to find that we had 1675 points out of the necessary 1700 for All-American rating.

SIGNS OF YOU-KNOW-WHAT

Our sympathies go out to the Botany and Entomology students who are desperately trying to round out their collections of the flora and fauna. With this cold, cold weather there seem to be several cases of frostbite around, to add to the general quandries of what name belongs to what specimen. We've also noted that Luckey lawn has been dotted with two rows of much-needed maples. The music building has been shamefully denuded, given East Hall less of a scare-crow look by becoming scare-crow itself. As Johnny Reist would say, "Trees forever, Rah!"

MARKEE NIGHT OWLS

... Too bad East Hall's basement houses the carpenter's shop; otherwise the girls there could have midnight capers, too.

OVERHEARD IN THE BOOKSTORE

One of the Luckey workers (a girl) in the bookstore the other day moaned, "Can't I buy any food that's not filling, delicious and yet not fattening?" We offered no solution then, but our answer now is, try black coffee. We've checked with our calorie list and find black coffee to be absolutely nil of any fattening element. Cost: one thin dime.

IN MEDIAS APPLAUDS

Everyone who had a part in the Mozare Festival. In our estimation it was excellently carried through, besides which it broadened and raised, somewhat our enjoyment of this Great Master.

STATEMENT OF THE SEASON

This note was stealthily handed in to us one day; Dr. Nelson, conversing with a student, came up with this comment concerning the present weather, "I hope this clears up before school begins in the fall." Ditto from us.

THE DARK TELLS TALES

We were coming from the Inn the other night (at a legal hour!), and were the innocent and delighted by-standers to a bit of drama in real life. Who should come thundering around the home of the Dean of our College but the Dean of our College? He was making fast tracks after his delinquent hound, who was having a good time serenading the neighborhood. We left the miniature bull-fight rather abruptly, and can only hope that Dr. Lynip got the best of the dog, and not the dog the worst of him.

NOTE

Spring has officially arrived! The *Caballeros* are taking to the woods in overnight stands. The rent for the Boy Scout's Cabin hasn't changed in the past twenty years.

LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

Lost: One partial bridge. If found, please contact John Reist immediately. Seriously.

WHITE ROSES, THIS TIME

Huzzahs to Ed Stansfield and the Soph mob for the wonderful job on the Soph-Senior party. More people are going steady now that Lois Knowlton tipped them off as to their future!

IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU

The last bunch of the Psych club which went through the wards of the Psychopathic Hospital received a huge shock when they found a Houghton Junior stretched out in one of the beds. Apparently the sights were too gruesome for her gentle spirits.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How many of you realize that the walk between the Science building and the Gym is right in the middle of the infield of an arbitrary ball field? So, if you want to guard your head from concussions and other fatalities, avoid that area of campus.

SUGGESTION OF THE WEEK

Why couldn't we work towards a real Skip Day, when Seniors could sneak off as they do in other schools, without everyone else knowing they're going? Perhaps this would increase Senior participation in the activity rather than just make it like another Class Retreat.

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ACP Gives Star Engagement First Class Rating

"I am amazed at the improvement shown in your paper. You are to be commended for producing a really worthwhile newspaper which is certainly an impressive asset to your school." R. Helgerson, Asst. city editor, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

This statement was read by Richard Stevens, *Star* editor, at a reception in East Hall held for the newspaper staff Friday evening, May 4, following the Mozart concert. After reading the statement, he announced that the Associated Collegiate Press had given the *Star* a first class rating for the first semester of this year.

The newspaper was rated in all its aspects, including news coverage, photography, makeup and content. The greatest improvements were in the makeup and in the additions of the Town Meeting and book review columns, Richard commented.

He also noted that of a possible 1700 points, to score All-American, the *Star* was awarded 1675.

Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Johnson of Jamaica, L. I., announce the engagement of their daughter Marilyn ('57) to Robert A. Driscoll ('57), son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Driscoll of Bayside, L. I. No date has been set for the wedding.



Appreciates Fair Work

May 7, 1956

Dear Editor,

Once a year it is customary for each class to give its sister class a party. When we planned to have a fair for the seniors, I did not realize that it would involve the help of so many people. The kids all pitched in without a lot of persuasion and the result was a good time. As I was unable to thank individually each of the persons who helped, I should like to take this opportunity to express

the sincere thanks and gratitude of my committee and myself.

Sincerely,
The Social Chairman,
Class of 1958

F. Wright Tells on Friend

Dear Editor:

I always enjoy reading the *Star*, and I especially enjoyed the little article last issue covering some of the reminiscences of the yesterdays of my good friend, Mrs. Maurice Gibbs. I recalled some things also.

Opal Smith was a girl of not many years. It is always difficult to locate any woman on the calendar but I should say that Opal was then about eighteen years of age. She lived in the "Girls' Dorm," as it was then called. She was quite adept in the art of coquetry. I recall a bit of doggerel that ran in my mind before I became a sober middle-aged man. It was appropriate for her then, but not now.

"Down in poverty row you will find this girl;
Riches cannot compare with this precious pearl.
Each boy loved her and wished he could be her beau,
So she's not to blame if she

treats all the same
Down in poverty's row."

The facts of the case are these. There were 17 young men, each of whom wanted to be her boy friend, but no one was successful for any length of time. In desperation, each placed his name on a sheet of paper and thus made up for her consideration a list of suitors. Her roommate placed it on her study table. The next evening, these broken-hearted lads stood under her window and

sang a slightly paraphrased stanza of an old hymn:

"Is my name written there, On that page white and fair
In the scrapbook of your heart-but no one was successful for any throbs, is my name written there?"
Now, since I am a man of veracity, unquestionable veracity, it will do no good for Sister Gibbs to deny this.

Signed,
F. H. Wright
P. S. Maurice Gibbs was not on this list, nor was I!

From the Bookshelf...

THE CROSS AND THE COMMON MAN, Herman W. Gockel, CONcordia Publishing House, St. Louis, 1955, 155 pp., \$2.00 at the bookstore.
reviewed by Joel Samuels

Subtitled *An Everyday Religion for Everyday People*, this brief treatise explains the essence of the gospel of Christ in terms of the cross of Christ.

The book attempts to answer the question, "What is the connection between the death of a man two thousand years ago and the everyday man in our age?"

Beginning within the scope of our own experience, we find that man apart from the life in Christ is bound by sin. Man is the worm in the apple with reference to our problems. Deliverance from sin comes through the death of Christ. The relation of "Jesus died" and "my sins are forgiven" is the mystery of the applicability of the atonement in man's life. Jesus Christ "paid in full" for the sinner, so that he in turn is set free from the throes of sin.

The Christian message is redemptive — man has been made free to serve. Man's redemption is for the purpose of living unto God. The Cross is the basis for this life and the hope of eternal life. The Cross is the "event" which forms the basis for the Church.

The author brings the book to a close by reminding us that the "songs of the Cross" are the expression of the faith, life and confidence in the power of Christ to redeem the sinner.

Written in non-technical, non-theological language, a careful reading of *The Cross and the Common Man* will make the Christian a better witness.

Hall Judges At National Meet

Prof. Bert Hall, Houghton debate coach, attended the National Debate Tournament at West Point as a guest judge April 25-28.

Thirty-six of the best teams from the eight debate districts of the United States were present. They debated the national topic for the year, "Resolved: That non-agricultural industries should guarantee their employees an annual wage." The subject was debated in eight preliminary rounds to determine the top sixteen teams, after which four elimination rounds were held to determine the champion team.

Dartmouth, Harvard, MIT, St. Anselm and West Point represented the district in which Houghton is located. There were three guest judges for each round plus the debate team coaches, who judged teams other than their own. Some of the teams Professor Hall judged were West Point, Dartmouth, Puget Sound, Greenville and Notre Dame.

Dr. Hall stated that the Houghton debate team has made a good showing in the past but will need new members on the team next year because several present debaters will be graduated. He further said that those who join the team will have the opportunity to participate in some of the tournaments and will definitely gain valuable experience in public speaking and a better insight into current events.

Haviland to Head A.P.O.

Wallace Haviland will head the Houghton chapter of Alpha Phi Omega next semester. George Seher will assist him as vice-president.

One of A.P.O.'s activities this year has been assistance with the Red Cross Blood Drive.

Parents' Weekend Draws 150 Visitors to Campus; For 'Glimpsing Houghton'

"Glimpsing Houghton" was the theme of Parents' Weekend, May 4, 5 and 6, with approximately 150 guests visiting the college campus. The weekend was sponsored by the Student Senate and the Public Relations Office.

Special features for the parents included a track clinic held by track star, Gil Dodds, classroom visitation and a Saturday evening banquet and program. The parents were here also for the remaining recitals of the Mozart Music Festival.

The film, "Thine is the Kingdom," and a resume of Houghton College life were presented at the Saturday evening program, directed by Janet Swift. Dwight Strum and John DeSanto reminisced over the year's events, which included Freshman Week, the Foreign Missions Fellowship program, the Spring Youth Conference, Student Senate elections and the *Coffee Machine*. McCarty's Mid-night Men sang "Halls of Ivy" and the "Alma Mater."

Sophomore Gives All Advice On Final Exams: 'Work Night Before'

BY CAROL HAZLETT

Students, I fear you are beginning to get those last-minute jitters. Don't worry! Relax! You can study for finals and still get those twenty psychology reports, three novels, botany herbarium and sociology term paper in on time if you just stop worrying about your finals.

The first important rule to remember is: Save your studying until the night before the exam.

The next thing to know is that those superstitious rumors about reading day which have been circulating around campus are untrue. Reading day is not the day you use for studying; it is the day to catch up on current periodicals such as *Pogo*, *Mad* and *Adventures of Dick Tracy*.

Now, this is what happens on the night before exams. Assemble your materials before you start, for it is absolutely necessary that you do not interrupt your thought processes. Such materials as No-Doz, a thermos of coffee, apples, candy, potato chips and popcorn are absolute necessities for the serious student. Next, obtain a good schedule of radio programs. Music in the good old hillbilly style is most soothing to the nerves. Have plenty of scrap paper handy, because some of the best ideas for "Doodles" come at the oddest times.

You are now ready to begin. Oh, yes, don't forget one incidental item — your textbook. As you skim it don't remember any details. Teachers who make a student know how many people voted for some obscure politician in 1800 or insist that they learn who painted "The Student While Falling Asleep Studying" are pedants who shouldn't be teaching, anyway. Besides, if enough students flunk a course, the administration will realize that the teacher should be fired.

Oh, yes, one final word of encouragement. Don't worry if you should be in the same class two years. It happens to the best of students and is a mark of distinction.

Mozart Festival Town Meeting: Barkley's Death Closes Program Under Andrews

The Houghton College music department presented the Mozart Bicentennial music festival, May 2-6. Professor John M. Andrews was the festival chairman.

The series of programs commenced in the Wednesday chapel with members of the music appreciation class giving an introduction to the life and times of Mozart. The Thursday chapel featured the Houghton College woodwind quintet, and Friday, piano, violin and French horn numbers were played.

Wednesday night a Mozart recital of piano and vocal selections was given. Howard Bauer played the *D Minor Piano Concerto*, the accompaniment being provided by David Shiffer. Mr. Harold Skinner, a guest artist from Jamestown, played the *Concerto Number Two for Flute*, accompanied by Professor Alfred Kreckman. The orchestra concert Friday evening featured Mrs. John Andrews in the *Concerto in Bb for Bassoon* and excerpts from the opera *Don Giovanni* sung by Rebecca Leden and Robert Reynolds.

Saturday afternoon there was a recital of chamber music, and Sunday evening, during the regular worship hour, the festival was brought to a close with organ and choral works by the Houghton College Oratorio Society and Chorus under the direction of Professor Charles H. Finney.

Jim Hurd's Machine Spends Busy Year

Jim Hurd's famous coffee machine has answered the call for coffee and hot chocolate with about 15,000 cups for this school year. (Printer's note: And I haven't had one.)

It cost \$1,000 however, to bring our mid-morning life-saver into the Houghton world. This cost includes spare parts and duplicate stainless steel canisters for the various syrups.

In addition, the coffee machine demands the attention of student labor costing \$128 dollars. To keep our machine fat and happy is a task requiring \$1020.78 worth of concentrate, simple sugar, hot drink cups and cream. Jim Hurd has, as a result, received \$392.54 to apply to the initial investment.

Debate Squad Ends Season At Oswego

The Houghton Debate squad tied for second place in the last inter-collegiate debate of the year at Oswego, Saturday, April 28. John Andrews received second-best debater award for men.

Grace Peterson and Albert Williams debated the affirmative, while Virginia Aman and John Andrews comprised the negative team.

The intercollegiate debate topic for this year was the adoption of the guaranteed annual wage. The Houghton squads have placed second three times and tied for third twice in seven tournaments this year. Individual members of the squad have received six debater awards.

Town Meeting: Barkley's Death

Long Time Statesman Ends Career While Giving Address

BY HAROLD HOLLAND

"There is a prince and a great man fallen, one of the Republic's best-loved sons..."

These words of eulogy were given by Rev. Frederick B. Harris, Senate Chaplain, at the funeral service of Alben W. Barkley. The long-time politician and statesman died suddenly of a heart attack while making a keynote address to the mock national convention held every four years at Washington and Lee University in Richmond, Va. The 78 year-old Senator and "war horse" of the Democratic party collapsed after giving one of his religious references: "I would rather be a servant in the house of the Lord than sit in the house of the mighty." The Senator's passing has been mourned by hundreds of top statesmen and political leaders throughout the nation.

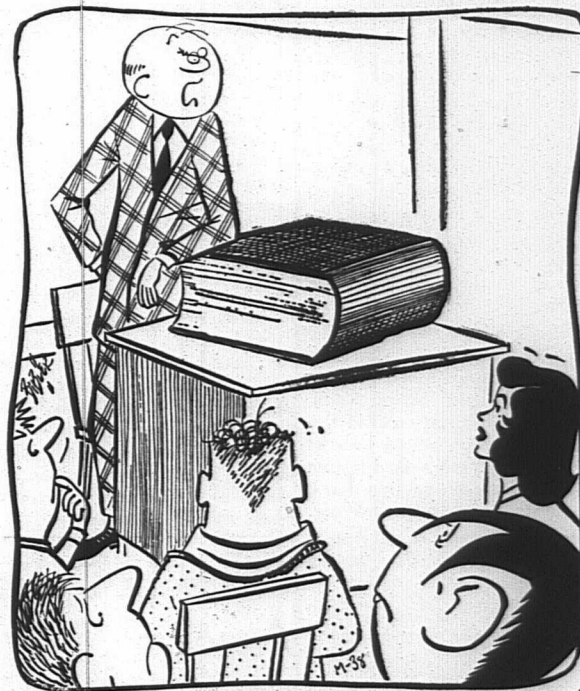
Born in Paducah, Kentucky, in 1877, Senator Barkley was a poor farm boy who had to work his way through college and law school. By the age of twenty he had become an acclaimed orator. Mr. Barkley's national political career began on March 4, 1913, when he became a member of the House of Representatives, the day of Woodrow Wilson's inauguration as President. From 1913 to 1937 Mr. Barkley served four senatorial terms. From 1937 to 1947 he served as majority leader of the Senate and minority leader from 1947 to 1949. He was elected vice-president in the election of 1948 with Harry S. Truman as president. In 1954, at the age of 76, he acceded to the requests of Democratic leaders and returned to active politics, running for a fifth term in the United States Senate. He easily won after a vigorous campaign.

Alben W. Barkley was a politician of the "old school" but was heavily relied upon by both Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry Truman to fight for the policies of the New and Fair Deals respectively. As majority leader in the Senate, he was the main spokesman in Congress for the Roosevelt New Deal. As vice-president he was the chief traveling salesman for Truman's Fair Deal. In all his political activity, he stood out courageously for what he believed to be the best for his country, even to the extent that it probably cost him the presidency. David Lawrence says in a recent column that Mr. Barkley will be remembered for his courage long after those who have attained higher honors are forgotten.

Mr. Barkley, born back in the days of the horse and buggy, was privileged to live through one of the most changing periods of our country's history. He saw the complete development of the automobile and the airplane to their present status. Also, he saw the beginning of the use of the radio in campaigning and the coming of television as a significant means of carrying political messages to the people of the nation. Then, too, he lived through the dark crises of two world wars. In addition to this he was intimately concerned with the Korean War and in 1951 made a personal inspection of the battlefield there. Through all of these changes and conditions, along with many, many more, the late Senator lived. Truly he deserves our tribute. Our nation will be poorer as a result of his passing.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



Radio Conf. Talks Of New Transistor

"A low power transistor missionary receiver may be in production early next year." This was the prediction of the Missionary Radio Transistor Conference at Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, on May 1, 1956.

The objectives of the conference were to unify efforts being put forth for the production of a transistor receiver for use on the mission field.

The ultimate objective is "a receiver for every village" within range of the missionary broadcaster.

The advantage of a transistor over the conventional tube set is durability and low power consumption. While the initial cost of the set may at first be slightly higher than the conventional model, the battery replacement cost will be nominal (about \$1 per year as opposed to a minimum of \$15 per year). Then, too, these sets will operate off flashlight batteries, easily obtainable on the mission field.

Purple Wary As They Defend Track Crown

Royal Smythe Pitches, Bats Team to Lead

Purple continued their winning ways and took a commanding two-game lead in the seven-game color series by edging Gold 3-2, Monday, May 7.

Bud Smythe again was instrumental in the Pharaoh's triumph. Bud hurled the entire game, gave up only three hits, struck out six (Butler twice) and walked only one.

After three scoreless innings, Purple broke the ice with a lone tally in the fourth. Lyman Pierce had set the Pharaohs down in order until Smythe singled to left with one out in the fourth. Beck sacrificed him to second, and Janowsky singled solidly to center to put Purple one up.

Smythe had a no-hitter going until one out in the sixth, when Bohn singled to left. Thompson reached first on Scott's error and went to second when nobody covered, Bohn taking third. Bohn then scored on Michener's passed ball.

In the bottom of the same inning, Purple, taking advantage of the Gold miscues, came right back to score what turned out to be the winning runs. After two were out, Sheesley dropped Thompson's throw from short, allowing Beck to reach first. Beck went to second on a wild pitch, after which Pierce intentionally walked Janowsky. Roeske singled to right to score Beck, and then Gold started to handle the ball like a hot potato. Janowsky took third on Paine's throw-in, which rolled past Armstrong, who was halfway up the third base line. Stewart recovered the ball and threw it to Sheesley who was covering home. Janowsky was caught in a rundown, but Sheesley threw the ball into left field because no one was covering; Janowsky scored the winning run.

Gold retaliated for one run, but the rally died when Wood grounded to second with Cabrices on third, who pinch-ran for Pierce after he singled which scored Stewart, who had opened the inning with a single to right.

Stewart stole second, after which Pierce got his hit. Smythe bore down on Wood, though, and ended the ball game.

Underdog Purple rolled to a 9-2 victory over Gold, Thurs., May 3, on the pitching arm and booming bat of Bud Smythe. Royal pitched 5 innings, gave up four hits, walked two and struck out four. At the plate he singled, homered, and walked in four trips to the plate, scored three times, batted in three runs and stole a base.

After Gold counted in the first on Armstrong's single to center, scoring Wood who had singled and was sacrificed to second by Thompson,



Bruce Hess, Purple, and Don Kunkel, Gold, brave the cold weather and snow flurries to practice for color meet.

Seth Says: Wells, Smythe, Janowsky States, Pierce Brilliant

Gil Dodd's clinic has stimulated track interest to a new high; twenty-nine men and seventeen women participated in the class meet last Saturday. Coach Wells deserves a doff of the Ivy League cap for inviting Gil to Houghton . . . Bud Smythe is proving that he's the best ballplayer in school. He has singlehandedly carried Purple to their two upset triumphs over Gold on his clutch pitching and timely hitting. He had a no-hitter for five innings Monday . . . A suggestion to the A.A. — why not enforce the rule that color managers take the responsibility for organizing color squads and posting rosters? This would solve two very irritating problems: (1) The *Star* would be able to write more factual preview stories and, (2) it would eliminate such instances that occurred recently when a player made two errors and struck out twice in softball, then elevated himself to baseball when he decided Gold needed more hitting power, and distinguished himself by striking out twice more while other men, who were more deserving, rode the bench . . . On the strength of the results of the class meet, Gold should win the color meet. They outscored Purple 73-51 last Saturday. This score is not totally reliable, however, since participants may switch events for the color meet . . . Carl Hubbel has nothing on Lyman Pierce. Lyman matched King Carl's 1934 All-Star feat by whiffing five Pharaohs in order Monday . . . Harold Scott, prep schooler, played a fine game at second, despite his error. He also got a solid single to right . . . Rumor has it that Gordy Dressel, Purple centerfield, will accept nothing but a bill for haircuts, since Gil Dodds tipped him a buck for some barber work Gordy performed on Gil's dome last week . . . Janowsky and states performed brilliantly in the class meet. Phil took three firsts — the discuss, the century and the high jump, besides running for the victorious Senior relay team. He totaled sixteen points. Barb broke the high jump record by clearing the bar at 4'5 1/2".

Smythe followed Moos's single and Cole's double with a towering blast to left field for four bases. In the sixth, Janowsky singled and scored on Wood's overthrow of third. The Pharaohs poured it on with four runs in the seventh. Towstik and Smythe walked and Thompson fumbled Beck's grounder to load the bases. Janowsky singled to left, scoring Towstik and Smythe, forcing Pierce to leave the mound. Reinhardt greeted Sakowski with a single to score Beck, and Strong singled Janowsky home to end the scoring for Purple.

Gold added a run in their half of the seventh when Stewart walked, went to second on a passed ball, took third on Wood's infield hit and scored on Bohn's fly to Towstik.

Sakowski, who started for Gold, was the losing pitcher, and Smythe, who relieved Reinhardt after two innings, was the winner.

Pharaohs Defeat Gladiators 5-2, Academy 8-4, in Softball Play

Ron Miller won his second ball game Monday night, May 7, by throttling the Academy with four hits to give the Pharaohs undisputed possession of first place with a 2-0 record. The Academy and Gold are second with 0-1 records.

Dressel opened the scoring in the second inning by doubling to left center after Gommer singled and Bennett reached first on Miller's error. Percy doubled in the sixth to score Thompson and Bennett, and then Ray Stover singled to score Ronnie Miller.

A streak of wildness by Miller gave the Academy two runs in the third,

and they added single counters in the second and seventh. Johnny Mills and Dave Sweetman scored on an error.

Purple - 5 Gold - 2 On May 3 the softball season got under way with Purple beating Gold, 5-2. Ron Miller hurled the curtain raiser, allowing only 1 hit and was in trouble only in the 5th inning when Gold scored both their runs on 3 straight Purple errors. Purple got one in the first, one in the third, and the winning two in the 5th from fast-balling Arnie Egeler. Two walks and a 3 base error by Danny Wilson provided what proved to be the margin of victory.

With track interest at a new high since Gil Dodds conducted his clinic here, the Purple-Gold track meet May 16 should approach a record for participation.

Purple is the defending champ, but they should be hard pressed to win again. They are again strong in the weights, which they swept in the class meet.

Frosh Women Track Champs

The freshmen opened their Houghton track career by convincingly winning the women's class track Sat., May 5, with 37 points. Led by Barbara States, who broke the high jump record by leaping 4'5 1/2" and by scoring eleven points; Mary Gilligan, who won the baseball throw and soccer kick, scoring eight points; and Carol Demarest, who won the broad jump and scored six points, they surprised the experienced Seniors, who placed second with 24 points. Eleanor Holden paced the Seniors with 14 points, winning the 50 yard and 100 yard dashes. She was also high scorer for the meet.

The Juniors finished third with five points and the Sophs tallied one lone point to finish last.

1. Baseball Throw—Gilligan, Douglas, Stine—151'9 1/2"
2. Broad Jump—Demarest, Holden, Taylor—11'5 1/4"
3. 220 Yard Dash—Douglas, Chambers, Hopkinson—34 seconds
4. High Jump—States, McKinney—4'5 1/4"
5. 50 Yard Dash—Holden, States, Douglas—7.3
6. Soccer Kick—Gilligan, McKinney—102'
7. 100 Yard Dash—Holden, States, Demarest—14.4
8. Relay—Freshmen, Juniors, Seniors—1:04 1/2"

Janowsky took the discus, and Beck won the shot put and javelin. Al Richter and Paul Dommermuth gave Purple a clean sweep in shot put, and Towstik and Moos also scored in the javelin and discus, respectively. Gold is relying on Haviland and Bohn in the weight events, but they probably won't be enough to win against Purple's strong weight squad.

In the races, Gold's chances look better. The Stewart brothers combined to score 18 points in the class meet; and John Miller in the 100 and 220; Wally Haviland in the mile; Ed Stansfield in the 880; Arnie Egeler in the mile; Doug Cox in the low hurdles; Ron Trail, in the high hurdles; and Ed Dixon in the mile give the Gladiators a heavy scoring punch.

In the field events, Gold has Kunkel, Egeler and Wilson in the broad jump, and Trail and Haviland in the high jump. Purple is hurting for broad jumpers, but Phil Janowsky should take the high jump.

In the women's meet, Barbara States, Eleanor Holden and Mary Gilligan should lead Gold's forces against Carol Demarest, Fran Stine and Gabe Douglas, who comprise the heart of Purple's squad.

Barbara and Eleanor are fast in the sprints, with the latter a shade faster than Barbara. Barbara should take the high jump and perhaps better the record which she set last week. Mary Gilligan gives the Gladiators a threat in the baseball throw and soccer kick.

Gabe Douglas will be Purple's running threat against Holden and States, and Carol Demarest provides strength in the broad jump and 100 yard dash. Fran Stine will compete for Purple against Gilligan in the baseball throw and soccer kick.

Janowsky, Stewart, Egeler, Smythe Pace Senior Class to Championship

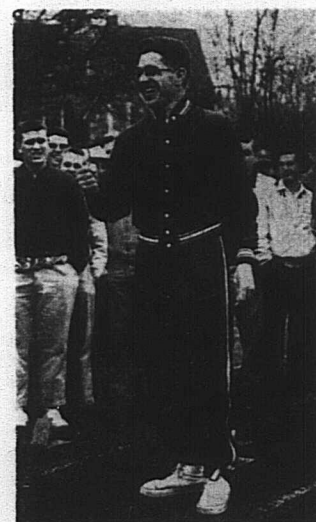
The Senior men closed their athletic careers in a blaze of glory by handily winning the class track meet, May 5. They scored 57 points and enjoyed a 25.5 point margin over the Frosh, who finished second. Sparked by Phil Janowsky, who took the 100 yard dash, the discus, and the high jump; Arnie Egeler, who won the mile and placed second in the broad jump; John Stewart, who copped the 440 and 220; and Bud Smythe, who placed second in the 220 and 100, they easily beat down all threats.

The Freshman placed a strong second, with John Miller winning the pole vault; and Kunkel, the broad jump. Doug Cox was the only man

to win a first for the Sophs; he won the 220 low hurdles. Ron Trail was high scorer for the Juniors with nine points. John Miller led the Frosh with seven points, and Doug Cox scored five to pace the Sophs.

Janowsky was high scorer for the meet with fifteen points.

	Men	Women	Total
Seniors	57	24	81
Frosh	31.5	37	68.5
Juniors	21.5	5	26.5
Soph.	12	1	13
1. 120 High Hurdles—Trail, Cole—18.5			
2. Shot Put—Beck, Richter, Dommermoth—31'2"			
3. Mile Run—Egeler, Q. Stewart, Dixon—5:26.9			
4. 100 Yard Dash—Janowsky, Smythe, J. Miller—11.0			
5. 440 Yard Dash—J. Stewart, S. Paine, Hokanson—54.5			
6. Pole Vault—J. Miller, Hess, Johnson—10'4 1/2"			
7. Discus—Janowsky, Moos, Bohn—105'9"			
8. 880 Yard Dash—Q. Stewart, Stansfield, Parks—2:31.2			
9. Broad Jump—Kunkel, Egeler, Pletincks—17'9 1/2"			
10. 220 Low Hurdles—Cox, Trail, Hokanson—30.2			
11. 220 Yard Dash—J. Stewart, Smythe, J. Miller—24.8			
12. Javelin—Beck, Haviland, Towstik—126'5 7/8"			
13. High Jump—Janowsky, Haviland, Trail and Cole (tie)—5'8 3/4"			
14. Relay—Seniors—J. Stewart, Janowsky, Beck, Smythe; Juniors; Frosh—1:39.3			



Gil elaborates a point.

Gil Dodds Coaches Track In Demonstration Clinic

More than 150 high school track aspirants of nearby schools had the privilege of an afternoon's track tutelage from Gil Dodds, Wheaton track coach and former track great.

Dodds lectured in the gym to Houghton trackmen during the morning as the rain poured down outside. In the afternoon, Gil lectured to high school men and showed films of high jumper Ernie Shelton from the West Coast.

At 3 p. m. Gil donned his sweat suit and track togs and jogged up to the Athletic Field where he demonstrated baton-passing, starting, proper time for passing and other points to the high schoolers.

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