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Fleming and Keller Win Student Senate Positions

On Monday, April 21, the Houghton College student body elected its Student Senate officers for the academic year 1975-76. Wally Fleming gained fifty-six percent of the student votes to defeat Ed Prins in the race for Senate president. Barry Keller will be Wally's vice-president. Tina Webber and Rick Pointer won the offices of secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Wally campaigned on a platform of seeking to reconcile the philosophies of Houghton College with basic biblical principles wherever possible. He hopes to promote more meaningful dialogue between the various segments of the Houghton community and he urges the defining of principles of the Student Guide in light of biblical teaching. He also hopes to work toward a clearer understanding of the Houghton student's rights and

responsibilities within the community. In respect to Senate itself, Wally hopes to improve its organization and will seek to make Senate more motivated by the love of Christ and guided by the purpose of a Christian college.

In his election-day speech, Wally emphasized the need to clarify our Christian responsibilities. He stated that "our system of discipline and rules should be examined to ascertain what is legislated because it is biblical and what is legislated because it is expedient in the running of the college. Both types of regulations are needed, yet they should be differentiated." He also said that he hoped to have "more frequent interaction with students than has been in the past."

One of the vice president's main responsibilities is campus climate and

entertainment. Barry hopes to increase the amount of time given to Campus Center entertainment in the form of dinner music, jazz band concerts and performances by other local talent. He also wishes to continue bringing quality movies to the Houghton campus. One of his basic

platforms was the need for increased student body participation in the workings of Student Senate. He seeks realistic suggestions from the student body, especially on matters pertaining to cultural life.

Tina Webber, the secretary-elect, brings with her much Senate experi-

ence. She presently serves on the Artist Series committee and she was largely responsible for the April 17 Food Day activities. Rick Pointer was the treasurer of his high school youth group and he will be seeking to apply this past experience in his new post as Senate treasurer.

More Changes In Faculty Scheduled

When May 15th finally comes this year most of the students will be leaving for the summer and we will also be losing several members of our faculty.

As noted in last week's Star, the Houghton community will be losing its "Jazz-man" — David Ott. Mr. Ott, presently Assistant Professor of Piano and the director of the Jazz Band, will be returning to pursue graduate studies at the University of Kentucky at Lexington. There he hopes to do his doctoral studies in Piano Pedagogy and hold a minor in music composition. He will also have an Assistantship in Music theory and Jazz.

Also among those leaving will be Professor L. Keith Cheney, a Professor of Education, and the Head of the Education Department. Mr. Cheney plans to return to his "home area" in Michigan, and while he doesn't have much in mind for the immediate future he thinks he will enjoy getting into some part time activities. Although the Cheneys have been in Houghton for twelve years, they will be glad to be close to their two sons who live in the Grand Rapids area, and their daughter who lives in Hillsdale.

Our Chemistry Department will

have a vacancy come next fall, for Dr. Martha Neu, an Interim Professor of Chemistry will be going on in her doctoral studies. She will be going to Boston University Medical School for a Post-Doctoral Traineeship for a two or three year appointment.

Leaving our Sociology Department will be Carol Lepper who is returning to Michigan State University at Lansing to resume work on her Ph.D. in Sociology. She should finish her course work within a year with a concentration in population studies, and then she will start a doctoral dissertation. This summer she plans to work at the Urban Life Institute, a Christian community in the city of Chicago.

Retiring this fall will be Lindol Hutton, an Assistant Professor of Business Administration. Mr. Hutton plans to go into real-estate and land development on a full-time basis, an activity which he started as an investment during the summer months. He has purchased land in the Rushford area and is planning to subdivide lots, and build cottages.

Also leaving us is Nelson Chamberlain from the English Department to resume graduate studies.

Chapel Lecturer from Barrington College Provided by Christian College Consortium

"It's the little things that count; genes, germs, and sperms." So runs the subtitle for Dr. Carlton Gregory's series of chapel lectures on "Christian Responsibility and the Sanctity of Life" coming this Tuesday through Thursday.

Dr. Gregory comes from Barrington College at the expense of the Christian College Consortium, which allots a sum to each of its members for the purpose of bringing quality lecturers to the campus. A professor of philosophy at Barrington for over thirty years, and now serving as the chairman of the department, Dr.

Gregory graduated from Barrington in the days when it was still known as Providence Bible Institute. He went on to earn his Master's degree from Harvard, and his Ph.D. from Brown. Presently he also heads up Barrington's Winterim Committee.

Aside from his academic pursuits, one favorite pastime is spending weekends and vacations with his family at their cabin on the coast of Maine. Woodworking in his basement shop is another of his hobbies.

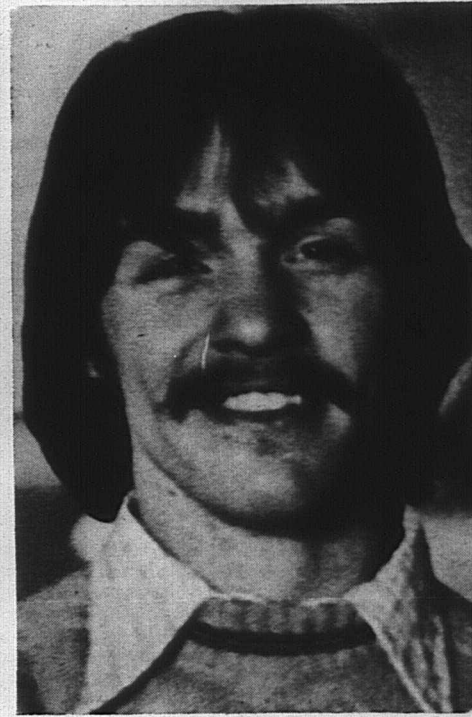
Of all the characteristics ascribed to him, the one that particularly merits our attention is the reputation

of being "an interesting teacher." As a philosopher, he is concerned with the problems of ethics, especially the ethics of recent innovations. Not only is he planning to give us his ideas, but he also wants to interact with students and get some feedback.

In addition to the three chapels, Dr. Gregory will be speaking in two evening sessions at 8:15 in Schaller Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday, in at least a couple of Ethics classes, and at a science symposium scheduled for lunchtime on Tuesday.



Wally Fleming



Barry Keller

Surge Of Criminal Activity Occurs on Houghton Campus

by Rhea Reed-Downs

Houghton College, it has been discovered, has its share of crime. I don't know if it all started happening this year, or if this is just the first year it has been talked about. At any rate, I was surprised and a little frightened after talking to two very reliable sources, Head Security Officer, Bob Strimple and Brookside Resident Director, Jill Aldrich, and also victim Sharon Carpenter. Here's what I found out:

Sharon Carpenter, senior and resi-

dent of Gao, was kidnapped on April 8 of this year. She was explaining where East Hall was to a man who insisted on being "shown." After she was in his car, he drove around for a long time and tried to get her to go out with him. I've got to hand it to Sharon — she let him think that she'd go out with him if a bunch of friends were along, told him her last name was Crandall, and rattled off a false phone number. He finally brought her back to Houghton. The man was later arrested and charged with illegal imprisonment since he had not actually harmed Sharon or demanded a ransom.

There was a man on campus with a rifle who was going to shoot all the "bad people." He was found, disarmed, and taken to Gowanda.

Several fire alarms have been set off in the dorms. According to the County Fire Commissioner, who met with the Brookside women, this is a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by one year imprisonment and/or a \$1,000 fine. Mr. Strimple warned the group that in the future his office will handle false alarms from this viewpoint, as a criminal act, and prosecute offenders.

There is a Houghton student presently serving a 3-7 year suspended sentence at Attica for check forgery.

I myself witnessed a hit and run accident last December and reported it. The Security office found that the

person driving the car was a Houghton student. He went for a hearing and was fined.

There is a girl on campus who is being sexually threatened by a stranger. She has been approached twice, and has received an obscene letter from him. The Security officer is working on this case at the present time.

Seven of our Houghton men (all either students or former students) were arrested on several counts of arson, attempted arson, and other related charges. The grand jury hearings were this week. Results of these hearings are not yet available (as of Apr. 19).

Besides these more "newsworthy" items, there have been 6 assaults, 13 counts of vandalism, 6 fires, 4 counts of burglary, 9 counts of attempted illegal entry, and 8 counts of larceny reported to the Security office since last June. Mr. Strimple feels that these figures represent only about one-tenth of the crimes actually committed here. He said that if there were more communication between Student Affairs office, Resident Directors' offices, and Security, crime statistics should show a 90% increase.

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Channels Only

In its most recent meeting, Student Senate by a voice vote gave unanimous approval to the establishment of a new entity on campus known as the Houghtonium. The proposal must now only be approved by faculty for the Houghtonium to become a reality. After thinking it through, I have somewhat mixed feelings about the stated purposes and goals of the Houghtonium, and what it realistically means to the Houghton College community.

What is the purpose of the Houghtonium? The expressed purpose is found in a memorandum which outlines the Houghtonium. "The Houghtonium has absolutely no official power. Members will discuss topics. Meetings will be open to all campus. After discussion by panel, comments will be accepted from the floor." In general, the Houghtonium is another opening of channels, a place where dialogue and communication can occur between students, faculty, administration, staff, and the trustees. More specifically, this has been proposed as an alternative to student representation at faculty meetings, which was rejected by the faculty by a solid majority for a variety of reasons, some of which appear to be more reasonable than others, and none exceedingly convincing. But that is a subject for another editorial.

I am completely in favor of expanding communication among the various segments of Houghton College, and thus would stand behind the idea of the Houghtonium. I would also express appreciation that the faculty and administration are willing in this instance to openly and honestly discuss various problems on campus.

However, we must realize that we are only deluding ourselves if we think communication is going to solve every problem at Houghton, or even the majority of them, and especially the type of communication represented by the Houghtonium.

The Houghtonium may serve as an excellent method of expanding communication. But as it stands presently, the Houghtonium is no solution for two major areas that will have to be dealt with sooner or later.

First, the Houghtonium is a poor second choice, and in no way can take the place of student representation at faculty and trustee meetings. The Houghtonium discusses only the problems which are relevant at the time it meets, and is also limited by time. It has no decision-making power, and thus deals in speculation and theoretical situations. That is, because of its lack of power, it has absolutely no direct bearing on specific policies. Granted certain problems might be discussed, but they are not immediate problems on which a decision is imminent. At best it is an interchange of ideas which might be considered when policy is made. Opposed to this, is student representation at these meetings would allow student input when questions are discussed that are relevant to the student body. Student representation would provide additional considerations on given topics that are about to be voted on. Even this is not optimal, but is a move in the right direction, and quite preferable to the Houghtonium. I can see no way that the Houghtonium can be substituted for student representation and accomplish the same goals.

Secondly, the structure of the Houghtonium is near ideal for an all campus Senate, and yet because of its lack of power it in no way resembles this. An all campus Senate with real power presently serves as the legislative body at many colleges and universities, and is being adopted by more. This would seem to be the model implied by David McKenna's purpose driven model in the latest issue of *Universitas*, which is what newly elected Senate president Wally Fleming has promised to work towards. As early as 1972 Student Senate members, along with the Student Senate president, worked out possible options for an all campus Senate. This is not the place for discussing the pros and cons of such a situation. However, it should be obvious that the Houghtonium can in no way serve in this capacity, and realistically, is in no way a forerunner of such a system of governance.

I would hesitate to say that there are too many vehicles for communication on campus. Undoubtedly, the more communication there is, the more open people are to new ideas. And the Houghtonium may take its place, along with so many other committees and forums, as another channel for open communication and dialogue.

But let us not fool ourselves into thinking that the Houghtonium is Houghton's answer to the major problems it must deal with. The Houghtonium is good, but it cannot and will not placate the desire for real and fundamental change in certain areas of campus governance. The past two Student Senate presidents have relied heavily on the idea of increasing communication to win their elections. But this should not be an end in itself, but only a means to an end. Communication does not make decisions, and the decision making processes are all left relatively unchanged, Houghtonium or no. There comes a point when communication must be translated into action. Let us not endlessly multiply the channels of communication while refusing to allow real student input into policy decisions.

Mark Michael

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The Thinking Christian Perspective on Responsibility

by Karen Oberst

What is the responsibility of the Christian toward various world problems? Should he be concerned with the suffering in Vietnam or the starvation in India? Should he worry about Mrs. Jones down the street whose husband left her with four children? Or that student down the hall who has no friends? How responsible is the Christian for his fellow man? Proverbs 3:27 says, "Do not withhold good to those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it." Is this only a Jewish rule or does it apply to Christians?

The Greek's attitude toward his fellow man is limited to helping someone from whom he can reasonably expect help in return. This is made clear in a passage from the Greek author Hesiod's *Work and Days*: "It is well to receive measure from a neighbor, but it is well to repay him in the same measure or even more, if you are able, so that if at some later time you are in need, you may depend upon him for help." Another side of the Greek idea of responsibility to others is in Creon's description of the ideal son in Sophocle's *Antigone*: "For this men pray to have obedient children grow up about them in their homes, to pay the father's enemy with evil things, and honor as his father does his friend." The Greek's responsibility toward those outside his own family was to do any damage he could to an enemy, help his friends, and ignore everyone else.

On the other hand, the Israelite's responsibility was toward his own people and the permanent dwellers in his land. These he was to treat well. Leviticus 19:18 is the basic text — "You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord." Israel's social responsibilities are also outlined in the last six commandments. Especially singled out as those who are to be helped are the sojourner, widow and orphan. This is one of the main themes of the prophets, such as in Zechariah 2:10: "do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor." The Israelite was to be honest in all his dealings with his neighbor and was not to fail to do good to the helpless. Proverbs 14:21 uses some rather strong language concerning responsibility: "He who despises his neighbor is a sinner, but happy is he who is kind to the poor." Deuteronomy 27:16-25 is a list of social sins for which a man is cursed. The matter of responsibility was more serious in Israel because it was a command from Jahweh, and so was not self-centered as in Greek thought.

What about the Christian? He is also to love his neighbor as himself

as Matthew 5:43 and at least five other passages tell him. The question which arises is, who is the Christian's neighbor? Is the term restricted to fellow Christians or are "outsiders" included?

The word for neighbor in the New Testament is *hō plesion*. This is an adjective meaning 'near by', turned into a noun. However, this is not very helpful because we are not certain in which sense a neighbor is one-who-is-near. He could be near geographically, as the Greeks generally meant the word, or racially, as the Jews interpreted it, or, perhaps, near in need. In the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus illustrates that a person's neighbor is someone he can help. Also expressed by this parable and by Jesus' life, is the fact that the Christian's primary responsibility is to those with whom he has direct personal contact. However, before the Christian smugly decides that this frees him from responsibility toward those in other parts of the world, he should remember that Jesus did not stay in Nazareth but traveled around increasing his personal contact, as did the apostles. Rather than make Christians complacent, this realization should activate them, especially when coupled with a verse such as Luke 12:48: "Everyone to whom much is given, much shall be required."

by Steve Horst

Many of us have expressed concern for the peoples of Vietnam, India, and parts of Africa who are oppressed by war and famine. We mull the problems over, alternating between attitudes of intense sympathy and casual indifference. This article is intended only to ask questions and stimulate discussion, which may or may not result in some action being taken. This is not a moral pronouncement by one who is knowledgeably involved. Each of us realizes the horror of war and starvation.

Or do we? If this were a time for confession I would reveal that I have very little knowledge of what it's like to subsist on one bowl of rice a day. I can't even make it through the evening without a sub from the snack shop. I sit and complain because the carrots have hard, chewy interiors or because the toasted cheese is greasy. And I sit and laugh when someone, recalling the starving people, responds, "Well, why not mail it to them!" Many people would be delighted to procure (yes — pay for!) what I return on my tray.

Now that we're convicted (and rightly so — this is not a jest) let us consider some of the alternatives we have:

(1) To renounce our opulent society, withdraw from college (perish the thought!), sell our goods, and join

the Peace Corps. This would perhaps be the most active but least likely form our service to the Lord may take.

(2) "We can pray about it."

This phrase is cast about with much flippancy. Perhaps we need to consider its implications. Before we can form a prayer which does not ring with "God bless . . . and bless . . ." we need to gain knowledge, and hopefully sensitivity to the plight of these people. They are human beings, each responsible to God, each with the potential of becoming an "immortal horror or an everlasting splendour." They will not listen to the message that Christ can remove the ache in their hearts until they can turn their thoughts from the ache in their stomachs. They are not filled with words. They desire bread and milk . . . and peace.

However, we can, and must pray. We can make daily petition to our Father that He provide wisdom in the distribution of the children delivered to families in the U.S. We can pray that they may be given opportunity to hear the Word God has given to us.

Let us pray also for the cessation of this God-damned war (this is not superfluous use of an expletive — war and death are hated and damned by the God who is above all, love; Rev. 20:14). Don't give up on this world and reckon, incorrectly, "Well, Christ is coming soon because things are getting worse. I can't really do anything, so I shan't." God hasn't given up on this world. It isn't one of your "righteous prerogatives" to so so, either.

(3) "Little children, let us not love with word or with tongue, but in deed and in truth." Our final alternative is that of contributing to an organization involved in directly aiding the people suffering from war and famine. There are several such evangelical organizations. World Vision International and the National Association of Evangelicals are two to ask about. Take ten minutes of some dreary day in the library. Ask around (after you leave the library).

Another convicting thought: while we're considering the needs of these peoples, we might take to heart the needs of our own FMF supported missionaries. They are, in effect, our hands, doing our work on the front lines. Our financial support is several thousand dollars behind. Perhaps our priorities should be re-examined.

"Even so faith, if it has no works, is dead, being by itself. But someone may well say, 'You have faith, and I have works: show me your faith without the works, and I will show you my faith by my works.'"

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editors:

With my simplistic, unimaginative, male mind, I had a hard time connecting women, baby machines, and Augustine in Kathleen Confer's review of *All We're Meant to Be*. St. Augustine may have had sexual hang-ups, but I do not think female baby machines was one of them. If I was asked for a list of what purposes it behooved man to be given female help, I would also include procreation of children first and foremost because, as I understand this phenomenon, it is highly important for man to seek the help of woman

in order to obtain maximum success. As a matter of fact, I have never heard of a single instance when a man has managed to procreate alone. I think it is safe to say that there are few, if any, other areas of life where woman's cooperation is more necessary.

To assure that I will not be attacked by a horde of amazons led by Queen Boadicea herself as I make my way up Park Drive in the late evenings, let me make it perfectly clear that I am not taking a stand on woman's equality. I am only suggesting that you lay off good St. August-

ine and let the poor fellow rest in peace.

Footnote: Queen Boadicea was an amazonian Queen of the Iceni who attacked, sacked, and burned Roman Londinium in 60 A.D.

Sincerely,
R. E. Lake

Intended

Connie Kilmer '75 to John Tsujimoto '75



The Class of 75 relaxes at the annual Senior Honors Banquet.

Nostalgic Senior Honors Banquet Held in Medina

This year's Senior Honors banquet was held in the warm, homey atmosphere of the Apple Grove Inn, Medina, New York. It featured academic excellence and nostalgia in the recognitions by Dean Shannon and President Dayton, and in the address delivered by Ms. Beatrice Batson of Wheaton College. Music supplied by various talented students rounded out a typically memorable evening.

Opening remarks, brought by the vice president of the class, Dave Schmidt, helped set the informal tone of the program. He confessed his ineptness at rhetoric, welcomed the participants, and then introduced the class advisor Professor James Barcus, who offered grace for the meal. While the piano strains furnished by Jim Vanderhoof continued the sentimental mood, seniors and guest faculty and administration partook of a richly provided smorgasbord. Between the main course and dessert, Dave interrupted to announce Jackie Garms who entertained the group with several songs.

Drawing an analogy between his situation and the imprisoned apostle Paul's, Dean Fred Shannon reminded the seniors they were the last of his students (especially valedictorian Keith Horn), and promised he would not soon forget them. President Dayton gave no speech, but prefaced his

formal presentation of Who's Who awards with an explanation of the criteria for selection (see April 18 issue — p. 3). Norman Carter then offered an excellent performance of Chopin's Ballade No. 4 in F Minor, Opus 52.

Following Norman's solo, Ms. Batson — author, editor, and chairman of the division of humanities at Wheaton — spoke. Taking as her theme "prize what is excellent," she exhorted her listeners to hold to the "everlastingly contemporary" principles of Christianity in the face of a chaotic and "fragmentary" age. A proper approach to problem-solving, she pointed out, requires "informed action", action which arises out of a clear understanding of the issues which plague the world. Despite the ambiguity of application, Ms. Batson continued; we cannot remain neutral under "the imperatives of living" as set forth in the New Testament. In a final word she called the graduates to balance perception with practice, and thought with action, holding to "an everlasting discontent with mediocrity."

Vice president Schmidt recognized the efforts of those seniors who worked to make the banquet a success and then called upon one of the class chaplains, Chris Roukes, to close in prayer.

Student Senate Discusses Houghtonium, Trustees Meetings And The Food Day

by Rich Downs

The minutes of the Student Senate meeting for April 15 is a potpourri of approved acts. With a majority of the Senators apparently in an agreeable mood, quick passage was provided for an appropriation of \$100.00 to finance the Food Day activities, a note of appreciation to Dean Harter for his decision to permit recorded music to be played in the campus center lounge on Friday evenings, and a motion that the Senate purchase and post fifty "Help Save the Grass" signs.

The Senate also expressed its approval of an alternate procedure of regulating the radio station which is played throughout the campus center. Presently, only WJSL is permitted to be aired. The procedure proposed by the Senate to the office of the Dean of Student Affairs would cater to the various musical tastes represented among the student body, allowing recognition to be given to the requests of students in the lounge. A student would make his request known to the proctor on duty or someone in the Dean's office who would then tune the radio to the requested station. After one hour, the dial would then be turned to honor any other requests. If there were none pending, the radio would then be turned to WJSL. The motion was passed unanimously.

A straw vote (vote of approval) was taken on a proposal from the Student Affairs Committee to establish a "Houghtonium": a body consisting of twenty-eight members which would meet at least twice a semester to discuss topics of current concern to the college community. It would be composed of 11 faculty members, 2 college administrators, 11 students, 1 Student Senate officer, 2 college staff members, and a member of the Local Board of Trustees. Meetings would be open to the entire campus, with comments on the discussed topics accepted from the floor. The purpose of the "Houghtonium" is to aid communication between the different sectors of the college community. The proposal was suggested to the Student Affairs Committee and the Student Senate as an alternative to the Senate's request that the faculty permit a non-voting student

representative to attend the faculty meetings. This proposal had not been accepted by the faculty. The "Houghtonium" was approved by the Senate as an acceptable alternative. The "Houghtonium" would have no official power. Its implementation is pending final approvals.

Controversy was aroused, however, as the meeting progressed to the final proposals of the evening. A motion requesting the Board of Trustees to consider the possibility of admitting one senator and two faculty members as non-voting representatives to their meetings elicited such sharp disapproval that the motion was withdrawn before it could even come to a vote. Such unanimous objection to a motion this senator has not witnessed since the Senate voted down a motion to buy over \$100.00 worth of sandwiches from the baseball team. Criticism of the motion seemed largely based on a concern that "this is not a good time for it," having so recently been disappointed by the faculty in their denial of the

request for a non-voting student representative to be permitted to attend their meetings. Besides, it was contended, the "Houghtonium", to which we had already voted our approval, would fulfill essentially the same desire (i.e., an established and regular opportunity to present the concerns and interests of the students and faculty to the Board of Trustees). Though it is hoped that the "Houghtonium" will succeed in its purpose of increasing communication between all sectors of the campus, a few considerations should be pointed out.

First, the "Houghtonium" has not received final approval yet. Secondly, the representative from the Board of Trustees is, according to the proposal, to be chosen on a rotating basis so that a different Trustee would attend each session. It would consequently be a matter of years before each of the Trustees has been able to attend a session and hear with his own ears the students' and faculty members' expressions of concern for the college.

News Briefs

SAIGON (UPI 4/19)

Military sources say all of South Vietnam's F-5 fighter jets have been moved from Bien Hoa Air Base to Saigon's Tan Son Nhut Airfield.

Bien Hoa is 14 miles northeast of the capital . . . and government commanders evidently fear it will be the next target of the communist advance. Communist gunners have been shelling the reinforced air force and Saigon area command headquarters daily for nearly one week.

Earlier today . . . Communist troops captured the capital of Binh Thuan province . . . the home of President Thieu. The capture of Phan Thiet city sealed communist control of the highlands. Military sources also report communist troops occupied four villages in the Mekong delta within 14 miles of the capital.

In Saigon . . . A Viet Cong officer says the communists have held back from attacking Saigon in hopes the Thieu regime resigns and a new government will open negotiations.

The US Air Force has tripled its military flights from Saigon to the Philippines . . . but the passenger volume remains low.

Two Aircraft Carriers — The USS Hancock and the USS Enterprise have hurriedly left Asian ports and are believed enroute to Vietnam to help in an evacuation.

WASHINGTON (UPI 4/20)

The destination of any Americans airlifted out of South Vietnam is assured. But questions still remain over where South Vietnamese nationals might flee in the face of almost assured communist execution.

Now officials say the U.S. began making informal contacts with other Southeast Asian nations to see if they would take the South Vietnamese as many as six years ago . . . and apparently . . . the answer was no.

According to these sources, other Asian nations look with disfavor on the South Vietnamese. They find them rather clannish with a reputation for being "hustlers."

The only apparent choice left for Washington, according to these sources, is for the U.S. to offer sanctuary in the event that large numbers of South Vietnamese flee their homeland.

WASHINGTON (UPI 4/20)

According to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger the future of Cambodia was decided on back in 1973 when Congress ordered no further U.S. bombing missions over the country.

That decision, Kissinger says, closed the door on any political settlement of the Cambodian question, a settlement he says the U.S. was closer to achieving in the summer of 1973 than at any other subsequent time.

CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS (UPI 4/19)

President Ford led the nation in observing the 20th Anniversary of the start of the American Revolution at Concord and Lexington, Massachusetts. At Concord Bridge . . . Ford said "It is time to place the hand of healing on the heart of America . . . not division and blame." As he issued his call for unity . . . He was booed by a small group of demonstrators. In Lexington, Ford placed a wreath at the Minuteman Statue. There were no demonstrators at Lexington. The president now is back in Washington.

Schedule of Events

Friday, April 25

Gary Burton — Davis Gym, Alfred University — 8 p.m.
Labelle — Kleinhans Music Hall, Buffalo — 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 26

Art Blakely's Jazz Messengers — McLane Center, Alfred U. — 8 p.m.
Shawn Phillips & Doug Kershaw — Ice Arena, Geneseo

Thursday, May 1

Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra — Kipnis Mine Theatre — 8 p.m.

Movies

Wellsville Babcock Theatre — "American Graffiti"
Geneseo Riviera Theatre — "Lenny" thru April 30

Olean (starting Wed.)

Castle — Young Frankenstein

Palace — Chinatown

Olean Theatre — Trip of the Teacher

Cultural Anthropology Course Will Be A Welcome Addition to Summer School

Once again, the anticipated activities of summer school will entice

those inquisitive students who are in the process of pre-registering for

next year. The program for this year's summer school is, as usual, constructed from student responses from questionnaires and surveys given in November and January. The object is to give more opportunity for student involvement in the selection of courses and activities. Dean Shannon, coordinator of the program, is anticipating a rewarding summer both academically and socially.

An excellent addition to the summer faculty will be Dr. R. Clyde McCone, a visiting professor from California State College. Dr. McCone is the director of the inter-disciplinary linguistics program at CSC. He is also the director of the Summer Institute of Applied Linguistics operating on the campus at CSC. While at Houghton, Dr. McCone will be teaching a course in Cultural Anthropology during the B session of summer school (June 9-27).

The course will involve the comparison of several cultures from the perspective of differing aspects of human behavior. Students are urged to take advantage of this gifted instructor.

Harpsichord Recital Evokes Baroque Air at Dedication

On Thursday evening, April 17th, an unusual recital was given in Presser Hall. Those that attended were removed from the hustle and bustle of the 20th century to enter the elaborateness and beauty of the Baroque period. The cause for this aesthetic escapism was the Dedication Recital for the harpsichord owned by Houghton College.

The recital was performed by David Fuller, an Associate Professor of Music at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Mr. Fuller played the Goldberg Variations, by J. S. Bach, and some early French keyboard music. The pieces were chosen to show the unique expressive qualities of the harpsichord and to familiarize the audience with the harpsichord sound. Mr. Fuller's performance was not flawless, but his under-

standing and interpretation of the selections was superb.

The harpsichord was made by John Watson, a 1974 graduate of Houghton, who is now building harpsichords as his full time profession. Mr. Watson works alone in his shop at Binghamton, New York, constructing instruments in the manner of the great harpsichord makers of the Baroque period. The instrument we have at Houghton is copied from a Taskin harpsichord of 1769 and a Hemsch of 1750. The soundboard, painted by James L. Kie, was inspired by an Andreas Ruckers soundboard of 1640.

The purpose behind Thursday evening's recital was to dedicate the harpsichord "to the glory of God, the advancement of Christ's Kingdom on earth and the musical and aesthetic enrichment of our Houghton family."

Harris Sets New Shotput Record As Highlanders Take Track Meet

As the day broke, conditions seemed to indicate a possible rain storm and offered strong winds as resistance to the day's events. However, the weather conditions cleared up and an exciting track meet was held last Saturday. The team mustered its forces to defeat its first two opponents with the scores of Houghton — 76, Roberts — 62, and Hobart — 37.

Houghton managed to capture ten out of the possible seventeen first places and had various seconds, thirds, and fourths to round out the scoring with fine individual efforts being exhibited by several of the fieldmen and runners. Steve Harris, a returning letterman from last year, heaved the shot put 41' 5" to smash the old school record and get first

place in that event plus getting second in the discus. Freshman Tim Hartman ran a respectable 220 yard dash as well as helping the 440 yard and mile relay team wins, and Obika Ikpeze captured firsts in the long jump, triple jump, and ran anchor leg for the winning 440 yard relay team. Other members deserving much credit for their showings are returning lettermen Doug Gent, Steve Sinclair, James Graff, Jeff Gerow, Gary Morris, Keith Morris, and Chris DeBlacy plus first year men Mike Pitts, Brian Kosa, Mark Cerbone, Jeff Hoffman, Mike Maples, Ivan McMillan, and Steve Graft.

Coach Robert Rhoades was pleased with the overall showing of the team, but feels improvement in several areas will be welcomed. He is very optimistic about the team's potential and has anticipated a winning season, so long as no health or grade problems arise. The team's schedule is as follows: April 26 — Fredonia and Eisenhower (H — 1:00), April 30 — R.I.T. Invitational (A), May 4 — P.C.A.C. (H — 1:00), and May 10 — States (A — 10:00 a.m.).



The first victory of the season was won on the home track.

Women's Tennis to Open Their Season With Wells

Houghton's Women's tennis team is looking forward to a successful spring season. Last fall the team finished with a 3-6 record and the excellent competition has helped prepare them for the coming season.

The team has lost three of its members. One transferred to another school, and two are now playing on the newly formed softball team. However, the loss has been offset by the addition of two promising members, Ruth Marcucci and Julie Johnson.

According to coach Sue Frase the team is expecting a strong singles lineup. The singles players are Jan Erickson, Maxine Kaltenbaugh, Vicky Kohler, Ruth Marcucci, Majel Smith and Penny Smith. Mrs. Frase has set up a challenge system to determine which positions the girls play. There are also some new and exciting matchups in the doubles teams

this spring. The partners are Julie Johnson and Susan Kaltenbaugh, and Alene Crocker and Gail Johnson. Competition has been tough between the teams and it has not been decided which duo will play first position.

Thanks to the cooperation of the weatherman the team has been able to get lots of practice, and the potential for a strong team is becoming more evident every day. Such a combination of skill and team spirit points toward a victorious season.

The matches scheduled are:

Wells	April 23 (A)	4:00
Eisenhower	April 26 (H)	11:00
Elmira	May 10 (A)	1:00
William & Smith	May 12 (H)	4:00
R.I.T.	May 15 (A)	4:00
P.C.A.C.	May 17	

Spectators are encouraged to come to the matches. The team appreciates your support, and you're sure to see some exciting tennis.

English Department Lectures At Seminars And Conferences

During the first two weeks of April, four members of Houghton's English department hit the road. Mr. Greenway and Dr. Basney attended the conference of the Northeast Modern Language Association held this year in Montreal. Dr. Newhouse and Dr. Wilt headed for Muncie, Indiana for the Conference on Christianity as Literature held at Ball State University.

The Northeast Modern Language Association is an association of scholars of the modern languages. At each annual conference there are sections of from 7 to 10 people to discuss different topics. The topic of the section chaired by Dr. Basney was Religious Vocation and Literary Vocation. Two papers dealing with problems and conflicts faced by Christian writers were presented. Professor Kantra of Villanova College read a paper dealing with the satire of Erasmus. He dealt with the question of whether this satire was just the humanist scholar's personality coming through his writing, or a part of his

general intellectual work. Mr. Leax's paper on the poet and monk Thomas Merton, a modified version of the one he read in chapel earlier this year, was read by Dr. Basney. Mr. Leax was elected, in absentia, to chair the section at next year's conference, to be held at the University of Vermont in Burlington.

The Middle West Region Conference, attended by Dr. Wilt and Dr. Newhouse, dealt with two themes: Quest and Confession in Autobiographical Literature and The Bible as Literature. There were several sessions under each topic, including one in which three professors from secular universities told of dealing with the Bible purely as literature, without bringing in questions of theology. Dr. Wilt was particularly impressed by a presentation under Autobiographical Literature entitled "Browning as a Religious Poet" by Erhardt H. Essig of Concordia Senior College. Both professors also attended a performance of *The Tempest*.

Interview with David Mitchell

I had watched David Mitchell's flawless performance in *School for Scandal* last semester and was more than mildly impressed. I knew then that he had much more to offer to the future of drama at Houghton. The fine job of directing this semester's *Macbeth* proved my prediction true.

While a student at Saint John High School in New Brunswick, Dave had major roles in *Hamlet*, *A Winter's Tale* and *King Lear*. The School presented *King Lear* in competition at the New Brunswick Senior Drama Festival and won first place. Dave received best actor award and gained the attention of several professional acting troupes.

When Dave first arrived at Houghton and saw the stage and facilities, his heart fell. "Accustomed to a proscenium style stage with an auditorium with the seating capacity of 1000, my first reaction was at the least negative." Dave said that the positive aspect to the Fancher stage is that small intimate theatre is easier to perform. However, "for a formal performance, the back stage is abominable. It is essential that make-up and costuming be done backstage. If the performers are seen before they are on stage, they lose the context in which they are to be understood. The backstage has no room for props, for costume changes or for actors to make entries. There is also no way for the director to communicate with the prop people, the backstage crew or the lighting crew. Intercoms would be a great help. For *Macbeth*, the play had one-third of the needed lights and we

had to rent a roving spot."

Except for the facilities that made it difficult to work, Dave was very pleased with the performances of *Macbeth*. He explained, "it has always been my ambition to direct a Shakespearean play; it was a particular personal endeavor. I've always wondered if all actors were moody people. I am myself. And, in fact I found that all of the actors were sensitive, genuine Christian kids. I guess the moodiness is really a deep sensitivity. I enjoyed working with them. It's good to work with Christians for a change. It was really a spiritual blessing." Dave noticed a difference of traditions between Houghton actors and the British tradition that he had had experience with. "I found it interesting to work with kids who were more interested with the characters and their particular roles. That's the emphasis of the American tradition. I think that the beauty of the language suffers but my own interest is the language. The British tradition emphasizes the beauty of the language and the verse. Ideally both deserve attention so the experience in the differences was good for me."

Dave had special praise for the actors who had minor characters. "I've never worked with such a dedicated, unified bunch. The minor characters did not detract from the play as a whole. They put their whole selves into their roles without feeling that the minor characters were minor roles."

Dave's one wish is that Houghton had a drama department filled by

instructors with experience in the theatre. "Dr. Basney is like Atlas holding up all of Houghton's theatre. He will always be part of Houghton's theatrical tradition. In fact, he is the theatrical tradition" Dave is pleased with the offerings at Houghton but sees a great need. "I do not feel that my Christian background has given me sufficient answers to my questions about drama. So far all the work has been under a cloak of darkness where the theatrical tradition is held as a heavy club ready to clobber us if we perform something questionable. I've tried to understand the cultural mandate in Colossians 3 that says that all things are redeemable to God's purpose. My attitude now is that I love to act and God has given me the talent. Until someone shows me that I am wrong, I will do what I love. It's time now to deal with some of these issues rationally. There's a lot of people at Houghton who have positive attitudes toward drama but even they don't have the answers I need. Houghton needs someone with real live experience in the theatre."

Hoping that Dave would say that he had future plans for professional acting I asked him what his plans for after Houghton were. "Definitely Grad School. It may sound like opposite interests; I've considered mission work, and theatre. I don't know yet."

After four years of watching drama and doing my own small parts I don't doubt that Dave can combine drama and the missionfield into one career.

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