



Houghton's Young, Pelton, Basney, Ostien
An Intercollegiate Victory

Bowl Team Wins Trophy At Gordon Tournament

BY LIONEL BASNEY

With a load of expectations, predictions and wishes heavier than their luggage, the Houghton College Bowl Team left town Friday morning to return Sunday evening with something unexpected, unpredicted but often desired: the trophy.

The Second Annual Gordon-Barrington Invitational College Bowl Tournament (somebody must love long titles) was sponsored by the Gordon College Student Senate. Four teams besides Houghton attended: Gordon and Barrington, Kings College and Eastern Nazarene College.

Registered for Houghton were Philip Ostien, Stephen Pelton, Clyde Young, and Lionel Basney, to form the standard four-man team, with Carolyn Vogan as alternate and house-mother. Bud Tysinger as our Student Senate representative, and Prof. Myron Miller, adviser, also attended.

There were four rounds of play among the contestants: an initial elimination round (in which ENC was eliminated), semifinals (in which Gordon and Houghton were chosen to compete for the title), finals (for the trophy) and a consolation round (for third and fourth places, won by Barrington and Kings).

In winning the tournament, which was modeled after the widely popular television series, and run-on questions compiled by the faculties of the various colleges involved, the Houghton team played and beat Barrington, Eastern Nazarene and Gordon. The trophy, presented to Dr. Stephen Paine in Thursday's chapel, will remain on Houghton campus until the tournament next year.

Star Survey Sees Many Goals Met

Is Houghton College Effectively Accomplishing Its Stated Objectives? At the request of the administration, the *Star* undertook a survey of student opinion on this subject, sending questionnaires to fifty random-choice students in each class.

Results indicated that a majority of those polled felt that Houghton was meeting its goals "adequately" or "more than adequately." On several questions, however, this pattern varied significantly.

Questions pertaining to the spiritual climate (e.g., "Does Houghton College provide an opportunity for its students to lay the foundations for spiritual health?") were generally judged "more than adequate" or "superior."

Twenty-two percent of those replying thought the College's effectiveness in providing opportunities for its students to 1) learn to function intelligently in a complex society, 2) become influential and responsible citizens, and 3) develop avocational interests and skills to be "less than adequate."

More complete results of the survey may be obtained by addressing requests to the *Star*.

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Evaluators Probe Students' Reactions On Faculty, Intercollegiate Relationships

BY HAROLD J. BAXTER

The Middle States Evaluation Committee has come and gone. The nine members have evaluated the campus, the administration and the students. While guests of the college, many of them were extremely interested in what students thought.

One object of interest which was frequently mentioned and the subject of many questions was the Christian orientation of Houghton College. Evaluators wanted to know

if students felt the religious basis hampered them academically, or if it cut down interest in current events. They asked whether the religious influence decreased the representation from a greater number of states.

At a special meeting on Wednesday afternoon in Presser Hall, the evaluators became a bit more pointed and specific in their questions. Asking representatives from the two major college publications, the presidents of Student Senate and the Senior Class and others what was their opinion on certain problems, the evaluators found a frank and candid response. Four major fields or topics were investigated.

The committee was interested in the relations Houghton has with other colleges, such as Alfred University, in matters of academics, sports and faculty relationships. In this area, the evaluators felt that closer academic relationships would lead to inter-collegiate activities of other kinds.

Faculty salaries were discussed. Most of the members were of the opinion that the salaries of Houghton professors should be raised.

The problem of one professor teaching all the courses in a major field was brought into the discussion. The committee indicated that this

was an area needing improvement.

In this same general area, the evaluators felt that many Houghton professors are carrying a teaching load which is too great.

Many of the committee were impressed with the sacrifice Houghton professors make regarding the two areas just discussed — salary and teaching loads. However, they saw a need for improved conditions.

The projected plans of the college in regard to expansion were discussed. The general opinion of the nine members was that the Science Building deserves primary emphasis with the Gymnasium and Student Center following, in that order. Also seen is a need for a social gathering place for students.

The evaluators have probed and inquired and were "well-pleased" with the students and the campus.



Evaluators And Evaluated
Many Questions

Four Houghton Profs Assisting With Six Volume Commentary

For several years Evangelical Wesleyans have felt a need for a new, practical Bible commentary. Four Houghton professors were selected as members of administrative and publishing committees in response to this need. The first volume of the commentary has been published.

In the six volume work, Dr. Bert Hall and Dr. Claude Ries will cover the Major and Minor Prophets, Dr. Charles Wilson, the historical books, and Dr. Clarence Zahniser, II Corinthians.

The aim of the Wesleyan Bible Commentary as given in the published volume is "to maintain both the spiritual insight and sound Biblical scholarship of John Wesley and Adam Clarke, but to express these characteristics in the context of contemporary thought and life."

The remaining volumes will go to press next year. Devotional as well as expositional, the commentary will aid Bible students.

Muriel Wolfson Dramatizes Story Of Helen Keller, Anne Sullivan

Muriel Wolfson Bach, considered to be the leading contemporary proponent of the one-woman dramatic revue, is no stranger to Houghton audiences. Mrs. Bach, who will present the fourth program in the current year's Lecture Series tonight, appeared at the college last year in her production of "Mothers of the Great."

The *Star* gave her rave reviews. Said writing professor Alfred Campbell, "If in drama the essence of character portrayal is found in the illusion of reality, then, I believe, Miss Wolfson deserves praise. It was evident by the responses, as well as the silences of the audience, that she achieved a high order of credibility." Dr. Gordon Stockin was "pro to the nth degree" and "just exuberant." Rev. Edward Angell, "fascinated and thrilled."

Mrs. Bach has become widely known for the program she will present in Wesley Chapel tonight. "Two Lives," the story of Helen Keller and her teacher, Anne Sullivan. The life of Miss Keller was portrayed on Broadway in "The Miracle Worker." However, Mrs. Bach was universally acclaimed for her version of this dramatic story long before the play made headlines. She toured coast-to-coast with the production for five years, appearing at colleges, universities, clubs and forums across the United States and Canada.

Mrs. Bach, a resident of Chicago, received her formal training in drama at Carleton College, and later graduated from the Northwestern University School of Speech. She has taught creative dramatics and also appeared on radio and television. In private life, she is the wife of Ira J. Bach, Commissioner of City Planning for Chicago, and is the mother of three children.



Muriel Wolfson
As Helen Keller's Mother

"Sure Is A Fast Trip, Wasn't It?"

BY C. JUNE PFAUTZ

As the plane circled over the thousand lights of Manhattan and passed a lone statue on Staten Island, the Houghton Debate Team tried to remember why they were there.

Oh yes, the tournament. And so to the Bronx to polish off six rounds of debate with at least enough finesse to bring home wins against Lehigh University, City College of New York, and Pace College.

Question: Who would ever want to spend time on such a topic as federal public works? Answer: Who would ever want to watch the skaters in Rockefeller Plaza or smell the coffee in Greenwich Village or buy roasted chestnuts from a begrimed street vendor on Broadway.

For an ode, "To Fifty Miles of Subway or How to Smother Your Novice Debate Team," contact Dr. Daniel Eastman. (He is listed in the Yellow Pages under *Shoulders to Cry On When You Lose*, and Philosophical Chauffeurs.)

Not everyone in New York is afraid to smile. There was Lottie, who grinned the whole time she drove her five "honeys" in a back-firing Ford cab to the airport.

And finally, about those forty-nine astro-jet minutes from the City to Rochester (to paraphrase a noted speaker): "Sure is a fast trip, wasn't it?"

Baker Recital Demonstrates Performer's Versatile Style

Mrs. LeVera Baker gave her senior piano recital February 15. It was marked by vitality and deep emotional feeling for the music.

In the Bach *Italian Concerto* the performer captured the style of the Baroque orchestral music with its varying sections of *tutti* and *solis*. The second movement, a complete contrast from the more rhythmical first and third movements, portrayed Bach's genius in the development of the ostinato base motive.

Leaving the Baroque period, Mrs. Baker completely changed the mood to the pictorial *Jardins sous la Pluie* by Debussy. This piece is one of a collection of three entitled "Estampes" and achieves various effects by alternately using four modal materials: minor, major, whole-tone, and chromatic. Also used in this piece are segments of two popular French nursery rounds.

The Prokofiev Sonata No. 3 revealed Mrs. Baker's versatility, spanning the gamut from diabolical rhythms to peaceful lyricism. This short one-movement sonata derives

its dramatic impact from the use of only two or three basic themes.

As a final selection Mrs. Baker played Brahms' *Variations and Fugue* on a theme by Handel, Op. 24. This piece, one of the longest of Brahms' works, consists of twenty-five unique variations. The theme, taken from Handel's Ninth Suite in B-flat, has very little actual relationship to the Handelian melody. Only the length and cadences are preserved from the original theme. The massive fugue with its own jaunty subject brought the program to a dramatic close.

THE AGENDA

FRIDAY, February 26: 8:00 P.M., Lecture Series, Muriel Wolfson, "Two Lives."
 SATURDAY, February 27: Concert Ensemble travels this weekend to the Corning area.
 TUESDAY, March 2: Christian Education Conference, through tomorrow.
 Swimming — Women's Class Meet.
 Chapel — conference speaker.
 Student Senate members may relax now — Boulder mailed its last of five today.
 WEDNESDAY, March 3: P-G Basketball.
 Chapel — FMF.
 THURSDAY, March 4: Swimming — Men's Class Meet.
 Chapel — Professor Charles Bolton.
 FRIDAY, March 5: Chapel — Professor Charles Bolton.

Leagues Get Named; Schedules Still Tough

BY GARY OVERHISER

Houseleague's strenuous schedule is beginning to tax rosters to the losing point. Often two, even three games are slated for a team in one week's play. Occasional schedule conflicts account for hoopster absenteeism, while at the same time, increased scheduling demands stricter physical conditioning.

Blare House became the first squad to feel the new strain bowing to the Stompers 61-29, without chief musician Dave Musser. The McKinley Raiders could only suit six men for the game and lost to the stronger team of Park House 66-42. Brad Weyhe put through fourteen points for the losers but this fell short of overcoming the effort of Parks' Haydyn Humphrey and Leon Guilford who hit for sixteen apiece.

The Bickom Bachelors, who have yet to hit their stride of first semester, dropped a 43-33 decision to the Academy. Rolling along on a three game winning streak the Varsity Rejects have taken command of Intellectual League (formerly B-league). Reject Lou Worrad, continued to pace the Intellectual lead-

ers with seven field goals in their latest victory of 41-37 over the Townees. High scoring Varsitymen from the Academy are making their presence felt in Space League (formerly A-league) action. Since their 52 point margin over the McKinley Raiders, they have established themselves as the team to beat in Space League competition.

After this weekend's games, Space League should acquire a league leader. Undefeated Parks meets once beaten Yorkwood at the Academy at 2:15. Later, the Extremists battle the Has Beens for possession of second place at 4:45.

Houseleague play has toughened, schedules stiffened — a well conditioned team is its new requirement. NO FORFEITS ALLOWED!

HOUSELEAGUE SCORES

Gas House Gang 49 — Innmates 43
 Celtics 74 — Pansies 20
 Academy Var. 94 — McKinley 42
 Academy J.V. 42 — Waldorf 20
 Parks 50 — Bickom 44
 Warriors 47 — Celtics 34
 Yorkwood 44 — Drybones 21
 Innmates 48 — Townees 36
 Us 56 — Waldorf 16
 Hot Ayers 52 — Warriors 39
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 Us 39 — Short Circuits 21
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Purple Gals Win...Again

BY RONALD DOOLEY

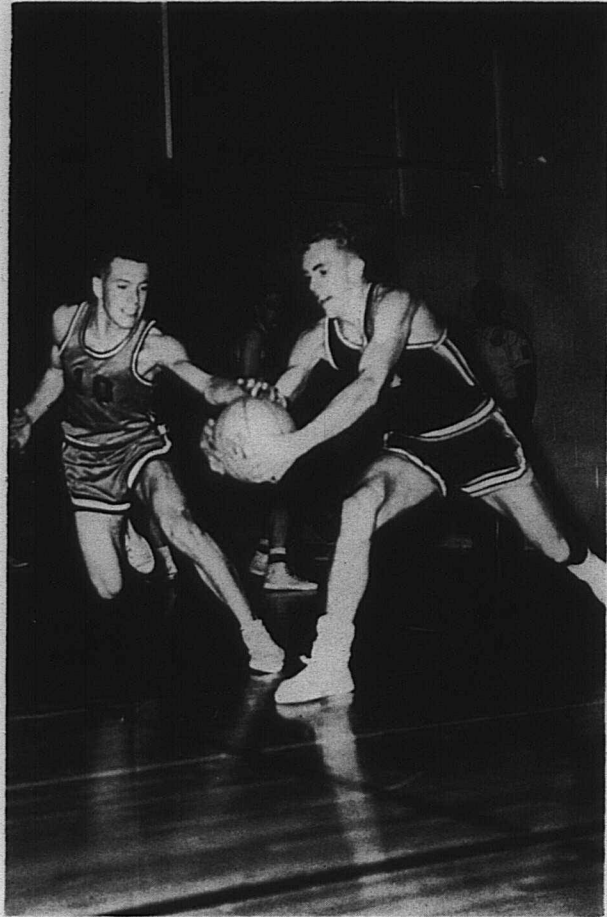
Looking at the benches of the girls' basketball teams, Gold should win the color series hands down. However, by overwhelming Gold with the lopsided score of 48 to 23, Purple proved it may once again take the color series in a three-game sweep.

The hot shooting of Laura Harker and newcomer Penny Salomon gave Purple a 20 to 13 lead at the half, although Irene Jacobsen came through again to keep Gold in the game.

The second half was an entirely different story as Purple out-shot, out-jumped and generally out-fought Gold. A sparkling defensive effort by Marrolyn McCarty, added to the typical hot shooting of Harker and Gardzinir, gave Purple a decided advantage in the period.

Leading all scorers was Laura Harker with seven field goals and three free throws totaling seventeen points. Also for Purple were Gayle Gardzinir with fourteen points and Penny Salomon with twelve. High for Gold was Irene Jacobsen, who dropped in thirteen, followed distantly by Nan Miller and Louise Hocke with three each.

Unless Gold tightens up her defense and fulfills her good shooting potential, it looks like she may have to wait another year.



Gold's King, Purple's Parks Battle For Ball
 Breaking Down The System

Pharaohs Fast-Break Gold As Gurley Scores 24 Points

BY ERNIE CLAPPER

Tom "Meadowlark" Gurley and his Purple henchmen broke Gold to death Monday night in the Academy, 74-55. Taking time out from stealing the ball, driving the length of the court, and shoveling behind the back passes, Gurley also managed to dump in twenty-four points for high honors.

Gold's system broke down with the score tied 9-9 and they never caught the Pharaohs again. What is wrong with Gold? A seemingly good team on paper, they should be able to match the Purple five, at least once, but they haven't.

First, their big men under the boards aren't under the boards. Jon Peters rebounded only five, Dave Hulley four and Dan Perrine four Monday. Peters is in the corner, Perrine is at the top of the key, and Hulley is on the bench.

Furthermore, Jim Titus and Gary King are much better guards than they showed the first two games of the P-G series. Two bad nights together seemed unpredictable and impossible, yet it happened. It will not again.

The only salvation for the slumping Gold was found in Dave Krentel. The big senior pumped in twenty-two points, hit 48%, and pulled down fifteen rebounds, high for the contest.

To the Purple side. First, as mentioned, Tom Gurley showed spectacularly again. Purple has a mainstay for the years ahead. The improvement in Jim Parks over the class and now the P-G series is a big contributing factor. Monday,

Parks put home seventeen points, shot 75% (high for either squad), and took down six rebounds. Parks has earned varsity and then some.

Jon Angell continued to play hustle defense and run-run offense and it paid off. Angell scored thirteen and had his hand in twenty others. Thom Brownworth rebounded high for Purple with thirteen.

Team-wise, Purple hit 44% from the floor to Gold's 29%. From the line, it was Purple, 55% to 41%. Off the boards, it was close, Gold, 31-27.

Tonight, unless a system change takes place, Purple will run Gold to the showers and the Senior Class will see their last P-G court action. Some seniors already have.



Senior Team ('52): Robert Denny, John Chambers, Robert Knowlton, Theodore Hazlett, Robert Young, Walter Vikestad.

Famous Teams Of Past

Maroon And White of '52 Won Crown Three Times

BY BILL CARLSEN

"The Juniors kept alive their championship hopes by whipping the Seniors 50-45. Scoring honors go to Castor, Johnson and Price with twelve points each." The year is 1951. The class of '52 was winning the second of its three class basketball crowns.

Led by math major, now math teacher, Al Johnson, the maroon and white of '52 was nearly unbeatable. Consistently high-scoring Johnson (18.3 per game) was followed by Norm Castor, who now teaches English in Webster, New York, for scoring honors. Rounding out the three-time championship team were four future teachers and one minister. Rich Price, known for his fine ball handling, is a science teacher in Barker, New York. Charles Hunsburger teaches in Baltimore, Ted Hazlett in Waterloo, New York, and Bob Young in Timonium, Maryland. Bob Denny is a minister in Indiana.

Al Johnson's average of 17.1 was enough for a maroon and white championship his sophomore year. As juniors the whole team improved and Johnson averaged over twenty. The squad went undefeated.

In their senior year the class of '52 had to play without the services of Johnson. In a playoff game the Seniors, led by Hazlett and Young, bested the Paul Dekker-led juniors 58-45.

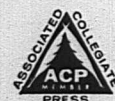


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