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## Tony Yu Wins F. M. F. Election; Hammond, Thomas Will Serve

Anthony Yu was elected president of Foreign Missions Fellowship for the school year of 1958-1959 on March 19. John Hammond will serve as vice president; Fred Thomas as treasurer; and Carol Demarest as corresponding secretary.

### Yu Is Experienced

Anthony Yu held office in Foreign Missions Fellowship this year as vice president. He is also a member of Torchbearers. John Hammond is presently F.M.F. radio manager, president of the Ministerial Association, and an F.M.F. cabinet representative.

Fred Thomas served on the Student Senate his freshman year and is active in basketball and football. Carol Demarest is secretary of the Student Senate and assistant editor



Next year's F.M.F. leaders are (l. to r.) — A. Yu, J. Hammond, F. Thomas and C. Demarest.

of the 1958 Boulder. She served as class secretary her sophomore year.

### Pfahler, Berg Active

Victor Berg was elected IN-AS-MUCH secretary. He is active in Torchbearers and extension work. Gail Pfahler will serve as advertising manager. Her activities include Torchbearers, cheerleading and freshman class chaplain.

Mac Cox will be radio manager, and Marilyn Hunter will fill the position of prayer group manager. Marilyn is a member of the Pre-med Club and has served as secretary of Torchbearers. Mac Cox is treasurer of the freshman class.

Bulletin board manager for the coming year will be Lois Hess. Joy Bodunrin will serve as filing secretary.

### Class Schedule

Classes are shortened to one half hour today. All classes are over at 10:30. Classes resume Tuesday, April 8, at 8 a. m.

The fine for missing classes March 28 or April 8 is \$10 per day.

## Band, Orchestra To Give Concert

Houghton College Band, under the leadership of Mr. D. Warner Hutchison and the College Orchestra, under Mr. Jack Bemis, will present a joint concert Wednesday, April 16, at 7:30 in the chapel.

The band will begin the concert with a lively march in Spanish style, *Amparita Roca*, by Jaime Texidor. Other numbers include *Chorale and Alleluia* by Howard Hanson, a contemporary American composer and president of the Eastman School of Music, *Orlando Palandrino Overture*, by F. Joseph Haydyn, *Emperor Waltz* by Johann Strauss, lighter music by Leroy Anderson and a special number for trumpet trio and band.

The orchestra, under Mr. Bemis, will continue the concert with *Village Music* by Douglas Moore and the First Movement, *Scherzo*, from Felix Mendelssohn's *Italian Symphony*.

## Seniors Cop Scholarships

Two seniors, John Andrews and David Neu, have been awarded assistantships for graduate work.

John has been accepted to the graduate school of physics of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts. In addition he is receiving a \$2800 half-time assistantship in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Research Laboratory of Electronics and Solid State Physics. He will begin his graduate work July 1, 1958.

David Neu, salutatorian of the class of '58, has received a scholarship of \$850 from the University of Rochester, Rochester, New York. He has



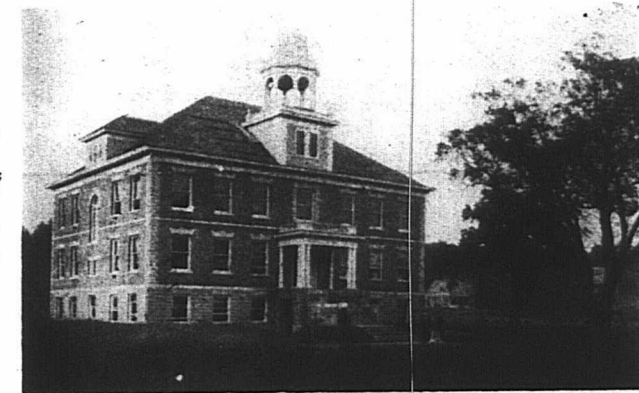
John Andrews (l.) and David Neu.

also been awarded a \$1500 graduate teaching assistantship in mathematics. David plans to use his scholarship for further study in the field of mathematics.

## Next Star Will Be The Anniversary Edition April 18

### 75th Anniversary Review

## Old Ad Stands Alone



The Old Ad Building was one of the first to be built when the seminary moved to the college hill. It was erected in 1906. The adjoining Science Building was built in 1923.

## Pat Cutter Takes '58 Honors

Miss Patricia Cutter and Mr. David Neu will deliver the valedictory and salutatory addresses for the Class of 1958 at class night exercises, May 30.

Patricia leads those who received

Dean Arthur Lynip announced that Patricia Cutter, David Neu, Anne Musser, Eugenia Johnston, Virginia Snow, Carol Hazlett, Winifred Gray, Carolyn Pocock and John Andrews will receive *magna cum laude* honors at commencement. Each of these has a cumulative average above 3.5 and no grade below C.

Joan Anglin, Marilyn Pierce, Ruth Kendall and Nancy Lance will receive *cum laude* honors, each with an average between 3.25 and 3.50.

Mr. Erling C. Olsen, executive secretary for the Billy Graham New York Crusade, member of the board of trustees of Stonybrook School for Boys, Dallas Theological Seminary and Philadelphia Bible Institute, and president of Fitch Investors Corp., addressed approximately 125 seniors and faculty members after a roast duck dinner at the Avon Inn, Avon, N. Y. Mr. Olsen spoke on the topic, *The Bible and Outer Space*.

## Rec Hall Work Continues; Student Explains Honesty

Student Senate voted March 18 to continue the renovation of the Rec Hall, despite the lack of responses to questionnaires submitted to the student body.

Current plans include the immediate cleaning of the hall, painting the walls and repairing the windows.

### Wightman Talks

Mr. Larry Wightman, transfer student from Oberlin college, presented the honor system as used by that school to the Senate. Mr. Wightman agreed that no system will cure dishonesty, but that honesty for Christians comes from "initiation within . . . not coercion from without."

Disturbed by the forbidding "negatives" printed on the front of our Blue Books, he emphasized that

students themselves are responsible for dishonesty, not instructors.

Senate plans to discuss more fully the honor system at Houghton at their next meeting.

### Cut Committee Reports

Richard Seawright reported on his investigation of the present cut system and made the following recommendations which were approved by the Senate: (1) one excused cut be permitted (in addition to excused absences) for each semester hour credit for the course, (2) one point deduction from the final average for each unexcused absence exceeding the allowed number, and (3) all rules regarding cuts (including "unlimited" cuts for upperclassmen with 3.25 and above) be uniformly enforced by the faculty. It was moved that in addition to these recommendations the present rules be uniformly enforced by the faculty. This will be presented to the faculty by advisors, Mr. Davis and Mr. Talbot.

## Wells To Speak At Conference

Dr. George R. Wells will speak April 12 at an evening banquet to be held in Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana. The banquet is a part of the second convention of the Christian Physical Education Association, of which Dr. Wells is the president.

Houghton College became one of the charter members of the organization at the convention last year held in Greenville College, Greenville, Ill.

Featured on the program will be Dr. Chester O. Jackson, President-elect of the College Physical Education Association and professor of physical education at the University of Illinois. The convention is open to all Christian physical educators, coaches of high schools and colleges, and students interested in physical education.

The Christian Physical Education Association, organized in April of last year, is designed to unite all Christian physical educators for the sharing of experiences, improvement of methods and techniques, and promotion of research in the field of physical education.

## W.Y. Sponsors Weekend Rally



Rev. Wolgemuth

Rev. Mr. Sam Wolgemuth, overseas director for Y.F.C., will be the main speaker at the annual Spring Youth Conference sponsored by the college Wesleyan Youth Saturday, April 12.

Bruce Hess, president, states that the conference is aimed at introducing "Christ in a Christian College" to local high school students who will assemble here for the entire day.

## Bender Presents Second Program

Miss Elaine Bender of Jamestown, N. Y., after spring vacation will become the first Houghton student to have presented two recitals in one semester.

April 11, Miss Bender will perform a piano recital at 8 p. m. in the college chapel. Her first recital took place, February 19. She undertakes this unique program because she is studying here under an accelerated curriculum in order to finish in three years.

She will play Bach's "Prelude and Fugue No. 5" from *Well-Tempered Clavier* No. 2; Poulenc's *Sonata for Two Pianos* (assisted by Howard Bauer); "Etude 3 and 11" from *d'Execution Transcendante* by Franz Liszt; and Richard Strauss's *An Einsamer Fulle*.

Miss Bender is a piano major under the instruction of Professor Eldon Basney. She plans to set up a private studio when she is graduated.

### UNITED PRESS HEADLINES — March 28

The Pentagon—The Army and Air Force have been ordered to launch four and possibly five rockets to or around the moon.

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New York — Nikita Khrushchev has offered a remedy for the American economic recession. The Soviet chief said the U. S. could end both its recession and the threat of war if it would resume full trade with Russia.

## Alumni To Initiate N.Y. Social Group

Two former Houghtonites, Miss Ruth Shaffer, Director of Social Work, Swancott Home, Utica, N.Y., and Dr. Kenneth Wright, New York State Department of Health, are aiding in the current move to incorporate the N. Y. State Christian Child and Family Welfare Association.

There will be an increasing demand for evangelical students oriented from the Christian view point. Christian college students interested in careers in social service will find here opportunity for service.

Dr. J. Whitney Shea, professor of sociology, plans to hold a seminar for those interested in the project.





The victorious Gold swimming team, immediately after their victory: (l. to r.) — Ed Fischer and Clint Taplin; standing — Robert Sabean, Dave Sabean and John Glatz.

## Gladiators Swim To One-Sided Triumph

As expected, the Gold men aquatics romped over their Purple counterparts, 38-14. Led by Bob Sabean, John Glatz and Ed Fischer, the Gladiators, as the score indicates, were never in danger of losing the meet.

Sabean won the 210 yard freestyle and the 120 yard individual medley. Fischer took the 90 yard back crawl and Glatz romped in the 90 yard

breast stroke. Gold captured the 135 yard three man medley relay in a real dogfight with the Purple three of Bruce Hess, Jack Thomson and Paul Dommermuth. The winning crew consisted of Sabean, Fischer and Taplin.

Purple's only bright spot was in the person of Jack Thompson, who won both the 45 and 90 yard sprints to garner 10 of the 14 Purple points.

## Purple-Gold Baseball To Begin

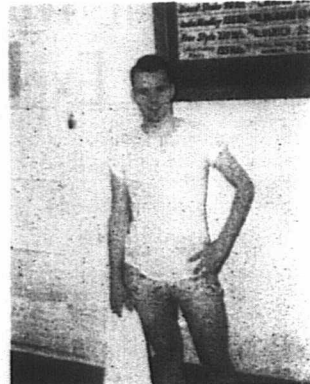
With the culmination of Easter vacation, Houghton's answers to Mickey Mantle and Ron Delany will venture to break records on the baseball diamond and the cindered oval.

However, baseball takes the spotlight for the first few weeks. Gold, last year's winner in four straight contests, is out to retain their vaunted crown. Meeting a determined Purple nine are a few veteran seniors who will be compelled to muster new forces from the freshman class.

The Gladiators will be led by Brian Armstrong, talented backstop, and Lyman Pierce, ace southpaw hurler. The infielders of experience include Don Thompson, who can play anywhere with equal ability, and Lyman Wood, the best second baseman in school. Outfielders Dick Seawright and Don Charles together with right-handed pitcher, Bob Granger, round out the Gold squad with experience at Houghton. Rookie material will be heavily depended on to fill the remaining gaps in the lineup.

The Purple Pharaohs have only one returning letterman, Pete Hammond, pitcher. The remaining portion of the squad is experienced, but have yet to prove themselves in admirable fashion. Clyde Michener catches, and Dennis McCarty, Ron Waite and Ken German hurl.

Don Trasher nabs the throws at first from infielders John Percy and Jim Walker. Dave Day and Ed Moos roam the outer gardens. Purple, like Gold, welcomes all diamond enthusiasts, and especially anybody who can hit or pick up a grounder.



Jack Thomson spearheaded Purple in a losing cause. He scored 10 points in the meet, and Purple scored only 14 as a team.

# Students Should Speak Up

## Around The Quad

Stuart Leyden (ex '58) has stirred a ferment on Wheaton College campus in a recent letter to the *Record* editor.

### Wheaton Loses

Mr. Leyden is worried that the *Record* is devoting too much space to their basketball team and not enough to more important phases of college life. Wheaton students immediately jumped to the paper's and the team's defense in a sophomoric display of unobjectivity . . . now that the Crusaders have lost their championship (our sincere condolences), perhaps Mr. Leyden's remarks to the effect that basketball is only a game will appear more meaningful.

### U. B. Raises Tuition

Appalled at Houghton's announcement that tuition is going up? We're not the only ones in that boat. In the most recent *Spectrum* of the University of Buffalo, we read in bold, black headlines "Tuition Is Upped." Still feel so badly?

### Hynes Leads Choral

The *Beacon* of Roberts Wesleyan reports that Professor Gilbert H. Hynes (now of the Houghton faculty) will lead their college choir on its spring tour. Mr. Hynes will also sing baritone solos.

The Temple University *News* is busy lauding the efforts of its current basketball team. At last report, the Owls had won 26 in a row. Elmer "Tink" Van Patton, 6'8" center, was a '53 graduate of Chester High School, Chester, Pa., with your editor. "Tink" was a member of Young Life Club at Chester.

The annual Strong Memorial Bible Reading Contest will occur Thursday, April 17, in the regular chapel period. Any student is eligible to compete.

## Town Meeting



## Munich Pact Shows Risks of Treaties

It has been twenty years since Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, flew to meet Hitler and brought back a scrap of paper which he said guaranteed, "Peace in our time." World War II should have shown the folly of appeasing dictators, of bargaining from any position other than that of strength. Yet almost on the anniversary of Munich, Britain is divided on the question of nuclear missiles on her territory, and agitation for a summit conference with the Soviets has begun. This division of opinion cuts across party, class and economic lines.

### Britishers Worried

Those remembering the lesson of Munich and appeasement hold out for nuclear weapons as the only bargaining agent in dealing with both

the Soviets and the United States. It is also a matter of prestige. Britains are hurt and annoyed at the apparent fact that, militarily, Britain is no longer a first-rate power.

### Chaos Possible

The other side of the coin of public opinion is led by such leaders sincerely believing that the free world is painting itself into a corner; that soon the ultimate weapon will be perfected and the entire civilized world will stand on the brink of destruction. One miscalculation, one error could send missiles rocketing on an unanswerable course to a nation's capital and World War III.

Facing such a prospect, the latter group believes that now is the time to negotiate, to arrive at some *modus vivendi* while each side has some vulnerability. In a few years it may be too late. A cartoon going the rounds lately shows an archeologist peering at a stone tablet in the midst of some ancient civilizations and saying, "It's something about making themselves so strong that no other country would dare attack them."

### Compliments of

Mr. & Mrs. R. Clinton Taplin  
Grant B. Taplin

Tony Yu has illustrated the idea perfectly. His chapel talk last week concerning the situation between Formosa and Red China was an illuminating treatment of a contemporary problem which all Houghton students should know about. It was especially well-timed, too, for Dr. Hollington K. Tong, Ambassador of Free China to the United States, will speak here April 21; but more of that later.

Believe it or not, we've had an editorial written for over a month now concerning the possibility of having students speak in chapel, but haven't printed it because of lack of space.

Dr. Bert Hall, dean of students, in an interview with your editor, stated that he thinks it definitely would be a good idea to have student chapel speakers.

However, there are very few open chapels left, so students should bring suggestions to the dean's office at once. We believe that there are several more students who could fill the chapel pulpit — and fill it well.

In reply to students' inquiries as to why Rev. Mr. Robert Neuremberger of Westminster Theological Seminary did not speak in chapel when he was here, Assistant Dean Roy Gibbs states, "Chapels are booked far in advance. It was impossible to change the program for that day."

## Should We Have Honor System?

The introduction of the honor system to Senate, March 18, was thought-provoking.

Mr. Larry Wightman, who presented the argument, wonders why Houghton, a Christian institution, thinks it necessary to instruct students (on the front of blue books) not to cheat.

"This presupposes dishonesty in Christian students," he said. "This may be all right for a secular college, but is it what we want at Houghton?"

The honor system has its weaknesses, but who would say our present system doesn't?

We submit that no system will cure dishonesty; a student will be dishonest whether the rules call for it or not, but we wonder if perhaps the present system correctly judges us as Christians who are "studying to show ourselves approved unto God?"

Dr. Hall, dean of the students, contends, "Houghton would be a logical place for an honor system in scholastic work. Most of the students are by their Christian commitment also committed to the norms of truth and honesty . . . I believe that an honor system would help us to attain the intellectual and spiritual maturity we have set as our goal."

## Minority Report



### In Like A Lamb

Spring vacation offers a pleasant relief from this gray, drab, wet, cold weather we're having. By the time we return, the sun will be shining, the creek bursting with glee, and the grass soft and green beneath our feet . . . we hope.

### Question Of The Week

Is there that much difference between the recorded music that has been banned in the dining hall and the music that Houghton students hear at skating parties, such as the one last Monday night?

### It's All Over But The Shouting

We seniors are at last reconciled to the fact that our college education is all over, except for the plaudits and accolades, and even they have already begun. Our congratulations to Pat Cutter (who did it in three years) and to Dave Neu, the *Star* business manager.

### Quote Of The Week

The truth, then, is that there are two conflicting bodies of truth.

### Music, Music, Music

The consecutive chapels in which Dr. Finney, Prof. Hynes, and Prof. Basney spoke were so well-placed as to seem to be contrived. One wonders just with whom he should agree. After singing at dinner with the new books for two weeks, we'll take Dr. Finney. What do you think?



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