



L to R Allen Minser, Fred Speirs, John Essepien, Robert Barclay, and Ronald Willey

## Six Pre-Med Students To Enter Grad. School

Medical and dental schools have definitely accepted six of the seven Houghton students who have applied for admission in September, 1955. Last year, of fourteen applicants, thirteen were accepted.

Alfred Speirs, a zoology major and laboratory assistant in vertebrate anatomy, will be attending Jefferson Medical School in Philadelphia. He is now president of the Pre-Medical Club.

John Essepien will prepare for dental surgery at McGill University in Montreal. John, business manager of the *Star*, is majoring in chemistry and is chemistry laboratory assistant this year.

The winner of a New York State Regent's Scholarship for professional training in medicine and dentistry, Allen Minser, will study at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. Allen is a general science major graduating magna cum laude. He will prepare for service as a medical missionary.

Robert Barclay will attend Temple Medical School in Philadelphia to prepare for medical service on the mission field in Africa under the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society. He is a zoology major.

Ronald Willey, graduating cum laude, will study at the University of Pittsburgh. Ronald has majored in general science. After a year's internship, Ronald also plans to be a missionary.

Dwight Strum has been accepted at Pittsburgh and Western Reserve Dental Schools after only two years college. However, he has decided to complete four years of college work and then go on to medical school.

For the past fourteen years no Houghton student accepted into medical school has been dropped for any reason, although some have withdrawn. According to Dr. Moreland, chairman of the science department and advisor of the Pre-Medical Club, "We try to do that before they get to medical school."

## Kids To Facelift Campus As Seniors Leave Town

The Student Senate in conjunction with APO is organizing this year's Arbor day campus clean-up Friday May 20, according to Dr. Willard Smith, college business manager.

Bev Garrison of APO and Fred Bennetch of the Senate, acting as leaders, will follow plans according to last year's operation along with Dr. Smith.

A request is being made to dismiss classes the day Seniors skip town like last year.

## MCS Station Will Broadcast By Fall Of '55

"Come in Alaska . . . Africa . . . India . . . South America . . ." Soon missionaries in these distant countries will be talking to "someone from home". This will be possible through the work of the Missionary Communications Service station here at Houghton. Dr. Robert Luckey has announced that the transmitter for the Houghton station has arrived. He plans to have it in operation by commencement.

This 1000-watt Collins transmitter is used, but has been reconditioned by the factory. The total cost was \$3000, of which \$2000 was raised by the people of the Houghton church and the college, the remaining \$1000 being forwarded by MCS. The Houghton station will be able to reach around the world, giving instantaneous radio-telephone contact between mission stations, between fields and between continents.

After beginning operation, the station will first contact many amateurs. As the mission fields become better established with radios, communications will be held with them. It is believed the first mission field will be contacting the MCS by the fall of 1955.

Four Houghton men are licensed to operate the station: Dr. Luckey, Dr. Floyd Reese, Mr. Allen Smith, and Mr. Everett Gilbert. Jim Vaus is President of the MCS, and Dr. Luckey is a member of the Technical Board.

## Draft Regulation Notice

Unless young men register for the draft within the five day period following their 18th birthday, they face immediate induction according to the Director of Selective Service for Allegany County. He added that those having a valid excuse, such as illness, will not be penalized.

## Small Chorale To Replace A Cappella; Practical Reasons Dictate Change

A sixteen voice chorale, under the direction of Professor Basney and in cooperation with the extension office, will replace the A Cappella Choir as the official college traveling ensemble for 1955-56.

The reasons for this change were twofold: (1) an A Cappella Choir is getting increasingly hard to accommodate. Churches would rather entertain a smaller group than the forty-three that travel with our A Cappella; (2) the chorale will be financially more stable as well as more mobile.

"The change was not made because of dissatisfaction with the work of the choir, but for the above stated practical reasons," Dr. Robert Luckey, Public Relations Director, stated.

The smaller group will have an increased ministry in the form of weekend engagements, youth rallies, radio broadcasts and two extended tours. It was felt, therefore, that a consecrated life should be one vital requirement for each member.

Returning to school during Orientation week and putting in twenty-four hours of rehearsals and sixteen hours in Bible study, the Chorale will be ready by October to go out, thus almost tripling the time that the A Cappella was able to spend on the road.

Following are the newly announced members: nine girls and seven fellows—Barbara Mitchell, Olga Marie Norman, Mary Bernard, Frances Spink, Sabra Gelatt, Naomi Kelly, Carolyn Pockock, Barbara Platt, Patty Tysinger, Ronald Miller, Neil Reigle, Forrest Gass, Edward Fisher, Peter Galuteria, Frank Estep and Sam Paine. Within its membership are a soprano soloist, Mary Bernard; a piano soloist, Carolyn Pockock; and a trumpet trio, Neil Reigle, Frank Estep and Edward Fisher.

## Music Festival Climaxes With Allen's *Ardelia* Excerpts Tonight

A Festival of American Arts is the theme of this year's music festival, which started Wednesday morning, and will conclude this Sunday afternoon. Dr. William Allen is the chairman of the festival.

This evening at 8 o'clock in the chapel, both students and faculty will join in presenting, in concert version, the first act of an original operetta, "Ardelia," by William Allen. The libretto of this humorous satire was written by Prof. Charles Davis and a copy of it will be included with each program. The cast of this traditional heroine-suitor type story includes: Marion Johnson, *Ardelia*; Miss Viola Blake, her mother; Prof. Gilbert Hynes, her father; Prof. Charles Finney, the suitor; and Dorothy Yahn, Gladys, the maid.

## Young Steve Ferm To Be Cover Boy

A picture of Stephen Ferm, 8-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert O. Ferm, will appear on the front cover of the June issue of *Christian Life* magazine. Several weeks ago the editor of the magazine sent requests to various Christian schools for pictures of primary-aged boys and of these Stephen's was chosen.

The June issue of the magazine will be the annual educational issue which deals with various aspects of Christian education. One phase of the coming issue will be the problem of caring for future generations that will desire to attend Christian schools.

Stephen, a collegiate-looking third-grader, will be pictured on the cover wearing a Houghton College 1955 T-Shirt.

A feature on Houghton College and a picture of campus construction will also appear in the magazine.

The art department, under Mr. and Mrs. H. Willard Ortlip, will provide a backdrop for the operetta. This department will also prepare an art display in S-24.

The Festival has taken charge of the Thursday morning chapel as well as a Thursday evening program in the chapel. Special features throughout the festival include original works by Beverly Behringer, Mr. Kreckman, Allyn Foster, and Dr. Allen.

A concert of organ music and trumpet solos will conclude the annual Festival at 2:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Houghton church.

## WHAT WILL YOU HAVE?

"Let's take a coffee break?," may now be asked in the library.

An automatic coffee and hot chocolate server will be installed in Luckey Building, Mon., May 16.

A hot coffee (black, with or without cream or sugar), hot chocolate and doughnut combination machine has been purchased by the bookstore representing an investment over \$1,000.

Jim Hurd, responsible for getting this machine, announces that free doughnuts will be given to the first 100 customers.

## Aman Judged Top Speaker in Debate

Jerry Aman won first place as best speaker in the debate tournament held at Oswego State Teachers College Saturday, April 30.

Houghton debaters won two out of six debates. Virginia Hall and Jerry Aman argued for the affirmative, and Marilyn Johnson and Richard Stevens for the negative.

Houghton debated against such schools as Syracuse University, Utica College, LeMoyne College, and Buffalo State Teachers.

The team will travel this weekend May 6 and 7 to the University of Rochester to participate in a tournament with thirty other schools.

## Street Signs To Be Posted As An Aid For Befuddled Students

The Garden Club of Houghton, under the presidency of Mrs. Pierce Wooley, is currently sponsoring a program to put up road signs throughout the village. The project has been under consideration for three years.

Responsible for erecting the signs is a committee composed of Alton Shea, chairman, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Barker, Le Roy Fancher, and James Hurd.

## Student Drive for Chapel Seeks Full Participation

Only fifteen days are left until the closing date of the student chapel drive. Saturday, May 21, has been chosen as the date to wind up the 100% participation drive, launched in the middle of March.

Each student is urged to give his contribution to his class manager, who will in turn give it to the Public Relations office. This office will handle receipts and other bookkeeping. Class managers, be sure to contact each one of your list of 10, if you haven't done so already. There will be an important meeting announced next week for the class managers. All managers are asked to be present.

Clocks have been placed in the chapel to show the percentage of participation in each class. After the

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## WJSL May Gain Increased Power

Plans for a 1000 watt WJSL radio station powerful enough to reach Buffalo and Rochester are underway, Dr. Robert Luckey announced.

Al Smith, for Singspiration, Inc. and manager of the American Family Radio Network, discussed with Dr. Luckey the possibility of a 1000 watt WJSL day-time station to replace the existing 10 watt station. The outcome of a search to determine a frequency in this area which the station could use will determine future plans.

With present facilities it would take approximately \$20,000 to get on the air. The station would be self-supporting, defraying expenses from donations and sale of time.

The Houghton station would be one of two or three stations being added to the American Family Network which is a two-year old affiliation of four existing Christian radio stations.

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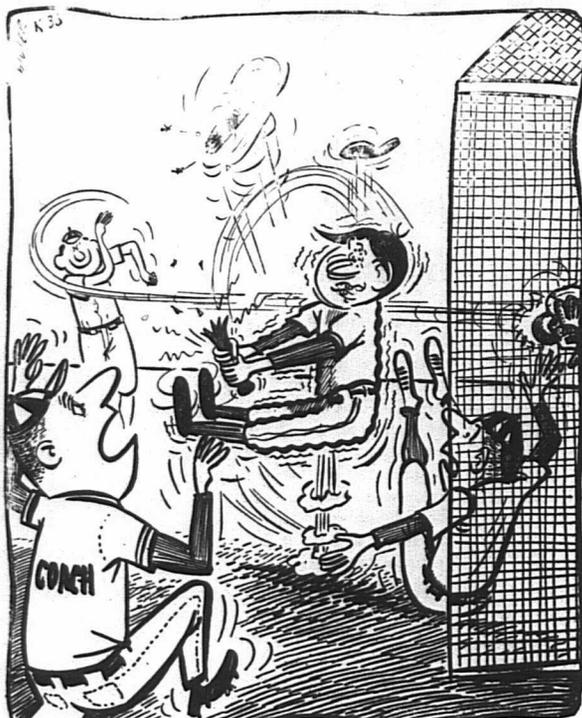
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**LIVE MEN ON GRASS**

by Dick Bibler



"OK - OK, you guys. Let's quit clownin' aroun' with the shot putt."

**For Meditation**

**Reputation**

BY MARILYN JOHNSON

Almost everyone, believer and unbeliever, seems interested in having a "good name" — in preserving his reputation. The person deserving of a poor name will try to polish the surface and show to the world just the polished part so that his reputation will be good. A dollar to the Red Cross for a sticker in the window helps the reputation. A visit to church once in a while helps the reputation.

But what about the Christian and his name? We talk about representing Houghton, and more important, representing our Lord. We want to uphold the name that we represent. We talk about our testimony as individual Christians; we've a name to live up to. What do we mean?

Psalm 106:8 tells us that God saves people "for His name's sake, that He might make his mighty power to be known." This would imply that God saves folk not just because they need to be lifted from sin; not just because they are headed for Hell without Christ; not just because they need the abundant life that Christ alone offers — but God saves folk for the sake of His own name! In Ephesians 1:5 Paul tells us that God adopted us as His children because it pleased Him. God saves us for His name's sake so that we can know His power and so that the world can look upon what God has done for us, and know His power.

Not only are we saved for the sake of God's reputation, but He leads us on into a closer walk with Christ for His name's sake. It's easy to have the idea that the "better" we are, the better our name will be, the more we'll be liked, respected, trusted, etc. But the psalmist wrote in Psalm 23:3, "He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake!" God leads us on in the Christian walk not so our reputations will be considered good by our Christian friends, but so that His name will be honored!

What does all this imply? This: God saves us for the sake of His reputation. God sanctifies us for the sake of His reputation. By refusing His salvation, a person is not only cheating himself of the full Christian life, sending himself to Hell, and depriving himself of an eternity spent with God, but he is detracting from God's name and from the proclamation of His mighty power. By refusing to walk in His right paths, we are again not only cheating ourselves, but we are dishonoring God's name and reputation.

"O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together." (Ps. 34:3)

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the college and distinctively set apart from the hurried life of a metropolis, we here can experience a thrilling solitude.

And may I suggest, in this pause to refresh, that we recognize God as the One from whom our values stem and that we may in this last month, "Press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

**Editorial Comment**

**A Pause To Refresh**

Final exams will begin three weeks from today; and a month from today, June 6, graduation will be over and the school year will have officially closed.

It may be good to pause about this time, just before the final home stretch begins, to introspectively examine ourselves in relation to this academic year. Beginning with the Junior-Senior banquet next Friday, one event after another will give us little time for reflection, little time to ask ourselves, "What have I gained this year?" or "How have I changed this year?" To take inventory of our goals and purposes, "What am I studying for?" "Why am I at college?" "What is the meaning and aim of my life?" periodically, helps to crystallize and reaffirm our values.

This year at Houghton, in search for ways to make our lives richer and more meaningful through study, should have inculcated as an integral part of our personalities the perspective of the Biblically Christian way of life. An education at Houghton demonstrates the dynamic principles of faith in action, love in abundance and power in resource.

Many will feel less adequate to take on responsibilities and make decisions. It may seem that the only thing in college we truly realize is how finite our minds are. Yet a recognition of our limitations may be a value itself.

Let us take out time to pause and reflect as to our purpose at Houghton. In order to get the most out of an education, one must be aware of the expectations desired.

Incidentally the setting of the campus in the spring lends favorably to quiet contemplation along the hillside. Amidst the pastoral background of

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**Flowers For The Press**

Traditionally, the last issue of the *Star* will be published by the freshman journalism class of Doc. Jo. The commencement edition is edited by next year's staff; so therefore, this issue is the last of the present staff. A special note of acknowledgement is in order, we believe, to the college press and Al Smith for his service to the paper. The Print Shop has been especially handicapped in linotype operators; yet in spite of this, he has accommodated us in every way with late copy. Working with a different set of amateur newspapermen each year, who take all of one semester to get copy and make-up to an efficient standard, is no easy task for the Print Shop. We thank them for their co-operation and patience with us.

**Campus Canvass**

**Highlights at College**

BY JIMMIE GILLIAM

Such contagious weather as we've been having has emptied buildings and even heads are struggling to retain "capacity load" for the "weighing ahead". Some people have already started to look back, however.

"What has been most outstanding in your college career?"

Bruce Price: Spiritual atmosphere. Seeing how the Lord works in so many ways.

Caroline Clift: Days in the kitchen. Al MacNab: School spirit shown in Senate campaign.

Betty Jane Sadler: Election to "Who's Who" and working on the Senior Honors Banquet.

Burton Newman: Oratorio performance at Buffalo.

Mark Hallman: Working on the Junior Senior Banquet.

Don Bagley: Getting acquainted with the South.

Lyman Wood: Coaching the freshman girls in the playoffs against the Sophomores.

Alice Banker: When we beat the Sophs.

Ginnie Hall: The day I was a "pooh". Merlyn Myers: The day I got admitted.

Willia Brown: Films in Family class.

Mary Ruth Tysinger: Basketball.

Donna Sir Louis: Sadie Hawkins' Day last year. "I ripped my blue jeans".

Carolyn Wilson: Living with the bats at Markee.

Carol Mountain, Jackie Carpenter, Molly Castor: An exploration in an abandoned house near the trestle at Letchworth. Especially the second trip.

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**ASHMEAD — GOULD**

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton J. Gould of Rochester announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Jane, to Thomas G. Ashmead son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Ashmead also of Rochester.

Mr. Ashmead attended Houghton College from February 1954 to February 1955.

**WILLIAMS — McGEOCH**

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McGeoch of Cambridge, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Jane, ('56) to Foster Eugene Williams, ('54) son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williams of Seldon, Maine.

Mr. Williams is presently attending Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.



Dear Student:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the honor of being elected president of the Student Senate for the year 1955-56.

I appreciated the spirit of enthusiasm which was shown throughout the campaign. Along with my campaign speech, I am ready to take any suggestions which the Student Senate can consider in their prerogative.

I will do my best and cover your prayers throughout the summer in the preparation for next year.

Sincerely,  
Donald Bagley

Dear Editor,

The following letter along with a petition with two hundred and forty names will be submitted to the Board.

We, the undersigned, respectfully petition the Board to reconsider its action in abolishing the A Cappella choir for the following reasons:

1. The A Cappella choir is one of the oldest musical traditions of the college. In its early days it appeared before the Regents Assembly at Albany, and then went on to establish a most enviable reputation throughout the East and the Middle-West.

2. It was a pioneer in its field, and though widely copied, it has identified itself in the mind of the evangelical public as a leader in the rendition of sacred music.

3. During its approximately 25 years of existence, it has been the greatest single public agent for the college. Questionnaires and freshmen autobiographies prove that more students have heard of Houghton through this medium than through advertising in religious publications.

4. It has always been a most attractive extra-curricular activity for liberal arts students, and in recent

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**Engagements**

**NETZBAND — HAWES**

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hawes, of Ava, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel Elaine ('58), to Richard A. Netzbands, son of Mr. Charles F. Netzbands, Rome, New York.

A September wedding is being planned.

**Campus Calendar: Star to Star**

- Friday, May 6 Music Festival 8:00 Chapel
- Saturday, May 7 Class Track Meet 1:30 Athletic Field
- Sunday, May 8 "The Redemption" 7:30 Church
- Wednesday, May 11 Junior Recital Doris Ulrich
- Friday, May 13 Junior-Senior Banquet
- Monday, May 16 Star Staff Dinner
- Tuesday, May 17 Sadie Hawkins' Chase
- Wednesday, May 18 Sadie Hawkins' Day, Purple Gold Meet 10:30 Student Senate program at night
- Friday, May 20 Senior Skip Day, Campus Clean-Up, Freshman Star

## Eng. Head Exposes Secrets; Translation Needed To Read

In view of the Yalta disclosures, the Hoover (both J. Edgar and Herbert) reports, and the bulletins and bomb blasts emanating from Las Vegas, it seems incumbent upon the English Department to reveal some of its choicest and most carefully guarded secrets. Perhaps, too, the fact that the New York State English Council is conducting a panel discussion this weekend at Syracuse on the topic, "Other Departments Look at English," has something to do with its unexpectedly chastened and conciliatory attitude.

In fact, the chairman in an attempt (largely abortive) to secure ammunition for his appearance as a consultant on this panel, made the following damaging admissions in a letter to his colleagues this week: "I know in general how we are regarded by other departments. We English teachers are almost universally inclined to be 'arty' (no reference to or reflection upon the dean of the college or the art departments), affected, and very often arbitrary. We are purists, precisians, or pedants. We are visionary dilettantes, who dwell for the most part in ivory towers. We speak a strange jargon of bromides and bombast. In short, we are a bit queer!"

Someone will say, "How quaint or naive," and someone else is bound to add, "How interesting! I'm interested in more worthwhile things." Such a statement, of course, triggers an immediate chain reaction and detonates a verbal H-bomb (and the H stands for a patronymic, not a chemical element). "Interesting is the most anemic adjective in the English language. And as for *worthwhile* it is a bloodless verbal nonentity, sucked dry of all vital warmth or meaning."

Students of Section A of Freshman English are familiar with such fulminations, which they apparently regard, after the initial shock has worn off, as more fizz than fissionable. English majors are somewhat puzzled when the same pundit occasionally uses these two words himself and then adds, "I use this term advisedly." Has he used the term inadvertently, or are there mocking inflections and ironic implications that the students ought to recognize? Or does it all have something to do with the "bane of banality" and "the curse of the cliché"?

Possibly! Possibly, too, there is a mixture of litotes, synecdoche, and pedagogical histrionics involved. The following anecdote may even throw some illumination on this moot subject. When the present chairman of the English Department was just starting to teach, he read the statement of a university instructor who had taught Freshman English for twenty years to the effect that if all the students in his classes had learned to spell *all right* and *athletics* by the end of the year, he felt that the course had been an unqualified success. After nearly forty years of teaching English he is quite sure that this statement was not meant to be taken literally. Yet last year's class was the first in which some unfortunate victim had not been entrapped into mutilating either or both of these words. This year's class has been equally successful thus far, and with this exposé all hope of making a horrible example out of anyone has vanished.

Yes, undoubtedly teachers are getting wiser if not wittier, and students wariar if not wiser.

## Prep Flashes

Last Friday, April 29, Houghton Prep traveled to Eastman Kodak, Rochester. The excursion included many buildings where films were processed.

According to one student, the dark shadow of the day came when they were guided through the dark room. Upon entering lighted quarters, a close check was taken to be sure all couples were present.

## Another Ho'ton First

An original dating bureau at Houghton College has been put into operation by Dean Blake and Dean Fern. In a letter they stated that they had not been bribed by Cupid, but, after seeing the situation last year, when, at the Junior-Senior banquet about a hundred fellows and as many girls sat in opposite sections, they felt that necessary steps were due.

The "dating bureau" will function only for the Junior-Senior banquet. The deans are attempting to compile a list of unattached fellows and girls, and introduce to them some of the experiences of a casual friendship. By this they hope to antiquate the tradition that one date means one is committed.

## Secrecy Prevails In Plans For Banquet

The junior class will honor the seniors at the annual Junior-Senior banquet next Friday, May 13 at 7 p. m. The place, theme and speaker are all secret, in keeping with tradition.

All seniors are invited to the banquet but juniors must pay their dues in order to attend. The faculty and staff are also invited.

Donald Bagley, vice-president of the junior class heads the committee, and the other members are: James Frase, Betty Jane Goodwin, Mark Hallman, Alice King and Paty Tysinger. Gordon Beck is in charge of transportation.

## Bagley To Pilot Next Senate

Donald Bagley is the 1955-56 Student Senate president as the result of the student body election in chapel Wednesday, April 27. The other officers are Ronald Hagelmann, vice-president; Robert Stowell, treasurer; and Jimmie Gilliam, secretary.

Don's duties as president will include presiding over all Student Senate and student body meetings, and taking charge of the Spiritual Emphasis Week services and the spring fund drive. During his three years at Houghton, he has been a member of the Student Affairs Committee, Boulder subscription manager, athletic manager of the junior boys and vice-president of the junior class. He has been active in volleyball and basketball and a member of the Athletic Association.

Ron is assistant business manager of the Boulder, a member of the Student Senate and the Science and Pre-Med clubs.

Robert Stowell has been a member of the Classics and Spanish clubs, active in basketball, football and softball and a participant in Torchbearers and A P O.

Jimmie Gilliam is a member of the Student Senate, church choir, Star Psalm, Expression club, the junior class cabinet and Boulder staff. She is active in basketball and softball.

This year's campaigns were highlighted by speeches, sidewalk signs, campaign signs and stickers, and recorded music. One of the candidate's campaign committee organized a band which played after one of the chapel programs preceding the elections.



## Senior Regression Evident at Party; Juniors Stuffed with Strawberries

Bedford 'Sanitarium' was opened last Friday evening, April 29, by sophomore and senior classes for the benefit of all those who thought they were Mother Goose characters.

One of the most obvious features of the evening was the degree to which Mother Goose was forgotten. Pictured above are Jim Gunther and David Haas in a special number. Games and refreshments were common to the party, but the opportunity of watching teachers let their hair down further than the students did, made the evening more than just another experience.

The junior-frosh party, a Strawberry Festival, was held outdoors on the lawn between East and Bedford under clear skies.

Two frosh strawberries, Evelyn Peterson and James Finney were plucked to reign as king and queen. To go along with the name, strawberry sundaes were served.

Tennessee mammy Nancy Lance and her chillins and old pappy Blackie with his tire and family troubles dramatized very domestic scenes.

A guitar, bass viol, and accordion trio with Don Bagley, Ron Hagelmann, and Kent Olson told the story of Davy Crockett.

## Statistics Reveal Traditional Trends

BY MARY ANN GREEN

Statistics from the senior class this year can prove promising to all who rely upon Miss Hawkins' Day to complete some unfinished work.

Nearly 45% of the seniors have definitely committed themselves (engagements and marriages) while many more are still mustering up courage to do so. However, what are the rest of you aiming to do? Are you shy, bashful, or otherwise inhibited? (Please see Dean Fern and he'll put your name on the list.)

Here at Houghton we attempt to maintain a policy of full co-operation — each student takes a personal interest in another. To be attributed to some of the credit of the good percentage is S. H. Day. At this time many dreams and aspirations become a reality. (Believe me, I know it works.)

So you see, the tradition has been set — and customs remain the same. Boys will be boys and on Sadie Hawkins' Day girls will be asking if there's no other alternative.

## "Veni, Vidi" As Students Gather at Latin Repast

Be-spangled and bed-sheeted Latin enthusiasts stole down to the Recreation Hall Thursday, April 21, for a Roman Banquet sponsored by the Classics Club.

Reclining in their togas on pillows and blankets, the diners dipped bread into honey and partook of such delicacies as chicken, asparagus, potato chips, grape punch, and apple pie. Eating everything with their fingers was considered great sport. In response to cries of *serva*, June and Joan Weiss brought in large trays of food.

An apple thrown into the midst of the banquet by the Goddess of Discord was unanimously awarded to the handsomest man present, Dr. Stockin.

## Doom Impending-Caution To Stags; The Chase Is On

Yes, the fateful bell will toll for you fellows come May 17. It's just around the corner — the Sadie Hawkins' Day Chase. The rules this year are the same as in previous years. For those of you who are not acquainted with them, here they are. Let's all abide by them and it will be a successful Sadie Hawkins' Day.

1. The chase will begin when the chapel bell rings sometime between one and four o'clock on Tuesday, May 17. The chasing must end at 6:00 that evening.
2. There is to be NO chasing or tagging in any of the buildings. Anyone caught in a building will not be considered officially tagged.
3. NO cars may be used in the chasing. Anyone caught by this means is not officially tagged.
4. Meals in the dining hall must be carried on in an orderly fashion.
5. When a girl catches a fellow she will give him a prepared tag reading, "Caught! by \_\_\_\_\_" and signed by the girl. The fellow will use this as proof he has been caught.
6. The small triangle in front of Gaoyadeo Hall will be a safety zone for the boys. They cannot be caught there.
7. Girls must escort the fellows all day on May 18 — from breakfast to the program at night, except by mutual consent of the couple.
8. Each "catch" must be a fellow the girl has not dated within the past year.
9. Both the fellow and the girl must dress in true Dogpatch style — old clothes. The girl may provide a corsage for the boy of various exquisite dainties provided he is the "sedimental" type.

The Purple-Gold track meet will be the main event during the day. In the evening the Student Senate, sponsors of Sadie Hawkins' Day, will take the audience down to Dogpatch for a visit.

One last word of advice, the fellows had better get out their track equipment and not just for the track meet. Those girls have been practicing up ever since last Sadie Hawkins' day!

## Crowds Turn Out For Science Open House

"I don't want to be quoted in the Star," Dr. Homo Exceptionalis, psychiatrist, stated Wednesday night, April 27, as he stole the show again at Science Open House.

The Botany department featured an exhibit of foreign plants sent by alumni of the college. The banana blossom, breadfruit, and pineapple plant interested those from cooler climates. Florence Bohman and Paul Earl fascinated visitors with their demonstration of slide-making technique. That favorite haunt of botanists, Moss Lake, was carefully laid out in a miniature setting.

The clamoring crowd of little boys was particularly evident again in the Chemistry Lab at the invisible writing display. Their mothers were practically intrigued by the method of removing silver tarnish and more aesthetically interested in the glass-etching counter. The modern era of the hydrogen bomb was well-represented by Judy Van Der Decker's hydrogen bubbles; the Geiger counter, which picked up the radium on a watch dial; and cosmic ray.

Most spectators seemed fearful of some imminent trick in the Physics department. When invited to sit in the electro-magnetic swing, Bud Smythe was overheard to say, "You'd probably turn off the current." In the dark room girls backed into

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# Second Game Of Seven To Be Played Today

## Janowsky's Home-run Leads Purple To Victory As Late 9th-Inning Rally Sinks Sakowski

Gold will try to even the baseball series at 3 p. m. this afternoon when the Gladiators take on Purple in the second of a seven-game series. Gordy Dressel will take the mound against Dwight Strum.

No matter what one says concerning Houghton baseball, Monday afternoon's ball game was certainly one of the most tense thrillers ever staged by Houghton athletes. The final score after 9 innings, two over the regulation time, was 3-2. Gold started out as they did last Thursday when they won 12-6, with a run in the 1st inning.

Thereafter George Rhine kept them in check until the top of the ninth when Jerry Sakowski's fly ball scored Brian Armstrong with the lead run. Then, with two out in the bottom of the 9th and a Gold victory almost conceded, Phil Janowsky hit a tremendous blast to center for a home run to tie things. Clouston then singled and stole second, coming home on Leyden's bloop hit to left which ended matters.

Purple's first run came in on Speirs single and a wild throw by Stewart which allowed him to come all the way around. Until Speirs' fifth inning hit, Sakowski had not allowed a hit and it certainly was obvious that the pitchers had the hitters' numbers.

The all-around play was excellent with Purple having fine catches by Janowsky and Clouston, two double plays, and Gold making only one error. Certainly more people should avail themselves of the opportunity to see exciting baseball at its best.

### Marty Cronk Takes Crown

Marty Cronk, girls' badminton champion of 1955, proved that it doesn't make any difference how big one is; it's what he's made of that counts. The little lady came through April 27 to top the tourney by trouncing Marian Weiss 11-4 and 11-0. In these little watched badminton games she never once had to go more than two games against any one girl. To little Miss Marty, nice shuttlecocking!

### Refresher Course Held

Sixteen ministers are on campus attending the eighth annual Ministerial Refresher Course which began Tuesday.

The course is designed to give them a taste of Houghton life by attending classes and chapel, and to produce opportunities to discuss various topics relating to their work.

#### SPORTS CALENDAR

This Afternoon — 3:00 p. m.  
Purple-Gold Baseball  
Dressel vs. Strum  
Tomorrow Afternoon — 1:30  
Class Track Meet  
Monday, May 9 — 6:45 p. m.  
Purple-Gold Softball  
Burton vs. R. Miller  
Wednesday, May 18 — 10:30  
Purple-Gold Track Meet

### Seth Says: - Nobody Asked Me, But -

If Phil Janowsky and Gordy Beck had John Stewart's and Don Thompson's fight, they'd be two of the best athletes in Western New York State... For spectator interest, college wrestling is nil... If Gordy Dressel can come through, now that George Rhine has unexpectedly twirled a fine ball game, Purple will be sitting pretty... Cal Pitzrick is the most improved hardwood man in the school... About all intercollegiate sports would do for Houghton would be to advertise the school to prospective students... If Bud Smythe would content himself with playing ball, he'd be one of the finest all-round athletes Houghton has ever seen... I'd rather watch a lover's quarrel than Purple-Gold field hockey... No matter how exciting a basketball game is, WJSL can't convince me... If Janowsky and Beck play football next year, the series should rate a toss-up... Purple lost one-third of their ball club when shortstop Herm Heintz left... Dick Hollatz has proven that a good athlete is wasting his time at Houghton... The blocking in Purple-Gold football is atrocious... I always get scared when a basketball game goes into overtime with half the student body present — our balcony isn't the strongest since Romeo and Juliet... If Jim Johnson got serious, he'd be a better than average end... Jerry Sakowski should know better than to feed Janowsky a fast ball waist-high on the outside corner... Now he knows how Ralph Branca felt... The Soph basketball team is anxiously waiting for the Juniors to graduate so they'll win at least one championship while they're here... Nobody really cares that Don Bagley won the Student Senate election when there's the Purple-Gold world series now in progress... I nominate Wally Haviland as the year's hard-luck athlete. In the class swimming meet, he incurred a cramp while swimming the breast stroke, and he was disqualified once in each meet for failure to touch the edge of the pool properly when making his turn. You might say his letter was right at his fingertips... Don Thompson ought to try to pick one more man off, and then quit. Lyman Pierce and John Reist can't find the handle yet. (Apologies to Jimmy Powers.)

### Chapel Fund Drive

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close of the drive, there will be a banquet for all managers who have 100% participation in their group. Prizes will be given to the managers who have received the most money from their groups.

The net amount which has been received for the entire campaign is \$27,000. However, the main expense of the campaign is over now and all cash received will be turned over to the chapel fund.

Let us all strive to make the student drive a 100% participation.

### Prep School Win Triple-Ties Series; Softball Score Of 13-7 Like Football

While the Reist twins played patty-cake in the outfield, the prep school threw the softball league into a triple tie with an unexpected, yet convincing 13-7 triumph over Gold Wednesday night, May 4.

Bruce Bain led the way as the High Schoolers' attack finally came to life. In the first inning they scored five runs to set the pace for the rest of the game. When they couldn't hit Burton's pitching solidly, they just plunked the ball into left or center-field where the Reist boys set up a makeshift sliding pit. Trouble is, there's no sawdust out there.

### Science Open House

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blackboards when asked to assist in lighting a fluorescent unit by human contact with a high-voltage current.

The Zoology Lab looked like a disorderly gallery of interns as the non-squeamish spectators watched Fran Steine, Art Boronow and Paul Borisuk dissect a dog. Everyone was interested in the human-fetus specimens ranging from 6 weeks to 6½ months. The heart of a turtle was displayed, still beating, in a salt solution.

### Letter to Editor

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years it has offered elective credit in applied music.

5. Since the A Cappella choir is representative of the whole student body, it is therefore more democratic and more truly representative of the whole college.

6. As a musical and spiritual influence, the last tour was a real success; with an experienced nucleus and the same director, next year's could be even better.

7. The deficit was not large in terms of advertising and good public relations. If only one student comes next year as a result of the tour, practically the whole deficit will be absorbed or wiped out. Certainly the abolishing of the A Cappella choir will be the deciding factor for at least two or three students' not returning next year. That is a demonstrable fact. — A Choir member



Chuck Hershelman, senior, (l.) and John Stewart, junior, (r.), grunt, grimace, and groan as they work out in preparation for the class track meet tomorrow. These rugged veterans are the core of their class thinclad squads. Hershelman will compete in the 100 yd. dash, 220 low hurdles, and broad jump while Stewart will line up for the 440 & 880 yd. runs, and 100 yd. dash.

### Cinder Singers Open Track Season; Senior Thinclads To Defend Title

Houghton's new athletic field will feel the pricks of track shoes biting into its cindered turf for the first time tomorrow Saturday at 1:30 p. m. when the class meets get under way.

A horde of returning Senior veterans, well spaced over both track and field events, should beat down any efforts by the other classes to give them the class crown. The Seniors have been weakened considerably by the loss of broad-jumper and pole-vaulter Hugh Manning, but have added Phil Janowsky and Bud Smythe to their herd.

Janowsky, Smythe, and Dick Brown provide the Seniors with an almost unbeatable weight group; and Hershelman and Janowsky are two of the fastest dash men in the school. Fredy Speirs and Hershelman should sweep the 220, low hurdles, and Speirs is favored in the pole vault. Smythe puts the shot, and Phil will fling the discus farther than anyone else.

The Juniors are the main threats; John Stewart may win everything from the 100 yd. dash to the mile; and Gordy Beck is a fair miler.

The Sophomores have only Wally Haviland in the mile, Leon Arnold in the 440, and Sam Paine in the 880 to pose a threat.

The untested Freshmen have Jack Earl in the javelin and shotput; Doug Cox in the hurdles; and Ed Dixon in the mile. Earl should win at least one event, and Dixon, who has broken five minutes in high school, may turn out to be the sleeper. Look for the order of finish to be Seniors, Juniors, Frosh, and Sophs.

The Seniors have women who can practice for Sadie Hawkins' day while piling up points. The Weiss twins and Marion should monopolize the sprints, and Eloise Brown and Doris Kaiser can hold their own in the field events. Marty Cronk will have to go-it-alone for the Sophs since Squirt Mein has left, and Eleanor Holden and Janet Lidstone comprise the Junior's chances.

The Freshman with Alice Banker, Jackie Carpenter, and Shirley Dye can surprise and take second place. No one, unless there is a big surprise, will beat out the Senior women.

Let's see a large number out on the field tomorrow to support the classes. You might be an inspiration to someone.

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