



Two Gao ghouls.

Scintillating Effects of "Gao After Dark" And Things That Go Bump in the Night

A body, a scream, silence. Something green, slimy, etc., etc., . . . These are the stock and trade of "Gao After Dark," a spoof on spooks patterned after Campus Life's "Scream in the Dark." Casper Farrow and Mark Mafucci are heading the scurvy crew known as the Gao guys in bringing you this year's shock

of your life but they will be hard pressed to top the ghostly transformation that occurred as October 31 approached last year when the hallowed halls of Gao became the abode of unfathomable creatures from the other world. Those who dared approach, traversed darkened lanes in fear of things that go bump in the

night that, on occasion, did more than bump. These journeys were punctuated with scenes like the mad scientist's laboratory, the grave yard, and others. Strobe lights and other lighting served to heighten the effect. Even biodegradable remains were used (not to be confused with the guys themselves). A word of warning — don't ask any of the Gao guys to remove their masks.

This phenomenon is expected to return on Friday and Saturday, October 28 and 29 from 8 to 11 o'clock. (The spooks get a little out of control as the bewitching hour approaches.) A 75¢ fee will be spirited away at the door (the little devils) to defray costs. Any spare lucre will be thrown into Gao's coffers.

Munro, Sayers and Woolsey Offer Seminar Discussions

Once one accepts Christ and submits his life to the leading of God, he soon finds himself the scrutinized object of society's watchful eyes. Very often when one openly acknowledges Christ as his Saviour, he finds that society expects him to suddenly become endowed with hitherto unrealized knowledge. To be sure, this can be quite frustrating to any Christian, for Christianity is a learning process, not an object that enables us to speak by fiat.

In order to discuss the issues of present day society intelligently, one must examine a given issue from all points of question and be able to understand its total effect on society. To do this, however, it helps to have a scholar explain the intricacies of a given issue to us.

It is for this purpose that the American Scientific Affiliation is holding a seminar entitled "Life, Death, and Modification in the New Technological Age." It will be held on October 28 and 29 in the Science Center here at Houghton College. Professors Donald Munro, Brian Sayers and Warren Woolsey are the speakers for this year's seminar on perhaps one of the most discussed issues of society . . . abortion.

Registration for the seminar will be held October 28 from 7:30 to 7:55 p.m. in the Science Center. Directly fol-

lowing registration, Professor Munro, head of the Biology department, will begin the seminar with a look at abortion from the "Biological Point of View." Following his speech will be a time of refreshments and informal discussion.

The seminar will resume at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning with a fifteen minute devotion before Professor Sayers' speech on the "Philosophical Point of View" of abortion. Professor Woolsey will follow up Professor Sayers' speech with a look at abortion from the "Biblical Point of View." The rest of the morning will include a Presentation of Case Studies (10:30 a.m.) and an American Scientific Affiliation Affairs Session at 11:30. The seminar will end at 12:15 with an adjournment to the Campus Center for lunch.

It is hoped that the seminar will draw people from areas all over Western New York. Houghton community members and college students are especially urged to attend. College students are exempt from the \$3 registration fee. This seminar promises to give an "in depth" study of the abortion issue. Having sat through the entire program, one should then be able to discuss the issue intelligently, not only from the biological, but also from the philosophical and biblical points of view.

Nursing Home Construction Scheduled To Begin in Spring

Preliminary approval has been given to build an 80-bed nursing home in Houghton. It was announced at the annual meeting of the Houghton Community Association that construction will begin in spring as soon as the frost permits. Final approval is expected to come November 1.

The nursing home will be built by Opel Care Centers Incorporated out of Marion, Indiana. The corporation was started by Rev. Thomas Phillippe, a Wesleyan minister and evangelist. He currently runs nursing homes in Ohio, Indiana, Arkansas and Iowa. All the profits of his nursing homes go into missions, including his own evangelistic ministry.

The idea of a nursing home in Houghton is some twelve years old. Originally a company out of Rochester, known as Wellsville Highland, wanted to build one where the old school house stands. They gave up their Certificate of Need after they decided that the venture would not be profitable.

Dr. Robert Luckey, when he was

head of the College Development Office, suggested to the Town Planning Board of Caneadea that Phillippe might be interested. The Planning Board invited Phillippe out, and in Sept. 1975 Phillippe applied for a new Certificate of Need from the State of New York. The Certificate of Need finally came through on May 20, 1977.

The second phase of planning deals with getting land, drawing up architectural plans and obtaining financial backing. At first the location of the new home was to be above Tucker Hill Road near the junction of College Farm Road. The site has now been changed to a five acre section, bought from the college, between the Academy Boys' Dorm and the Airstrip. Sewer and water lines are nearby so they will only have to be extended an estimated 300 feet.

The original name for the Nursing Home was to be the Houghton Health Care Center, Inc. as doctor's offices were to be incorporated into the building. This is not allowed by the state so the name will now be the Houghton Nursing Care Center, Inc., without a doctor's clinic. The building will have a 40-bed section with skilled nursing and another 40-bed section for ambulatory patients. The state has mandated that the cost of the new building must not exceed \$1.3 million. Mr. Phillippe has already talked informally with a local construction company as he enters the bid phase of planning. Phillippe's policy is that he buy locally whatever he can for the nursing home, so when the building is finished it will not only add many economic activities to the community but also provide 70 jobs. He is mainly interested from start to finish that everything be done to the glory of God.

Phillippe is also interested, at some future time, in constructing a Board and Room Care Center where a single room and food are provided without nursing care. This would be a place where people would want to go when they are capable of looking after themselves, but don't wish to live alone. Phillippe is also interested in

seeing a retirement center built here.

Mr. Phillippe is also interested in helping Houghton's two local doctors by constructing a Physician's Service Building. At the present time the doctors work in crowded conditions. They can not take x-rays, blood tests, etc. The Houghton community would like to see this Service Building constructed concurrently with the nursing home, but do not know how they can acquire the estimated \$200,000 it will cost. Mr. Phillippe is not presently in a position to subsidize the cost of this building and the doctors can not build such a building themselves.

Another problem is that a third doctor is needed to make the cost of the building feasible. Houghton would like to see a third missionary doctor come, a policy Phillippe agrees with. However, the larger community such a building would serve many times does not understand such a policy. Such a policy, though, allows Houghton to tap a pool of doctors other communities can not — doctors who are home from the mission field for a year, or who decide to live in the U.S. a few years while their children grow up — or even doctors like Prinsell who like to spend a few months each year on the mission field. Such a service building would be advantageous to 1) Phillippe, as he will need access to doctors for his nursing home. 2) The doctors, because they can be more efficient with their time. They would be able to perform things like x-rays, blood samples, casts, etc., without traveling to Warsaw or Cuba. 3) The college, which must provide health services for students. 4) To students, and 5) to the community at large. If such a building does not go up in Houghton the people will be continually dependent on Warsaw or Cuba for such services.

People in the community seem to be enthusiastic about the Physicians Service Building, the only question is "Where to get the \$200,000 to build it?"

FMF Conquest Speaker to be Verwer, Founder, Director Operation Mobilization

Foreign Missions Fellowship will be sponsoring its annual FMF Conquest next week, November 1-6. Some twenty missionaries serving around the world will be on campus to talk with students and faculty.

The theme of this year's Conquest is, "If You Love Me, Feed My Lambs". The purpose of the Conquest is to acquaint students with missions and make them more aware of missionaries' needs. One other important aspect is to let everyone see missionaries as people and to learn more about them so that people can pray more effectively for them. The Conquest gives everyone an excellent opportunity to share and interact with these servants of the Lord who come from fields in the Far East, Africa, Europe, South America, The Caribbean, Canada, and the United States.

During chapel next week there will be two to three 5-minute missionary "flashes" giving the student body

insight into some of the missionaries' work. On Friday there will be a budget presentation and an offering taken. Evening services will be held in Wesley Chapel, Tuesday - Friday from 6:30 to 7:30 with a pre-sing at 6:20.

The main speaker this year is Mr. George Verwer, founder and director of Operation Mobilization. A dynamic speaker, Mr. Verwer is popular in missionary conferences and on college campuses. He has a real ministry in directing college aged people to service in the mission field. Mr. Verwer will speak in chapel and in the evening services next week.

Missionaries will be available at King's Court, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10-11 p.m. to have an informal time of sharing with students. Displays in the campus center all week will provide an opportunity for students to ask questions of several missionaries. Some of the missionaries will be speaking

in classes, leading devotions, and sharing.

This year there will be a chance for students to play host to a missionary in dorms and houses. It will give students and their guests a chance to ask questions and show the missionaries around campus.

Through the Conquest one may learn whether or not he has an interest in short term missionary work. In the past, most summer missionaries found their interests during Conquest that led them to their summer work.

The Conquest has always been a highlight for FMF; this year's program promises to be one of the best. Sue Hammond, public relations director for FMF says FMF is especially excited about the main speaker, Mr. Verwer. "We are really looking forward to Conquest and hope that everyone will make the most of this opportunity to see what's happening in God's world today."

Guest Editorial

A few weeks ago, Dr. Daniel Chamberlain spoke to the Houghton College student body concerning the purpose of daily mandatory chapel; to worship the living God as revealed through Jesus Christ and in the Holy Scriptures. Dr. Chamberlain stressed the importance of corporate worship, of fellowship with other members of the body of Christ, and of growing together in the Word. Chapel services, it was explained, should bring about personal and corporate response to God, spiritual development of the whole person, increased understanding of Christian doctrine, and motivation to Christian service.

Dr. Chamberlain's message excited and encouraged me. I thought, maybe now chapel will change. Maybe now chapel will be a time of worship. Maybe now, chapel will be worth my while. It didn't take me long, however, to realize how disillusioned I had been. Chapel hadn't changed any, nor was it headed towards any change. Dr. Chamberlain's address was simply that — an idealistic address. Reality concerning chapel is another issue.

I fail to see how a chapel explaining the functions of the Development Office fits in with "worshiping the living God." Hearing someone's job description is not growing in the Word. I fail to see how a two-part chapel series about the Buffalo Extension brings about personal or corporate response to God. A Public Relations commercial for Houghton College is not aiding the spiritual development of anyone's whole person. I fail to see how speakers unqualified for public speaking can increase anyone's understanding of Christian doctrine. Speakers with noses in their manuscripts, monotonic voices, and boring messages are not going to motivate anyone to Christian service, let alone accomplish "excellence in aesthetic sensitivity, depth in spiritual experiences, and breadth in worship form and content."

We were told to approach chapel in a worshipful attitude. Very noble indeed. However, I have a hard time preparing myself for worship after three classes, exams and seminar reports, and before delivering three speeches for Forensics. I am not saying that a half hour is too much to devote to the Lord nor am I saying that my studies are more important than He is. What I am saying is that because of the demands placed upon me and upon every student of Houghton College, expecting someone to drop everything and to develop a worshipful attitude in the middle of the day is somewhat preposterous. What's more, when such an attitude is attained, I am then merely entertained or bombarded with performances far from worshipful, far from spiritual. Chapel is more like the mandatory assembly programs we all suffered through in Junior High and High School, the only difference being an opening and closing prayer. Assemblies were fine back then, but here and now, I don't have the time for that kind of repeat experience.

Four years ago I recognized chapel for what it was. A farce. A waste of time. I was able to maneuver chapel excuses for my sophomore and junior years but now, as a senior, my luck has run out. I am, unfortunately, once again required to attend chapel. After appraising the past two months of chapel, I can honestly say that my two year absence from "corporate worship in Houghton College chapels" has not retarded my spiritual growth. In fact, my two-year absence has helped my relationship with God. The past two months of chapels have caused me to become very cynical of Houghton College, of chapel, and of those speaking in chapel. Worse yet, it has made me cynical of what those speaking are trying to say. Where would I now be spiritually if I had attended chapels the past two years? I shudder to think.

Is it because chapel is mandatory that I am querulous? No, not really, because it's part of the vicious cycle. If chapel was worth going to, if spiritual growth, both personally and corporately, did occur, the need for chapel to be compulsory would be greatly reduced. I would attend voluntarily. But, because chapel is not fulfilling my needs, because it is not a half hour well spent, chapel must then be mandatory in order for me to attend.

President Chamberlain was not at all wrong in anything he said in his idealistic address of some three weeks ago. What is wrong, however, is that the goals, purposes and attitudes he is advocating are only idealistic. As a Christian school, as an "extension of the Christian church," these goals, purposes and attitudes should be a reality. I should grow in the Word and in my day-to-day walk with the Lord by attending chapel. I should also grow in my relationships with fellow believers by attending chapel. At present, none of this is true. Until chapel services change, and change drastically, my negative, cynical attitudes will not change. Until chapel services become what they were once intended to be, the negative, cynical attitudes of the rest of the student body and of many of the faculty will not change. Dr. Chamberlain's address must be more than idealism. It must become reality.

— Lori Hansen, WJSL Business Manager

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Latest Fad Among Christian Societies Play Compar-ianity, Beat Your Neighbor

by Paul McAfee

(From the "In Bin" column in *The Chimes*, Biola College)
(edited for space)

I have often watched with intense interest a game that goes on under the surface of Biola College life; most of the time, I have been observing while on the gameboard myself.

It's a grand game, really — one that you can find being played in virtually every life situation where Christians are grouped together: churches, Christian schools, even Christian campgrounds (especially in the closing campfire ceremonies).

The game is played subconsciously most of the time. That fact makes the play even more exciting: watching the game-pieces moving themselves in a predictable direction without them knowing why they are advancing in that way.

The game is called, simply, "Compar-ianity," which is a cute conjunction of the words "comparison" and "Christianity" (with a very important part left out of the second word).

The rules for the game vary, but the object is: the players all "out-holy" each other.

The only problem is that there are no winners in "Compar-ianity" — which makes for a very frustrating game: the players get holier and holier, but don't win, so they must get even holier, but they still don't win, so . . .

It's very easy to watch one's own progression in "Compar-ianity," once you realize you're playing it. You simply compare yourself to the others playing the game.

The chief excitement in "Compar-ianity" is an imaginary line that one crosses at some point in the play without even realizing. From there you cannot depend on actually being holy: you must "act" holy.

At this point, the game becomes dangerous, for if you are even caught acting holier than you actually are, then all the other players will blow the whistle on you, and you must

start the game all over from the very beginning, working your way up once again from the bottom rung of the "holy ladder."

Now that I've described the game to you, perhaps you can remember instances where you've seen the game being played. We all have played "Compar-ianity" at one point in our life or another, usually subconsciously, but not always.

If I have described the game rather disgustingly, it is because in reality, "Compar-ianity" is a very disgusting game, a game that robs Christ of His place in the heart of every individual.

But enough analogy. We all know the point I'm coming to. When we take Christ out of Christianity and begin comparing the "degree" of our "holiness" with that of other Christians, we are left with "Compar-ianity."

Now, I know its frightful to think that you or I could actually do our Saviour the disservice of forgetting about Him once in a while, but let's meet this issue head-on.

It's so easy to compare our spiritual lives with those of others around us in a strictly Christian sit-

uation like we find here at Biola. (Houghton?)

Our religion becomes social when we do this. With Christ safely kicked into the closet, the only yardstick that we can measure our spiritual growth by is our roommate. Or our Bible prof. Or our classmate . . .

What I'm trying to say is that there is such a thing as a personal relationship with our Saviour. God ruined the whole game of "Compar-ianity" when He designated the sole yardstick of Christ, and by using Him as our measuring stick, we know where we stand — and Who we stand in comparison to.

And all at once, "Compar-ianity" isn't any fun at all. We suddenly realize that there's no beating Christ. We know that we can never "out-holy" God's Son.

I don't know about you, but I know my relationship with Christ is not perfect — far from it. My spiritual life is a constant throne-exchange, with me on the throne of my life far more often than not. But God loves me, and He's trying to work with me in my life. Its between Him and me. I don't care what you think about it!

Senate Report

A Maynard Ferguson concert, tentatively scheduled for Feb. 4, 1978, was rejected by Senate Tuesday night by a vote of 13-12. The high cost of the event — \$5,000 plus an additional \$1,000 for promotion and advertising — seemed to be the main consideration against sponsoring the concert. Since Senate would have to advertise off-campus in order to meet the cost, there was concern over the type of audience attracted as well. Concert-goers who would bring alcohol, tobacco, or pot with them raise an issue which the Houghton community has yet to face on a large scale.

President Dickson reported that the Student Development Council is con-

sidering a proposal whereby juniors and seniors would be expected to attend chapel, but their attendance would not be checked. If approved, this system would go into effect second semester.

Phil Bence reported that the Academic Council has recommended faculty approval of the plus-minus grading system and the dropping of any letter-number correlations (e.g., A=94-100). A plus or minus would raise or lower a grade 3/10 of a point (on the 4.0 scale).

Bruce Merritt moved that Senate donate \$25 to the ambulance fund. The motion carried. Phil Bence moved for adjournment.

Spy Business is Alive and Thriving You Could Be Possible Employee!

(CPS) — The spy business is alive and well and recruiting on schedule.

The National Security Agency, one of the lesser known US intelligence operations, has increased its advertising campaign and the college market is one of its prime targets.

A spokesman at the Agency said that quarter-page ads were placed in roughly 200 college newspapers around the country at a cost of \$50,000 for this year.

NSA anticipates that 2000-2500 students will respond to the ad and register for the Agency's "Professional Qualification Test" which attempts to locate students skilled in languages, communications and computer programming.

Last year, the Agency hired 150 students and this year, they expect to put 200 students on the payroll.

The increase is expected to meet the need the Agency has since it implemented new security projects. What can you expect to be doing if the NSA takes you on? Only the Agency knows and it is not telling.

"If you know the nature of NSA operations," said the NSA representative ". . . you know that it is impossible to reveal the nature of or any details regarding our new projects."

Several school newspapers refused to run the advertising and the Agency would not reveal their identities.

The ads have already appeared in the *Daily Utah Chronicle*, at the Uni-

versity of Utah, *The Campus Times*, at the University of Rochester in New York, and the *Daily Nebraskan*, at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

Okla. ACLU after Oral Robert's Overweight Discrimination Unjust

(CPS) — No fatties are allowed at Oral Roberts University. In fact, thunder thighs and spare tires are so frowned upon at the religious school that students are pressured to lose the excess weight — or else face possible academic probation and suspension.

The Oklahoma City ACLU office thinks that the school's "Sound Mind in a Sound Body" approach is oppressive.

The office has filed a 75-page complaint stating that the school's policy is "discriminating against individuals with minor health problems disabilities and imperfections."

Upon entering the institution, which places restrictions on other areas of student life as well, students are given a complete physical examina-

tion, including a test to determine the amount of body fat.

If tests show that fat makes up more than 35 per cent of a woman's body weight, and 25 per cent of a man's body weight, the student is considered obese and placed on a "Pounds Off" program.

The student is required to meet with the school physician and work out a comprehensive weight loss program.

Oral Roberts University has codes that prohibit drinking alcohol, smoking (anything), and prevents women from wearing skirts which are more than four inches above the knee.

Oral Roberts University, said by some to resemble a golf course for extraterrestrials was founded by evangelist Oral Roberts.



Richard and John Contiguglia.

Faculty Recital

by Robert Mills

Even off to the right of the stage and out of the way it was still very conspicuous. A large object shrouded with a brown drape is not normally a part of recitals in Wesley Chapel, but there it was at the joint faculty recital of B. Jean Reigles and Bruce Brown.

The mysterious object sat dormant for the first half of the evening. Miss Reigles opened the program with the cantata "Solitudine avenue" by Alessandro Scarlatti. Accompanied by pianist Cherie Brown and flautist Lois Wilt, Miss Reigles did an excellent job of conveying the emotion of the cantata through a combination of vocal inflection and reserved physical gestures. Miss Reigles' delicate voice blended well with the skillful flute playing of Mrs. Wilt, although it was occasionally overpowered by the combined forces of the piano and flute. Overall the work was most enjoyable.

Next Miss Reigles sang the aria, "Qui la voce sua sonne" from Vincenzo Bellini's opera *I Puritani*. After a slow, solemn beginning the spirit of the song picked up. The difficulty of the music picked up as well, with dazzling coloratura displays of scales, arpeggios and trills, all brilliantly executed by Miss Reigles. Her technique is exceptional, and it coupled with a mature voice turned the aria from a mere showpiece into a musically expressive performance.

Having finished her solo work for the evening, the cloth-covered object still as enigmatic as ever, Miss Reigles gave way to Dr. Brown. Bruce Brown sang six songs from Schubert's *Schwanengesang*, all settings of poems by Heinrich Heine. Bruce Brown's dark timbre was well

Vocal Splendor

suited to the atmosphere of the pieces, and Cherie Brown's accompaniment, although a bit heavy at times, carefully reflected the mood and style of the music. Throughout the set he maintained an intensity of expression without sacrificing a soft, well-rounded tone. His precise German diction and thoughtful interpretation resulted in a masterful performance.

After Brown's selection there was a brief intermission to prepare for the final number, *The Telephone*, a one act opera by Gian-Carlo Menotti. The stage was set to resemble a small living room, with a bright red telephone located prominently on a table top. And still the mysterious object sat off to the right.

The brief piano overture was given a sparkling performance by Mrs. Brown, who continued to do a fine job throughout the opera. The lights came up on Ben and Lucy seated on the couch. Ben is telling Lucy of his affections for her and wants to ask her an important question. Just as he reaches the big moment — ring — the telephone peals. Lucy answers and enters into an animated conversation, while strolling gaily around the room, phone in hand. This occurs again, and again, and again, each time to Ben's increasing frustration.

It was in these scenes that Miss Reigles was at her best. One moment she is floating around the room, pert and coy, the next she is lounging petulantly on the couch. One moment she is full of rage, the next she is deeply wounded; with all her emotions unmistakably conveyed by a combination of marvelous technical facility and polished acting. Bruce Brown, while at a loss for words, nevertheless was not to be upstaged,

Musical Events

Pianistic Fare

Although the season's third Artist Series last Friday night lacked the size of a chamber orchestra and the spectacle of an opera it might have been the best concert of the year. What duo-pianists Richard and John Contiguglia lacked in size they made up for in a brilliant display of technical skills and musical sensitivity. Back for their second time at Houghton, the twins presented a diverse program, ranging from Mozart to Gershwin, and pleased everyone in the audience.

The program opened with the *Prelude, Fugue and Variation*, Op. 18, by Cesar Franck. The prelude

was a light, simple section, free from excessive technical demands. The fugue and variation were more demanding, yet were handled effortlessly by the brothers. Throughout the work there was a total agreement of style, phrasing and dynamics. Even though the Contiguglias did not seriously begin studying and performing duo-piano works until after their graduation from Yale, they exhibited a total understanding of the music and of each other.

Next was the *Andante and Variations*, Op. 46, by Robert Schumann. A very popular work, it may have sounded familiar to some, as the duo performed it in their 1970 Houghton performance. The piece offered the Contiguglias the opportunity to fully exploit the two piano medium, and they made the most of it. In the first variation the antiphonal effects were perfectly balanced, with one piano sounding like a distant echo of the other. In later variations, rapid staccato passages flowed from one piano to the other without the slightest hesitation. Their complete mastery of this familiar work made it come alive with excitement.

The first half of the concert was closed with a sparkling performance of the *Sonata in D Major*, K. 448 by Mozart. The precise articulation and immaculate phrasing so necessary to make Mozart a success were present in abundance. The contrapuntal sections were well handled, and some of the double-trills were no less than spectacular. Obviously the audience was pleased, for the performers were called back on stage for an extra bow.

After a brief intermission the Contiguglias began the second half with the *Variations on a Theme of Bee-*

thoven, by Camille Saint-Saens. This is an interesting piece, built on the trio section of the Minuet in Beethoven's *Piano Sonata Op. 31, No. 3*. Again the brothers exhibited nearly flawless technique, negotiating the treacherous finale with apparent ease. However the music was of less merit than the performance, rambling through the variation with a mixture of styles that left this listener somewhat unsettled.

Undoubtedly the highlight of the evening was Percy Grainger's *Fantasy on George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess"*. The work took several popular selections from Gershwin's opera and skillfully blended them into a tour-de-force for two pianos. Grainger captured the essence of Gershwin; the "blue" notes, the subtle rhythmic shifts, the rich harmonies, and the Contiguglias faithfully communicated Grainger's interpretation. From the crushed grace notes to the sweeping glissandos, to the massive polychordal sonorities, the duo was superb, and the audience was enthralled. Throughout the evening the Contiguglias had performed with near perfection, but now they added a new dimension. When such outstanding American artists perform great American works, a special chemistry results. This time the chemistry resulted in a tremendous ovation, culminating in three curtain calls and an encore, an original composition by Grainger entitled *English Waltz*.

Following the concert Richard and John Contiguglia mentioned what a joy it was for them to play in such a fine hall and for such a receptive audience. Without a doubt the audience could have replied, "The pleasure was ours."

— Robert Mills

Book Review

Youth, Brainwashing, and the Extremist Cults

"Two Ex-cultists Return to Kin, Admit Deception." "Was Psychologically Kidnaped, Says 'Rescued' Member of Cult." "Parents Fight Cults to Save Children." "Brainwashed Cultist Placed in Wife's Custody."

The above are samples of headlines taken from American newspapers in the past few years. These articles signal a dramatic increase in the activities of religious cults in the U.S. and the world. Behind each of these headlines is a story of bizarre behavior that average people would probably find unbelievable. In most cases there is an element of parental

anguish and confusion which is caused by the cults' nightmarish activities.

This is the inspiration behind Ronald Enroth's new book, *Youth, Brainwashing, and the Extremist Cults*. Enroth, now a social scientist, graduated in 1960 with a B.A. degree from Houghton College. After Houghton he earned both his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Kentucky. This is his third book. The titles of his first two books are *The Jesus People* and *The Gay Church*. Currently he is the Chairman of the Department of Sociology of Westmont College, Santa Barbara, California.

Youth, Brainwashing, and the Extremist Cults takes into consideration the psychological, sociological, and spiritual aspects of seven different groups: The Hare Krishna Movement; The Children of God; The Alamo Christian Foundation; The Love Family; The Unification Church; The Way; The Divine Light Mission. In these first seven chapters the author deeply researches answers to such questions as what type of person is most susceptible to cults, and why? Other questions he covers are: what are the circumstances that bring someone into the group; what is the role of the leader; how does a person get out?

The book has been very interesting and thought-provoking. Many times while selling books (with the Southwestern Co.) I have been approached by people from most of these movements. They were trying to rescue me from the grasps of a materialistic establishment I had been brainwashed by. Unfortunately because of my lack of understanding of who they were or what they believed I found it impossible to really communicate with them. This book gives the reader an understanding of these groups so that he can present Christ in such a way that they will understand. If I had read this book before meeting members of these groups this summer I might have done a better job relating Christ to them.

Intended

MaryLou White '78 to Dale Gray '78.

Strumbeck Aids In Buffalo Extension Developments

Dr. Ronald E. Strumbeck is Dean of the Buffalo Extension Campus. As Dean, Strumbeck is the chief administrator at Buffalo, working with division chairmen and the educational policies committee of the main campus to develop co-operative programs.

One of Strumbeck's recent innovations on the Buffalo campus has been the Continuing Education Program for adults. To date the program has attracted 212 students in 29 courses. This includes 21 non-credit continuing education students.

A satellite continuing education program, "Houghton College Learning Center North," is also being of-

fered at The Faith Christian School in Clarence.

In an attempt to form closer ties between the Buffalo campus and Houghton main, plans are being made for internships and practicums for upper level business, sociology, and psychology students. Presently there are eight students from the main campus enrolled in two internship programs residing at the Extension Campus: four in Sociology and four in Business Administration. Generally, they are enrolled in six hours of credit courses either on the Extension Campus or main campus while earning six credit hours for their internship assignment in the community. The enrollment is seven

less than last year when fifteen students from Houghton main participated in the program. Steps are underway to encourage more students to take advantage of this opportunity in future years.

In August 1977, a co-operative agreement was consummated which will permit Houghton students to enroll concurrently in 9 to 12 credit hours at State University Colleges while they are taking 3 to 6 hours at Houghton. The agreement is an extension of the existing cross-registration program already in effect among Western New York State Consortium of Colleges and Universities. The new agreement permits enrollees to

pursue majors and subjects not offered at Houghton, e.g., art, special education, etc. It is anticipated that this program will take at least a year to implement effectively.

Dr. Strumbeck's qualifications and his new ideas seem to be aiding him in his development of the Buffalo Extension Campus. Through his efforts lines of communication and increased understanding seem to be forming between the two sites of Houghton College. This can be seen most recently in the chapel presentation in which students from the Buffalo Extension campus participated in the chapel program on the main campus.

Campus News Briefs

GRADING SYSTEM

On October 17 the Academic Affairs Council met to discuss the possibilities of revising the present grading system at Houghton College. The present system of assigning letter grades to the numerical range of 65-100% has been questioned by many in recent years. Many faculty members do not feel it necessary to adhere rigidly to the present system and many students have voiced disagreement with this system also.

The Council has a very positive attitude toward the suggestion of changing the system. A motion was made and carried to eliminate the numerical value system of 65-100% and new descriptions were assigned to letter grades; they are A - Excellent, B - Good, C - Satisfactory grade, D - Passing and F - Below Minimum Standard. The possibility of a plus-minus system was also discussed. Under this system, the assignment of quality points would then be thusly: A+ (97-100%) equals 4.0, A (94-96%) equals 3.6, A- (90-93%) equals 3.3 and so on.

These are all only tentative proposals which will be submitted to the faculty for discussion in the near future. Although the possibilities for some positive changes in the present grading system are good, it will not be until next year before any changes will be implemented.

TRUSTEE MEETING

The Houghton College Board of Trustees held the first of their three-year meetings over Homecoming weekend. The four main committees - Academic Affairs; Development; Student Development; Finance - met at seven o'clock Thursday evening. Starting at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, the full Board met throughout the day, discussing committee recommendations and presidential reports.

One of the key topics concerned the proposed new gymnasium. The Board is encouraged by the plans and is enthusiastic that construction begin as soon as possible. They officially authorized the architect to complete full drawings and they authorized the administration, in connection with an executive committee, to develop a time table of funds and construction. At present, they desire at least 30% of the \$2.7 million cost to be in hand, with much of the remainder pledged, before breaking ground. A full-scale fund-raising campaign is proposed to begin next month.

Another area of discussion was the possibilities of acquiring a new computer for both administrative and instructional purposes. This one would permit student-computer interaction rather than the present batch programming. The Board is also looking into more scholarship aid to students on the basis of ability rather than need alone.

Are you the kind of student who usually studies hard before going to bed, or the kind who goes to bed, sets the alarm for five or six o'clock and then crams? If you're a pre-sleep studier, *Glamour Magazine* reports you may be getting better grades as a result of your study habits than someone who does the work afterward.

Recent research into sleep and study habits shows that sleep prior to study disrupts memory significantly, unless considerable waking time is allowed before digging into the material you want to learn. The shorter the period of sleep that precedes the studying, the more this sleep disrupts learning. Sleeping four hours or less was found to be highly disturbing to memory; sleeping six hours disturbed it less.

Researchers aren't exactly sure how sleep disturbs the memory process, but they believe it might involve hormones. In laboratory tests on mice, the hormone somatotrophin, produced naturally during sleep, severely affected the memory of mice injected with it.

If you have a test to study for, study first instead of putting it off until the next morning. Better grades might be your reward.

Injuries Plague Houghton Highlanders As Two Major Home Games Remain

Injuries have continued to plague the Highlanders as their record dropped to 4-4-4, with losses to Fredonia and Buffalo State.

Last Tuesday, a powerful Fredonia State squad invaded Stebbins field to battle with the Highlanders. Fredonia scored first when goalie Tom Liddle was partially screened by one of his defensive backs. This enabled a Fredonia lineman the opportunity for an easy score. The Highlanders continued to battle back and forth until Dewey Landon scored on a breakaway to tie the score at one apiece. Fredonia came back strong, scoring just before the end of the half to take a 2-1 lead.

Outstanding offense on the part of Fredonia proved to be the Highlanders downfall, as Fredonia mounted enormous pressure and scored three times in the second period. Houghton was unable to get back on its feet and Fredonia walked away with a strong 5-1 victory.

On Saturday, the Highlanders traveled to Buffalo State University for what was anticipated to be an outstanding game.

The Highlanders opened the game by proving that they were superior in both passing and teamwork. Injuries to key offensive players, however prevented Houghton from putting any scoring threats together. Neither team could find the net and the first half ended with no score.

The first twenty-seven minutes of the second half went by the same as the first half since neither team could unite their units. There were about eighteen minutes left in the game, when Buffalo found itself down by the Houghton goal with the ball. During a series of mixups, a Buffalo State lineman lofted a shot toward the goalie. Tom Liddle did not see the ball in time, allowing the winning goal to roll into the net. Several last-minute attempts by the Highlanders proved useless as Houghton again ended up on the short end of the score, losing 1-0 to Buffalo State.

The final two home games of the 1977-78 soccer season will end the intercollegiate careers of five Houghton seniors. Tomorrow, Behrend will come to Stebbins field for a 1:30 game, and on Wednesday, the final regular game will be here against Hobart. Kickoff is scheduled for two o'clock. The five graduating seniors are: Al Hoover, Mark Parsons, Scott Records, Buff Sylvester, and Doug White.

This season has been one of frustration and discouragement for players and fans alike as circumstances and injuries have gone against the

team. Their chances of participating in the NAIA Championships were destroyed when the Houghton Administration refused them permission because of the Sunday sports policy, thus adding to the team's many problems. These last two games at home

are important to the Highlanders as they prepare for the NCCAA District Championships, which will be held next weekend. The entire team would appreciate the student body's support at these games and in prayer as they wind down the season.

Flag Football Championship Captured by King Enob

In the past years the Houghton College Intramural flag football championship game has been played in a quiet and unobtrusive manner. Few people were aware or concerned with the outcome of this game, except for the players involved and a few 'die-hard' football fans. This year, however, something was slightly different.

On Wednesday, October 19 at about 10:30 p.m., the two finalists of the post-season playoffs met on Alumni Field. King Enob and his Mean Machine, captained by Jeff Hoffman and undefeated through the regular season, were pitted against Long's Bunch, led by Mark Cerbonne. Long's Bunch, although beaten twice during the regular season, was incredibly talented and more than determined to win. Providing an exciting backdrop for the contest was the presence of Noodles and WJSL, a well-lit Alumni Field and some 150 buzzing spectators.

As the game began, the underdogs, Long's Bunch, asserted themselves early with a mixture of short passes and running plays. John Cox's passes to Park Smith and Mark Cerbonne combined with Dave Hagle's amazing broken field running provided a formidable 20 to 6 half-time lead. King Enob appeared impotent, both offensively and defensively.

As the second half began, the momentum seemed to shift to the side of King Enob. Quarterback Jeff Hoffman engineered four long touchdown drives by mixing his own skillful running with a variety of passes. He was particularly successful in connecting with receiver Dwight Roeters, who had been consistently covered by Ken Heck of Long's Bunch throughout the first half. Defensively, King Enob switched to a tough man-to-man coverage and inserted Randy Singer and Russ Kingsbury into the lineup. This prevented Dave Hagle from gaining more yardage and increased the pass rush. With 58 seconds left in the game, Ray Strawser's diving catch of a Jeff Hoffman pass made the score 31-27, in King Enob's favor. This score proved to be the

final margin of victory in a very physical contest.

As the players were leaving the field and the excitement and fanfare had ended, one fan loudly remarked, "Flag football at Houghton will never be the same again."

Sports Scores

- Soccer**
- Oct. 8 Wheaton 2, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 13 R.I.T. 2, Houghton 2
 - Oct. 15 Roberts Wesleyan 2, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 18 SUNY Fredonia 5, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 22 Buffalo State 1, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 26 Canisius 0, Houghton 1
- Record 5-4-4**
- J.V. Soccer**
- Oct. 14 Medaille 3, Houghton 2
 - Oct. 18 Fredonia 3, Houghton 2
 - Oct. 22 Hobart 3, Houghton 2
 - Oct. 25 St. Bonaventure 1, Houghton 1
- Record 0-6-1**
- Field Hockey**
- Oct. 7 U of R 4, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 10 Syracuse 2, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 12 Wells 2, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 15 Cayuga 0, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 26 Genesee 0, Houghton 1
- Record 5-5-1**
- Women's Tennis**
- Oct. 7 U of B 7, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 13 Canisius 4, Houghton 3
 - Oct. 15 PCAC - Wells 1st, St. John Fisher 2nd, Houghton 4th
 - Oct. 17 Alfred University 4, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 19 SUNY Fredonia 7, Houghton 0
- Record 2-9**
- Volleyball**
- Oct. 8 Behrend 0, Houghton 3
 - Oct. 10 Roberts 1, Houghton 3
 - Oct. 15 Genesee 0, Houghton 2
 - U of R 2, Houghton 1
 - Oct. 19 Fredonia 3, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 21 Mansfield 0, Houghton 2
 - Buff State 2, Houghton 0
 - Oct. 24 Alfred 1, Houghton 2
 - Oswego 2, Houghton 0
- Record 8-5**



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