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Seniors Nominate Homecoming Queen

On Monday, October 5, the seniors held nominations for the Homecoming Queen who will be crowned on the steps of Luckey Memorial building while surrounded by her six attendants. Two attendants will be elected by each of the three under classes. Anne Jones, Johanne Tidswell, Claire Wallace and Merle White were chosen to vie for the throne and sceptre.

Interested in music, sports, and reading, Anne Jones has joined activities in those fields. A Capella choir, chapel choir, Oratorio, field hockey, class basketball, softball, and Athletic Association constitute Anne's outside interests. French club vice-president ('54), sports editor of the *Boulder* ('53), and proof-reader for the *Star* are the offices held by the first nominee. Anne, who was an attendant to the queen in her junior

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Four State Scholarships Granted to Frosh Class

A large number of the entering freshmen have merited scholarship aid of some sort. This aid has been granted to those placing in the New York State scholarship examinations, taking the ministerial course, having parents in the ministry, and maintaining high scholastic average.

Four of our freshmen, two boys and two girls, won New York State scholarships (awarded only to residents of the state) which come to \$350 annually for four years. They are: David De Groat of Watertown, Phyllis Molyneaux of McGraw, Paul Miller of Long Lake, and Barbara Erickson of New York City. Ministerial discounts were given to Percy Smith of Grand Rapids, Mich. and Wayne Rothwell of Houghton, N. Y. A Lockport Conference scholarship was awarded to Phyllis Knox of Wellsville, N. Y., while Barbara Granger of Troy, N. Y. received a Champlain Conference scholarship.

Parental discounts were received by Paul Dommermuth of Avoca, Penna; Arthur Field of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Annolee Maneval of Corry, Penna; David Speedy of Coxsackie, N. Y.; June Swancott of Fairfax, Vt., and Carolyn Stopp of Houghton, N. Y.

John and Irwin Reist received scholarships from the State of Pennsylvania Industrial Chemical Corporation. The Chester, Penna. high school awarded the scholarships on the basis of contribution to school life, scholarship, and financial need.

Scholarships were also given by the college to freshmen with meritorious high school averages. Those who received these awards are Mary Augsburg, Audrey Axtel, William Banker, Roberta Bieber, Ann Buckalew, Margaret Cohoon, David De Groat, Korleen Dickenson, Roslyn Doan, Joan Egeler, Forrest Gass, Elizabeth Gosling, Evelyn Hall, William Henderson, Marjorie Hewitt, James Hill, Lindol Hutton, Laura Hyde, Margaret Harbers, Marilyn Johnson, Norma Joss, Dorothy Klenk, Martha Kubecka, Esther Lawrence, Betty Lawson, Joyce McLennan, Marilyn Martin, Floyd Merriam, Martha Miller, Joyann Milligan, Phyllis Neal, Burton Newman, Helen Ott, Irwin and John Reist, Mary Rodeheaver, Joel Samuels, Jeanne Smith, Elizabeth Stark, June Stevenson, Francis Stine, Robert Stowell, Dwight Strum, Janet Swift, Mary Tysinger, and Elizabeth Worster.

— J. P.

Juniors, Seniors Hosts at Outing

This afternoon a motley gang of dungaree-clad guys and gals will climb aboard an assortment of cars, busses, and what-nots. (Teed Melton might be persuaded to get hers out of moth balls for the occasion.) The reason for this gay, festive spirit is the annual class parties at Letchworth State Park.

The juniors and freshmen will be roaming around the middle falls while the sophs and seniors are toasting marshmallows near the lower falls. During the afternoon, those attending both parties will be engaged in playing baseball and a variety of other outdoor sports.

Chief Yahoo and Squaw Yoohoo will be attending the Junior-Frosh party, all in keeping with a timely "Indian Summer" theme. John Sealand will be master of ceremonies. The entire party has been planned under the guidance of the junior social chairman, Linda Lombard.

English major Dick Myers will be emceeing for the sophs and seniors in a program including several selections by a barbershop quartet, two skits, and some group singing. The

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STAR Reporter Contracts Polio

Marjorie Paine, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stephen W. Paine, is confined to Meyer Memorial hospital in Buffalo with polio. Although her condition remains serious, she shows signs of improvement.

Marjorie, a STAR reporter, is the winner of the sophomore class scholarship and has been active this year in field hockey.

Students, faculty and friends are continuing in prayer for her recovery.

Artist Series To Feature Symphonette

The opening Artist Series will be held October 21 with the Buffalo Symphonette making a return performance. The founder, Mr. Fred Ressel, will be conducting, and Alta Quinones Mayer will appear as cello soloist.

The Buffalo Symphonette, a chamber orchestra of 20 musicians, was organized in 1948. It held its first concert in May of the same year. Presenting music old and new for



Mr. Fred Ressel

chamber orchestra is its purpose. The membership is drawn almost entirely from the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mr. Ressel studied violin at Prague Conservatory. He has been first violist with the Buffalo Philharmonic for fourteen years. On numerous occasions, he was guest conductor. With his background of orchestral and chamber music experience, one can expect from him thorough understanding of this type of musical interpretations.

Alta Quinones Mayer, the featured cello soloist, is first cellist with the Buffalo Philharmonic. Paul Hume of the Washington POST wrote, "Miss Quinones work is distinctively motivated by penetrating musical intelligence." She will be playing *Concerto for Cello and Orchestra in D Major* by Joseph Haydn.

Another feature on the program is *Fall River*, a poem for orchestra, by Eldon E. Basney. The Symphonette is giving the world premiere of this

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Kober, Cronk, Paine Earn Upper-Class Scholarships

The upper-class scholarships granted by the college each semester to the highest ranking student from the senior, junior, and sophomore classes have been awarded to Arlene Kober, Donald Cronk, and Marjorie Paine, respectively.

Selection for the one-half tuition discount is based on the grade point index in the preceding semester.

Weekend Events At Homecoming

Houghton's campus will be an epitome of Grand Central Station next week-end when alumni and friends return for the Homecoming festivities.

Saturday is the big day with the schedule as follows:

Dedication of East Hall 11:15 a. m.
Parade of Floats 1:15 p. m.
Purple-gold football game, crowning of the Homecoming Queen at half time 2:00 p. m.
Alumni banquet 6:30 p. m.

Friday will be Founders' Day with the Rev. Glenn Donelson and Dr. Claude A. Ries as chapel speakers. The Rev. Harold K. Sheets, general secretary of the Wesleyan Young People's Society, will be the guest of honor. Honorary degrees will be given to Mr. Donelson and Mr. Sheets.

At the East Hall dedication Dr. Paine will be the main speaker, with Mr. Robert Fiegl presenting the keys of the residence to a representative of the Board of Trustees in Syracuse, New York.

First event of the afternoon will be the parade of floats, forming in the village. The only specific rule for these floats is that not more than \$10 (over the cost of the wagon) be spent. There is no set theme to follow in decorating floats this year.

The crowning of the Homecoming Queen, who will be escorted by six attendants, is to take place during the half-time ceremonies of the football game.

The theme of the alumni banquet, to be held in the gymnasium, will be, "Houghton's Parish, the World." Several missionaries will be in attendance.

— N. B.

1955 BOULDER Elections to be Monday

The Student Publications committee has selected nominees for the positions of 1955 BOULDER editor and business manager. Patty Jo Lutz, Beth Percy, and Patty Tysinger have been nominated for the editorship, and John Banker and Donald Bagley for the position of business manager. As stated in the student government constitution, "These nominations shall be submitted to the junior and sophomore classes, which shall meet jointly on the third Monday of October at a compulsory chapel and elect by ballot the persons who shall fill these positions for the coming year."

Qualifications for the respective offices include the high school and college activities listed below.

Patty Jo Lutz
High school — Debate, National

Honor Society

College — freshman Student Senator, sophomore social chairman, Debate

Patty Tysinger

High school — newspaper staff 3 years, Honor Society 2 years, school and county winner in essay contests, Debate, winner of Best Debater and Best Debater medals

College — STAR reporter and feature writer, second place winner in LANTHORN short story contest, class social chairman

Beth Percy

High school — upperclass Honor Society treasurer, senior vice-president, personality represen-

tative

College — extension work, FMF

John Banker

High school — honor average 3 years

College — Dean's list, business manager freshman STAR, treasurer of WYPS, treasurer of sophomore class

Donald Bagley

High school — sophomore class president, junior and senior class vice-president, student director of junior play, president of Key Club

College — announcer and controller at WJSL, vice-president Conference Youth Fellowship, Purple men's manager

College Enrollment Decreases to 582

Five hundred eighty-two persons, including seven auditors, are enrolled in Houghton College this semester. Although this total number is seventeen less than a year ago, there are only ten fewer full-time students. Men and women are equally divided in the classified totals.

The freshman class, with 179 members, is the largest. The sophomore class numbers 151, and the senior class, 122. The junior class with 105 members has the smallest roster.

It is expected that there will be 129 graduates in 1954, including six from the Christian Worker's course.

— B. S.

WJSL Broadcasting To Begin in 2 Weeks

Al Foster, station manager of WJSL, has announced broadcasting plans for the coming year.

The school station, operating at a new frequency of 640 kilocycles, will be broadcasting from 7 a. m. to 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. to 11 p. m. Monday through Saturday. Sunday broadcasts will include the 10:45 a. m. worship service and recorded music 7 p. m. to 11 p. m. Every evening there will be an hour of recorded concert music from 10 p. m. to 11 p. m.

Because the transmitter is out of operation, the station has had to delay the first broadcast. It is expected that broadcasting will begin within the next two weeks.

Three school organizations, Torchbearers, Student Ministerial Association and Foreign Missions Fellowship, will each hold weekly programs at 9:30 p. m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday respectively. Music department organizations, such as A Cappella Choir and the Oratorio

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Student or Socialite? The STAR-gazer ★ ★ ★ A Sure Foundation

One of the perpetual problems which confront the college student is that of deciding the proper proportion of emphasis to place on the different areas of college life. Supposedly, one attends college primarily to study. But sooner or later, Plato gets mixed up with recital programs, and test tubes, with footballs. The responsibility of studies should take priority over the responsibility of extra-curricular offices — or should it?

We always have those in our midst who settle the problem by holding to one extreme or the other. A respectable grade point is the most commendable attainment; therefore, clubs, sports, parties and even close friendships are out. Or else, the campus is the ideal situation for gaining social skills, hence it is inadvisable to warp one's personality by devotion to books.

These extremists, however, are in the minority. Fortunately or unfortunately, most of us remain in the frustrating middle-of-the-road position between the two ditches (or ruts). To the conscientious soul who really wants to get the most out of college life, the problem remains open to thought.

The great philosophical question, "Why are we here?" can be applied to our problem. Are we in college to have a good time? to learn how to assume responsibility? to accumulate a host of friends? to prepare for a life work? Probably all of these questions can be answered affirmatively. College life encompasses all of these things, and more.

Diversified aims, however, are not conducive to straight thinking. In our wild efforts to capture all of the beautiful butterflies, we must beware lest we miss the rarest and most beautiful of all.

Incidentally, what is the chief aim of Houghton College? We have read it many times, in bulletins and pamphlets and programs: "The development of Christian character." Those attitudes, then, which are consistent with developing Christian character are consistent with a proper aim for our college career. The whole personality — mental, social and spiritual — should receive consideration. On the one hand, a reasonable amount of social life and responsibility should be accepted, for how can a Christian develop character if he shuns associations with others? On the other hand, a reasonable amount of time should be devoted to studies, for how can a Christian who lacks the self-discipline to conform to assignments expect to develop an honorable character? Furthermore, we have been reminded by those who know what they are talking about, that employers seeking

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During the past week your Star-gazer has been interested in the "Music of the Spheres" — the Houghton sphere, that is. Apparently discs get into this thing, not "the wheel in a wheel, 'way the middle of the air," or flying saucers, but the spinning platters (no connection with "spin the bottle") in the automatic disc jockey at the "Twin Spruce". The question has been asked of me on several occasions, "What do you think of the juke box down at the Inn?" My own reaction is one of mild confusion to hear Bev Shea sandwiched between two "hot" numbers like "Doggie in the Window" and "Zip-i dee-doo-dah". The issue is not a new one, however, and just to prove the point, I refer you to the files of the STAR of Nov. 14, 1946.

JUKE BOX ENTAILS CONTROVERSY

Among other innovations in Houghton this year is a juke box in Twin Spruce Inn. Ever since the beginning of the year, this music box has been the object of much discussion, pro and con. Therefore the question of the week is, "Is a juke box out of place in Houghton College?" The students of Houghton College speak:

"If the management of Twin Spruce had the privilege of choosing their own music and did so with discretion, I'd be in favor of it. But if they have to accept what is handed to them, I do not like it." — Bob Dingman.

"I think it lowers the testimony of Houghton College." — Jack Harris

"It's good to go down there and relax and enjoy something besides the three B's." — Mary Lou Armstrong

"Too much noise and confusion. It's not a matter of principle, but of good taste." — Izzie Dayton

"A visitor in Houghton said that the students should get together and drive it out of town. I'd like some good classical music there. Music's nice if you have the right kind." — Bert Fedor

"I don't like juke boxes — period! I do not believe that Houghton is the place for one." — Bob England

"It may be alright [sic] at times, but when students turn it on after a revival service, I don't like it."

"I like a juke box in Houghton if it is used rightly. After all, there

is a lighter side as well as a serious side to life." — Barbara Douglas

(While we're airing the aires, I exhumed a bit of post-humorous information that might tune up the Morning Watch on those mornings when a pianist fails to put in an appearance.)

MUSICAL POLES

(STAR, March 6, 1947)

A new and valuable discovery was made recently, when one of the iron poles in room S24 was accidentally tapped with a chair; a clear and perfect F was sounded; — we know it is a perfect F because we tested it with the chapel piano. The similar pole at the front of the room sounds E. Henceforth, these musical poles can be very valuable in giving pitch for a hymn to be sung in class.

(Since your ideas of the interesting and the informative may differ from mine, why not request some of your own pet subjects? All gripes are welcomed and entertained free of charge. Just send them to the Star-gazer c/o the Editor and the Boss Lady will see that I get them — and how!)

— R. F.

—HC—

Senior Students Practice Teach This Semester

Ten students will be away three weeks to do practice teaching in nearby schools this semester. To teach English are Sally Gang, Anne Jones, Arlene Kober and Peter Steese. Three social science majors who will practice teach are Gloria Betters, Diane Clinton and Virginia Mundy. Joyce Fischer and Grace McKinney will do their practice teaching in French, and Ronald Ulrich will do his in the field of science.

This year all students will do their teaching at the same time, as contrasted with last year's procedure which sent student teachers out at different times. Four student teachers, Peggy Bartlett (social science), Thora Mae Fuller (English) and Malcolm Starks (elementary algebra) will be teaching in Houghton Preparatory.

— E. S.

Waltke-Smith

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Elaine Marilyn Smith (ex '54), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. La Mont B. Smith of Westmoreland, N. Y., to Mr. Bruce Waltke ('52), son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waltke of Jersey City, N. J. The wedding took place on August 29, 1953, in Westmoreland, N. Y. The couple is now residing in Dallas, Texas, where Mr. Waltke is attending Dallas Theological Seminary.

—HC—

Engagement Whitaker-Hambly

Mr. and Mrs. F. Eldon Hambly, 55 North Elm Street, West Bridgewater, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Claire Louise (ex '55), to Albert Preston Whitaker, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Whitaker, 536 North Main Street, Randolph, Mass. Mr. Whitaker is now attending Boston University. The wedding is planned for next summer.

Wedding Bells..

Mills-Lee

Miss Antoinette Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan L. Lee of 416 W. 4th Street, Florence, N. J., was married to Mr. Frederick V. Mills ('52), son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Mills of Houghton, N. Y., on Sept. 12, 1953. Mr. Mills is now pastoring a Methodist church in Rancocas, N. J., while attending Temple University.

LaForge-Brink

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Ruth Alice Brink ('52) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Brink, 2041 Rigg Street, Dunmore, Penna., to Mr. Clifford J. LaForge, of Newburgh, New York. The wedding took place on August 22, 1953, in Dunmore, Penna. The couple is attending Columbia Bible College, in Columbia, South Carolina.

Wolcott-Gallup

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Jane Donna Gallup (ex '56), daughter of Bruce Gallup of Sturgis, Mich., to Mr. Merton N. Wolcott, also of Sturgis, Mich. The wedding took place on Aug. 29, 1953. The couple is now residing in Sturgis, Mich.

Why is communism so greatly feared by a freedom-loving people? Is it not because of its tremendous drive, its military might, its exhaustless strength, and its undying faith in what it stands for? It is no secret that communist leaders are powerful and greatly to be feared, nor that millions are trembling at its feet. Neither is it a secret that the foundation of communism will ultimately crumble at the feet of the Almighty One who has been given supreme power over the world. He it is upon whom the Christian is privileged to base his security.

We read in Isaiah 28:16, "Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation." Here we find a picture of Christ as "a stone . . . a sure foundation," the storehouse of divine strength, the dynamo of our salvation. He is a "tried stone." The rising and falling of kingdoms, the conquering and humiliating of kings, the flourishing and fading of religions have but pushed to the foreground the Gospel of Salvation, founded upon the sure foundation of Christ and living in the hearts of those who dare to identify themselves with its cause. The sands of time have vied for its strength, the skeptics' guns have pounded incessantly, the boisterous winds of scoffers have roared around its base, while torrential rains of unbelief have lashed its sides. Yet these have but polished and made it shine more brightly.

Not only is Christ a "tried stone," but also a "sure foundation," for we know that He it is who will be the ultimate conqueror of all sin, of death and of hell. "And the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of Lords, and King of Kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful (Rev. 17:14)." "I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last (Rev. 1:11)." He was before the world was framed and He shall still be, when it ceases to revolve on its axis. He it is upon whom we stand.

I ask you — who has the more sure foundation?

— N. S.

—HC—

Town and Campus

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gilbert left October 11 for California, where they will assist in a week of services with Jim Vaus, of Los Angeles. They expect to return to Houghton about October 30. The Gilbert children are in the care of Mrs. Henry Brandt.

Junior Roth has completed basic training at Ft. Belvoir, Va., and is home on ten days furlough. He will be shipped to Washington and then overseas. He is in the engineering replacement corps.

Dr. Ferm and family have moved into the Budenseik house on Seymour street.

Owners of the former Twin Spruce Inn are still deliberating on a new name for the Inn. There will be a formal announcement of the name chosen during Homecoming.

See You There!

Friday, Oct. 16 — Class picnics at Letchworth, Seniors entertain Sophomores, Juniors entertain Freshmen.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, 8:00 p. m. — Artist Series: Buffalo Symphonette.

Friday, Oct. 23 — Founder's Day, 9:00 a. m. Chapel, Addresses by Rev. Glenn Donelson and Dr. Claude A. Ries.

Saturday, Oct. 24 — Homecoming Day, 11:15 a. m. Dedication of East Hall, 1:15 p. m. Parade of Floats, 2:00 p. m. Purple-Gold football game, Crowning of Homecoming Queen at halftime, 6:30 p. m. Alumni banquet.

Wednesday, Oct. 28 — 3:40 p. m. Purple-Gold field hockey, 7:30 p. m. High School Program, Chapel.

Friday, Oct. 30 — 3:40 p. m. Purple-Gold field hockey, 8:00 p. m. Boulder Program, Chapel.

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Ptomaine Tips

BY GEORGE HUESTIS

It has been almost two years since I wrote my last feature article for the *Star*, and much has happened since then. For instance, I got married, which is a pretty big "much". The other day I just happened to be looking through one of my wife's cookbooks and hence the inspiration for this article.

"How To Cook Applesauce" would be a good subtitle for this bit of nonsense which is guaranteed to prove just one thing — how dry and rusty an ex-feature editor can get. The basic ingredient of applesauce, of course, is sugar. You see, I forgot to tell you that this tasty dessert is being made in July, and any fool can tell you that apples are greener in July than chlorophyll toothpaste. Therefore, simply take five pounds of sugar and run it rapidly through the Mixmaster. This is necessary to smooth out the lumps which have resulted from your having left the lid off the sugar bowl during the last wet spell.

Next, you take a ladder and climb the apple tree in the back yard. Four hours later you descend from the tree gloating victoriously at having found twelve small apples that the worms have overlooked. Carefully peel and slice the apples making sure that a couple of cores drop into the batch. After all, who ever heard of applesauce without a few odd pieces of core in it to half-choke the unsuspecting victim? Place the apples and sugar in a frying pan (the saucepans are all over on the stack of dirty dishes in the sink) and simmer over a low flame.

There is a sure-fire method whereby you can tell when the apples are done. There will be a pall of dense smoke coming out of the kitchen when the apples are gently scorched. The moment has come! Now is the time to add the sauce to the apples, thus making applesauce; a logical if somewhat stupid deduction. Without a bit of hesitation pour three large bottles of Worcestershire into the burned apples. Step back fast to avoid the consequences.

When the whole motley mess has cooled, place in serving dishes and sprinkle each portion with enough cinnamon or nutmeg to disguise what is underneath. Applesauce made in this manner is good chilled, but this is not an absolute necessity. Anyone eating the product of the above recipe would soon be quite cold anyway.

This recipe will serve four. It can also be used to remove old wallpaper, or, sprinkled on your lawn, it is a good weed killer.

P. S. Caution must be exercised in the above uses. Too liberal an application will remove your lawn and six inches of topsoil along with it. There is also the possibility that it might eat gaping holes in your walls.

—G.H.

Teachers Agree To Do Homework

The teachers of Houghton College have assigned themselves homework. At the November meeting of the faculty, three papers prepared by faculty members will be presented. In place of the usual business meeting, the divisions of English, theology, and music and art will each present reports on topics relating to recent developments in their respective fields which are of interest to the rest of the faculty.

A similar meeting is also planned for the spring semester. The suggestion for these unusual faculty meetings originated with the Educational Policies Committee and was approved by the faculty on October 7.

Foreign Students Welcomed



Back row: James Ridgway, Glendon Bryce, Eldon LeRoy, Siegfried Buss, Benjamin Saoshiro. Front row: James Chen, Erma Robinson, Norma Smart, Samuel Arai, John Tsutada.

This year Houghton welcomes seven new foreign students to the campus.

Freshman Peter Galurera comes to the school from Honolulu, T. H., while Douglas Kingdon, a graduate of the Houghton Preparatory school, hails from North Bay, Ontario.

Samuel Kohi Ari, a graduate student of the Bible Training Institute of Tokyo, Japan, comes to the sophomore class as a transfer from the Tokyo Metropolitan University. Those foreign students entering the junior class to complete their requirements for graduation are: Glendon Bryce, James Pai-fun Chen and James Ridgway. Mr. Bryce, who is from Toronto, Ontario, was a ministerial student at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri. Mr. Chen, a Formosan, comes to Houghton from the University of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Ridgway, a graduate of Melbourne Wesleyan College, is from Pascovale, Australia.

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year, plans to teach French and English.

Johanne Tidswell, a member of the Student Senate during her junior and senior years, served as secretary of the junior class, and is currently society editor of the *Star*. She is interested in sports, as evidenced by her participation in class basketball, field hockey, and softball. Johanne, likewise, was attendant to the Queen in her freshman year. After securing her diploma this coming June, Johanne plans to work as a laboratory technician.

Coming from Wheaton to Houghton in her sophomore year, Claire Wallace will also contend for the position of royalty. Claire intends to teach in elementary school after completing her major in social science. While attending Wheaton, she was a member of the band and of the Phililethean Literary Society. Here in Houghton, she is active in the Spanish club, F.M.F., class hockey, basketball, and volleyball. She also participates in class and color cheer-leading.

Sophomore class chaplain, freshman Queen of the Christmas party, secretary-treasurer of Gaoyadeo, secretary of the Senate ('53), president of East Hall ('54) senior class secretary, member of the Athletic Association, ('52), release time worker, — these are the activities and offices held by our fourth nominee, Merle White. Another prospective teacher, Merle is preparing to teach Spanish and Bible in secondary schools.

The student body will cast its ballot for the candidate of its choice following chapel on Tuesday, October 20.

Three Canadians returned to Houghton this year to continue their studies. They are: Eldon LeRoy of Ottawa, Ontario; Erma Robinson of Waltham, Quebec; and Norma Smart of Shawville, Quebec.

— J. P.

Dedication Planned

The new girls' dormitory, which four years ago was a dream, has now become a reality. The finishing touches are presently being added to give the dormitory its last bit of completeness.

Dr. Smith and his workers have begun landscaping the ground in the front of the building and a cement walk and shrubbery will soon adorn what in the past has been a void space of mud and stone.

Inside, the large reception room is being decorated with the help of the artistic tastes of the Orlips. Print curtains of many rich hues will be hung on the three large picture windows, and over-stuffed furniture of red, blue and green will soon be there in which to enjoy the dancing flames of the fireplace.

For the equipment of the kitchenettes on the second and third floors, dishes and other necessary equipment have been ordered.

Yes, Houghton's \$300,000 girls' dormitory, the biggest project ever undertaken here, is now ready for dedication in all its splendor and beauty. After the dedication ceremony the girls of East Hall are having open house to enable everyone to appreciate the entire building.

—C.M.

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❖ Artist Series October 21, 1953 ❖

Orders taken up to 7:00 p. m. before day of occasion.

\$2.00 and up

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Woodrum Comments On Houghton Audience

The Rev. Lon Woodrum, our poet-evangelist, found a receptive audience at Houghton. He considers any college easier to speak to than a general congregation, for, he said, "college students are still curious and eager to learn. A general congregation," he said, "is apt to be somewhat set and stubborn."

He also noticed a friendliness and warmth here which he has seldom found elsewhere. He said that here not only his message, but he himself, has been accepted.

He found neither an emphasis on education to the exclusion of religion, nor the opposite, but a balance between the two.

Mr. Woodrum is well qualified to judge his listeners. Throughout the last twenty years he has held meetings in all of the states, traveling as a "roving reporter for the New Jerusalem Star Herald."

In his opinion, America is now groping more than ever toward God. To illustrate this, he mentioned such famous men as Roy Rogers and Fulton Oursler, who have turned to God. Also, religious popular songs and movies are becoming more and more popular. "If there were Christians who would lead others to God, millions would accept Him," Mr. Woodrum stated. However, not even the ministers seem to be qualified for this task.

Mr. Woodrum's favorite hobbies, when he isn't preaching or writing poetry, are reading good literature, listening to good music, and fishing. He prefers Maine for this last hobby, because it offers three types of fishing grounds: ocean, stream, and lake.

Besides his fifteen novels, Mr. Woodrum has written short stories and many poems. His poetry has brought him recognition from *Principal Poets of the World*, a library of poets published by Mitre House, in London, England.

—H. S.

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work and will continue to include it in their programs of the season. It is based on a poem by the same title.

The program to be presented here also includes: *Symphony in B Flat*, by Pierre van Madere; *A Fugal Concerto* by Gustav Holst and *Symphony in G Major* by W. A. Mozart.

Seasonal tickets and tickets for single performances will be on sale at the Music Office in the near future. Notice of the exact date will be announced. A special offer is being given this year on seasonal tickets. Instead of the usual six concerts, there will be seven for the same price. It is urged that the seasonal tickets be bought.

—V. A.

Dr. Carter Visits Houghton Campus

Dr. Russell Carter, who was Houghton's "Joseph at the court of Pharaoh," to use the words of President James S. Luckey, "sat on our chapel platform last week. He was the smiling gentleman with the white hair and the hearty handclasp for his old Houghton friends.

Dr. Carter, head of the Department of Music of the University of the State of New York until his retirement three years ago, was largely responsible for the success of Houghton's application for the accrediting of her music work so that she could give degrees in that field. Dr. Carter was present at the dedication of the music building and took part in the ceremonies.

Dr. Carter's frequent visits here when he was commissioner of music were not all official. He often came just because he wanted to, and he once spent a week of his summer vacation here.

Some of his humorous and pithy chapel talks are still fresh in the minds of those who heard them; for example, the one on reverence toward God, one on the apparently widespread view that man is really not so very responsible for his own actions, and one on great hymns. Among his designations of the greatest hymns was "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" sung here last Sunday morning.

Though he still makes his home in Albany, he spends his winters in Nassau, capital of the Bahamas. This stopover at Houghton occurred on a jaunt taken to see his old friends, among them the founder of Houghton's A Cappella choir, Wilfred Bain, now head of the music department of the University of Indiana.

—Doc Jo

Lab Acquires Freezer

The Botany laboratory has just secured an International Harvester Deep Freeze for preservation of botanical specimens.

Within a few minutes after removing the specimens from the freezer, Miss Rork explained, they are ready for use. Not only are leaves and twigs kept fresh, but flowers also retain their color.

This freezer, ordinarily costing \$284.00, was obtained by the school at a 25% discount.

This summer Miss Rork obtained the idea of the botanical use of a deep freeze from Dr. E. C. Ogden, head botanist of the State Education Department of Albany, N. Y.

Editorial . . .

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Houghton graduates for various positions are interested in both sides of the permanent record card — the front for grades, the back for extracurricular activities.

Well, here we are again, right back in the middle of the road! Maybe it's not such a bad place to be, after all. If we can keep our minds off from the ruts and concentrate our efforts on attaining the aim of well-developed Christian character, surely the minor frustrations will lose a great deal of their significance and the road will at least seem to become much smoother.

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Gold Gladiators Obtain First Football Victory

Purple didn't have a chance on October 3. Gold realized this when the first half of Saturday's game ended, favoring them 13 to 0. Twice after this the Gladiators pushed their way into Purple's end zone, while only once did the Pharaohs retaliate with a feeble, unsuccessful, goal drive. The final score was a mere 26 points overshadowing a Purple goose egg.

The first quarter had barely begun when a misplaced Purple pass fell into the open arms of Gold's end, Chuck Paine, who, unhampered, gaily stepped over the line for six unearned points. A sudden flurry of fifteen-yard penalties against Purple in the last of the first quarter again put Gold in a scoring mood. This time, Ralph McConahy, Gold halfback, found a ragged hole in the Pharaoh's line and took five yards in stride for the second score of the afternoon.

Many tears were shed for Purple during the half, and perhaps self-pity pushed this losing team to show a spark of spirit during the next two quarters. But even a spark needs someone to fan it. Rooters for both teams were noticeably lacking in the bleachers. Gold's third touchdown hardly brought a whimper of response when Chuck Paine gathered in another unearned catch on a pass deflected by a Purple player. Gold's final push came in the third quarter when a thirty-yard pass play brought the Gladiators within ten yards of another score. This time, Jim Johnson snared a short throw into the corner, and McConahy added the extra point with a kick.

Only once did Purple make a sustained push toward the Gold-plated goal posts, and this in the last quarter. "So near, and yet so far," said John Valk, Purple's right end, as the official decreed him outside of the end zone when he caught a well-placed pass thrown by Bob Baird. So it was that Purple's first and last chance to show, ended in failure.

Probably Purple's greatest hindrance came in the fact that it lost 80 yards on penalties. The only serious injury hit Purple's center, John Venlet, who had his ankle

badly twisted in the third period. The Pharaohs' spirit hit a low ebb after two Gold touchdowns had been made by seemingly pure luck. Still, Purple's line had enough push to hold Gold advances to practically nothing in the third quarter. The tricky T formation that the Gladiators have almost perfected netted them many losses, as several times they attempted to open the Purple for running plays. Almost all of the Gold yardage rode on a passing attack.

The grade of football played on the Homecoming afternoon of October 24, will no doubt be determined by the win or loss of Purple on the Wellsville field. It only takes three to win a series. Will Gold take two straight, or will Purple even up the score?

— J. L.

Senior Women Lead in Hockey

The girls' field hockey season began with a fine spirit September 30 when the seniors chalked up a 1-0 win over the juniors. The sophomore and freshman girls fought to a 1-1 tie in their game October 2.

Lack of enough frosh girls to make up a team gave the high school girls a forfeit win for that game. Again the seniors showed their years of experience as they won a 3-1 decision over the sophomore girls on Wednesday, October 7.

The standings thus far in the season are:

	won	lost	tie
1. Seniors	2	0	0
2. High School	1	0	0
3. Sophomores	0	1	1
4. Freshmen	0	1	1
5. Juniors	0	1	0

The present schedule of games is as follows:

- October 9 — Friday
Juniors vs Freshmen
- October 12 — Monday
Sophomores vs High School
- October 14 — Wednesday
Seniors vs Freshmen
- October 19 — Monday
Juniors vs High School
- October 22 — Thursday
Juniors vs Sophomores
- October 26 — Monday
Seniors vs High School

— C. C.

Class Picnics . . .

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senior social co-chairmen, Helen Banker and Carolyn Makey, have designed the parties with the assistance of a corps of several committees. The food for both parties will be toted from the dining hall —L.M.

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Debate Squads Business Office Reports Plan Tourney On Alumni Field Progress

The Houghton College Debate Team, which meets every Friday at 3:30, includes about twelve members this year. Both regular and cross-examination procedures are being used. The question to be debated is, Resolved: That the United States should adopt a policy of free trade.

The team plans to attend the Western New York Forensic League at Fredonia on November 6 & 7. There is also a possibility that the Houghton debaters will go to the University of Pittsburgh on December 13. The main attraction there is the Oxford team, which will meet the winners of the Fredonia tournament.

Other tournaments include: The Buckeye, in Ohio; Carnegie-Tartan at Carnegie-Tech; and the Keuka College Tournament. — N. K.

"I thought we'd be playing on the new athletic field this season. What happened?" "Boy, is this grass slippery!" "Look out for the puddle!" These were just a few of the comments of students who wonder why Alumni Field isn't being used this season.

Construction on our new field was started in 1949, and continued as the funds came in. Most of the work has been accomplished during the last two years. Willard G. Smith, our business manager, said, "A person not connected with the work has no idea of the volume of work." To emphasize this, he mentioned statistics of a few of the materials used. Our trackmen will run on twenty railroad carloads of gravel. Under this there is an entire carload of tile for the draining system. Nearly a thousand feet of piping carries away the rainwater. Eighty cubic yards of cement

curbs protect our speedsters on the turns.

Before the blueprints were drawn, our architects visited many nearby colleges. There, they saw many good tracks and fields. The best ideas have been incorporated into ours. The track is expected to be usable within an hour after a downpour. The baseball diamond faces south, so that the sun is never directly in the batter's eyes. The diamond and the football field do not overlap, as they do on our old field. Next season, we hope to start using one of the best athletic fields in the Northwestern part of New York State.

Last Spring, we had hoped to have the field for this season. Mr. Smith and his men made every effort to have the field available. Almost \$1,000 was spent on grass seed; 21,000 pounds of lime and four other types of fertilizers were used; a sprinkling system was set up which watered the grass almost continuously — all to no avail. The grass didn't grow thickly enough and the new field would be more dangerous to play on than the old one. Besides this, there is still no money for the bleachers or the baseball backstop. But in spite of these difficulties, next season we look forward to a fine year of sports, in which more students will participate than ever before.

— A. B.

Pharaohs Edge Gold, 6-0; Little Scores Lone T.D.

"Who's got the joy?" "Purple's got the joy!" The cry rang across the Wellsville field time and again as the inspired Pharaohs shut out Gold 6-0, on the evening of October 12. "It wasn't the team, it was the spirit," someone commented after the game.

Early in the first minutes of the game, Purple caught the Gold players in a whirlwind of speed that led to the one and only touchdown of the game. Three plays were all that was needed to set up the first score. From the Gold 40-yard line, Treichler picked up 5 yards on an end sweep. Then on two passes from Bob Baird to Jim Little, the Pharaohs hit home.

Long kicks by Purple's Johnny Valk several times helped the Pharaohs by driving Gold deep into their own territory. The closest Purple came to another score was in the second period when Trichler again sped around end down to the Gold 10. A pass by Baird and a penalty against Gold took the ball to the Gladiator's one-yard line. Gold held a desperate goal line stand and came out unscathed. During the whole second period not once did Gold hold the ball in Purple's territory.

The loss of Ralph McConahy, star Gold back, possibly threw off the Gladiators' timing. Taking his place, however, was John Reist, who played exceptional ball in passing and running. Gold did not rely on an air

attack in this game as they did in the last. Instead, they used time and again the line plunge and a powerful end run, to no avail. Late in the last quarter, however, Gold threw two long passes that almost tied Purple's 6-point lead. From their own 34, Dick Castor completed a pass to Chuck Paine on the Purple 42. Then the follow-up came as another pass was taken by Jay Butler on Purple's 21-yard line, pushing the Gladiators the furthest they had been in their opponents territory. Venlet of Purple then broke through Gold to set the runner back to the mid-stripe, ending all hopes of a tying score.

Several injuries came in the last quarter as both sides charged in full force. Wayne Ostrander was unconscious on the field for almost a minute. He returned to finish the game several plays later. Dallas Decker had several front teeth chipped and his mouth badly cut as a hard-charging Gold man came through Purple's defense.

Purple's hopes of taking the Homecoming game on October 24 are high indeed, but so are Gold's. Both teams will fight hard to take this second game.

— J. L.

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Society will also be making broadcasts with times to be announced at a later date.

Student officials are: program manager, Peter Steese; control room head, Charlene Stewart; business manager, Charles Gosling; record librarian, Elaine Kammer; and head announcers, George Bagley and Ted Cook.

— J. S. R., Jr.

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