

Four seek Senate Presidency in tight race

Houghton students will elect Student Senate leaders for 1970-71 next Friday, March 13. Preferential primaries will be held Tuesday, March 10, to determine the two finalists in offices where there are more than two candidates.

Aspiring for President are Tim Brokaw, Steve Cummings, Ron Hallsten and Jack Luckey, all Juniors. For Vice-President are Dick Halberg, Steve Hiltibrand and Don Menth, also all Juniors.

Candidates for Secretary are

two Sophomore girls, Joy Rubbo and Margie Lindley. Dave Baldwin and John Jordan, the two competitors for Treasurer, are also Sophomores.

Tim Brokaw is an R.A., holds the position of Star Personnel Editor and is on the Boulder layout staff. He promises, if elected, to make "creative utilization" of all potential available. He stresses the



importance of availability of the Senate President and would make himself available to the students.

Mr. Brokaw wants the agenda posted before Senate meetings so that there might be a greater attendance by the student body. He wants re-activation of Fireside Chats in order to bring better student-faculty relations.

Steve Cummings, presently Vice-President of the Junior Class, feels that his experience in helping to organize the Freshman Class of this year would aid him in understanding the administrative position of Senate President. He says the student body here at Houghton "has the possibility



and necessity to become a powerful force."

Ron Hallsten serves as Vice-President of Young Republicans and is on the Boulder advertising staff. He is a member of the English Expression Club and is an engineer-announcer at WJSL.

He wants to encourage the students to more active participation, instituting "open chapels" where students can speak and gripe. He wants "expanded" library hours, a revised grading system, pass-fail option in elective courses and more visiting lecturers from area colleges.

Jack Luckey has had much leadership experience in high

school. He was Sophomore and Junior Class President, Athletic Association President and Student Senate Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Luckey feels his 21 years spent in Houghton have given him an understanding of the college student body and their place in the community. He would like to see an optional pass-fail system in three of the required courses and different parking regulations.

None of the four Presidential candidates has experience in collegiate senate service, but all have shown leadership abilities either in high school or in college organizations other than Student Senate.



Karen Abrahamsen reigns Over Weekend's festivities

A concert by the Peppermint Rainbow, highlighted by the coronation of Snow Queen Karen Abrahamsen — thus Winter Weekend's "Candyland" began last Friday night. The Skiathon and snow sculpture contests continued the festivities, lasting into the wee hours of the morning.

The Houghton Highlanders squeaked through with a basketball win over Brock University (92-90). After the Juniors' "Good Ship Lollipop" captured the first place in snow sculpture, the Canadians slaughtered the Americans in a hockey game (15-2). A packed-out Presser Hall celebrated the weekend's victory with trophy and song at Saturday night's "Spot."

Our queen Karen Abrahamsen, a math major who would like to teach in an inner-city school in Washington, D.C., next year, carried off her roses and crown during the intermission at the concert. Juniors Adele Durkee and Leigh Lauxman, Sophomore Joan Polley and Freshman Sharon Anderson were the other snow beauties of

the court.

Six men — Charles Hunter, John Stone, Gary Eggleston, Bruce Peterson, Everett Wolfe and Carey Moore — and two girls — Judy Baker and Mary Beth Burdick — won free passes to Glenfalls Ski Resort in the Skiathon Friday night.

While some were skiing, others were packing snow. The "Good Ship Lollipop" dropped its anchor on "Gumdrop Island" and looted a \$20-treasure and trophy for the Juniors. The Soph's cupcake brought \$10 for second place. Other entries included a 70¢ bag of candy by the Seniors, and a Frosh gingerbread house. Food coloring and spray paint brightened the sweets in snowy "Candyland" this year.

With Queen Karen tossing the first jump ball in the basketball game against Brock, how could we have lost? We could have, if Ed Johnson had not made the winning basket in the last eight seconds of play. As it was, the Houghton Highlanders came back from Wellsville with a hard-earned victory.

Thanks to the maintenance men who shoveled off the pond and painted red and blue lines on the ice, the Canadians easily defeated the Americans in the evening ice-hockey game.

The "Spot" was lively Saturday night, featuring a program of entertainment co-ordinated by Michelle Forbes. Bruce Gallup and his impersonations kept the program moving throughout the evening, as a full house enjoyed the Freshman folk group "Kochinea", the voice of Michelle Forbes, the dramatic talent of Judi Tanner, John Thompson's baritone, a musical act by Andy Bingham and Russell Stence — a spirited way to end the weekend.

Dr. Walters will visit various psychology classes on Friday, March 6, and may speak in chapel on the subject, "The Mean-



Karen Abrahamsen

David Brown re-elected FMF President; Run-offs necessary for V.P. and Secretary

At Wednesday night's FMF meeting, next year's cabinet was elected. David Brown was re-elected to a second term as President. Robert Brewer, Robert Stoddard and Larry Rieck tied for the office of Vice-President. Robert Ferns was elected Treasurer. Tamara Poysti, Candy Morgan and Janice Mann tied for the office of Secretary. John Fiess will be next year's Public

Relations Manager and Jill Pape will be Prayer Group Manager. Mr. Warren Woolsey was re-elected faculty advisor. The second faculty advisor will be either Dr. Ann Whiting, Dr. Bert Hall, or Dr. Stephen Calhoon.

A run-off election to determine who will fill the offices of Vice President, Secretary and faculty advisor will be held March 11. The cabinet will assume responsibility after Easter vacation.

The President is primarily responsible for the general mission emphasis program on campus.

This includes publicity, pledging, directing FMF meetings and cabinet meetings and planning for Missionary Conquest Week each November. David Brown was recently elected chairman of the North East Region of the National Foreign Missions Fellowship. Consequently the Regional Conference will be held in Houghton next February. The 1969-1970 FMF budget is being met. However, \$7,000 is still needed before summer missionaries can receive their individual assistance.

ing of Maturity." He will lecture that evening on "Mental Illness and Christian Faith." Saturday evening, following a Psychology Banquet, he will speak on the topic, "Anxiety and Christian Faith." After both lectures there will be a discussion period at which refreshments will be served.

The Academic Conference Committee, which planned the arrangements for this conference, was organized three years ago for the purposes of presenting intellectually challenging speakers to students and faculty and of providing interaction "in depth" within various disciplines. As a sub-committee of the Cultural Life Committee it is comprised of four students and three faculty members elected annually by the Student Senate.



Dr. Orville S. Walters

Houghton College will host Spring Ministerial Institute

The College will host the 1970 Quadrennial Ministerial Institute March 9-12. Nearly 1000 ministers of the area districts of the Wesleyan Church, as well as other interested clergymen, have received invitations to the institute.

Speakers at the four-day meeting will include Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, Dr. P. H. Augustine and Dr. Arnold Airheart. They will speak on the theme, "Our Calling — His Coming."

Dr. Harold Ockenga will deliver the opening address of the Ministerial Institute. Dr. Ockenga is the President of Gordon College and Gordon Divinity School, a position he accepted after 33 years in the pastorate of Boston's Park Street Church.

A graduate of Taylor University, he earned a B.D. from Westminster and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Ockenga is a well-known

lecturer, expository preacher and evangelical theologian. The founder of the National Association of Evangelicals and its first president, Dr. Ockenga was also co-founder and president of the Fuller Theological Seminary.

Dr. P. H. Augustine is the pastor of the Federated Church in East Springfield, Pa. A native of New Orleans, La., he earned his B.S. degree from Edinboro State College, an M.Ed. from the University of Pittsburgh and an Ed.D. from Penn State. Presently on the Extension Staff of Penn State, he has been a teacher, principal and Director of Guidance.

Dr. Arnold Airheart is President of Canadian Nazarene College of Winnipeg, Manitoba, a post he has held since 1961. An ordained minister in the Nazarene Church, he earned his Th.B. from the Canadian Nazarene College and a B.D. from Nazarene Theological Seminary.

Platforms for what?

Campaigns open tomorrow. Tonight we have the platforms to evaluate. A platform gives a first impression of a candidate's thought about the Houghton situation.

Platforms rarely lay a base for meaningful Senate action for the coming year. This year's are no exception. What is Senate now? Should it remain that way? In what ways should its weaknesses be removed?

Senate itself must be capable of carrying out the planks written into these platforms. As the various planks stand at the minute, either they mean little (these aren't hard to spot) or they are impossible to carry out. All any candidate can do is promise to try. Such promises usually bear little direct fruit except frustration — the President's at his inability and the student electorate's at the President.

Senate at this time lacks the jurisdiction to meaningfully share in College discussion. It serves as a recommendatory body and an organizer of social events. None of this year's platforms include any provisions for expanding Senate's jurisdiction. Without such expansion the meaning of most platform planks pales into rhetoric.

Besides this lack of insight into the Houghton system, platforms again this year failed to account for the necessity for and the difficulty of motivating enough students strongly enough to carry out the vigorous programs the candidates envision. Students here are characteristically apathetic about concerns not immediately affecting them. A Senate President sitting in his luxurious office in Greenberg waiting for people to come to him will lead a lonely life.

The two ingredients necessary for a meaningful Presidential term — broader Senate jurisdiction and active motivation — are apparently lacking in all the candidates platforms. jrt

The Blaine inequity

Recently the so-called Blaine Amendment has come back into the State legislature for reconsideration. The Blaine Amendment prohibits state educational aid to private, religiously affiliated schools from grade one through graduate study.

One of the first Houghton reactions seemed to come in the Scoop Sheet editorial column. Somebody felt that state-protestant monies would support Catholic schools and, of course, everybody knows that Catholic schools make no educational contributions to New York State education.

The facts are, however, that presently the state system would not be able to support all the New York State students without sharing part of that burden with private, religious schools. In other words, the private schools are necessary to provide education for every student now in school.

The inequity comes in the bearing of the financial burden. In feeling the state should not subsidize private education, the average-tax payer forgets that every property-owner pays for state education in state schools even if he chooses to send his children elsewhere totally at his own cost. Yet, at least part of what he is paying to support private education makes possible state education. In effect, such a person is being taxed twice in support of an institution from which he derives no benefit.

The irony of the whole discussion is that if the Blaine Amendment is changed, Houghton stands to gain considerable state aid which will greatly reduce the obvious strains on our beleaguered budget. jrt

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Multi-disciplinary education is Our only environmental hope

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We, as individual people, are immersed in our environment. We can change it but we can never escape it. We perceive it most often as physical and biological surroundings and, somewhat less well, as cultural and social surroundings. The growing public concern about the degradation of our physical environment and the hazards to our biological environment is obvious and will not be detailed further.

Prophets of environmental disaster on every hand are quite ready to conduct us collectively or individually through a house of horrors of possibilities for the immediate or not very distant future. Many of the outrages of the young and of the minority groups relate to the environment and the quality of life as compared with what these groups intuitively feel are the possibilities for this country at this time. That the concern is much more widespread can be ascertained from the response of the stable middle part of society to such issues as the Santa Barbara oil spill, transportation of dangerous materials, or the use of pesticides.

A very serious risk is that we may follow some few of the traditionally-minded engineers and equate environmental quality with pollution abatement. If pollution were brought under control and clean air and clean water became a reality it is doubtful that the malaise about the quality of life would disappear. In any case, a program based only upon taboos — a program stating that "thou shalt not pollute" — has very limited appeal among all the alternative futures that may possibly await us. We have intervened in the environment whether we wished to or not and our only real hopes lie in deciding how it is we wish to live and inquiring whether we can achieve it or not.

The case is summarized by Hans Gaffron, one of America's leading biologists, in a recent statement. "This restless urge to mold a world according to his, unfortunately quite limited,

imagination — this force has pushed man himself into a corner from which he must now try to liberate himself. At the moment it looks as if stupidity and meanness, combined with the forces of technology, are going to win the race towards cultural extermination before reason has had a good chance to discover the best way to reverse the trend."

To end and reverse the degradation of our physical and biological environment, to identify the alternative future options open to our society, and to define the common elements of the kind of life to which our society aspires will require strenuous effort by all the people and institutions of the American society.

Education has always played a central role in the American dream, and the many and varied uses we have made of our universities illustrate society's faith in education. It should be noted that within the next few years more than fifty percent of the nation's young people will attend colleges and universities at

some time. If we are truly concerned about the quality of environment and quality of life this concern must be illustrated and participated in by our education system.

It is patently obvious, but bears repeating, that the problems and opportunities related to our environment in a growing and increasingly technological society are multi-disciplinary as viewed from the traditional dissection of knowledge, engineering, and action into academic disciplines. Many of our most serious problems have arisen because narrowly conceived technological improvements have failed to take account of side effects, deleterious or otherwise, which inevitably accompany a widespread technological change in society.

The question then, for universities, is how to pursue multi-disciplinary education, multi-disciplinary research, and a wide ranging discussion of our human problems irrespective of disciplinary boundaries or professional descriptions.

Letters to the Editor . . .

From a 20th century disciple of Christ to the Church at Houghton:

Grace and peace to you all in the true love of our Lord Jesus Christ:

My brothers in Christ, I am greatly pleased to hear that the Spirit of God has visited your community. I have long prayed that you might once again experience the true joy that is ours in our Savior. Your community has long suffered because of the strife and tensions that are the evidence of a superficial Christian love. But, my co-workers in Christ, let us indeed allow the Spirit to work within us. In particular, let us pray that we may once again bear fruit worthy of our calling.

Now, my beloved, I exhort you to continually be testing the results of this new filling of the Spirit against that revelation of God which is objectively available to us that we may temper our emotions with true practicing of our faith. In particular, study over and over again that

which was given us by the apostle in his letter to the Galatians. Let our freedom in Christ once again produce the beautiful fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. We have long been failing to clearly reflect the example of our most precious Savior.

Finally, I wish to specifically admonish those in authority in your community to respect the rights of others. I have more than once received reports of unfairness on your part. Do not try to impose your own standards of Christian living on those subject to you. Your attitude has caused many to leave your congregation frustrated and disappointed. Place your confidence in God's faithfulness to answer prayer and do no more than structure your own life so as to bring others to the Lord.

Now may our Lord and Savior indeed once again fill us with the true sense of community and brotherhood that we might bring glory to His name.

Annual fifth season of slush submerges Houghton, Produces demand for baggies and bucket brigade

by Margie Lindley

It is with us again — the annual Houghton fifth season of slush. From the plains of Gao, across the quad, to the hills of Shenawana, a lake of water, mud and slush grows. This slush season, if the Houghton community would band together to face the elements, many of the effects of this problem could be alleviated.

To begin with, something must be done to protect our feet. The Student Senate could possibly buy a quantity of Baggies and rubber bands, to be put on sale at a minimal cost to Houghton citizens. The Baggies could be slipped over the shoe and secured at the ankle with the rubber band. With a set of assorted colored rubber bands, one could

add an exciting accent at the ankle to complete any outfit. Of course, if some would prefer something more sturdy, the Olean Army Surplus store is having a sale on green hip boots.

These would be more expensive, but if bought in quantity the suggestion might be plausible. The hip boots would, of course, be more stylish as well as sturdy. But this is a matter of taste.

The feet, however, are only the beginning of the problem. Walking within twenty feet of the Houghton highways, one is under constant assault from the muddy splashes. A slush speed limit of 5 m.p.h. has been suggested. But beyond the problems of enforcement remains the fact that even at 5 m.p.h., anything larger than Dr. Paine's

bicycle would still create a splash. So maybe the pedestrians will have to bear the brunt of solving this problem.

These are only temporary solutions. Ideally, we should be able to dry out the campus. Maybe the best way to do this would be to set up a bucket brigade from the campus to the river. With professors, students, staff and community members working together, the whole job would not take over a day.

These are only suggestions. But something must be done. By banding together to solve this common problem a spirit of brotherhood could be fostered. Working together, we can cope with the problem. United we stand, divided we drown.

USSPA Conference probes Political aspect of ecology

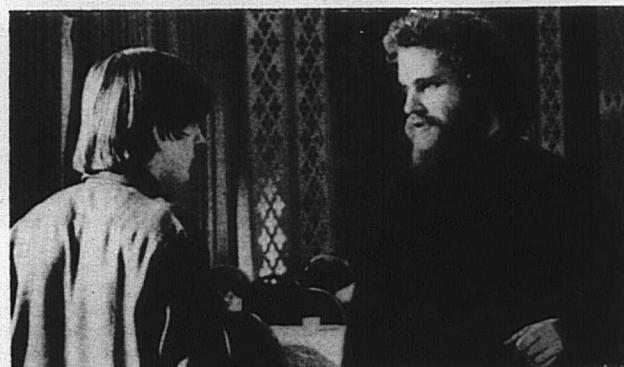
The actual trip to Washington — an eight hour jaunt in one station wagon, last Friday, February 27 — was unexciting. But the moment the first *Star* editor stepped into the Persian Room of the Marriott Twin Bridges Hotel (Mr. Murray Bookchin was already giving the keynote address), he realized he had stumbled into an alien environment. Beads glittered on every side and cigarette smoke swirled in the dimness. The speaker — encouraged by occasional shouts of "Right on" — blamed pollution on the system and predicted that system's demise within ten years.

At 8:30 p.m. most of the convention milled downstairs for the USIA film "The Silent Majority," a bland analysis of Nixon's present power base prepared for propaganda purposes. "You people have seen this film," exhorted a shabbily-dressed Weatherman, when the lights came back on. "But Nixon or Agnew isn't the real enemy; the system is. How many of you are going to do anything about it? Well, how many are going to fight for capitalism? Come on, put up your hands." About eight hands went up. In the subsequent discussion, six *Star* editors girded up their loins and made their way forward to refute him.

One fact soon became obvious — the name of today's student protest movement is Legion. This particular Weatherman, aducing his experiences in commune life, urged us to "share the dirtiest" jobs equally. "What do you mean, the Vietcong is unarmed?" questioned Campbell at one point. "That's a stupid question!" retorted the Weatherman, but someone else broke in, "Answer his question." "Your approach is over-simplistic," added still another — an articulate young anarchist from New York City. Thus the discussion fragmented into small groups, until



Walter Hickel applauds a heckler who has just told him that the Department of the Interior should be abolished.



Editor-elect Gordon Finney questions Anarchos Michael Bacunen concerning the presuppositions behind anarchist democracy.

the janitor finally shooed us from the room.

Diversity of opinion also prevailed the next morning at a panel of ecology experts. The field seemed divided between those stressing ecology as a specialized science and those favoring an inter-disciplinary approach. Dr. Robert Pendleton, for example, began by effusively apologizing for his age, but reminded students that "I was an ecologist back when the outside world considered us kooks." Mr. Garrett de Bell's approach was different. A dropout from the Berkeley Ph.D. program, he had balked at the thesis, "The total environmental effect upon spiders in 100 square yards of oak forest." He urged greater relevance and a closer bond between ecology, sociology and economics.

Concrete information was not lacking. Particularly urgent was the dilemma of DDT, which — while threatening the lives of certain animal species — helps control the spread of malaria as well. But even then, beneath the gown of scientific discussion, lurked the specter Politics.

When the question of "our system" came up, a voice shrilled, "Western civilization must die!" "Civilization? Barbarism, man," agreed someone else. A clean-shaven youth in the front rose to blast these radicals for their unconstructive attitude, thus drawing fire to himself. "Clean with Gene," jeered someone in the back. Mr. de Bell then launched into a general criticism of the far left, whose lack of positive solutions he had observed at Berkeley. The panel ended at noon; though filing out, we noticed Friday night's Weatherman on his feet — "at it again."

While feasting on hamburgers and pie, the convention listened to Dr. Jacque Fresco, the luncheon's main speaker, expound more ills of American society. How his message related to ecology was anybody's guess, but he presented three guiding principles. (a) Don't trust the "politicians," that is, everyone connected in any way with the government. (b) There is no such thing as "reason." (c) Words are intended not to communicate, but to control. Naturally, this last premise provoked one student to inquire, "Then why are you talking to us?" Dr. Fresco was taken somewhat aback. "Well," he faltered, "That's a reasonable question." Laughter.

That afternoon was scheduled

for a press conference with Secretary of the Interior Walter Hickel. The radical wing was not caught napping; by 2:00 p.m. they were ranged along both sides of the auditorium, waving flags and shouting "——" at appropriate moments.

Obviously, though, the Secretary was in poor form. Nailed by searching questions about defoliation along the Canadian-U.S. border, or nuclear testing in Colorado, his answers were at best fuzzy — "I don't know . . . I'm not sure . . . I don't recall the exact name." Asked at one point what he did know, Mr. Hickel responded "not very much." His candor was ill-advised.

Disruptive tactics continued in the 3:15 p.m. confrontation between Robert Anderson, Chairman of the Board of Atlantic-Richfield Oil, and Anarchos member Barry Weisberg. Hardly had Mr. Anderson finished speaking when a girl rushed out from the side and baptized the unfortunate executive with motor oil. The audience, however, was not amused; it applauded the moderator when he apologized for the incident.

And yet Mr. Weisberg's arguments that pollution is inextricably tied to industrialism and will disappear only when industrialism itself is abolished were far more persuasive than anything Mr. Anderson had said.

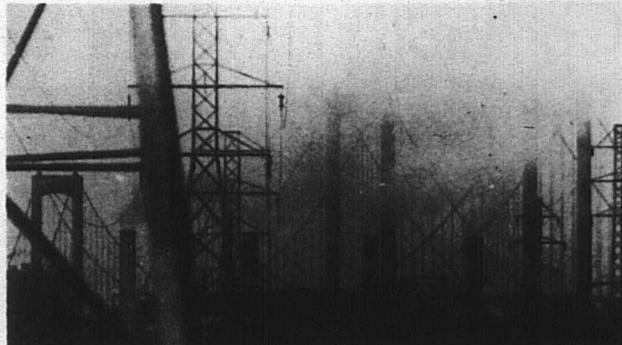


Dr. Margaret Mead: "I have a lot of confidence in what man can do" to solve his ecological problems.

Sunday's luncheon featured anthropologist Margaret Mead, whose rambling discourse proved, if nothing else, her gift of repartee when challenged by such audience remarks as "How do you explain freaks like yourself?" She deprecated the "Red-hunting" phobia of today, relating it to similar obsessions during the twenties.

The first atomic bomb, she said, introduced an utterly new age — one comprehensible only to those born in it. She urged the student press to adapt its language to both the "old" and the "new" generations determined by that age, to students and deans alike. In conclusion, Dr. Mead urged both government and technology to join forces in a war on contamination, which has already reached the critical stage.

Out of the noise, vulgarity and confusion of the conference, four basic ways of viewing the technopolitical ecology crisis seemed to have emerged at this 1970 Unit-



Traveling along the Atlantic seaboard, the *STAR* editors at times could have found use for gas masks.

Baker, White - - - Ghetto, Black

Richard M. Nixon, in his campaign for the Presidency, pledged, "We will have law and order." He indicated that he would, if elected, declare war on organized crime and that his war would be started in our "not so model capital city." Has he succeeded, or were these campaign promises to pull the non-minority urban vote?

Washington, D.C., chosen by Nixon as the prime target in his war on crime, is a law and order disaster area — a city, with an approximate population of 800,000, that is ruled by crime, having the highest per capita crime rate in the nation. When it was announced by the federal government that major bank robberies increased some thirty percent in the nation, Washington, D.C. proved that its 42 percent increase was no hoax by having 13 major bank robberies the first ten days of 1969.

In that same period of time, the city witnessed six homicides in a forty-eight hour period, two being F.B.I. agents who were shot and killed in S.E. Washington. Rapes increased at least 20 percent with no more than one out of ten being reported, aggravated assault sky rocketed, it became almost impossible to get the police to do anything about petty burglary, breaking and entering, mugging, and selling of stolen property. Why, why all this crime increase with a city that is already saturated with crime? Narcotics.

Not more than five years ago Washington, D.C. received its drugs from the overflow of Baltimore, Wilmington and other cities. Now, Washington supplies these cities. To get a picture of how this problem has grown, one only needs to look at the fences. A fence is a person who buys stolen goods and sells them on the open market.

The fences experienced such a backlog of stolen goods that the junkies began to go to the government buildings and sell their wares to the employees as they streamed out at quitting time. It is now reported that drugs can be bought openly on 14th Street from Thomas Circle to Newton Street, a matter of 25 city blocks of that same riot-torn area. It became common knowledge this summer that every person between the ages of 18 and 25 that moved into our neighborhood did so for one reason — he was a hard-core drug user and here was a ready area of supply.

Let me caution you against overreaction; drug abuse has been and in many areas still is one of the best methods of carrying out the law of the administration to keep order in the ghettos. Washington, D.C. did not focus its eyes on its drug problem until the suburbs, the white middle class, saw the problem in its own back yards.

Maryland and Virginia suddenly realized that most of their crimes were drug related, and an overwhelming 70 percent of those convicted for these crimes were residents of Washington, D.C. The fact that a judge in Montgomery County, one of the leading educational and economic counties in the nation, went on record saying that 35 percent of all senior high school students in his county were hard-core users, again pointed an ugly finger at the source — Washington, D.C.

This judge defined hard-core drug use as the use of drugs, L.S.D. and barbituates in any way, at least three times a week. Of course, he was quickly discredited by the police and Food and Drug Administration officials. The cry really went up when schools began making surprise locker inspections for drugs. This cry was loud enough to be heard in corporation council, and Congress.

Narcotics and their use is not the cause of a city dominated by crime, it is the symptom of a sick society. A society that was once the domain of the white man, but is now the concern of all. Next time this column appears we'll look at what is being done in Washington, D.C. to combat this now open problem.

ed States Student Press Association College Editors' Conference:

(1) Pollution is limited. Industry now realizes the predicament. And industry will decontaminate the world.

(2) The problem far exceeds what industry is willing to admit. The federal government must therefore construct legal requirements and a judicial system to deal with violators in order to control pollution.

(3) The ecosystem of the world at this point is beyond restoration to balance. Only the elimination of technology can move

toward restoring balance. And man's mind is incapable of even gathering the facts necessary to allow technology to recreate (not restore) a world clean enough to inhabit in time.

(4) All that is required of man is that he make the effort. His capabilities equal any crisis. And the eco-crisis will be no exception. Technology will conquer all.

Seeking some sense of the bewilderment of the conference, those who attended will be presenting some of their thoughts in future issues of this paper.

Common Travelers seek to share Themselves and Christ with others

There is a sense in which each man's living is done alone. Yet we are bound together by the fact that we are all men: moving, thinking, working, hungering, feeling all the things a man can know.

Eight Houghton students sing together and go out to share with others. They call themselves "Common Travelers" because that is what they are. The most important unity among them is Christ. It is His love that draws them together and sends them out singing. Tim Isbell, music director, expressed the idea behind the group by saying, "We

youth, to cool, foggy places like "Bleeker Street" where only the shadows of men can touch hands to things considered to be the "Proper Ornaments of Life", to the experience of a man trying to find out what life is all about, finally arriving at a place he calls "Love City."

An old Southern hymn concludes each concert with a powerful statement of Christ's "Wondrous Love." The most valuable personal interchange occurs after a concert when members of the "Common Travelers" talk one to one, sharing as the Lord leads.

There are really more than eight "Common Travelers" at Houghton. Connie Harris has done an enthusiastic job as secretary and manager of one group this semester. Freshman Roger Healt on the drums and Junior Anne Little on the cello accompany the "Travelers" in many performances. Mr. Richard Hagwood supports with a great deal of concern and help and others provide much appreciated financial assistance.

Future plans of the group include a Campus Crusade weekend in Canandaigua, participation in the Houghton Spring Youth Conference, possible trips to Corning and Spring Arbor and a concert on April 25 in Wesley Chapel.

Bound together by more than mere humanity, they are "Common Travelers" in Christ. And they seek, through song, to share their Christ as well as praise and honor Him.



"Common Travelers" communicate Christ's love via musical expression, personal interaction and testimony.

Houghton students enter into dynamic Worship at Friendship Baptist Church

About 35 Houghton students gained a new understanding and perspective as a result of Houghton Day. "This experience," said Miss Roberta Fair, "was successful as the students could see that Negroes are real human beings, with feelings, problems and a capacity for worship just like anyone else."

The definite beat of the organ

and the long processions of choirs and ushers began the morning church service. The people responded to an orthodox but dynamic sermon on the new birth in an appropriately audible and emotional manner. The joy was manifest as the congregation worshipped God with prayer and song. Similarly, according to the name of the church, the congregation responded to its college visitors in a most warm and friendly manner.

The purpose of Houghton Day at the Friendly Baptist Church was for white Houghton students to become acquainted with people of a different cultural and racial background and also a different mode of worship. The church is the first or second largest black church in Buffalo and is traditionally orthodox in its doctrine and preaching.

Brynda Van Skike commented on the "sense of freedom" in their worship and thus spontaneously played her tambourine during the congregational singing. "I was challenged to be-

come more personally involved in worship," she said.

After the group was fed in the church cafeteria, the attitude of mutual openness and further interaction was apparent in the afternoon youth meeting. Brynda Van Skike and Shirley Doutt sang a duet with accompaniment on the tambourine provided by a boy in the church.

The "fantastic" youth choir of the church sang, then an interdenominational youth group from Warsaw sang contemporary songs and performed relevant short skits exploring the student-teacher and mother-daughter relationships. This group is under the direction of two Houghton Alumni, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Chamberlain of the United Methodist Church of Warsaw and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller of the United Church of Warsaw. These afternoon activities, attended by approximately 70 whites and 70 blacks helped to achieve what Professor Abraham Davis called a "harmonious time of Christian fellowship."

Houghton representatives travel To Music Education Conference

The Music Education Club will send two representatives to Chicago March 6-10 to attend the Music Education Conference, which will be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

Anne Little, a Junior, and Kathy Lamania, a Sophomore, will represent Houghton's Music Education Club at this 22nd National Biennial Convention. These girls were chosen by club members because of their interest in the convention and their variety of musical experience.

Features of the conference will be major musical events such as jazz programs and opera, special interest sessions on various fields of music education, "Better sounds" in music presented by no less than 60 top-flight performing groups (school, college and university) and exhibits of the latest in instruments, textbooks, music literature, uniforms and other products and services.

FMF trains, supports students For '70 summer mission program

Foreign Missions Fellowship recently chose those students who are to be summer missionaries of 1970. These students include Senior Carol Lepper, Juniors Jan Anderson, Rhoda Shedd, Glenn Kennedy and Bob Brewer, Sophomore Marti Gander and Freshmen Ellen Carey and Miriam Noetzel.

The FMF summer missions program involves both financial aid and an orientation program. Each student receives \$200 to help defray expenses. However, the segment of the FMF budget designated for this aid is the last money to be received through yearly pledges.

The orientation program con-

sists of weekly seminars. Cultural shock and relations with missionaries and nationals are discussed in order to prepare students for work in a different socio-economic environment.

Shirley Teeter, co-ordinator of the summer missions program, states that the purpose of the program is to prepare the students as much as possible to be witnesses for Christ in all areas of life — physical, social and spiritual. While these particular students are under the sanction of FMF, any student interested in working as a summer missionary is encouraged to contact FMF for information on mission boards and orientation.

Houghton's volunteer fire department Uses finest equipment and techniques

by John Merzig

Do you remember seeing the Houghton fire trucks rumbling around campus roads, soaking down the row of trees behind Shenawana, or demolishing an old house or two on campus? Did you chuckle and laugh? Do you get disturbed when a warning ticket is left on your car for parking too close to a fire hydrant?

In your home cities you would expect a ticket for parking too near a hydrant. Back home you expect a well practiced department which operates well maintained, modern fire fighting equipment.

Ten years ago Houghton's fire department was poorly trained and poorly equipped. Today they are well trained and have the best of equipment. This equipment is often seen by the public on Houghton streets, not as firemen "playing with their toys" as some may think, but to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the equipment and the area they have to protect.

Today Houghton's volunteer fire department is the largest active civic organization in town. With 36 active volunteers representing townsfolk, faculty and

student members, the department provides twenty-four hour fire protection for this community and surrounding areas. Most of Houghton's volunteers are in constant touch with the fire service radio by means of home monitors. These home units allow the firemen to respond much quicker.

Chief Robert Gilmore believes that "everybody in town has a moral obligation to support the fire department." For some this may mean coming to a pancake supper or chicken barbecue, or even allowing a husband to join the department to make sure he knows every intake and output valve on a fire truck which may result in some day saving his own home.

Chief Gilmore suggested that ten more responsible men of the community, trained and practiced as are his present volunteers, would provide for a fully operative department. When asked, many say they are "too busy" right now to spend the time and take the New York State courses in firefighting.

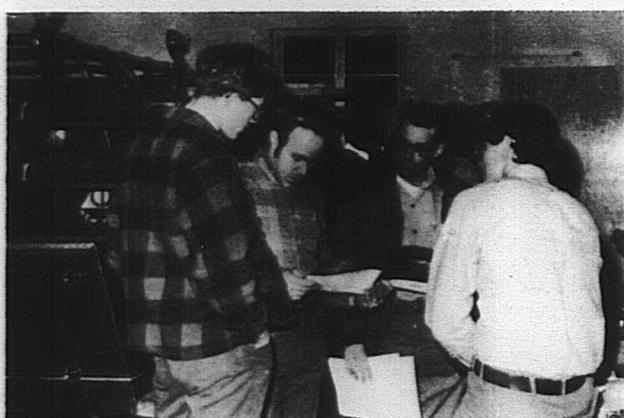
Chief Gilmore remarked, "They are willing to help out in an emergency, but that's just when we don't want them getting

in the way. It takes practice and drilling before a department can function smoothly and accurately under emergency conditions. Anyone will respond when the siren blows but not everyone will give of their time to take the basic 36 hour course in the essentials of Firemanship."

Houghton's fire department is actively involved in providing our town with excellent fire protection. Besides being on twenty-four hour volunteer duty, the department thoroughly inspects, once a week, every inch of every truck to ensure its perfect performance in an emergency. The department raised the money and purchased self-contained air masks which allow the men to easily enter smoke-filled houses, locate the true source of the fire and then apply the water where it will be most effective.

The department maintains a small instrument, resembling a ticker tape machine, which instantly "spots" in which of the college buildings an alarm was pulled, thus saving valuable seconds in responding. Presently sixteen department members are receiving weekly professional training in the operation and use of pumping equipment. The department members are also purchasing, from their own pockets, a fire truck. Because of the work of improvement done by our local fire department the insurance rates have decreased by 6¢ a \$100.00.

Last semester, this reporter was at the fire hall when an alarm was sounded. The first man arrived at the station in twenty seconds. Ninety seconds later a fully manned piece of firefighting equipment was on the way to help. Just because these men are not paid to fight fires does not mean they are any less professional. They deserve our full support for being prepared to protect our lives and property.



Sixteen Houghton volunteers gather Monday evening to attend a course in Pump Operating taught by a NYS Fire Instructor.



Mr. Robert Anderson, Atlantic-Richfield Oil representative cleans off oil thrown by radical student.

Stannards Dam opposition Voiced at Wellsville hearing

On February 19, the New York State Water Resources Commission and the Army Corps of Engineers chaired a meeting in Wellsville's Howe Public Library to sound public reaction to the proposed 37½ million dollar Stannards Dam proposal in order to determine if a further detailed study should be made of the project.

The residents of the Town of Willing, in whose township the dam and lake may be located, had previously formed the Genesee Headwaters Association, an organization which submitted a resolution opposing the proposal. The GHA contended that the lake would inundate ninety homes and eight cemeteries, as well as several businesses and churches, not thirty homes and two cemeteries as the Corps claimed.

The County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, which is the local affiliate of the New York State Conservation Council, and the county Bird Club both rein-

forced this opposition. They held that the reservoir would result in the destruction of bird and wildlife habitats, as well as possibly affecting the ecological balance in the river with the introduction of pollution from many new homes and industries at the headwaters of the river.

Mr. Harland W. Hale, Chairman of the County Board of Legislators, presented a statement which reflected the majority opinion at the meeting. He stated that because of the lack of concrete knowledge about the details and implications of the project, the Board "would like to see this study carried out." Similar statements were made by both the Town and Village of Wellsville as well as the Allegheny County Farm Bureau and the County Soil and Water Conservation District Board.

It was concluded that when this more detailed study is complete it will then be possible for all those involved to make a more intelligent decision.

President Paine and other evangelical scholars Compose contemporary Scripture translation

President Stephen Paine is currently at work translating the book of Acts into a contemporary version reading in the true vernacular. He is accompanied by fourteen other hand-picked Bible scholars whose work will eventually compose *The Holy Bible: A Contemporary Translation (ACT)*. The group of fifteen which calls itself the Committee on Bible Translation is headed by Dr. Ramsey Michaels of Gordon Divinity School and the actual translating is performed at Gordon College.

The significance of this small group lies perhaps in its creed: "We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative Word of God." The creed is the essence of the existence of the National Association of Evangelists, a conference of evangelical believers. Their present goal is to provide a translation of the Word of God which combines the poetical beauty of the King James Version and the comparative clarity of the Revised Standard Version.

They intend, however, to avoid the bias of the RSV and exceed it in clarity. The bias or misdirection of the RSV is an important part of the need for a new translation. The RSV, says

an explanatory pamphlet, was written by scholars "on the liberal side of the theological spectrum."

Although thoroughly knowledgeable scholars, these men mistrusted the Bible as the infallible, authoritative, final Word of God. To them, the Bible was a spotty collection of unrelated truths instead of the complete Word of God with Old and New Testaments in total, mutual harmony. Thus the committee seeks to illuminate God's Word through the watchwords "clarify" and "propriety".

For the ultimate in transparent vernacular, portions of translations are immediately printed and interspersed among high schools and churches throughout the country. In these places the material is thoroughly examined and criticized by the very youngsters whom the translators hope to accommodate.

The Committee on Bible Translation also senses in their work a calling of history. During the period before the emergence of the KJV, there arose a flurry of translating activity which was ultimately subdued by the publication of the KJV. Today there exists again a flurry of translating activity. The committee members therefore antic-

Faculty Affairs Committee determining Form for student evaluation of faculty

by John Jordan

A Faculty Evaluation Guide is being prepared for use by the Houghton faculty members.

The move toward a uniform evaluation form is a recent demand at the College. After preliminary plans were discussed earlier this year, the faculty delegated the Faculty Affairs Committee to develop a suitable form.

This committee studied approximately 35 different surveys which are being used by other institutions. From these plans the committee devised a compromise form. This form, although it is only temporary, will serve as the basis for the final Faculty Evaluation Guide.

The new Guide will serve only each professor. No administrative decisions will be made from any of the results nor will administrators normally have access to the results.

The present form examines six basic areas of the professor's performance: professional skill, course organization, presentation of material, relationship with students, personal characteristics and over-all teaching ability.

In these different areas, the student rates the teacher on a six-point scale. Also included on the form is space for comments and five questions concerning the student and his relation to the course and teacher.

In structuring the evaluation form, the committee gave careful attention to the kind of question asked. Only questions which tend to evoke an honest, objective answer are included as a part of the evaluation.

In addition to presenting an impartial form, the evaluation

must also be administered properly. Dr. Clifford Thomas, Academic Dean, hopes that the form can be administered by an unbiased third party. He also proposes that the teacher see only an overall profile or numerical representation of his rating.

These precautions eliminate the possibility of a professor reacting to an individual rating. This "disinterested" administration also "washes out" the rating by the student who would assassinate a professor rather than evaluate him.

To discover the possible

strengths and weaknesses of the final guide, the present evaluation form will be sent to faculty and the Student Senate for discussion. Comments and suggestions from these two bodies will be considered in the construction of the final evaluation sheet.

In order to test the workability of the Faculty Evaluation Guide, several professors have employed the present form in recent weeks. Students were asked to not only evaluate the professor, but also to evaluate the evaluation sheet.

FM broadcasting by WJSL Delayed by legal difficulty

by Cammie Dayton

The unexpected discovery that an educational frequency is the only one available to WJSL may delay plans for the student-operated radio to begin FM broadcasting.

A channel search conducted for WJSL by Mr. William Stitzn of WCBN, Ithaca's FM home station of the Christian Broadcasting Network, reports that because of our location and terrain, airwave competition is too keen for Federal Communications Commission approval. An educational frequency of three kilowatts is the only one available, as compared with the five kilowatts hoped for. WJSL now operates on 35 watts.

The biggest source of trouble is a station in Kingston, Ontario. A Federal agreement with Canada makes it impossible for us to overlap that station's outreach, a problem which would occur if the necessary antenna was to be built in Centerville, the most practical location. Lake Ontario augments the problem, as it would carry sound waves otherwise unable to reach to Kingston.

A problem unique with educational radio possibilities is the financial one. FCC regulations allow no advertising, thus making the radio not only non-profitable but unable to even pay for

itself. To start FM here would require a roughly estimated \$20,000 - \$30,000, probably more. This figure does not include any expenses once the station is operating. A full-time engineer and perhaps a manager would be two expenses WJSL does not have now. An antenna, a new board and a cable to reach the antenna are additional necessary expenses.

Cost for these would vary according to location of the antenna, which must be 300 feet above the average terrain between here and Buffalo and here and Kingston, Ontario.

One big question facing the investigating committee, Vice-President Robert Luckey and Mr. William Greenway of the English Department and WJSL advisor, is whether WJSL should try to reach the Buffalo inner city area and compete with all the sound problems city structures create. The deciding factor may be how much financial support interested listeners and businessmen will contribute.

WJSL-AM would continue to be operated for the students here, probably only for a few evening hours daily. The FM would assume an eighteen-hour broadcast day with a programming schedule yet unsure, since educational radio requires a minimum of public education programming.

Houghton Gymnastics Club launches new Series of exhibitions at neighboring schools

The gymnasts of the College were literally off to a flying start as they began their series of exhibitions for neighboring high schools last week. Encouraged by their reception at Fillmore Central School last Thursday, the club tumbled into their next performance during half-time of the Houghton-Brock game on winter weekend.

Originally begun as a group of gymnasts interested in helping others learn the tricks of the trade, the Gymnastics Club developed into an organization whose "principal purpose is to promote and encourage the sport of gymnastics and participation in the sport through clinics, exhibitions and other related activities." With these objectives in view, the club has steadily progressed and will continue to do so as long as enthusiasm remains at its present peak and no

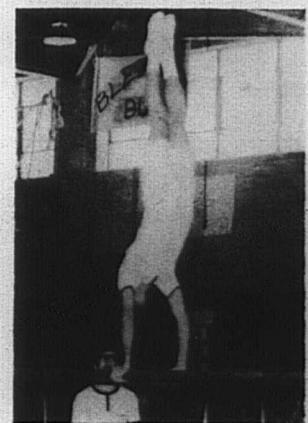
more of its members acquire a liking for crutches.

The main performance usually begins with an exhibition of vaulting and tumbling in which the entire group participates. Spectators can easily find themselves left in awe of a series of back handsprings performed by Mariellyn Jones at the conclusion of this part of the show.

The female members demonstrate their agility through the performance of routines on the uneven parallel bars, the balance beam and free exercise. Chris Gleason's presentation on the uneven bars is outstanding for one with her limited experience. Led by the Carsten brothers' exhibition of side horse talent, the men go on to display their brawn on the high bar, rings and parallel bars.

The future definitely looks busy for the club. A field trip to

the Eastern Gymnastic finals at Syracuse and several high school performances are on the calendar for the next few months. Possibly, the gymnasts will even present a show for the College.



Houghton subdues Brock 92-90 in tight final game

Coming back from an eleven point deficit in the second half, Houghton's basketball quintet wrapped up their season Saturday, February 28 with a stirring 92-90 victory over Brock University at Wellsville. High scorer for the Highlanders was Tim Palma who earned 28 points before fouling out in the second half.

Houghton won this game on the fine three man effort of Palma, Ed Johnson and Steve Babbitt. In addition to his 28 points, Tim pulled down seventeen rebounds to partially annul Brock's fine board play. Ed Johnson was hot from the outside, hitting on eleven of nineteen attempts from the floor for a 27 point total. Babbitt was noted for his clutch performance. Near the end of the game, with Brock still dangerous, Steve hit on four fine jump shots to

pull the game out for Houghton. Altogether, Babbitt scored 24 points in a fine individual effort.

Hot shooting characterized the first half with Brock being stronger off the boards to grab a 53-48 halftime lead. Palma pumped in 18 of his 28 point total in this half, mostly from far out in the corner.

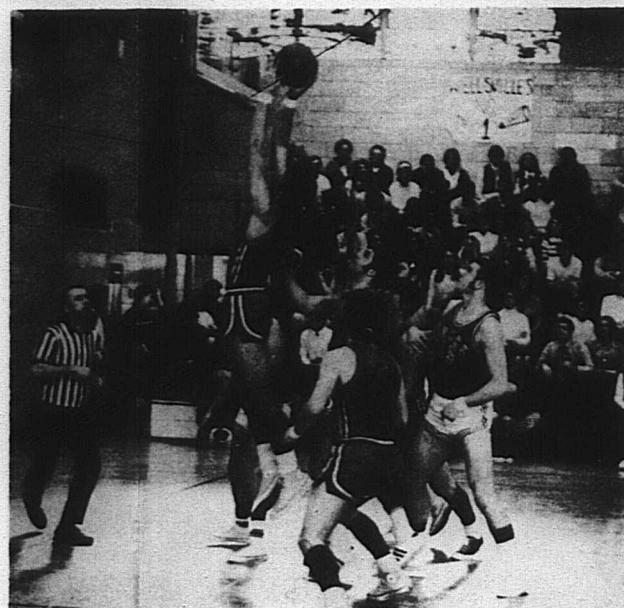
The Highlanders relaxed a little at the start of the last half of the game and were down 61-50 before Babbitt, Johnson and Palma took charge and drove Houghton to its final season's victory.

Quite notable for Houghton was the lack of turnovers in this game and all around fine floor play. The squad was guilty of only 31 turnovers (bad passes, violations, fumbles), as against 41 recoveries and assists. Cer-

tainly this was one of the Highlanders better games on the floor.

As far as the season goes, Houghton ends its year with a 3-17 record. Ed Johnson was leading scorer with 337 points or a 16.9 points-per-game average. Tim Palma was the leading rebounder with 212 for an 11.2 average-per-game.

One hopeful sign coming out of a rather disappointing season is the fact that every squad member will return next year and knowing each other so well, the players should work more smoothly.



Tim Palma grabs another rebound as Houghton downs Brock.

Women's Varsity grabs slim 46-45 victory from Roberts

Thursday, February 26 the Houghton Highlanders Women's Team challenged the previously undefeated Roberts Wesleyan Girls' Team, and came away with a 46-45 win. The victory over Roberts upped the girls' record to 2-0 and left the Raiders with a 2-1 mark. The girls will next travel to Gannon on Friday, then challenge the Alumni Saturday night.

The Highlanders started poorly, as they quickly fell behind and trailed by a 23-17 margin at the end of the first half. The cold shooting of Mary Jane Greer and Judy Stockin was the primary reason for this first half deficit. However, the second half was a different story. Relying mostly on the driving lay-ups of Chris Hamill and the fast-break-away of Mary Jane, the women began to chop away at Roberts lead. By the end of the third quarter, Roberts had only

a 31-30 lead.

In the fourth quarter, the teams traded baskets until Roberts moved ahead 42-38 with two minutes to play. The Highlanders then made their move as Mary Jane hit a 20-footer, Chris Hamill made a lay-up along with a foul shot conversion, thus putting Houghton into a 43-42 lead. A key offensive foul was then called against Roberts and Judy Cook connected on an important foul shot to up the score to 44-42. Chris Hamill then proceeded to ice the game as she hit two foul shots to set the score at 46-43 and assure Houghton of the win.

Chris Hamill had 19 points to lead the Highlanders' scoring attack, but 12 points from Mary Jane and 11 from Judy Stockin also were big contributions. Chris Hamill and Judy Stockin worked together to control the boards for Houghton.

Thursday, February 26, the Highlanders traveled north to the Churchville-Chili High School gym with two teams to meet the opposition from Roberts Wesleyan College. After the girls thrilling one-point victory over the Raiders in the opening game, the Houghton men took the floor in pursuit of their third victory of the season. They were to fall short of their goal by a score of 73-67 after a truly hard-fought contest.

After two minutes of play Houghton held a three-point margin, 4-1. The Raiders came back and with 13:41 remaining in the half held a 13-9 lead. Roberts held the five-point advantage for over four minutes until consecutive buckets by Tim Palma and Steve Babbitt closed the gap to three points with 9:30 remaining on the clock.

Two baskets from Freshman forward Dave Smith and another by Palma chopped the Raider

margin to one point with eight minutes left in the half. Houghton kept close through the remainder of the half but could not take the lead as they went to the locker room on the short end of a 33-31 score.

Eddie Johnson connected on two of his eleven points from the free-throw line and Steve Babbitt scored on a 20-foot jumper to tie the score at 35 points after two minutes of the second half. Roberts quickly regained the lead but the Highlanders kept close until Johnson hit two more free throws to give the Highlanders a 47-46 lead with 12:44 remaining in the game.

Steve Babbitt then jumped in two buckets, Dave Smith hit on a beautiful driving hook and Smith and Palma each cashed in on opportunities from the foul line to give Houghton a 55-49 lead with 9:30 left to play. With 7:38 on the clock Roberts had roared back to tie the score at

56-56. However, Babbitt hit a two-pointer and Palma hit two from the foul line to give the Highlanders a four-point lead with 6:31 to play.

In the next five and one-half minutes of play the iron-five of Houghton, having started and played almost the entire game without substitutes, hit a cold spell which showed the Roberts Raiders outscoring Houghton by a count of 15-1, the only Highlander score coming on a foul shot from Tim Palma.

Starting for the first time this season at the forward position Freshman Dave Smith gave Highlander fans a bright look at the future as he chipped in 15 points and complemented Tim Palma's rebounding strength while helping with backcourt duties when needed. Steve Babbitt led Houghton's offense with 19 points, followed by Ed Johnson's 13, Tim Palma's 12 and Tim Bowditch's 8 points.

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