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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK.....

It has been my privilege to attend Conference meetings in both the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the New York Synod. At each of these I was happy to be able to report a very decided improvement in the spirit and attainment of the student-body. We have had an exceptionally good year, and I should like to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation and that of the Faculty for your individual and corporate contributions to lifting our campus life to a higher level. The year is practically at an end. As you leave the campus for your varied summer activities, the best wishes of the Faculty go with you, as do also our prayers. It is our sincere hope that your summer experiences may be both pleasant and enriching, and that you may return to the Seminary refreshed and eager to make the most of your opportunities here. Next year can be even better if you so desire and determine. To those of you who are being graduated, our special good wishes. May you find abundant joy in your new fields of labor and rich rewards for your consecrated services.

(Signed) Paul J. Hoh

CONCERNING THIS ISSUE

This issue of the SEMINARIAN is published in the hope of reviving former interest in the Student Body's publication. The Board of Publication is aware that this issue is a far cry from former works, but this is only a start, and it is the hope of the Board, that with a decided amount of interest on the part of the students, to once again, publish a magazine which can really be the pride of Mt. Airy. With your support this can be done.

- THE CHALLENGE OF TODAY -

Although abhorred by nature, as well as by most nature-loving theological students, the Lutheran Inter-Seminary "fellowship-fortress" in the East has very largely been constructed in a vacuum. While in the past, Dr. Hoh reminds us, "Rock" Island and Mt. "wood" have supplied the raw materials, "Hem" made the physical sustenance, and Gettys-"burg" the geographical site, the "air" of Airy has often proven to be either rare or non-existent, with results for sincere workers almost as fatal as suffocation.

More recently, however, both the faculty and the students have alternated their efforts at the "air-pump" to insure a healthy, responsible outlook which extends beyond the bounds of Germantown Ave. Conferences, both denominational and inter-denominational, have felt the weight of Lutheran participation and leadership, as attested to by the fine reports of Messrs. Armstrong, May, Roumann, and Utho. The most recent of these attempts at expanded activity is the sponsoring of a Junior, William Lazaroth, to participate in the Displaced Person Program of the Lutheran World Federation. He will have the privilege to serve as Field Sec'y. for a period of two years as liaison officer between our Churches and camps and the military authorities.

It is expected that by means such as these, Seminaricians will more fully appreciate the meaningfulness of such concepts as a Gospel witness, community responsibility, and evangelism. The challenge of these new problems in a new age are being met by Mt. Airy with these fundamental Lutheran principles, while finding existential expression in works of Christian love.

NEW OFFICERS Elected

The final meeting of the Student Body was held on Monday evening, May second. Besides the usual babbling of the Sec'y. and the report of our financial status, the election of officers for the coming year was carried out. The new president is Bob Armstrong. The executive committee includes: Walt Koehler, Vice-P. John Reumann, Sec'y., Howard S. Hugus, Treas. Chairmen for the following Standing Committees also elected were: C. Wilhelm Benson, Athletics, Larry Delp, Intramural Sports, John Swavely, Father Hoyer Society, and John Kinzel, Publications.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the retiring officers for their excellent work this past year. They have served well.

Besides the above officers, two men, Glen Reichley and Andrew Tono, were chosen to represent us at the ASHRM, which is to be held in August at Interlocken, Mich. The ASHRM is the annual convention of the L.S.A.A.

To all of our new officers we say, "Congratulations", and may we be able to say to you at the end of your term of office, "They have served well."

-MISS EISENBERG LEAVES MT. AIRY-

Miss Winifred V. Eisenberg, Assistant Librarian of the Krauth Library has accepted the position of Librarian at the Missionary Research Library in New York. The Missionary Research Library is housed in the Tower of Union Theological Seminary but is not organically connected with the seminary. Miss Eisenberg will begin her new work on June 1st. Our heartiest good wishes go with her as she moves into this new field of service.

Unofficial sources inform the SEMINARIAN that Miss Margaret Hort, at present Librarian at Russell Sage College Library, Troy, N.Y. has been engaged to fill the position vacated by Miss Eisenberg.

.....WITH A CHANGE IN COMMAND.....

Luke Batdorf will be married on June 25th to Miss Thya Cronk.

On June 11th, Jack Smith will marry Miss Christine Heller.

Harvey A. Kuhn and Miss Eva Jean Feltz will be married August 25th.

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Alvin Mattson and Miss Joan Peterson will take the big step on June 11th. After a honeymoon to Mexico, Al will enter Augustana Seminary.

Ray Mock plans to be married on June 11th, and with his bride, will take a trip across the country.

THE SENIOR CALLS

Harold Anderson has accepted the call to St. Mark's Ev. Luth. Church, Boston, where he will reside with his bride of May 28th, Miss Phyllis Lee Stone, R.M. For his forwarding address, write to any fireman or policeman in Boston two days after Al's arrival.

William Balkan has accepted the congregation of St. John's Luth. Church in Brooklyn as his first step in the ministry....that is, unless his present rate of funerals continues.

Carl Berger, who will also be married this summer, has answered the call of the Mesquoning, Packerton, Long Run Parish where he will take his bride, Miss Cora Alice Brong. Sounds more like the cry of the conductor on the Reading Railroad than the name of a parish.

Hermanio Diaz will give up New York for a call to St. Paul's Luth. Church, Puerto De Tierra, P.R. Man, oh Man!

Craig Dorward, between writing for a scholarship, eating, running the mile, and eating, is supplying in the Grimsville Parish and.....eating.

William Hall has accepted a call by St. Andrews-in-the-Mountains, Andrews, N.C. The call is under the Board of American Missions. Sounds more like you need a pack-mule than a new Studebaker.

Robert Hamilton has been called to St. Paul's Luth. Church, Pittsburgh. On June 18th he will be married to Miss Norma Lee Funk. We know you'll miss the "mighty rushing wind."

James Miller, after accepting a call from Wolf's Crossroad Parish, has extended a call to Miss Mary Jane Showalter, who will answer by becoming his bride this summer.

Donald Schupp will go to Mt. Holly, N.J. to St. Paul's with wife and 7.

John Schwahn will be the spiritual leader at Audenried Beaver Meadows.

Charles Troxler will serve the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Roosevelt, N. J.

Paul Walter has accepted the call to St. Peter's Luth. Church, Pittston, Pa.