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DELUGE EXPECTED

The Mt. Airy section of Philadelphia braced itself this week for the expected flood of seminarians returning to the Lutheran Seminary located there. On Thursday the first waves brought some fifty-eight entering students, known quaintly as Juniors, to the historic campus. These students were immediately housed in the u-shaped semi-Gothic Main Dormitory. A second wave of students, composed of Middlers and Seniors, is expected over the weekend. Classes begin on Sept. 11.

CORRECTION NOTED

In The Handbook, mailed to every entering student, the address of Dr. John Reumann was listed incorrectly. The correct address is 7300 Boyer St., and the telephone is CH 7-1660. Please note the changes.

Any entering student who did not receive a copy of The Handbook may obtain one at The Seminarian office, E-51.

STAFF MEETING

The Seminarian is a student publication and as such is happy to welcome new writers. During the first week of classes a meeting will be held in the newspaper office for all students who are interested in contributing. Those who have had no journalistic experiences, especially, should consider this opportunity, since clarity of composition is very important for the seminarman and the pastor. The date and time of the meeting will be announced

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Editorials

Perennial Beginnings

Anyone who has clomped over campuses for any amount of time begins to get the feeling after a while that he has much in common with the eternal student of Chekov's Cherry Orchard. He just about achieves some sort of academic finale when he finds himself starting all over again. Of course, he is reminded, by both himself and those who have had their Ph.D.'s for twenty years or so, that education is a never-ending process. One never knows too much, he is told. While this may be true, he soon realizes that this is no answer to the question which lurks in his mind. Some educators believe that this prolonged frustration is what is behind student disciplinary problems. There is much to commend this idea. What most students discover with time, however, is that they are barking up the wrong tree. The feeling of having 'made it' does not come with a diploma. It's one's own sense of maturity—the ability to be open to both new and old, while carefully investigating each, and the ability to take people as they are. If there's one word which seems to characterize maturity, it's "wideness." Perhaps that is the only real answer to that feeling of "Here we go again!"

Adoro Te

A seminary is much more irritating than most other types of schools. Here what one feels most keenly about is opened without embarrassment. Fortunately or not, it is not always accepted graciously. Every seminarian has those moments when he wonders if anything is holy to those around him. What he often forgets is that holiness comes from the One Who is holy. To separate the adjective from the noun is fatal. He is then very close to God.