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PENN PROFS TO DISCUSS URBAN RENEWAL HERE TO FEATURE SPRING BANQUET TO FEATURE POLITICAL GUEST

Four faculty members of the University of Pennsylvania's Department of City Planning will participate in a University-Seminary Dialogue this spring. The Dialogue will deal with problems connected with urban renewal and its effects on family life. The Reverend Bill Hershey, campus pastor and coordinator for the Dialogue at the University, has not disclosed the names of the professors who will be participating. The exact date for the Dialogue has not been announced.

Ralph Petersen, student chairman for the Dialogue, said that this year's program was set up with the University because of the future plans of the seminary and its involvement in urban renewal.

An entire day will be devoted to the Dialogue. The morning session will feature four papers presented by the University professors. During the afternoon there will be discussion groups with them. A dialogue between the University professors and representatives of the seminary faculty will be held in the evening.

Speaker for the annual Spring Banquet will be a noteworthy politician, it was announced at the meeting of the Middle Class yesterday morning. The class also decided to select a banquet hall for the affair, instead of holding it in a church basement.

The date for the banquet will be selected by the speaker for the event. Several possible dates have been submitted to the class's choice, but he has not yet selected one or accepted the invitation.

Program for the evening will include a dinner, the speech, and a dance band.

Brian Snyder, the class's president, is general chairman of the affair. Other committee chairmen include: Sandy Jacobs, hall selection committee; Bob Cornelius, speaker committee; Steve McKittrick, publicity and finance committee; and Ron Bohr, food committee.

Last year's banquet was held in late April at St. Paul's in Ardmore. It featured a roast beef dinner, the presentation of bowling awards, a speech by Dr. Donald Heiges, and a dance band.

COMMUNION TODAY

Holy Communion will be celebrated in Chapel this morning by Prof. Robert E. Bornemann, chairman of the Chapel Committee. Prof. Richard W. Lundin, chaplain, will preach and assist in the administration of the Sacrament. The Rev. Dr. Robert Raines will be guest preacher in Chapel on Jan. 13.

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The following note was received from Mrs. Heinbach:

"Mrs. Elwood Heinbach and daughter wish to express their heartfelt thanks to all their friends who so thoughtfully extended help and sympathy during their recent bereavement."

NEW STAFF TAKES OVER BOOKSTORE

This week Steve McKittrick and Pete Baade assumed the positions of manager and assistant manager respectively of the seminary bookstore. Dan Eckert, the former manager, a senior, has given up his duties so that the new assistant manager can orientate himself to his position before the beginning of a new term. Steve was the assistant manager before his promotion. Pete was selected last quarter by the Bookstore Comm.

Generally, there is no distinction in the work of the two men, although the manager does control bookkeeping. The major duty of the assistant manager is to type and mail book orders which the manager has compiled. Another function of the position of assistant manager is to receive incoming books. Gradually, Pete will share more of the responsibility.

The bookstore is open from 1:10-3:10 Monday through Friday afternoons. Additional hours are devoted to cashing up, bookkeeping, and arranging store policy. The men are paid on a profit basis.

Steve and Pete do not envisage any procedural changes in the near future that will affect the student body. They do hope that students will pay their bills promptly and, if possible, establish credit.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

REVISED DOCUMENTS ON CLERICAL ROLLS

December 21, 1964

Dear Sir:

In the December 9th issue of the Seminarian I noted the inclusion of the provisions for Admission to and Retention on Clerical Rolls of the Lutheran Church in America. At the conclusion of the second page dealing with this subject, proper credit was given for the source as well as the date.

You should be aware, however, that the Executive Council of the LCA has recently revised this document somewhat as authorized by the Pittsburgh Convention. Dr. Malvin Lundeen, secre-

tary of the LCA, would, I am sure furnish you with the amended statement.

I would like to express my appreciation for the Seminarian. It serves a valuable purpose.

Sincerely yours,
Alfred L. Beck
President, N.Y. Synod, LCA

TIME ARTICLE CRITICIZED

(Ed. note: the following letter was sent to the editor of Time magazine.)

December 29, 1964

Dear Sir:

Congratulations for the very fine article on the church's renewal that appeared in your Dec. 25 issue.

As a student of Lutheran theology I do, however, feel compelled to point out that the illustration and caption of a so-called "Lutheran Eucharist" in which "eternity's intersection with time" is being celebrated was quite inappropriate and nonrepresentative of "modern" Lutheran worship and theology in this country or anywhere else in the world.

Respectfully yours,
Bodo Nischan

The Card and Gift Committee, on behalf of the Student Body, will give a \$25 gift to the Heart Fund in memory of Mr. Elwood Heinbach. Any student who wishes to add to this gift may do so by making a contribution through his class president.

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HEINBACH REMEMBERED AT SERVICE

A memorial service for Mr. Elwood W. Heinbach was held last night at 7:30 in the Seminary Chapel. The Reverend Robert E. Neumeier, a good friend of the Heinbach family, officiated at the

service. Pastor Neumeier used a service which he prepared while serving as pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in Wilmington, Delaware. Members of the Student Body, the faculty, and other friends of Mr. Heinbach attended the service.

Mr. Heinbach died of a heart attack on December 22, while returning to Philadelphia from Lewisburg. Mr. Heinbach was the chef-manager of the seminary Refectory from September of 1961 until his death.

MIDLERS INVITED

Members of the Middle Class have been invited to an open house sponsored by the faculty and their wives at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Martin J. Heincken. This open house will be held on January 26 between 8 and 10 p.m.

CALENDAR

January 1965

Wednesday, 6

Seminarian Sub-Committee Meeting, Hagan Hall--Room 1, 8:15 p.m.

Thursday, 7

Basketball: Middlers vs. Seniors, Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church, 3 p.m.
 Heyer Commission Meeting, Hagan Hall--Room 3, 8 p.m.

Bowling League, Green Tree Lanes, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, 8

Greek 311 Examination, Hagan Hall--Room 4, 2:10-5:10 p.m.

Monday, 11

Wives Club Meeting, Clarence Lee's Home, evening.

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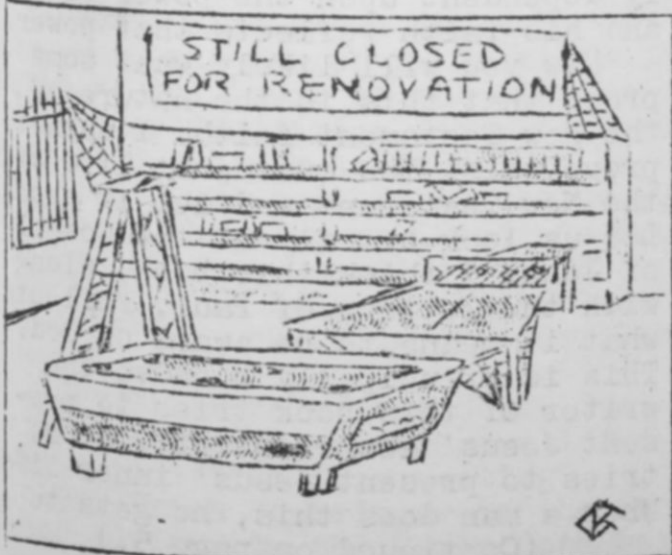
Dr. Raines is co-pastor of First Methodist Church of Germantown. He is a graduate of Yale University and the Yale Divinity School. He has attained nationwide prominence for his leadership in the Koinonia group movement, and he is the author of "New Life in the Church," which deals with cell group operation. He was among the "leading churchmen" interviewed by Time magazine for their special Christmas issue.

RENOVATION CONTINUES

The seminary's maintenance crew, under the leadership of Mr. Nelson Blank, is renovating the basement recreation room of the Library. At an estimated cost of between \$860 and \$1,000, paneling has been put on all of the walls, the ceiling has been lowered and finished with acoustical tile, and fluorescent lighting has been installed.

Four sections of metal shelving are being set up at the west end of the room to house the books which are presently in the basement area of the stacks, under the Dewey Decimal System of classification. The pool table will be placed at the east end of the room.

Although no date has been set for completion of the renovation work, it is hoped that the room will be open soon.



STUDENT VIEWS--

A FAITH

by Robert H. Koch

In this article I hope to say something about faith which will be both relevant and helpful to this community of believers. I will try to present a faith which I have come to understand. I will not try to prove that this faith is essentially the traditional Lutheran faith or even the faith which is expressed by any other present-day Christian denomination. I will simply try to present this faith and indicate its direct relation to the New Testament.

In essence, I want to question whether we at Mt. Airy are faithful to the basic teaching of Christ. Have we turned to come home to our heavenly father? Or are we still going our own rebellious way? This may sound trite, but have we received the love of God in our hearts? Do we know this experience? Every man must ultimately answer this question for himself. But if we have this power of God here, God's power is very weak. I do not believe that the weak power or faith that we have is the person-changing power or faith described in the New Testament. I believe that our faith here has no more power than the faith of a Moslem or of a Buddhist!

If this analysis is correct, I can rightly propose an interpretation of faith that is not completely like the traditional interpretations that the post-New Testament church has given. This I say because I believe that the present condition of the church is due to and reflected in the post-New Testament church, even up to today. Our "traditional" faith then, I propose, has no real power and it can be rejected as being not really like the faith of the New Testament, because that faith turned the world upside down. It had real power; we don't even know that power.

Why is our faith a dead faith! This hurts, but the only explanation I can give is that we are not

really and truly experiencing God! If we are going to be God's helpers in his work of reconciliation, we must first know what it means to be reconciled. This experience is not something that you just believe with your mind. It is, rather, an experience that has actually happened to you. It is not an experience that you hope you have had; rather, it is an experience that you are certain that you have had. It is an awareness of God at all times. Here I want to emphasize that it is an awareness of God. You should be able to feel God's love, and know that at some point you entered it and it entered you. For you to have the power of the Gospel, God's love must be that real to you. You must be able to feel it - really!

What does this faith mean in this relationship to God? It means a certain and a powerful faith that is not generated by the power of the will of man. It is of such depth and power that only God could have created it. This is a faith that is truly a gift of God. It is this in such a way that if God leaves a man, he is truly faithless. He may know that there is a God, but he remains essentially faithless and experiences what it means "to gnash his teeth." Only the man who has experienced heaven, experienced God's love, and is at-oneness with him, who can truly know what hell is, not to have God's love. This man's faith is completely dependent upon the power of God, and his faith reflects that power. Now you will likely want some proof that this is the nature of the New Testament faith. I cannot prove this. You must just live with the New Testament and let it speak. Let us look briefly at the Gospel of John. I think this book, along with the letters of Paul, reflects what it means to be aware of God. This is principally because the writer of this book tries to present Jesus' awareness of God; he tries to present Jesus' inner life. When a man does this, he gets to.

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 the heart of what it means to be a Christian. Probably the most revealing section of this gospel is Jesus' prayer for the church. Here Jesus prays, "that they may be one; even as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." He ends this prayer: "I made known to them thy name, and I will make it known, that the love with which thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them." Here is revealed the truth of the gospel. Let us take such statements more literally. God wants us to experience his love. He wants actually his love to be in us, not our humanly originated love, not our love, but his. How powerful is this love of God to them who have found it!

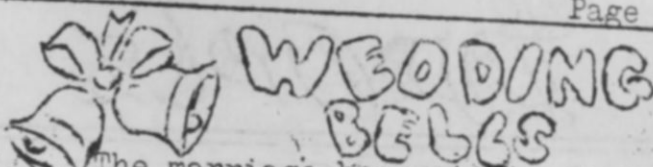
Our problem seems to be that as broken men we do not want to get that close to God - to experience his love. This is too much to ask, men say. But can we be a real follower of Jesus Christ if we do not? How can we know what true forgiveness is unless we have experienced God's forgiveness and his love, which is he himself? This, I conclude, is the challenge we have to face.

HEYER TOPIC IS CARIBBEAN SYNOD

"World Missions-- The Work of the Lutheran Church in Puerto Rico" will be the topic of the meeting of the Heyer Commission tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in Room 3 of Hagan Hall. Gil Graciani is in charge of planning the program. Students from Puerto Rico now enrolled at the Seminary will help to explain the work of the church in the Caribbean Synod.

The officers of the Heyer Commission wish to encourage all students to attend this meeting.

Dr. Erich Voehringer is the faculty advisor to the Heyer Commission.



The marriage boom at Mt. Airy Seminary continues as four students were married and four became engaged during the Christmas season:

Bill Bock wed Barbara Schmauch of Baltimore, Maryland, on December 19 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Philadelphia. Barbara is a hostess for the General Electric Corporation. Bill and Barbara live on Boyer Street.

Bob Johnson married Susan Johnson December 26. Sue teaches first grade in the Norristown public school system. The couple resides at 23 West Mt. Pleasant Avenue.

John Tickner and Pat Reiter were also married on December 26. The bride teaches in Phoenixville. John and Pat now live on Church Street.

Len Ashford gave a ring to Ina Dotterer, a senior at West Chester State College. No date has been set for the wedding.

Ed Mangelsdorf became engaged to Sandy Robinson, a Beaver College co-ed. A summer wedding is planned.

Rick Olsen and Linda Steelman were engaged over the holidays. Linda is a student at West Chester State College. A June wedding at Trinity Lutheran Church, Germantown, is planned.

Greg Shannon promised himself to Susan Bakely, a junior at Lankenau School of Nursing. No date has been set for the wedding.

Dick Bender was married on December 20. Details were unavailable at press time.



Sports Section

SENIORS TO PLAY MIDDLE CLASS BOWLING SCORES & SCHEDULE

This Thursday afternoon the famous "Senior Five" will do battle with the once beaten Middle Class basketball team on the Mt. Airy Presbyterian court. The Seniors have one win as opposed to no losses. Referees will be from the partial Junior Class.

The individual averages for the Evangelical Bowling League are listed below for the benefit of team members and other persons who might be interested in the league.

BASKETBALL

BOWL

SENIORS VS. MIDDLE CLASS



	Total Pins	Gam.	Avg.
P. Hirth	2934	18	163
E. Cloughen	2779	18	154
H. Dierk	2763	18	153
G. Hanssen	2734	18	151
F. Hopke	2665	18	148
M. Merkel	446	3	148
D. Myrom	2560	18	142
R. Meyer	2545	18	141
R. Cornelius	2529	18	140
C. Gills	2473	18	137
J. Slingerland	2467	18	137
D. Hill	1911	14	136
L. Dunkle	2157	16	134
R. Bonser	2006	15	133
S. McKittrick	2347	18	130
J. Houck	1793	14	128
R. Tyce	2312	18	128
P. Payerchin	2275	18	126
J. Seifert	373	3	124
R. Peery	1841	15	122
R. Klaiber	1093	9	121
R. Hans	1988	18	110

BOWLING SCHEDULE

- Jan. 7 and Jan. 28 and March 4.
 Matt.
 Mark Lanes 9 and 10
 Luke
 John Lanes 11 and 12
- Jan. 14 and March 11 and Feb 4.
 Matt.
 Luke Lanes 9 and 10
 Mark
 John Lanes 11 and 12
- Jan. 21 and Feb. 11 and March 18
 Matt.
 John Lanes 9 and 10
 Mark
 Luke Lanes 11 and 12