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Dr. Stuhlmacher Named Visiting New Testament Professor; Nischan Elected Sadtler Fellow For '65 - '66 Year

Professor Peter Stuhlmacher of the theological faculty at the University of Tübingen will be visiting professor in the area of New Testament studies during the 1965-66 school year. Stuhlmacher was named by the Board of Directors at their meeting Tuesday afternoon. The Board also elected Bodo Nischan as Sadtler Fellow for the coming school year. Dr. Norman Melchert, professor of philosophy of religion at Lehigh University, was selected to teach a seminar during third quarter of this year, entitled "Current Philosophical Views of Religion."

Prof. Stuhlmacher. His doctoral dissertation is presently being printed. It is an historical interpretation of the term, the righteousness of God. Bultmann has written an answer to Stuhlmacher's doctoral dissertation in the March 1964 issue of the Journal of Biblical Literature.

He is presently working on his second thesis which is concerned with the concept of "the Gospel--Euangelion."

Stuhlmacher will be teaching the Middler required New Testament course in addition to elective and seminar courses in the undergraduate and graduate schools.

Dr. Reumann begins his sabbatical the end of the third quarter.

Bodo Nischan. The Benjamin Sadtler Memorial Fellowship is awarded for graduate work. It carries a minimum stipend of \$1500 for the year, and the holder may be required to do such work of elementary instruction as the faculty may assign to him. The actual teach-

ing details will be worked out between Nischan and the Academic Policies Committee of the faculty.

Dr. Melchert. A graduate of Mt. Airy in 1958, he is presently teaching at Lehigh University. His seminar, entitled "Current Philosophical Views of Religion," will be open to Seniors with a 2.5 or better average. He says, "We shall look at religion through the eyes of recent philosophers belonging to three dominant schools of thought: analytical philosophies, existentialism and pragmatic naturalism. These thinkers represent not only 'schools' of philosophy, but ways of looking at life common in our time. Points of conflict and similarity between these views and Christian commitments will be stressed. Readings will be assigned from certain analytical philosophers, from Karl Jaspers, Albert Camus and Sidney Hook."

HEIGES RETURNS TO PHILADELPHIA: EXPRESSES GRATITUDE FOR CONCERN

by Donald R. Heiges

Little did I think when I left the Mt. Airy campus on Friday evening, October 23, 1964, that more than three months would pass before I would see Hagan Hall again. It had been a full week, a good week, and as we drove to Gettysburg for appointments there the next morning I carried with me a sense of belonging to the Philadelphia campus--perhaps because I was now offi-

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ODDS & ENDS BY Mike

RON LEE and MR. & MRS. JIM DELONG are making plans for a year at the Schneller School in Lebanon. They will leave for Lebanon in August and stay there until July of 1966. . . . RUSS MCINTYRE will wed Christine Coats on February 27 in Middleport, Ohio. . . . PAUL HIRTH preaches in chapel today. He is the second in a series of three seniors chosen to preach during the year. . . . DR. DONALD HEIGES was welcomed back to campus with a busy schedule; he attended a faculty meeting on Monday, the Executive Committee of the Board meeting on Tuesday morning and the Board of Directors meeting Tuesday afternoon. . . . Tickets for the Student Body Square Dance will go on sale in the Book Store Monday. . . . DR. GEORGE SLITZER, in a telephone conversation yesterday, said he was making definite progress in his treatment for a heart ailment, but he does not know when he will return to his teaching post. He is presently confined to his home. . . . The final round of the CHESS TOURNAMENT will be played Monday evening in Hoh Lounge. . . . You may pick up your one free copy of the SEMINARIAN QUARTERLY from Mrs. Prigge in the Main Office. . . . STAN DECAMP has returned to school after a three week absence. Aside from

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Larry Burr, editor; Bob Peery, news editor; Paul Payerchin, sports editor; Len Ashford, Gary Anthony, staff artists; Jack Denys, Walt Enquist, Ray Hittinger, Michael Merkel, Earl Werdelin.

a taped knee all is "A" ok. . . . A memorial service for DR. EDWARD BOUCHER STEVENS, professor of Classics at Muhlenberg College, 1948-1965, was held on Tuesday in the college chapel. The Edward B. Stevens Memorial Fund of Muhlenberg College will be used for the publication of his poetry. . . .

CONFERENCE TOPIC IS POPULATION

"World Population: New Policies for New Problems" will be the topic February 12 and 13 at the International Affairs Association Intercollegiate Conference to be held at the University of Pennsylvania.

Several foremost authorities on the international aspects of population growth will speak. His Excellency B.K. Nehru, the Indian Ambassador to the United States, will give the keynote address at a dinner Friday night. There will be speeches Saturday on "Broad Trends in Population Growth" and "Economic Growth and the Population Explosion." Mr. Leighton van Nort, the Officer in Charge of Population Affairs in the United States Department of State, will deliver the concluding address on the policy implications of the population problem with special emphasis on the "whys" of U.S. unwillingness to speak out on this issue.

There will also be informal seminars with experts from foreign embassies and from the research units and Economics and Political Science Departments of the Wharton School.

The cost of the conference including two meals will be \$7 per delegate. Mr. Anjaria, the president of the association at the university, asks that a check for the appropriate amount be sent to him as soon as possible at the University of Pennsylvania, Houston Hall, 34th. and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia 19104.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS -CAMPAIGN MOVES INTO HIGH GEAR

by Walter Camenisch,
Campaign Director

Beginning Sunday, February 7, through Thursday, February 25, a series of meetings will be held for the purpose of training the Congregational Appeal Teams. There will be one meeting in each of the Districts in the Synod. The presentation will be the responsibility of the Regional Training Team.

In addition, members of the faculty and seminarians will be invited to comment on portions of the Seminary's program. Any member of the Student Body is welcome to attend any session as an observer.

The dates and places are:

Sunday, February 7, Kutztown District-2 p.m.-Christ Lutheran Church, Drysville, Pa.

Monday, February 8, Bethlehem District-6:30 p.m.-St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 521 E. Locust Street, Bethlehem.

Tuesday, February 9, Easton District-6:30 p.m.-Easton Motor Hotel.

Wednesday, February 10, Allentown District-6:30 p.m.-St. John's Lutheran Church, 3rd & Chestnut Sts., Fullertown.

Thursday, February 11, Hegins District-6:15 p.m.-St. Peter Lutheran Church, Pine Grove.

Friday, February 12, West Berks District-6:30 p.m.-Lincoln Restaurant, Route 183 - 3 to 4 mi. north of Reading.

Sunday, February 14, NE and NW Philadelphia Districts-3 p.m.-Lutheran Theological Seminary.

Sunday, February 14, Hazleton District-6 p.m.-St. Paul Lutheran Church, White Haven.

Monday, February 15, Pottsville District-7:30 p.m.-Zion Lutheran Church, Tanqua.

Tuesday, February 16, Lehighon District-6:30 p.m.-Trainer's Restaurant, Lehighon.

Wednesday, February 17, Reading District-6:30-Grace Lutheran Church, Shillington.

Thursday, February 18, Northampton District-6:30-Trinity Lutheran Church, Northampton.

Sunday, February 21, Scranton-Wilkes Barre District-3:30 p.m.-St. John Lutheran Church, Scranton.

Sunday, February 21, Trappe District-3 p.m.-St. James Lutheran Church, Pottstown.

Thursday, February 25, Central Philadelphia and Delaware Districts-7 p.m.-Lutheran Theological Seminary.

The orientation of congregational teams will consist of a statement of plans for the Seminary--involving relocation and expansion in program by the faculty member. This will be followed by the statement of the seminarian present which will then be followed by the showing of the film strip which has been designed to be shown to church councils. The Regional Training Team will then review suggested procedures for approaches to councils and congregations. Distribution of solicitor kits and view books to all workers and assignment of calls to be made will conclude the program.

As we go to press most of the Appeal Teams are complete and we expect that all will be present at their respective meetings. Printed matter about the Seminary and the development campaign will begin to flow to congregations at the end of the month so that as visits begin about March 1st many of the members will be better acquainted with the aim and purpose of the appeal.

The next issue of the Synod At Work in Eastern Penna. Synod and The Digest in the New York Synod will carry feature stories about the appeal -- be on the lookout for them.

The next issue of The Seminarian will feature a story on the Major Gifts Phase of the Campaign.

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HEIGES RETURNS

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cially president but also because of the cordiality with which Mrs. Heiges and I had been received. In a matter of a few days I would be returning to greet my colleagues; to learn to know a few more students, and to give major attention to the capital campaign which had just been launched at the Second Century Dinner.

Well, so I thought! So we all think, do we not, as each day closes that tomorrow and the next day and the next things will go on much the same. Usually they do, of course, but sometimes they don't; sometimes the direction of our lives is completely wrenched from our control, and we have no alternative but to accept a radically different situation. Such acceptance is always difficult, but I can testify that acceptance is immeasurably easier when one is assured of the concern, the sympathy, and the understanding of friends. And all of you did your part to give me such assurance. Thank you!

Now, I must try to pick up the loose ends, to be oriented to all that has happened here, to begin to bear again my share of responsibility for the on-going life and the future plans of this Seminary. I am deeply grateful to my colleagues for carrying the duties of my office, and I am especially indebted to Dean Lazareth for his competent and faithful action on many fronts.

I would like very much to greet each one of you this week and to chat for a few minutes but I know that this will not be possible. It is my hope, however, that there will be no more major upsets in my schedule, and that as the weeks go by I shall learn to know many of the students whose letters, greetings, and cards have warmed my heart these past three months.

JUNIOR BOWLING PARTY

All Juniors who are interested in bowling Friday night, February 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Green Tree Lanes, please sign the sheet in Hagan Hall so that alleys can be reserved.

EBL NEWS

The Green Tree Lanes was the scene of some unusual activity in the E.B.L. last Thursday night.

Bob Peery rolled a 180 (this is really unusual) leading John to victory over Luke. After loosing the second game to Luke, John stormed back in the final to defeat their opponent with an 855 game, the high team single for the year. Leading John to victory were Paul Hirth (high series 494) and Bob Tyce (214 high single).

The contest between Matthew and Mark started out in usual fashion with Matthew winning the first two games by a substantial margin. George Hanssen paced Matthew in the second game, rolling 7 strikes in 10 frames for a 195 game. The upset of the evening occurred in the third game of this contest when Mark caught fire to defeat Matthew by 111 pins in the final game to gain two points from the second place team.

C A L E N D A R
FEBRUARY

Wednesday, 3

Chapel preacher Paul Hirth; 11:15a.

Thursday, 4

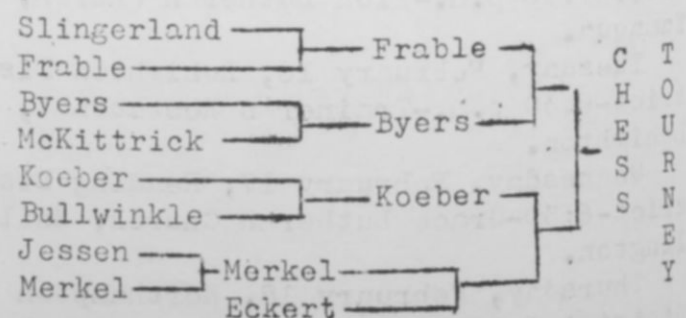
Bowling League--Green Tree Lanes; 6:30 p.m.

Friday, 5

Greek 311 Exam--Hagan Hall; 2 p.m.
Open House at Dr Tappert's; 3-5p.m.
Junior Class Bowling; 7 p.m.

Monday, 8

Chess Tourney, final round--Hoh Lounge 6:15 p.m.



REPORT OF
THE SEMINARIAN SUB-COMMITTEE

February 3, 1965

The students of this seminary have expressed their thoughts and feelings concerning the form, staff, value, organizational structure within the Student Body, and circulation of the Seminarian. By the efforts of the sub-committee members, each section of the questionnaire has been treated separately, results tabulated and conclusions drawn from the student responses. Almost 70% of the Student Body was surveyed. Of the remaining 30%, some we did not have time to reach and some did not bother to respond.

This survey clearly indicates that the students of this seminary are alert and quite willing to express their opinions. A definite co-operative atmosphere prevailed among the students as the committee members distributed and collected the survey forms. Also, there were many suggestions from students as to how the questionnaire itself could be improved. These suggestions and constructive criticisms will be used in developing the next questionnaire. Without a doubt, the Student Body has intensely indicated the need for a well functioning newspaper in this seminary community. Also, it was indicated that this should be an effort of many students, and this "effort" should be of the highest possible standard: grammatically, scholarly, artistically and creatively. Perhaps the most significant result of this survey was the emphasized need for both student and faculty expression of opinions in the Seminarian. As you will be able to see the results in the following reports, this committee would encourage both students and faculty members to take up the challenge and opportunity to make the Seminarian a dynamic and beneficial means of communication.

I would like to thank the members of the sub-committee who have given much of their time to collect and tabulate the results of the survey and who are quite willing in the future to give of their time in doing surveys of any interest and importance to this Student Body. Might I suggest that anyone should feel free to express opinions concerning the present survey or what should be a future area of concern. Any committee member will be glad to receive your suggestions.

Paul Frable, Jr. (Chairman)

FORM

For those who took the time (and 109 or so did) to fill out the questionnaire an opportunity was given to express personal feelings, gripes, observations and suggestions. In many cases strong opinion was stressed on issues which were not felt by the committee to be really "issues" of controversy, while in other cases the "issues" really turned out to be matters of indifference. The following summary will attempt to give the dominant and major points of the "FORM" section of the questionnaire.

#1--The opinions of most people were that the newspaper should be extended beyond the seminary community. #2--The question which was to indicate in which areas it should be extended had an even distribution, with no one point gaining a particular preference. #3--Most people (81 to 26) said the paper supplied immediate information they wanted, but #4 showed that 42 to 38 wanted other information which was not now provided (also, 29 didn't answer this question). Some of the types of information wanted were: decisions of the church, official position and policy, statements of the church, student-faculty opinions, class papers by the students, parish news, news on recent graduates, literary works

by the students and faculty, book reviews, devotional material, theater, film and art reviews, more editorials on controversial issues, and invitations to bull sessions. The greatest emphasis was on faculty opinions and views.

#5--Almost 4 to 1 felt that the newspaper should be an information service (one person asked "Have you ever seen one that isn't?") and in #6 the greatest weight was given to the inclusion of issues of local seminary community concern.

#7--Almost 4 to 1 felt that there should be more feature articles, and almost 9 to 1 stated that student opinion should be reflected in reporting (#8). #9--54 to 33 (with 17 abstentions) wanted weekly columns. Among the suggested ones were faculty columns, book reviews, music and liturgical news, personal quips, student experiences in the churches in which they are working, wives club column, question and answer, city events, pastors' views, creative work, social problems, broader editorial comments, "paragraph pulpit," dialogue theology, and soft-pedal gossip. Many indicated that Mike's "Odds & Ends" column was a good start.

#10--98 to 9 felt the paper should take a stand on issues when backed by the student concensus, and #11--100 to 9 felt that supplements are beneficial. #12 and #13--Most (81 to 27) felt the layout of the paper was appealing and most (87 to 21) felt it provided for easy reading. One person suggested a "continuous column" such as in Time magazine. #14--63 to 43 felt that they liked the nameplate, but one noted, "Absolutely not! Demythologize it!"

Concerning the cartoons (#15, #16) 83 to 24 felt they added to the newspaper (Len Ashford wrote that he definitely thought so), and 75 to 28 felt that there were not too many.

#17--12 to 1 voted that the news should not solely be of coming events (96 to 8) and almost that many (97 to 10) felt that it should consist of coming events and follow-ups.

Concerning the topical forum, 78 felt one should be established, and 68 said they would respond to it. As could have been predicted, #21, the students voted 94 to 13 that the paper should be involved in controversial issues.

#22--Concerning which areas should be eliminated from the paper, of the 26 which responded to this question, 15 replied that sports should be eliminated. Other areas were plain gossip, word puzzles, student attempts at theology, campaign office news, PRT news releases, the enterprises of L. Burr, and publication of BAD sermons from Wednesday chapel.

#23--Most (56) felt that the present Seminarian provided an adequate balance between its various sections, although one wrote in that it was a little too heavy on "local and yokel." #24--As to which area(s) need expansion, the scholar and serious seminary community voted that (50) the academic area needed the most expansion and (11) amusements needed the least.

Thus, an over-all favorable impression was gathered from the students concerning the Seminarian--Larry Burr has gotten his mandate from the voters. With their views in mind and their suggestions taken seriously, the Seminarian can become a vital and active element in the life of the campus.

Gilbert B. Furst

Charles Gills

EVALUATION OF SEMINARIAN STAFF

As the newspaper seeks to improve itself, changes will be called for both in the organization of the staff and its expansion. Most of the students polled feel that the present caliber of reporting is adequate. However, the results of the questionnaire indicate that two areas might be improved. First, the newspaper should employ several regular feature writers. This would provide

opportunity for the expression of views and news in such areas as theology, arts and culture, politics and other topics related to student interests. A second improvement deals with the present editorials. Almost every student felt that editorials should be included in the paper, but over half of these same students feel that the present editorials are inadequate. Improvements suggested are the defining of the purpose of editorials within the paper, and the setting up of an editorial committee which would weekly formulate, develop and control the editorial policies of the newspaper.

Such changes will require the cooperation and abilities of more students than are presently connected with the newspaper. Any student interested in helping in either a general or specific capacity may submit his name to the editor.

Dave Holmberg

THE VALUE OF THE NEWSPAPER

As a result of the recent survey taken by the sub-committee of the Seminarian the following conclusions were reached in the section entitled, "The Value of the Newspaper."

On the basis of the first question in this section, the necessity of the paper, we must conclude that the paper is here to stay. 87% of those surveyed replied in the affirmative to this question and several of those students who replied in the negative added that although not necessary for the community, the paper is very convenient. 97% of the students answered affirmatively to the question, "Do you read the paper?"--53% word for word, and 44% skim. 70% of those surveyed felt that the paper provided the information they want, and a corresponding 67% felt that the present coverage is adequate. Correlating very well with the previous two questions and their replies, 76% of the students felt that the information provided in the present coverage of the Seminarian "aroused a greater awareness of what is going on on campus." The question, "Should the paper seek to have a greater influence?" was answered by all but 4% of the students, 80% answering in the affirmative.

In response to the question about the most essential areas of the paper, approximately 54% answered that notices about campus events, past, present and future, were the most essential. Another 16% expressed the idea that articles of student opinion were most essential. Approximately 40% of the students surveyed refused to comment on the question about the least essential areas of the paper. Among those who chose to answer this question, one quarter, or 15% of the total, felt that too much emphasis was placed on the sport section. The strongest objection to the sports page was the "Beat the Expert" contest which was held this fall. Another 10% of the students find the amusements least essential, while 4% object to hastily written or extended editorials. The remaining answers to this question ranged from objections to "gossip," "Halloween Songs, and cartoons which say nothing" to "long listings of statistics and supplements."

To the final question in this section, 81% felt that the newspaper is "relevant to the entire community," while 15% find this not the case. Those students who answered negatively to this question did so on the basis that the paper does "not speak to married students," "does not lead to creative thinking," or "does not speak to the students' interest."

Fred Hopke

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE WITHIN THE STUDENT BODY

#1--Should the weekly newspaper act as a service agency for other student organizations, in areas of advertising and publicity? 84%--yes, 13%--no, 3%--no answer. Just as other areas of this poll might indicate that the Seminarian should be a means for more student opinion to be voiced, it is here obvious that students believe the newspaper should serve as a means of communication for other student organizations. In this sense, the newspaper is viewed to possess great potential in reaching students with information about particular events, organizational policy and general planning. It is, therefore, to act somewhat as a service agency.

#2--Should the newspaper be financed solely by the Student Body through student fees? 57%--yes, 39%--no, 4%--no answer. #3--Should we seek advertising and subscriptions to help pay for the newspaper? 49%--yes, 48%--no, 3%--no answer. Although majority opinion feels that the newspaper should be financed by the Student Body only, the figures become slightly inconsistent when question #3 is related to #2. That the Seminarian should seek advertising and subscriptions is merely one percentage point over and above the contrary opinion. Nevertheless, it shows an attitude which is not wholly opposed to such assistance. A few written comments advise advertising before subscriptions.

#4--The Student Publications Committee is in danger of going over its budget for the present school year. In view of this fact, would you be willing to allow an increase in student fees in order to cover the expense of an expanded Seminarian? 13%--yes, 51%--no, 6%--no answer. An increase in student fees is considered undesirable. Added comments varied from asking for a detailed expense account and asking whether there are not other sources beside student pocket-books to requests for a higher academic standard.

In general, student thinking is financially conservative and appears to suggest that the Seminarian should remain within its present monetary context and, rather than "spreading itself too thinly," should concentrate on uplifting its intellectual outlook and news efficiency. This implies a continual effort to co-operate with all student organizations. Whether there would be a willingness to increase student fees, for example, under these improved conditions is a question for the future.

Frank P. Muhr

CIRCULATION

Concerning the circulation of the Seminarian, the results of the poll showed that: First, the best day for the paper to be distributed is Wednesday--about 64% of the questionnaires favored this. Thursday was second choice, receiving about 10%. Second, the best place for distribution of the paper is the nail room. However, many felt that other locations were also desirable, such as the Refectory, class rooms, library desk, office foyer in Hagan Hall, Hoh lounge, Graduate Hall, and last, but not least, the laundry room. It may be noted that several copies of the Seminarian were placed on the table in the office foyer of Hagan Hall last week (Jan. 27). Finally, regarding the decision of whether or not to expand circulation to pre-seminary students, the tabulated results were inconclusive. Percentagewise, 52% of the students felt that it should be expanded. One person commented that perhaps copies could be sent to the libraries of the schools where prospective students are enrolled so that the cost factor would not be too great. This suggestion would probably make the expansion of the circulation to prospective students acceptable to a greater number of present seminarians.

John H. Hunsicker