



FOR APPROVAL AT ST. BODY MTG.

\$1453 BUDGET PROPOSED

by David Fritch

In a two session meeting on Thursday and Friday (Sept. 28&29), the Student Body Executive Committee proposed a \$1453 budget for this academic year and recommended that student fees be increased to \$13.00. The budget and proposal for increasing student fees will have to be finally approved at the student body meeting called for Tuesday, October 10 at 11:45 A.M. in room 1 of Hagan Hall.

During the two day, five hour meeting, each item of the budget was carefully and thoroughly investigated and discussed. Students will notice changes in this year's recommendations by studying the proposed budget printed on page 8.

One of the major changes was the decision of the committee not to recommend any money in the budget for Benevolence. In 1966-67, \$50.00 was included in the budget. By glancing at the figures, you can see that this committee actually spent \$60.00. The money was used by this committee for contributions to the Haver-

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CALENDAR

- Oct. 5 - 11:15 AM: Juniors meet for Field Education Orientation, Hagan Hall, Room 4
7:30 PM: Mt. Airy Players will hold tryouts for their first production of the season. Hagan Hall, Room 1. (see story below)
- Oct. 6 - Last day for incompletes to be made up from last year!
- Oct. 7 - 10:45 AM: Seminary Auxiliary Day at the Germantown Home
- Oct. 8 - Junior Field Education in "Inner City" congregations
- Oct. 10 - 11:45 AM: Mr. White will have a very short meeting with one-third of the Middler class.
11:45 AM: Student Body Mtg. Room 1, Hagan Hall.
- Oct. 12 - 11:15 AM: Holy Communion
The Rev. George Freeman, preaching.

CONFO 67

by Harry G. Souders

All of us have become familiar with Canada's "EXPO '67." Prior to the exhibition's opening we were bombarded with mass media publicity about "EXPO" to the point where our curiosity was at least aroused and we could tell others about it.

"CONFO '67" has not had the advantage of all this publicity but it may be just as important to Lutheran students of theology. The conference is being organized by the Assoc. of Lutheran Seminarians and will be held on Nov. 3-4 at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. The ALS is an organization representing seminarians from the LCA, ALC, and the Missouri Synod, now in its twentieth year.

The ALS by means of its annual conferences enables representatives of Lutheran seminaries to get beyond their own campuses for a few days and compare notes
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PLAYERS HOLD TRYOUTS TO-NITE

by Bob Sonnenberg

The Mt. Airy Players will hold tryouts for The Cup of Trembling tonight at 7:30 PM in room 1 of Hagan Hall.

The Cup of Trembling is a play in two acts by Elizabeth Berryhill. To quote her, it "is an attempt to tell, in dramatic form, the story of the life of a
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WHERE THE ACTION IS

(Ed. Note: This is the first in a series of articles we hope to publish from the men on internship. We hope the series will serve two purposes: (A) To help strengthen the bond between the interns and the Seminary community and (B) To give those students who will be going on internship a view of the life to come!)

...by Craig Wright

Zion's is a large congregation (1,300 baptized) in a small city (60,000) in the Berkshire Mountains of western Massachusetts. It is the only Lutheran Church in a rough circle fifty miles in diameter. Before I arrived, Pastor Richard Rintala had to cover this whole area by himself. Now, I share all the responsibilities with him. I feel that this is important because it gives me maximum exposure to all areas of parish life. The way this works is like this: I call in the hospitals on Mondays - he on Fridays; I bring the Lord's Supper to shut-ins one month - he the next; when I preach, he does the entire liturgy - when he preaches, I do; he has had all the funerals so far - but my turn is coming; I advise the advisors of the junior high school young people's group - he advises those of the seniors; he teaches the third year of confirmation - I teach the second year; we both call on new residents in the area. I produced this list at some length in order to demonstrate that I am truly working with the pastor, not merely for him.

There are many opportunities for ecumenical work and fellowship. The LCA, LC-MS, and the ALC are getting together to work on a Reformation Festival Service; even though this is the first joint meeting of these bodies in common, it is only the first event in a continuing relationship which is planned. Members of all the denominations met recently to discuss what kind of a program LAOS could produce for all the clergy of western Massachusetts. The local council of churches has cooperated in the past to create and maintain the "Christian Center" which is a ministry to underprivileged people. Pastor Rintala is the president of the Pittsfield Clergy Association which meets monthly for study and fellowship. The cordiality extended to me by

the men in all these groups has been overwhelming - the pastors here just seem to be naturally friendly and eager to help their brothers in any way they can.

The most difficult thing that I am learning is to distribute my time adequately to each of the tasks that are presented to me. Even though I work hard most of the time, I feel guilty if I find that I have free time turn up in the morning or afternoon; but other times I get a little angry when time I have set aside for personal business is usurped by some committee or other.

The pastor and I get frequent opportunity to discuss theological matters, as well as the day-to-day tasks. I have found this rewarding because the issues are a lot more real when they involve people and situations immediately at hand. I find these discussions help fill in the great gaps in my education and my understanding of my own faith. This is the best way to learn - I can see what I need to know.

Sometimes I find myself in uncomfortable positions that I would seek to avoid, if I could. The important thing at these times is that my anxiety keeps me growing. By the end of the year, I will have been exposed to all the pleasures and pains of the parish ministry - at that time I think I will know better which questions to ask during my last year at seminary, also which areas of study will be most beneficial to prepare me for "the real thing." It is surely true that an intern is like nobody else - he is not a clergyman and he is not a layman. I find myself figuratively patted on the head, chucked under the chin, held in awe, despised, and frequently ignored - I live in the general principle of having a voice but no vote. What a way to live!

SENIORS WIN 28-12

by Jack Warren

Last Saturday, Sept. 30, approximately 14 seminarians showed up at the P.I.D. football field for the "Juniors vs. Upperclassmen" football game. Due to the fact that not enough juniors showed up to make a team, the field was divided between the seniors and underclassmen.

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WILLIAM MARTIN...

the struggle for man in modern fiction

WILLIAM FAULKNER

TRUE AND FALSE

In accepting the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1950, William Faulkner said, "The only thing worth the sweat and agony of writing is the human heart in conflict with itself. If the writer forgets this, he labors under a curse; he writes not of love but of lust, of defeats in which nobody loses anything of value, of victories without hope. He writes not of the heart not of the glands."

Many were surprised by the high tone of this eloquent speech, for, on the face of it there seems to be a lot of 'glandular' stuff in the novels of Faulkner. But beneath his account of senseless violence and dark lust, his faithful rendering of the agitations of man's physical passion, there is a deep concern with the spirit.

Ultimately his novels mainly set in his native Deep South, and peopled with negro servants and white masters, are neither regional nor racial in subject. The South is a symbol of the 'human heart in conflict with itself,' with what Laurens Van der Post once called 'the fear of the white man in himself.' The novels are set in the South only as the South represents a dying traditionalism, a nostalgia and a refusal to be real in every region - and in every individual.

By common consent, Faulkner produced in The Sound and the Fury, not only his best known work, but the greatest novel to come out of America in this century. It is not an easy novel to read, since it employs many kinds of experimental techniques - stream of consciousness, interior monologue, flashback and plot within plot; and because it deals with the shifting complexities and intricacies, ambivalences and ambiguities, of human relationships - father to son, sister to brother, servant to master, and employs a distinctive style to render this flowing material. If Faulkner appears to strain language and to contort grammar, it is in order to express the kaleidoscopic swirl and illogical meandering of man's inner life.

The title, of course, is a direct quotation from Shakespeare. "It is a tale told by an idiot. Full of sound and fury, signifying nothing." The "idiot" is the 33 year old son of the Compson family. Much of the story is unveiled through Benjy's interior monologue. But more than that, the main characters are all seen in their relation to him and to his affliction. They reveal themselves by their attitude to his presence, by their feelings either of guilt or compassion for him, by the responsibility they feel for him, or by the indifference or hostility his presence arouses.

At the risk of over-simplification, let me say that this is a family chronicle - a family in search of salvation. The Compsons, once a power in the land, have fallen on evil days. They are the victims of social change which they refuse to recognize. The old agrarian, aristocratic South is giving way to the new day of industrialism and commercialism.

The mother, Mrs. Compson, seeks to bolster herself and her brood by a nostalgic reverence for the old ways, and a futile effort to cling to the manners and customs of an age that has gone. The down-to-earth and materialistic son, Jason, insensitive to the past and to people, seeks to restore the family fortune in the most blatant literal fashion by engaging in financial speculation.

The dreamy, idealistic elder son, Quentin, is overwhelmed by the disgrace brought upon the family by his beloved sister, who has borne an illegitimate child. For her sake, he contemplates incest, hoping, like some perverted Christ it seems to me, to draw the wrath of God upon himself. He seeks to commit a great sin so that her lesser sin may be overlooked.

Each member of the family, then, envisages himself, herself, as a substitute-saviour, a secular redeemer.

But there are two members of the Compson household who have no such pretensions, whose presence nevertheless contains the only real healing available to it. One is Benjy the idiot. In his helpless and non-judging presence, the secrets of many hearts

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are revealed. Many have seen in Benjy, William Faulkner's most ambitious attempt to delineate a Christ-figure. The idiot is completely unarmed by guile or power; he obeys literally the precept, 'Judge not'; he dies (at the significant age of 33) trusting people and loving all without discrimination.

But this is to disregard the figure of Dilsey, the Negro servant, whose faithfulness holds the family together. She is the only religious member of the household. Because of her acceptance of the Christian faith, she has both a framework within which to interpret her own lowly life and to interpret the tragedy of the family as part of a divine Plan which has at its heart the final triumph of good. Life for Dilsey is not a 'tale told by an idiot' signifying nothing, but shot through and through with a meaning imparted by the Crucifixion and Resurrection of her Lord. She takes Benjy to church on Easter Day. As she is leaving she mutters, "I see'd de first en de last". "First and last whut?" inquires her irreverent son Frony. "Never mind," says Dilsey, "I see'd the beginning an' now I sees de ending."

In an age that offers man so many substitute saviors, so many Christ-pretenders, Faulkner's novel is both a warning against the tragic pretensions of self-nominated Messiahs, and a hint as to where the true Savior of mankind is to be found.

SENIORS WIN (Cont.).....

The Seniors opened up behind the tee of Harry Scuders and his booming 10 yd. kick. The underclassmen under the direction of 'Big Lou' were able to gain a touchdown - the team just didn't seem to jell for some reason. 'The Rock' led his seniors to a 28-12 victory. (Phil Cummings took over the QB responsibilities in the 2nd half and did a real good job.) The highlight of the 2nd half was a completed 10 yarder to Dick Bonzer for the seniors 4th touchdown.

In general I would say that it was a good game where everyone played hard and had a real good time. The Navy, as usual, was represented by tight end Bill Kiggins.

My only question is, what happened to all the juniors?

Baptized membership of Lutheran churches throughout the world stands at nearly 74.5 million, about the same total as a year ago, according to statistics recently compiled by the Information Bureau of the Lutheran World Federation.

The world total represents 57,486,334 members of Lutheran churches in nearly 80 countries plus an estimated 16,933,000 Lutherans who belong to united Evangelical churches in Germany, which also have Reformed membership. This total was down 467,000 from a year ago--the most sizeable drop of any area and reflected largely in churches in East Germany.

Europe has 60,167,333 Lutherans, by far the largest number of any continent but a decrease of over 60,000 in the year.

Among other continents, the U.S.A. and Canada counted 9,098,792--a gain of 71,506; Latin America, 977,011--down 24,196; Asia, 1,959,756--down 162,414; Africa and Madagascar, 1,649,266--up 133,597; and Australia, 495,670--up 21,513.

Of the decreases it was noted that in both Latin America and Asia the lower totals were the result of actual membership surveys by churches in Brazil and Indonesia which showed totals below previous estimates.

Countries with more than one million members are Germany, 37,545,333; the United States, 8,868,073; Sweden, 7,000,000; Finland, 4,570,373; Denmark, 4,350,000; Norway, 3,475,687; and Indonesia, 1,109,847.

Among other countries, significant increases were shown in Tanzania--from 369,523 last year to 461,707--and Japan from 15,785 to 20,219.

FOOD COMM. MEETS

The Refectory Committee met with Mrs. Heinbach, Food Service Mgr., on Thursday, September 28. Quality and quantity of food and punctuality of meals were the topics of discussion. Jelly on the tables is the first tangible result of the meeting. Mrs. Heinbach said that a "Food Preference Questionnaire" would be distributed during October. Committee members (Zimmerman, Summers, Lowe, Gaetz, Sabatelli, Billeck) await your comments.

for crying out loud...

"Oh, Hortie, Fluster McChurney read an invitation from the students to their social function next week, today at the Herrn Versammlung." "Do we really have to go, Vladamir?" "No, Dear, I pretended that I wasn't listenin', so we are in the clear; don't worry about it." "Vladamir, don't get me wrong, I like the students very much, really I do; it's just that they are so...so...studentish!" "I know just what you mean, Dear; just because we share the same classroom they expect us to welcome them with open arms at every social function. They think that we have nothing better to do than listen to their petty troubles and ideas. Why, it's actually bad enough that I even have to talk at them in the class room, let alone with them anywhere else. They just seem to whine all the time; they want an answer to this problem and to that problem. What do they take me for, a soft shoulder to cry on or something? Why, just to listen to them talk you would think that we were training pastors instead of theologians." "Vladdie, it bothers me; I don't see why we should be expected to have any more contact with them; after all, we do invite them to three lovely teas each year. They have a perfect opportunity to talk to us then and learn all about us; what more can they expect of us? You know we aren't their keepers." "You see, Hortie, they have this silly notion about how we should all get along in one big family and really love each other; why, I haven't heard anything so preposterous since my Sunday School days."

What's this? Is this Old Crab stepping on some toes? Well, feel relieved in the fact that my feet ache a little, too. It might be a nice experiment to turn our sparring matches into some real old fashioned concern and communion. Remember, if the shoe fits...ask forgiveness and change things.

...The Old Crab.

FOOTBALL
OCT 13 AT
WESTMINSTER
3:00 P.M.

FROM THE PEN OF THE POET

NAKED IN THE SNOW

kenneth e. zindle

the lull of crystal loneliness
whispers sadly a warning;
punctuating life with its softness,
smothering, freezing, with epic beauty.
adding silence to a once fierce animal;
now still, rapped in stiffness.
receiving noiselessly a carpet
white in its death giving power.
the murmurs of the wind trip lightly
almost gayly, over the eyes now still
fixed as if silently star gazing.
the sun, almost in fear, hides;
pronouncing in his reluctance
the night of the approaching storm.
slowly with savage indifference it arrives
spreading its smothering fingers
on the adoring gaze of upturned faces;
conscious of only the sweet overtures
which hide the violence of the wind's war
with uncommon indifference it howls;
breaking the hopes of worshippers.
filling warm places with frost.
daring in its silver fierceness,
awaiting with the impatience of a caged
beast;

anticipating a challenge, weak, futile
full of the aggrandizing spirit
commonly inspiring the efforts of mortals
whistling its own praise,
the wind in the ignorance of self-assurance
feels its own punishing prowess.
nor does it see the fleeting figure,
swiftly moving through the piles of snow;
silver in her nakedness
against the hiding sun and raging sky.
laughing her challenge,
wordless in her contempt.
with the increasing force of the scorn,
the wind bellows its answer;
the rage of the storm drums, throbs,
piling blankets of patterned destruction.
against the shimmering figure,
the relentless forces spend themselves;
gleeful in their moment of decision,
confident, boisterous, yet thorough.
silently the moon climbs,
butter-like in the ink of the sky;
showering drops of light
that glisten on the aftermath of the
storm's anger.
swiftly, with the trill of a small bird,
over the hill appears the figure;
the moon plays with its shadows
dancing on her like rain drops.
whispering quietly to herself,
conversing secretly with
an ever present protector,
she wanders even in the storm's hour.

AROUND CAMP 1000

Anyone interested in supply preaching? Mrs. Prigge has some openings which may interest you.....Thiel College graduates are reminded that this weekend is Homecoming at their alma mater.....Deadline for applications for the position of assistant manager of the bookstore is Friday, October 13th. If you need money and are looking for employment, why not consider this excellent opportunity to work on campus!.....That group of strangers on campus Monday were members of a "cluster group" of interns serving in this area. They will meet monthly with IrI White. Included in the group are 5 interns from Mt. Airy, 2 from Southern, 1 from Union, and some from Gettysburg.....Our research department has discovered that Hrdlicka in Slovak means "Turtle Dove." Bispels in any language means nothing.....Full proceedings of the Lutheran Labor Day Conference on War and Race are available in booklet form for \$2.00 a single copy. There is a group rate for 10 or more. If you're interested in obtaining a copy, the address is: Lutheran Action Committee, c/o John Boelter, 1350 N. Sedgwick, Apt. 4E, Chicago, Illinois.....An hour long CBS-TV program - produced as a sequel to the award winning "A Time For Burning" is now available thru the Lutheran Council's Department of Films. Entitled "A Time for Building", it presents reactions to "A Time for Burning" gathered at showings in Newark, Mississippi, New York and New England. Rental fee is \$15, or you can buy it for \$250. Write the Dept. of Films, Lutheran Council in the U.S.A., 315 Park Ave. S., New York, N.Y. 10010.....Mr. McCurley. Is it true that Pond's 7-day beauty plan is based on an ancient near-eastern literary device planned with a climatic action?.....Roger Zepernick received \$10 as his contribution to helping beautify his neighborhood. That's the price he got for his car!!.....It's good to see Dr. Reed back on campus after his recent illness.

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with each other as well as having the advantage of sounding out the other traditions in American Lutheranism. The obvious advantage of this cannot be overlooked. How often do we really get a chance to find out at the grass roots level what other Lutheran seminarians are concerned about. After all, the faculty members of the seminaries can get together at various academic and organizational inter-Lutheran activities, but this is one of the few opportunities for students to do this.

"Lutheran Unity - NOW!" is certainly a timely theme and is especially worthy of our consideration in this year of the 450th anniversary of the Reformation. As the publicity has stated, "Christ is the answer and Lutheran unity now is the question." A fine and representative list of speakers for "CONFO '67" include: The Rev. Dr. G. Brauer, Dean of the Univ. of Chicago's Divinity School and key-note speaker at the first convention of the Lutheran Council-USA; The Rev. Dr. W. Bouman, Professor of Systematic Theology at Concordia, River Forrest. Dr. Bouman is one of the emerging voices in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; The Rev. Dr. E. Arden, Professor of Church History at LSTC; and the Rev. Dr. E. Brand, Professor of Systematic Theology, Music and Liturgics at Evangelical Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Brand is one of the leading voices in the ALC regarding Church renewal.

This conference promises to be of substantial value to those attending and to the schools they represent. Representatives of the various schools can bring back the high points of the conference to the various student bodies and in this way, all should benefit.

Some will probably say that this is "just another conference." I do not believe this to be the case. As Chairman of the Inter-Seminary Relations Committee I would like to see Mt. Airy send representatives. I invite your consideration of this matter prior to the student body meeting.

OPEN LETTER TO THE BIBLICAL DEPT.

Gentlemen:

It has become apparent that there is a serious situation developing regarding the problem of good commentaries on the

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BUDGET (Continued).....

ford Center, candles for Viet Nam, and the purchase of flowers for Dr. Baggar's funeral. However, the committee decided not to budget any money this year under this category for two reasons: 1) benevolence is a personal matter, thus no one should dictate how much should be spent, and 2) the Chapel offerings will be used for this purpose. Those who opposed this opinion stated that in order to show the benevolence of the entire student body, it would require the entire student body to contribute to this area of student life.

Another item of the budget which received considerable attention was the Inter-Seminary Committee's request. Last year this committee did not spend any of the amount of funds budgeted to it. Much discussion centered around whether or not the seminary should enter into a dialogue with other seminaries, not only ICA but of other denominations as well, or to send delegates to the Confo at Chicago

which will allow for dialogue with other Lutheran seminaries. It was also suggested that we have our own program of dialogue with students of Gettysburg and St. Charles R.C. seminaries. It was finally decided to include the Confo item as a separate activity in the budget. See the story on this program elsewhere in this issue.

Costs for the Spring Banquet last year were \$598.23. \$600.00 was budgeted for this event. Part of the expense was met by selling tickets at \$1.25 per person. This year it was decided to budget \$500. instead with an undetermined increase in the price of the tickets to make up the balance of the banquet's costs.

All items of this budget should be carefully studied by the students before the student body meeting. Final approval will take place at that time. You are encouraged to bring the budget which appears below to the meeting with you.

In order for this budget to reflect the feelings of the student body a good attendance at the meeting is requested.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE STUDENT BODY
LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT PHILADELPHIA
1967-68

RECEIPTS

Balance from 1966-67 (122 students)	\$ 197.93
Proposed dues (106 students @ \$13.00)	1378.00
Income from Del-Val Appliance Co.	<u>45.00</u>
Total	\$1620.93

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	1966-67		1967-68
	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>SPENT</u>	<u>PROPOSAL</u>
1. Telephone	\$105	\$147.95	\$120
2. Inquirer	20	22.78	20
3. Publications	300	363.49	275
4. Card and Gifts	25	24.78	25
5. Mt. Airy Players	50	50.00	40
6. Student Admin.	25	23.28	25
7. Symposium	50	50.00	50
8. Social Activities	30	24.00	75
9. Athletic Activ.	50	55.40	65
10. Wives Club	25	25.00	30
11. Senior Class	15	0.00	5
12. Middler Class	15	15.00	8
13. Junior Class	15	0.00	15
14. Inter-Seminary	100	0.00	75
15. Student Housing	8	0.00	5
16. Spring Banquet	600	598.23	500
17. Benevolence	50	60.00	0
18. Guided Tours	110	106.75	0
19. Confo 67			<u>120</u>
Total			\$1453
RECEIPTS TOTAL			\$1620.93
EXPENDITURES			<u>\$1453.00</u>
BALANCE AT THE END OF THE YEAR			\$ 167.93