

# CARL STOKES -- MAN OF THE YEAR

Carl Burton Stokes, great-grandson of a slave, the first Negro elected to serve as the head of any major U.S. city, was selected by a student vote to be the 1967 Man of the Year. Although the participation in the final voting was not great, Carl

## IT'S COMING

Len Ashford, Chairman of the Social Committee, announces that Tuesday, February 27th is a date you don't want to forget. That's the day of the Annual Fastnacht Show. (Better known as nothing-is-sacred-night!) Each class is responsible for putting on a skit, and anyone interested in participating should talk to the social chairmen of their respective class.

Social chairman of the senior class, Paul Hrdlicka, said in a press conference on Monday, that the Senior Class will be hard to beat. They have established quite a record at Fastnacht festivities since their junior year and this year will be tougher than ever. Paul hopes to have an enthusiastic response to the senior's skit. Chairmen of the junior and middle classes are Fred Hennen and Dave Newhart.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served following the festivities by the Junior Class. All of this will take place at the Germantown Home beginning at 7:30 P.M. Bring your wives and/or girlfriends, etc. The faculty are definitely invited!!!

## WHAT IS A SEMINARY?

Rosie Sisler is a sixth grade school teacher at West Rockville Elementary in Rockville, Md. The other day she asked her class to write the definition of a seminary as part of a language arts exercise. Not all of the students knew what a seminary was, but some attempted to put in words their definition. Here are a few

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Stokes received an overwhelming number of votes to be named The Seminarian's Man of the Year.

Stokes was born in the slum area of the city of Cleveland. Little did he dream as a young boy that someday he would be mayor of that town. His father died when he was a year old. For the next 11 years, he lived with his mother and brother in their one bed, one bedroom apartment. His mother drilled into his head the same statement everyday: "Study, so you'll be somebody."

By age 17 Carl was a school drop-out. He soon found himself in the army serving

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## PLAYERS GIVE ONE ACT PLAYS FEB 8,9,10

After some major and minor problems, that seemed to plague the Players in their attempt to produce their second show of the year, the production is finally nearing performance dates of February 8,9,10 at 8:00 PM.

As their second presentation of this academic year, the Players are producing 2 one-act plays. The first is "The Last Word" (or "What To Say About It") by James Broughton. The story concerns itself with the last judgment that provoked examination of life and conscience. It deals with the remaining minutes before extermination by bombs when a husband (Rusty Augenblick - played by Dave Shaheen) and his wife (Dusty - played by Barbara Grundin) confront the end of their

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## 2 PASTORS CALLED TO PUBLICATION BRD.

The Rev. Ralph W. Bagger of Hegins, Pa. and the Rev. Robert W. Endruschat of New Haven, Conn., will join the editorial staff of the LCA's Board of Publication in the near future. They were called to serve in their new positions at the board's January meeting.

Pastor Bagger will succeed the Rev. Robert R. Clark who resigned as editor of the LCA's weekly church bulletin service, the quarterly devotional booklet "Light for Today," and the monthly "Minister's Information Service." Circulation for the weekly bulletin service is 840,000, for the quarterly devotional booklet 175,000.

Pastor Bagger, 44, is the son of the late Rev. Dr. Henry H. Bagger, a former president and later president emeritus of this school. A native of Butler, Pa., he is a graduate of Muhlenberg College, this seminary and the U. of P. He served St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Allentown before assuming his present pastorate at Friedens Church, Hegins, Pa., in 1960.

A World War II veteran, he has been a frequent contributor to church publications and has assumed editorial duties during conventions of the LCA and of the E. Penn. Synod.

Pastor Endruschat, 37, is a native of Buffalo, N.Y., and a graduate of Wittenberg University, and this seminary. He was pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in New Haven, Conn., and a member of the Board of Publication, serving on its books and manuscripts committee.

Pastor Endruschat will become book editor. His special assignment will be development of books for pastors and lay people including those who share many of the concerns of the church without necessarily identifying themselves with it.

- WHAT IS A SEMINARY (Cont.).....
- choice descriptions (they are pretty close to being accurate!)
- Seminary: - a place where dead people are
  - quiet, alone.
  - well, I think semi means small, but I don't know what nary means.
  - a place where mental retarded people are kept.
  - a place where they bury dead people.
  - a place where they study about the eye and do research about eyes.
  - a part of the brain.

Just think, one of these children could grow up to be president!

## THOMAS SEES CONSERVATIVE TREND

The LCA staff executive charged with responsibility for drafting social action programs predicts a "swing to conservatism in the United States" in the next five years. The Rev. Carl E. Thomas of New York City told the presidents of the LCA's 32 synods at their annual meeting in Cincinnati.

"The country simply needs time to absorb the vast amount of social legislation adopted recently. The people need time to catch up. Look at the problems of the Office of Economic Opportunity and Social Security amendments had in Congress this last session. Look at the popularity of the Romneys, Reagans and Wallaces and one must ask why they are so popular."

Pastor Thomas, executive secretary of the LCA Board of Social Ministry, noted there are several emerging trends between those he labelled "political trends" and "Social Ministry Responses." In addition to the swing to conservatism, Pastor Thomas - who, incidently, at 37 is the youngest top staff executive in the LCA, cited as political trends:

"The amount of money the church puts into social ministry operations is closely related to the political situation. When a government does not respond to the basic needs of its people, the needs remain unfilled or they are assumed by the private sector of the society. Since only government has sufficient resources to respond adequately, needs often remain unfilled.

"Related to this is the fact that the amount of money needed from the church depends on the government's definition of the basic rights of all citizens. Education has not always been a 'right' - now it is. Guaranteed income, in my judgment, will soon be a 'right' not a dole; health services are increasingly a 'right' for some segments of society.

"If welfare is a right - ought not social services be a right also?"

Among social ministry trends, Pastor Thomas identified:

"1. Larger inter-Lutheran multifunction programs. It's the only option. Agencies, as they expand, will need a larger constituency base.

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# IMPOSITION ON AMOS 1-2

by John Dietz  
(reprinted from Unofficial Perspective)

The Lord roars from Zion  
and utters his voice from Jerusalem;  
the farms of the nation are in sorrow  
and the top of the Sequoia withers.

Thus says the Lord:

"For three transgressions of Russia  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because they have destroyed Hungary  
and the freedom of her people.  
So I will consume her in the throes of revolt  
and make her peoples to rise up against her.  
I will burn Moscow with an inferno  
and utterly waste her vast wealth,  
And the Soviet people shall be ruled by enemies;  
by those who hate them shall they be subjugated."

Thus says the Lord,

"For three transgressions of China  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because they subjugated a peaceful people  
and sent their leaders into exile.  
So I will cause fire to rain upon Peking,  
and bombs shall fall upon it at night.  
The land shall be torn by confusion,  
and many will die in revolt,  
And the rice fields shall glow with hell-fire,  
and atomic waste shall shine in the land by night."

Thus says the Lord,

"For three transgressions of Cuba  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because he fosters death in the lands of his brothers  
and he does not shrink from killing his fellow man.  
So I will leave his land to famine and hunger,  
and fathers shall not be able to buy food for their children.  
And Havana shall groan under the yoke of masters,  
and others shall rule in the streets of the capital.  
So I will destroy with fire the cane fields,  
and the land will be devastated and black."

Thus says the Lord,

"For three transgressions of South Africa  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because they make their people to groan in slavery  
and their black ones cry in anguish.  
So I shall cause confusion to rise in the land,  
and the blacks shall massacre their masters.  
The diamond mines shall be sealed,  
and blood shall be the product of the land."

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Thus says the Lord,

"For three transgressions of Israel  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because they did not hear the cries of the homeless  
and sent refugees into the desert.  
So I shall destroy their country,  
by the hands of the homeless they shall die.  
And Tel Aviv shall no longer be the home of progress  
and the Jordan will run with the blood of the slain."

Thus says the Lord,

"For three transgressions of the United States  
and for four, I will not turn away my anger,  
because they make their poor to live in ghettos  
and turn their faces to the suburbs;  
They hear not the cries of anguish of the black man,  
and they allow rats to attack children;  
They go off to fight for freedom,  
but ignore the need of their brothers at home;  
They kill children with fire in Asia,  
and with bullets in the cities of America;  
they make churches into clubs for the self-righteous  
and the house of God becomes a place of show.  
Yet I brought down Rome the almighty,  
and the kingdom of Germany lasted only twelve years.

You have been given more than any nation;  
your riches are like none before,  
Many have called you to justice,  
and your land has lived in freedom.

Behold, I shall make your cities into rubble,  
and your fine army shall be torn by its foes.  
Your money and comfort can avail you nothing,  
and your fed bellies will die with you.  
The man who pushes the button shall die also,  
and the submarines cannot dive deep enough.

"I will punish you for your iniquities."

CONSERVATIVE TREND (Cont.).....

"2. New programs, more closely related to the urban scene and to congregation, will develop under present corporate structures. Housing, day care, community organization, will be increasingly popular.

"3. New areas of partnership. I suspect that inter-Protestant agencies are not far off - but closer than most of us realize are the possibilities of joint Lutheran-Roman Catholic services. These operations will be financed by church, government and community."

Pastor Thomas said his whole outlook was based on 3 pre-suppositions:

"First, that in the 5-10 year period ahead the major social problems of the present will still be unsolved. The depth of the crisis in race relations, the disintegration of the cities, the gap between the haves and the have nots will yet be with us.

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us.

"Secondly, new problems will appear. My guess is that they largely will affect the white middle class. The youth revolution, as seen on college campuses, is just beginning. The increased number of aging who feel useless and nonproductive will be a major source of concern.

"And finally, no one can predict the world scene in 5-10 years. Other Viet Nams are not impossible."

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# for crying out loud

Once in the little town of Seminarianville there was a very rich and powerful man named Idecide. Also living in Seminarianville was a somewhat less rich man, who was, however, youthful and extremely idontcarewhathesays. One day by chance these two were placed together in the same train car on a journey. Out of mere politeness, they struck up a conversation. Much to the chagrin of both of these they found out that they really liked each other, and each discovered the other to be human. Idecide found out that idontcarewhathesays's middle name was butiamconcerned, and idontcarewhathesays found out that idecide's middle name was ireallywishtohelp. Their relationship became entirely different after they realized that both were sensitive people with feelings and were willing to talk and be friendly. The two men became such good friends that they went into business together and called it: Idecideireallywishtohelp & Idontcarewhathesaysbutiamconcerned's law firm.

Examining committees are really strange things; one most often thinks of them as something to be wary of and not trusted. I was personally impressed with the tone and outcome of the meeting held with our examining committee from the Eastern Penn Synod last weekend. I enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere and the chance to get to know them and talk to them in the fashion that we did. I realize that it is probably not the students place to make suggestions but some of the other synods should take their cue from such a procedure and maybe the attitude of students toward examining committees would change.

...the old crab

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existence and thus begin for the first time in their lives to confront each other as persons.

The second play, longer than the first, is R. H. Ward's "The Figure on The Cross." This play is based on the seven last words of Jesus from the cross. The play is a "lenten liturgy" and has a chorus of 7 people: Robert Busch, Jean Oesch, Marty Roth, John Shaughnesy, Kathy Shaughnesy, George Summers and George Bruhjes, who take on various characterizations during the play.

Performances will take place in Ascension Church.

# here's what's happening

We have been faced with a great task for the past four and one-half months of rewriting the By-Laws of our Student Body Constitution. The new four year program of the Seminary has made it necessary for us to rewrite our method of election of Student Body officers. The committee organized to do this rewriting, the three class presidents, the Student Body Secretary and Vice-President, have done a fine job. They have come up with a fine working plan for future elections one which I recommend to the student body. They have even done the impossible, they have streamlined the government. They have made the do-nothing positions of Vice-President and Secretary responsible offices-a once thought impossibility. They have reduced the number of committees and produced an outline for the Student Body which I am sure will produce better functioning and more informed officers and students. I hope that when we get together before the end of the quarter to vote on these changes you will all be out to support the outstanding work of the committee.

I feel that this constitution revision is the most important task for us as a student body this year. It is something which must be done and will be done. I hope, no, I know that all of you will support us in this effort. The meeting will be before the end of this quarter, the date will be announced shortly.

The next event coming up, after exams, is Fastrach. We missed it last year but this year we are to enjoy it. I hope that the entire student body and faculty (including wives) will be there. I hope that it will be a very enjoyable evening, filled with laughter and joy. I hope the fun we will poke at ourselves will help us to realize that L.T.S. is not really such a bad place after all.

The Chief, Paul Britton

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in Europe. After his service stint, he completed high school. In a matter of several years he worked his way through the Univ. of Minnesota, earning a B.S. in law.

The significance of his victory at the polls is yet to be seen. Nevertheless, he has instilled great hope and respect to black men of this country by

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# AROUND CAMP:ooo

Those concerned about the Vietnam situation may be interested in the current copy of The Peacemaker which contains information about the Washington Mobilization of Feb 5-6, plus articles by Sen. Wayne Morse and Stanford theologian Robert McAfee Brown. It is posted in Hagan Hall.....Booksale begins Monday, February 5 in the Library.....An old mimeograph machine is your for the taking in the Seminarian office. Do you want it?...

..The Players received an excellent reception at Bethel Lutheran Church last Sunday when they performed The Cup of Trembling.....Have you seen the graffiti exhibit lately?.....A very disappointing attendance at the last Wives Club Mtg. C'mon girls, you can do better than that.....The pool table has been repaired just in time for the big tournament. Winning team meets Minnesota Fats on a TV special!.....Lynn Rothrock became a mother last weekend at Pocono Manor.....Our research dept. has learned that a deaconess candidate here shrinks her hair.....Two kitchen stools or bar stools are needed for the coming Players production. See George Brunjes if you can help with this item.....Preachers are needed for Sundays in March and June at Split Rock Lodge. Sign-up sheet is posted in Hagan Hall.... Students interested in making presentations on the development plans of the Seminary are needed for NYC area churches in February and March. See Dr. Reumann or Mr. Weiser for details.....Your attention is called to the Nemo from Pastor Neumeyer about the new Sidney Poitier's play opening in Phila. on Feb 12. Nemo is posted in Hagan Hall.

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accumulating an impressive record of public service.

During the summer Stokes met with persons in the black community who might have caused disturbances, urging them to avoid acts of violence.

What role does Stokes see for the church? "Make sure justice is being done in your neighborhood...There can be no greater source of strength and support and motivation of public activity than the church itself. The churches should be the leaders in the area of human relations."

Stokes encourages churchmen to get involved in politics as well.

Carl Stokes, a man who has achieved much in his 40 years, sets the nod as Man of the Year in Cleveland, & on this campus.

# CALENDAR

- Feb. 1 - 1:30, 2:30, 3:30 PM Junior Field Education Practicum Sessions
- Feb. 2 - 8:00 PM Choir Concert, Haddon Heights, New Jersey
- Feb. 3 - 7:30 PM Choir Concert, Grace Lutheran Church, Summers Point, New Jersey
- Feb. 4 - 11:00 AM Choir Concert, Moorestown Home, Moorestown, N. J.  
3:00 PM Choir Concert, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Vineland, N.J.  
8:00 PM Choir Concert, St. Stephens, Wilmington, Del.
- Feb. 5 - Pastors in Residence program begins.  
8:00 PM Open House at Dr. Voehringer's (for those who signed up)
- Feb. 6 - 11:20 AM Holy Communion
- Feb. 8 - 8:00 PM "The Last Word" and "The Figure on the Cross" 2 One-act plays by the Mt. Airy Players, Ascension Church.

## PASTORS "LIVE-IN"

Beginning Monday, Feb 5, six pastors will take up residence on this campus for 10 days. They will be participating in the initial session of the "Pastors-In-Residence" program sponsored by the ICA Board of Theological Education.

The intent of this program is to give a group of parish pastors 10 days at a seminary to (a) pursue an independent study project (b) contribute to the education of undergraduates through conversations and (c) learn, through participation in community life of the school, developments taking place in theological education.

A faculty advisor will be assigned to each pastor-in-residence. He will offer guidance in the respective fields of study in which the pastor wishes to focus upon. Projects may be of several types: (a) related to the intellectual life of the pastor (b) related to his professional growth (c) research, reflection or planning related to his involvement in his congregation's life, the church-at-large and the world.

Pastors participating in this first session include: Richard Thulin of New Haven, Conn; J. David Mumford of Buffalo, N.Y; Royal Olson of Brooklyn, N.Y; Paul Mertzluft, of New Paltz, N.Y; Theodore Fischer of North Wales, Pa; and Richard Zimmerman of Greenville, Pa. Dr. Albert is the faculty coordinator.