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CADRE OF CONCERN

The campus of Gettysburg Seminary was the scene of the first meeting of a group of seminarian representatives from all the LCA seminaries, including Canada. Steve Bomgren, Larry Smoose, and Gordon Simmons represented Mt. Airy at the meeting which was held May 14th and 15th. The group was designated to be called a cadre and came about as a result of discontent among Gettysburg students which led to Gettysburg initiating the proposal for the cadre. At the main meeting four areas were discussed: (a). The ministry and theological education, (b). The Lutheran seminarian and the synod, (c). Long range planning, and (d). The organization of the cadre.

The first two areas dominated the discussion and under (a), stress was placed on the "good stewardship of human resources." The proposal was made that it is of utmost importance to match men and women with positions for which they possess skills and talents. It was suggested that the three year parish requirement be dropped and that since there is no biblical or theological opposition to the ordination of women it should be considered proper. Stress was also put on the need for centers which are ecumenical and which serve as areas for dialogue, reflection, and training. The recommendation was made that the church provide scholarships to enable students from minority groups to participate in theological education if they otherwise could not afford it.

In the second area of concern the group hoped that in the future synod church vocation committees could improve the relationships which now exist between the students and these committees. The cadre saw the basic function of the synod committee as one of providing vital professional, pastoral, and financial assistance. It was concluded that the present BTE exams taken by seniors serve little purpose and that oral tests would be more useful for the synod and/or the BTE to establish a student's capability. The cadre called for a consolidation of church vocation and examining committees. They suggested that the process of call and placement be revamped by the use of a national clearing house which would strive to fit men to a situation rather than to a geographical choice. Profiles of the men and the congregation would be used as tools, possibly in a computerized system.

Most of the suggestions of the cadre were well received by President Marshall, the synod presidents, and the chairmen of the synodical vocation committees. Evidence for this can be seen in the request for a meeting by the synods supporting Gettysburg and Mt. Airy. The meeting participated in by seminary representatives and the synodical presidents was held in Philadelphia during the month of July. According to Larry Smoose, the Philadelphia representative, special attention was given to the subjects call and placement, voice and vote at synod conventions, and synodical church vocation committees. Further results can be seen in the formation of a committee of synod presidents by president Marshall which met in Chicago on Sept. 24th. Larry Smoose attended this meeting also and reports that call and placement, synodical church vocation committees, and voice at vote at synodical conventions were again among the

DIE STRASSENBAHN SPALTE

THE INFLUENCE OF OTHER EASTERN U.S. SYSTEMS ON PHILADELPHIA'S LINES

For many years it was accepted as a given truth that Philadelphia's streetcar system is a unique creation, completely different from any other transportation system anywhere. Pious scholars were quick to point out that while other cities in the Eastern U.S. were running many types of trolleys over their lines, Philadelphia was operating one kind of car alone. It was also assumed that there were numerous features of the Philadelphia system, such as center-exit cars, one-point track switches, subway-surface lines, and multi-pocket loops which were not to be found elsewhere. However, in the last ten years much research has been done in this area; with the result that we are coming to realize that many of the components of the Philadelphia system are either borrowed from or have parallels in the systems of other cities. The fact that there are cars in both Boston and Pittsburgh that have many features in common with Philadelphia's cars has long been known; indeed, some radical critics go so far as to say that Philadelphia's cars were once cast from the same mold as these heathen streetcars in Boston and Pittsburgh.¹ Further, an international group of scholars has recently succeeded in translating the strange inscriptions which are found on the walls of the Woodland Avenue car house (commonly called the Woodland barn). They tell of a race of warriors who also drove streetcars to earn their living (when they weren't fighting); their leader was a motorman with the unusual name of Shuppiluliuma. Many of the elements of their streetcar system correspond to features in the Philadelphia system. What all this seems to tell us is that the Philadelphia system is quite syncretistic; its compilers did not hesitate to recognize a good thing when they saw it and adopt it into their own system. This process of adoption took place over a long period of time, and as time went on certain conservative elements sought to purify the system of foreign influences. It is for this reason that route 23 was re-routed in certain areas in North Philadelphia in 1958. Later custodians of the system, however, realized the importance of preserving it in its original form, and with the aid of old system maps sought to reconstruct the lines as they were before these fanatics tampered with them. Their efforts, although well-meant, have been only partially successful, due to the fact that the early system was built without points under the rails.

NEXT WEEK: The analysis of the various lines which make up the system.

¹ Recent developments in Pittsburgh have led to a removal of streetcars in many areas, due to the atheistic government which has taken over. Great purges took place in August 1965 and again in January 1967. However, certain sects still use the streetcar, in spite of the fact that they must often go to far-flung areas of the city to ride one.

J. Thomas Schweitzer

DEAR

MR

SCHWEITZER:

October 1, 1969

Dear Mr. Schweitzer:

Your latest article about streetcars shows that you are either a communist-athiest or a dupe thereof. The nerve of questioning time-honored truths! You must just close your eyes and accept the fact that Philadelphia's streetcar system was created in 1904 exactly as it appears today-- track for track, car for car. What we need

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is a return to the seven, simple, fundamental, and eternal beliefs about trolleys* and not those newfangled ideas dreamt up by you "scholars." If you want to wrestle with relevant, pressing problems associated with streetcars, try to answer such questions as: "What is the sex of the trolleys?" "How many trolleys can fit on route 23?" "Of what material are trolley poles made?"

Sincerely yours,
Carl D. Shankweiler

*Namely:

1. The Philadelphia streetcar system was created in 1904 ex nihilo.
2. Trolleys offer themselves as a substitute for man's walking, thereby satisfying nature's demands upon those who wish to travel from place to place.
3. The entire transportation system is one, yet of three kinds: trolleys, canal boats, and stage coaches.
4. Trolleys are not built by works.
5. Trolleys are miraculously propelled.
6. The Scoffield Reference Book of Streetcar Systems is the authoritative source for all knowledge about trolleys.
7. Trolleys will exist forever.

AROUND CAMP I

What senior found it difficult to recover from the Beer Bash Tues nite? Many thanks to Steve T. for his efforts at the Beer Bash. . . Thanks to Bruce A. for making Wed. a double bill day!!! To those who were not at the Beer Bash--the Sem. community devoured $1\frac{1}{4}$ kegs of joy juice--a new record!! Who'll win the drinking contest this year? Mt. Airy Saints take to the field vs. Westminster--Fri. at 3--Let's show our support and be there--Everybody!! Quote of the week: "My ways aren't Yahwehs." Tennis tournament is continuing--be watching for the finals. Ask John S. about the rest and quiet he gets at N. Dorm at nite (take Tums for the tummy, John). . . Ask Jim H. about E. Stroudsberg's fine football record so far? Congrats to Junior officers--Pres. Mel Woods; Soc. Chairman Arlene Gibson (first feminine fun & frolic figure on campus) and Athletic Chairman Jim Hulihan. Ask Bob H. about his big mouth at the Beer Bash!! Water balloon battles are alive & well in G Hall. Ask Dean B. why he wants to head out to Colorado for intern year. . . Congrats to Jack W. and seniors for their song fest, esp. "Mt. Airy Blues."

WORSHIP^{ooo}

The Worship-Convocation Committee is creating a file of worship materials suitable for use in chapel. We are soliciting from the student body prayers, orders of worship, and hymns. Please submit all materials to Robert Rodriguez's room, 10 North Dorm.

The file is to be created for the use of the seminary community. Hopefully it will provide a source of reference.

R. Rodriguez

NOTE :

There will be a convocation on Wednesday, October 15 at 11:15 A.M. The speaker will be the Reverend Doctor Karoly Pröhle, Professor of New Testament at the Evangelical Lutheran Academy (Seminary) in Budapest, Hungary.

Also, Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday, October 16 at 7:30 P.M. It will be preceded by dinner in the Refectory at 6:00 P.M. for which tickets will be sold to married students who are encouraged to bring their wives. Only a limited number of seats are available. Tickets will be sold by class representatives at the cost of \$1.25.

Craig Tozzo

MT AIRY FRIARS

There is an interest group being formed on campus for persons who will want to concern themselves with any of the activities having to do with the Dramatic Arts as well as experimental forms of communication. The group is being headed by Dave Newhart as the Director of the Mt. Airy Players and has Dr. Albert as the group's advisor. This is the first time a group of this nature has been formed here on campus.

The initial group of persons interested in Dramatic Arts hopefully will include all students and wives seeking involvement with all aspects of this field, that is, Acting, Technical work, Scene designing, and Creative writing.

In the Communications field, persons seeking involvement in experimental forms of communication through the spoken word and through various electronic systems. This may also include later in the year, experimentation in photography and cinematography. This first meeting will be held on Monday 6th, at 4:15 in the VTR Classroom.

S.B. meeting

There will be an important student Body meeting on Wednesday, October 8, immediately following the chapel service. In addition to the presentation of and approval of the budget, there will be brief reports from various committee chairmen and the nominations of candidates for the Student Body Vice-President and Secretary. While nominations will be submitted by the nominating committee, further nominations may be made from the floor. Bring suggestions and questions and plan to participate in this student Body meeting.

Larry Smoose

NORTHWEST AMBULANCE NEEDS HELP

The Northwest Community Ambulance Corps needs volunteer drivers and attendants during the morning and afternoon, Monday to Friday. Several Juniors have shown an interest and I would encourage any and all students who might be interested to visit the ambulance headquarters with me tonight at 8:30, to learn a little about the duties.

The amount of time you spend is up to each individual; even one morning or afternoon is of tremendous aid to the Corps. If tests or school work bog you down on any given week you are not obligated to be on duty; it is simply a matter of making your own schedule and informing the corps of it. I would especially encourage Seniors to consider this, as they have more flexible morning schedules.

The corps provides all the necessary training and the experience is well worth the small amount of time which is given. Find a buddy and work as a team for the Northwest Community Ambulance Corps. I will meet all the interested persons at 8:15 tonight in front of Main Dorm.

Larry Smoose

QUOTE FROM THE BEER BASH:

QUESTION TO A CERTAIN CHURCH HISTORY

PROFESSOR: DO YOU HAVE A CLASS TOMORROW ?

ANSWER: WHAT'S TOMORROW ???????

major topics of discussion. The committee concluded that there should be more cooperation between synods in order to place men and that synodical committees should keep better tabs on the development of each student. The proposals of this committee will be made to the council of synod presidents, which meets in November.

Under discussion, also, at these various meetings was the subject of psychological examinations and as a result members of the cadre met with representatives of the BTE and BCECV this past Monday. The statement which they issued stated in very general terms that they hoped to work towards solutions concerning the psychological exams.

"The future of the cadre is open. The direction it takes will largely depend on the meeting to be held on November 28 and 29 in Chicago. We should not be concerned about the radical nature of our ideas for there are already enough men in the church to tell us which ideas they consider too radical and why. Rather our concern should be that we use the cadre as an effective channel to voice our ideas. This would eliminate the need for individual seminaries to use radical means in order to draw attention to their problems. Such radical means can only be injurious to the seminary and the church."

Bill Muntz

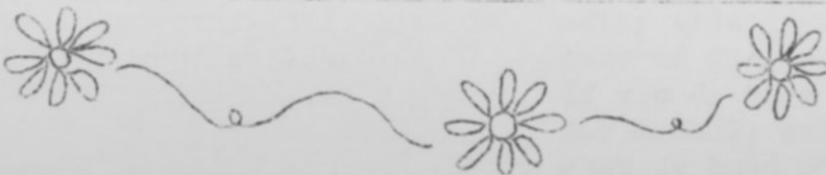
EDITORIAL :

RINNG RIN***G RINNG RIN---G RINNG RINNG RIN---G
 "I'm not answering the phone, I never get any calls anyway." (A Junior comments to two compatriots while standing about 30 feet from the phone while it rings. Meanwhile a Middler comes over from F-Hall walks past the three "men" and answers the phone. After 7 or 8 rings no one answers the phone, and yet another Junior walks right past it, while it is ringing, to look at the bulletin board and mail boxes. "Didn't anyone answer the phone?" asks a middler. I guess not says the Junior. "Why the hell didn't you answer it?" asks the now irritated Middler.

Two incidents which reflect a general lack of concern about answering the phone or taking messages. Fortunately a few keep answering the phone, but how long will it be before they answer it and only accept the call if it is for them or for someone else who they know is willing to answer the phone. How long will it be before people realize that ignoring this little matter might be a sign of some larger lack. When the phone rings, do you answer it?

As a point of information, there is a list of where on-campus students live on the bulletin board in the mail room. It is possible to learn where the student lives.

Larry Smoose



1969-1970 PROPOSED S.B. BUDGET

In compliance with Article V, Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Student Body Constitution, the proposed budget for 1969-1970 is hereby presented to the student body for its consideration prior to the October 8, 1969, Student Body Meeting. At that time action will be taken to approve a budget.

Expenditures	1968-9 Budget	1968-9 Spent	1969-70 Budget
1. Telephone	125	165.40	125
2. Publications			
a. Regular expenses	300	283.62	350
b. Typewriter	0	0	250 ¹
3. Social Activities	575	469.11	650
4. Athletics	65	65	75
5. Inquirer	20	0	0
6. Student Administration	25	12.50	25
7. Wives Club	25	25	40
8. Intersenary	75	78.60	150 ²
9. Conferences	60	55	60
10. Social Ministry	50	0	50 ³
11. Chapel and Convocation	50	50	0 ³
12. Mt. Airy Players	0	0	50 ⁴
13. Contingency	0	0	50 ⁵
	<u>1370</u>	<u>1204.23</u>	<u>1875</u>

1968-1969 Totals:	Opening Balance	256.76
	Receipts	1629.36
		<u>1886.12</u>
	Disbursements	1587.14
	Closing Balance	<u>298.98</u>

1969-70 Projected Totals:	Opening Balance	298.98
	Receipts: Dues	1875.00
	Appliances	60.00
		<u>2233.98</u>
	Disbursements	1875.00
	Closing Balance	<u>358.98</u>

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The 1969-1970 budget is based upon student dues of \$15.00 for the entire academic year, with \$5.00 being added each term to the students' bills for tuition, room, and board.

Explanation of several budget items:

1. The staff of the Seminarian has requested that an electric typewriter be purchased for its use. The one that they want costs \$425, and the Treasurer, having received the approval of the Registrar, suggests that only \$250 of that amount be paid by the Student Body this year and that the difference be paid by the Seminary, which would have to be reimbursed from next year's Student Body dues.

2. At the President's suggestion that additional funds for inter-seminary conferences will be needed this year because of the Cadre meetings, the proposed amount for this budget item has been considerably over last year's.

3. The Chairman of the Chapel*Convocation Committee states that no funds will be needed from the Student Body this year.

4. A budget item in many years previous to 1968-9, the Mt. Airy Players have again been tentatively listed, their director indicating that financial support would be appreciated.

5. It is suggested that this amount be set aside as a fund which can be used to supplement budget areas finding themselves in need of additional funds and to cover any unexpected expenditures which may occur.

Treasurer's Report for September, 1969:

Opening Balance	298.98*
Receipts (Del-Val Appliance Co	15.00
	<u>313.98</u>
Disbursements: Publications	16.70
Social Activities	25.00
Total	<u>41.70</u>
Present Balance	272.28

* For last quarter of 1968-1969.

Carl D. Shankweiler, Treasurer

~ RECENTLY ~

At a recent meeting of the re-factory committee, rulings on hamburger orders for lunch were made. Starting immediately, it will be necessary to sign up for hamburgers the night before. Those who do sign up will be required to sit at the first or second tables.

The closing time for serving meals was also discussed. Students will be allowed 10 minutes after 12:45 p.m. to arrive for lunch. 5 min. after 5:30 will be allowed for arriving for supper. Anyone who is late after this time will not be served unless an emergency caused his lateness. If you do know that you will be late for a meal, call or contact the kitchen or head waiter.

John Merrill

~ AYE ~ PILGRIM ~

TO THE VIRGIN MARY

OK MARY

They pulled him from your
womb...
bloody;
crying;
perfect of
an imperfect (words!) woman.
The minute
you had him
you lost him.
oh mary you mary you
why didn't you tell us
what he was heading for?
How could you
let us do it?
Ah you mother...
yes, you're blessed
because you produced
The Blessing
How could you
love him more than us, beauty?

oh in our ugliness...

jealousy;
hate;
(trivia)...
we nailed him up, a
picture for a
twentieth century
postage stamp.
And why (they say) should we
still believe?
Because
there's still some
BLOOD
on that greenrotting
piece of wood.

Gary Kull

Senior Seminararian David C. Newhart has been chosen Director of Drama for the 1969-1970 Seminary year. He brings to this position a wealth of experience. While a student at Susquehanna University, he minored in drama and performed in several productions, and, while in the Seminary, he has been active in the presentations of the Seminary Players. Also his internship at St. Peter's Church, New York City, provided him with an opportunity to work with both professional and amateur dramatists. Selection of the Director was made by the Chapel-Convocation Committee of the Student Body Organization and the Worship and Seminary Extension Committee of the faculty.

Craig Tozzo

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