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Following are the six theses that Dr. Bomenamn presented last Wednesday morning at convocation in his discussion of theoloGy and worship. Hopefully they will lead to further discussion.
I. Christian worship is dialogue, address and response.

Christian worship is by nature an ovent; it is the interaction of God and community. In worship God cones to his people and addresses them, revealing himself and proclaiming his will and love. To this action of Cod the community reacts, responding to him. Consequently worship has always an active and personal character. It is always a matter of encounter, of andres and response; it is dialogue.
list briefly defined, Christian worship is the community's expression and confession of faith in the God who comes to his people.
II. Worship begins and centers in the coning of God to be present with his people. The initiative is God's, and his active presence and address are controlling throughout.
III. To speaks of worship as dialogue, the interaction between God and cormunuty means that congregational participation is an essential part of liturgical action

The congregation is more than a group of individuals, an aggregation; it sings and prays as a unity, a com unity in Christ. This does not mean that the identity of the individual is lost or submerged. In worship God addresses the individual, but it is always in the context of the community, and the individual's response to God is made within this sane unity of the congregation.
All forms employer in worship must enable this con unity to cone into being and to express itself.
IV. The congregation's role in worship is that of response to Got's address, of reaction to God's action. This reaction centers in the community's joyous expression and confession of faith
.....worship is expressive rather than impressive. ...It is essentially a response to a person. . It is an expression of faith in terms of thanksgiving and praise.... (it) is also a joyous confession of faith in the God whom it meets in worship.

## EYE ON SPORTS

sy now, word has probably circulated the eood news of the Saints' victory over Westminster. This brines the season record to $2-0$ for the Saints. Keen up the eood work!

This report is coming from an eyc - witness view, and will be revorted for those of you who simply couldn't be there. (Althouph it reflects a slieht mrejudice of the reporter, it is fairly accurate. )

Westminster won the toss and elected to receive. After fumbline around with the kick - off, they finally decided to down the ball which seemed like a pretty good idea in view of the fact that a wave of white jerseys were sailine down the field. The first play of the eame was a lone nass and an effective one. They scored, but the extra boint was no eood. John $H$. picked up the short kick. Arne's first pass declined the the Saints. The extra point was no good and Westmineter all this action took 6 minutes of ame time! Saints. The score, $6-6$; Westminster returned the kick for short yardace. The first down attempt succeeded in two plays. The next pass was broken up by a eood rusb. This seemed to shake up the opponents, for John A. intercepted enough for a first down, bringints were not able to move the ball was a lone kick - into the end zone the first punt of the game. It strone and the 3 rd and 9 pass play was broken the Saints' defense was Saints took the short kick. Arne's Dass was eood by Jolan A.. The he set up a scorine play. The extra point try was for a first down and 12-6. The Saints let loose with another good kick, and Westmins ter tried again. The first pass was incomplete. The second was intercepte and took over after the Saints failed to make but Westminster held, first play was broken up. On second down, they the first down. The was eood for a first down. Rick 0 . interceoted threw a lone nass which pass to Jim H. was overthrown dosnite eood intercented the next pass. Arne's and the Saints were forced to kick. Westminster fort. Westminster held broken up, and the second down pass Westminster $s$ first play was half ended with the score: Saints 12 , play was run out of bounds. The The Saints were not Saints 12 , Westminster 6. to nunt. Westminster had only a short and on 4 th and 1 , they decided by Rick 0.. The first rass only a short rerun. A lone run was cut off Saints forced a throw on the run, whiclete, and then a rush by the H. got the first down on a short, which was intercepted by Join II. Jim for long yardafe and was just short of a TDert pass to Jim A. went extra point was cood. Saints 19 , Westminster John S. scored and the

Westminster finally 19 , Westminster 6 .
incomplete. Off - sides was called aeainst. The first pass fell and 10 for Westminster The G had a eood run Saints, makine it 2nd lst down. A strong rush by the defense forcod a Eood enough for the picked off by John a.. Arne threw a lone jass a quick throw which was carried for a eood eain. A quick pass to Jims to John S. and he 5 yds, On 3rd and 5, the Saints lost yardafe, bus eood for about score another TD for the Saints. The extra point recovered as John $S$. score: Saints 25, Westminster 6. The extra point try was no good. The
V. To describe the corrunity's reponse in worship as the expression and confession of faith means that all the forms and parts of worchip must be consonant vith this faith.
VI. It is not enough to require that the forms of worship be consonant yith faith; they must also be adequate for the expres ion of faith yithin the action of vorahip.

## REB

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## CONVOCATION

Mr. Grant Griffith, director of the Alcoholic Rehabilitation Unit at Haverford State Hospital, will be the convocation speaker this morning, Wednesday, November 4, at $11: 15 \mathrm{~A} . \mathrm{M}$. His topic will be alcoholism.

Haverford has been actively involved in Alcoholic Rehabilitation for most of its ten years of operation, and has been in on many of the significant advancements in this area. As a result of these advancements, the Alcoholic Rehabilitation Unit reports a cure rate of one out of every three, with many of the remaining two returning for further treatment.

According to one of our students who spent his CPE with Mr. Griffith, the Alcoholic Rehabilitation Unit places an emphasis on the work of the clergy in the treatment of the alcoholic; so, this
presentation should be of concern to us all.

Alcoholism -- sounds distant. Doesn't it? Or does it?
There is a good possibility that you'll be encountering alcoholism in your ministry!

Worship Committee Pablicity Secretary, Bob Hoenich

## AROUNID

## CAMPII

Jeff R. has again set a new clothing style for Mt. Airy. It is known as the pull-over shirt worn bass-aackwards, thus having a quiver rather than a pocket.... Please remember Dr. B., that Papa might be that wide, but he is not that tall! ....Jim H. had a heavy date the other night, he wore his good sweatshirt.... The "pretty-boy" of the senior class, Al A., has struck again; this time, in a blue sportscoat, a yellow shirt, and a pink \& green striped tie -- Christmas in October?!?....A quote from Bill R., "All my people have their dessert." Ride on, Vear! .....Who was that student on campus last Thursday with a permanent wave in his hair? Any ideas, Roger?!? Right on Mrs. S.!... Hog keeps wondering how long it's going to rain ....Captain has been overheard comparing eyes with Jerry Quarry....What senior recently became "mayor" by making up his own rules?.... Now we know why a certain "theme" has been heard coming from a certain balalaika -- eh, Bill?.... On top of the Mt. Airy charts last week was "Let Us Boycott" .....What middler looks less like a buffalo? .....Rumor has it that Dr. McCurley has been condemned to re-reading Eissfelt in the original Hebrew (or German) as a result of the recent heresy trial attended by all your favorite D.T. heroes....Jim H. -- did Dr. Heinecken ever 'answer your question? The (continued on page 4)

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first cut in twc yoars?!?....Is it truc that Kun \& the Rakars are roally collecting the leaves to use as fuel this winter?.... What broad-minded newspapor editcr got a backrub at 9:00 A.M. by our sports-minded deaconness while still in bed?.... What Cookie-monster who masquerades as a bair bucame an instent waiter Friday night at the incantations of Dr. Soltzer?.....Rumor has it that the tall, blonde dishwashor has boon known to lock tho head-waiter out of the room -- Good tasto, Arne.

## Eye on Sports (continued from page 2)

incomplote. A long sucond dewn toss was broken up by Mark R. and John S. They gambled on fourth and ten and tho long pass was completed for a first down. After bobbling a pass, tho racoivor finally got a grip on it and scored for Westminstor. The pass for the extra point was over tho and zone. The short kick was taken by the Saints, and Westminster called time to reorganize. On third and ton Westminster intercepted Arne's pass and used their last time out to try to eatch up. The plan foiled; John 5. intercupted again. The Saints used the last seconds of the game trying a new play -- Jim H. took the ball on a ruverse pattern and passed to Horb who was bumped out of bounds as the clock ren out. Final score: Saints 25 , Westminstor
12 .

After Westminster's first play, the Saints dominated the ball game. Westminster had to play catch-up ball for the rest of the game. Arne looked pretty good and got a lot of holp from John H., John S., Herb, and Rich 0. -- both offensivaly and defensively. A hearty neto of cenfidence to the team for their next geme. I feol they'd apprecioto a little support from....YOU!

Mr. Chairman(from p. 5 )
BTE Plan "univorsity rolated, urban oriented, ocumenical." Stepped Back?!? Totally avoided is a bettor torm. Reflect on the sentince on the first page of the letter again, He was going to share his "personal inturprotive comments which my undurstanding of the situation." quiry is, how can one possibly ion." Our without talking about the issues fris with which he deliberately stepped back? Dr. Perry's deduction thet tack? choaper than one dous NOT mak sense live eagerly await his "subsequent mailing" Wo which ho is going to show us oll how it
can happon. Will this mailing bo entitled, "Mission: Impossible"?

It is also good to know that the chaimen is not saying that "wo should not havo a single scminary in the East", but that's not the roport wo huard, or is he perhaps saying that it would be OK if it were in a cortain location? But tho fact that the real criturion "will not bo financiel, but educational" is also good to hear--it should have been that all adong.
But it is nice to know that our Board Chairman is conecrned? All in all the letter has said rually, absolutely nothing. It sooms to fit in with the season in which it was prepered--that of olection time with all the political ramblings.

John R. Koons, oditor.
Quote of the week:


CHOMP! CHOMD! . .
say the Inquisition's Chomp! Chomp! in
Church History!

Last week, the seminary was blest to receive copies of a communication from the newly elected chairman of the board of directors, His Eminence, Dr. Edward Korsten Perry. This three-page encyclical was to inform(?) us of many things.

The Sominarian is aware of the fact that this lettor was directed to the pastors in the field (and possible future votes somewhore?), but the Seminarian feels that since the chairman "desires foudback and communication" he should receive some.

Dr. Perry begins by anncuncing the foct that he was "selectod as chairman of the Board." He continued by bewailing that this is "more of a burden than an honor." If this is the case, why would a busy synod prosident accopt this additional cross to bear? But, neverthcless, he has accepted this damnation handed to him and we all must bear it! In spite of this terrible burden he still has a cherished hope that the decisions of tho board be "made positively and intelligently,rathur than simply by default or be the rosult of viscoral processes alone." Right on, Mr. Chairman.

He then says that he can provido two kinds of information. The purpose of the letter is to provide "(2) personal interpretive cumments which reflect... [his/ understanding of the situation, and for which... $\angle$ he/ would be solely responsible." And does he ever!! His first personal interprotive comment is concorning the Gettysburg-Philadelphie merger. He mentions that thore is frustretion concorning this failure. No kidding, Sherlock! But for us to believe that the board as a whole is frustreted is hord to believe. We well know that some of the mombers are, but the whole board, the chairman? But it is importont that we all be frustratud about "the right issues." But the issues are never statod. As close os he comes is to state the obvious and the devicus in saying that we should be concurned about "how do we best provide quality oducation for men who will servo the Church as its pestors in the coming decades within limits which we can afford?" This is indeed a good questian and somehow this is to relate to tho problem of tho morgor. But the problem of the pertinence of this question is solved by his stating on page two that "this presumes the ability to answer an even prior question about the nature of the Church within which these men will function as pastors." But what is the question? He never says, unless that was it in the secend part of the sentunce, if that mekes any sense.

Did you know that much of the literature about the nature of the Church is not only thoologically unscund, but also SOCIOLOGICALLY NAIVE? We would heva been diseppointed had he not used, his class notes frum Morton somewhere along the line. It is reassuring to know that his answors will only be tentative. But where are the answers? Where are the questions? What about G-burg? Ah, but the man tells us that he has deliberately "stepped back" from the issues of "merger," "relocation," and the





