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STRANGE MT. AIRY CREATURES REPORTED IN LIBRARY

We librarians have become custodians of some very strange chattel. The phenomenon was reported some years ago, but at that time dismissed as preposterous. Yet, in similar fashion to the U.F.O. story, our repeated sweeping of reports under the rug has not squelched them.

Within the past three years reports have intensified in frequency and duration that library materials have become ambulatory. In spite of all the logical observations to the contrary--so help me--individuals have reported printed material which has left the premises unnoted, only to reappear again in a few days or weeks. No one has been able, as yet, despite our hidden cameras, infrared detection systems, or police surveillance, to see the books actually walk. But their absence is a matter of record. Whether like Pinocchio, these compositions of man-made machines take on life-like qualities, or have, like new generation computers, managed to become self-sufficient and reproductive is still being debated by campus theologians. "Perhaps," says one wide-eyed radical, "they have learned to read each other and have begun a course in cybernetics which finally enabled them to achieve this feat supposedly reserved for living creatures."

Whatever the cause, the phenomenon has brought distress to their custodians, who tend to be a naturally conservative lot. They find it difficult to cope with such extreme and rapid change in considering the new possibilities for the transmission of knowledge.

Either by rumor or speculation it has been stated that some of these ambulatory offspring of Gutenberg have been seen visiting in the rooms and apartments of students. If this is indeed true, the librarians would certainly appreciate having this lead substantiated or debunked. If visits are paid, perhaps the conversation or doings at these visits might shed light on the facts of the phenomenon and be available to explain the phenomenon. We especially invite any of you students who have been so blessed by a visitation to share with us your knowledge.

Our attempt to investigate the phenomenon may be one of the reasons the seminary is operating in the red this year. We have stationed our staff to make note of the comings and goings of the books outside the normal transactional methods traditionally employed. But the process of observation is a difficult one.

The control of books used by people has been reduced to a relatively workable system, so that in roughly 99% of the cases a librarian can tell the whereabouts of a book at any given moment. But they have not yet devised a pragmatic system for checking out books which have appropriated these strange new powers. Sometimes an aggregate of five work hours is directed to run down one of these delinquents, usually unsuccessfully, only to find the item in its proper place on the shelf in a few days time. Since librarians are devoted to providing for the needs of their patrons, they make large sacrifices of their time in book-trailing pursuits, although it takes them from their already over-burdened efforts to ride herd on the knowledge explosion and make a part of it available to the local community.

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ONLY

WIVES' CLUB

NEWS

The Seniors have been cheated. With the introduction of the new curriculum they lost the 2nd required course in Christian Education, "The Church School", dealing with the educational program of the local church. They have to face the complexities and vicissitudes of the Sunday School, the Vacation Church School, Teachers' Meetings, Catechetical Class, Christian Education Committee, Parents, and other dangers, and especially the big change-over from Confirmation to First Communion, like babes in the woods, without the proper preparation.

But wait! All is not lost! There is a second chance! You are invited to attend the special presentations by members of the Parish Education Board, Mondays in Room 3 in Hagan Hall, 10:20 to 12:10, covering these subjects. A complete schedule of the speakers and their topics has been distributed; extra copies are available.

If you miss this, YOU'LL BE SORRY (next Fall)!
I bet you a dollar.
Erich F. Voehringer.

The Wives' Club wishes to thank Dr. and Mrs. Krodel for their very interesting slide presentation Sunday night. We are sure that each one of the 75 present found the program as enlightening and enjoyable as we did. Thanks also to those wives who provided the refreshments.

Next month (Saturday, April 3rd) the Wives are planning a trip to Center City for lunch and an informal Spring Fashion Show in the Tearoom at John Wanamaker's. More information will be coming shortly - time, transportation, etc. - but keep this date open. It should be a fine way to usher in the Spring Season!

Dyann Taylor

POEM

TEMPORARY MORAYS

Return, return old clown,
Return
- there was no dark lady of the sonnets
and there are no sonnets -
(only some faded scraps of doggerel)

Return spring to the file
And bury Eros
Sad little god
His arrows and his bow outmoded
Dated as the dinosaur

No one writes sonnets
In an age
Where advertisements scream
"Swinging couple out for fun"
Desires to meet a similar one"

Bill Berglund

SAVE MAY DAY

For all students, faculty, staff, and spouses of same:
Save May 1, 1971, on your calender for the season's social event at the Deconess House in Gladwyne - an old-fashioned lawn party with a few modern innovations. More information after vacation.

CONVO.

Thursday, March 11 at 11:15 a.m., there will be a convocation/sic/ program entitled "Church and Drama"; this topic will be presented by Dr. Olav Hartman--novelist, playwright, theologian, pastor. Dr. Hartman was ordained a priest in the Church of Sweden in 1932 and has served as Director of the Sigtuna Foundation (having the responsibility for the conference work on questions of ecology, psychology, art, literature, "view of life debate") for the period 1948-1970. Some of Dr. Hartman's published writings are: Three Church Dramas (1966), On That Day (1968), The Sudden Sun (1964), and The Crucified Answer (readings for Lent, 1967). On his tour in the United States, Dr. Hartman is visiting seminaries and colleges.

Following his presentation in the convocation hour, there will be a discussion group in the afternoon.

Bob Hoenich
Publicity Sec., Worship
Committee.

REJOICE

On Wednesday, March 24th, there will be a REJOICE MASS in the Chapel led by Dr. Bornemann and our own Rinky Tinky Tin Band. (ed. note: I resent that!!). You have asked for something different, some experimentation. The unusual will be there--will you?

STEVE JENSEN

A REMINDER

This is a reminder that Dr. Edward Perry will be on campus March 24th and 25th, for two (2) days of discussion with the students. Lists will be passed around today (Wednesday) in class and will be posted on various bulletin boards. Dr. Perry is coming at your request to talk to you. Please help in the organization.

Steve Jensen

Signature Sheet:

ALLEY-OOPS

Last Wednesday the league race tightened as Amos came back after losing the first game to defeat first place Jeremiah (3-1). Hosea kept the pressure on first by sweeping the faltering faculty (Isaiah--4-0). Next week Hosea faces Jeremiah in a showdown for first place. Amos draws a bye.

The standings now show:

Jeremiah	36-24	.600
Amos	34½-25½	.575
Hosea	32-28	.533
Micah	26½-29½	.473
Isaiah	25-35	.416

League nite also saw a new high game of 212 by Gary Langensiepen. The lanky L combined four straight strikes for his outstanding effort.

Last week's pin pounders were: G. Langensiepen (212-511); J. Rickards (161-423); J. Dugan (417); F. Nelson (153-416); B. Hoenich (406).

P.S. Someone has informed me that Jeremiah has given up winning for Lent.

Bowl on!

Jeff Rickards

(The old pin pounder)

CONGRADULATIONS

The staff of the Seminarian congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Overbeck on the birth of a baby girl on Tuesday, March 9, 1971. This event entitles Mr. James Overbeck to be honorarily mentioned in the list of credits as a CONTRIBUTOR!!

Again, the editor has received some good advertisements. One consisting of a two page letter offers the following books. Any one interested please see the ed. for rates and where to send:

- File O' Fun: Card File for Social Recreation.
- Track and Field: For Girls and Women
- Dynamic Posture and Conditioning for Women
- A Collection of Dances for Children
- A Directory of Selected References and Resources for Health Instruction
- Feminine Gymnastics
- A New Look at Movement
- Dance a While.
- Personal Safety and Defense for Women

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But to ascertain which one or two of 100,000 items has sprung live from the shelves of the stacks requires powers of another sort. Since we have not yet confessed our faith in believing them to have the gift of life, we still scour the place believing some human error (gads!) should have divested the book of its proper cubicle. Or, if we believe pilfering to be the answer, we could station check cut guards at the doors as many other institutions have done.

Unless someone can substantiate these rumored meanderings and propose a theory of control by which these kinetic pages can be controlled (perhaps teaching them to sign themselves in and out), the library staff will have to continue to waste time attempting to observe which items contain suspicious covers and chart their presence and absence. It is conceivable that this exercise in librology will so capture the imaginations of the librarians that all normal work will cease. What a who-dun-it!

If you find mail strewn over the floor of the rotunda, 80,000 catalog cards waiting to be filed, no new books being ordered, no books being reshelved--in fact, no one at the desk or answering the telephone, and the front door locked--you will understand that they are making scientific observations of this novelty to report it to the world, thereby putting Mt. Airy back on the news map.

Submitted by David J. Wartluft
for the Library Staff

FACULTY

OPEN HOUSES.

There will be open houses at several of the professors' houses on March 30 and April 1 for all students. More information will be made available after the holiday. Please reserve these dates.

Mrs. Heinecken

The lounge will have an open house shortly after vacation - watch for notices!

STAFF

The Seminarian is a student publication of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. The office is located in "F" Hall, third floor, facing the recreation area. We welcome any articles, newsworthy items, criticisms, cartoons, etc. The staff is anyone who wishes to help. The staff this week is:

Editor: John R. Koons.

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and ta! ta!--Georgie Treutleturtle.

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Winger, the girls from the MOTHER

house, Dyann Taylor, Bill Berglund,

Bob Hoenich, Steve Jensen, Jeff

Rickards, Ingrid Morten, Rolf Heiberg,

JIM OVERBECK--DADDY!!!!!!

P.S. Mrs. M.J. Heinecken.

NEWS FLASH!

Chestnut Hill Hospital:

Kristen Sara Overbeck

11lbs 4oz

March 9, 1971

3:01 P.M.

Father was present at birth -
Mother & baby both doing well -
Again -
Congratulations -

FUN

RAZES

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ACROSS

- understood by chosen few, private, confidential.
- equal (Greek)
- himself, herself (Fr. reflexive)
- The doctrine of salvation thru Christ
- any smell
- _____ Noster.
- not so.
- burdensome, laborious.
- writing device.
- made a solemn pledge.
- _____ 109.
- any contest of speed.
- SODIUM symbol.
- praise. (Scotch)
- Greek letter.
- donated.
- a small barrel
- ___; re, me, fa, etc.
- father (Hebrew)
- makes larger or longer
- secret pieces of information.
- see 35 across: only in German.
- salvation army or sex appeal; abbrev.
- second showings of motion pictures.
- baseball position; abbrev.
- Bachelor of Journalism.
- Trinitrotoluene: abbrev.
- basic unit of weight of metric system.
- Filet _____
- for example; abbrev.
- to get by reasoning, deduce.
- height, top (French).
- to tear apart, rent, split, cleave.
- widest proportional shoe size and the first letter of Eng. alphabet.
- black. Fr.
- in. Grk.
- in, into, to. Fr.

- mental sufferings caused by loss or disappointments.
- soup of the day. Fr.
- formerly, long ago (Archaic).
- to carry out a task.
- _____ of Gamre.
- desert.
- pine trees.
- The _____ of Ballantrae.
- River between French equatorial Africa and Congo.
- hungry or greedy.
- and: Fr. dat Grk.
- Old Testament: abbrev.
- Greek letter.
- part of a church.
- maligns, defames, slanders.
- _____ B'rith.
- apparition.
- see 64 across.
- lair.
- five-dollar bill (colloq).
- no, not. Fr.
- if. Fr.

AROUND CAMPUS

What dean of LTSP has a bar in Phila. named after him, which is frequented by seminary students. (His nickname, of course.)--They couldn't very well call it the "Bill Hill" could they?... Congrats to G. Treutle, again--George, what next???...In comparing her hubby to Dr. Krodell, Mrs. MJH was heard to remark that, "Yours will never get soft." (referring to his beard of course)... What is the editor doing in his roommate's pants...and shirt... and vest???...Ron (The sheriff) has this week won the George Treutle nipple hat award!!... Were any middlers surprised Tuesday morning??...

CENSORED

...It is rumored that John Kaufmann went into cardiac arrest when he stopped in to watch Michaelangelo Henderson painting the lounge...What German New Testament prof. from LTSP was seen kissing the hand of the dean during the middle-faculty party...Where the hell is the Pepsi machine???...So at last we know what the library staff has been doing all year...Dick Olson just came in...Where is Bob Boyer; who is Bob Boyer; what is Bob Boyer (Bob L.)--promises, promises--excuses, excuses!!!...What's a vacation--the Boys in the Choir ask!!!...yay, Joe Frazier!!!...What has Art Sonnenberg

