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MOVIES

This Thursday we will be showing "History of the Serials" and "Will Rogers" at 8:00 p.m. in Hagan Hall. Thanks to John Minnich for supplying us last week with "Martin Luther". Thanx, too, to Geo. Treutle for being substitute projectionist. Attendance at the last five showings has topped seventy people. Until December, this Thursday will be our last showing.

Bob Boyer

THANKS

A television set was recently donated to the Student Body and has been installed in the student lounge in "F" Hall. The set was given by Mrs. Valentine Spring, who is a neighbor of the seminary. Mrs. Dorothy Hildenbrand, who works in the library and lives in the same apartment building as Mrs. Spring, was responsible for suggesting to her that she donate the used set to us. Our thanks to both of these ladies for their interest in us and for giving us this gift. It's greatly appreciated.

ECUMENICS

On Wednesday, December 1, there will be an ecumenical Advent service at P.D.S. People from St. Charles, Eastern Baptist, P.D.S. and Mt. Airy have been involved in planning the service. The cost is 50¢ per person. All members of the seminary community are invited. Sure hope you can make it! Class presidents will be checking with the students in each class to get an idea of how many people are coming. We need to let P.D.S. know how many people are coming by Monday. Let's get it on with a good turn-out.

Eric Royer

THEATRE

This Saturday evening another theatre party is being planned. This time we hope to get a block of tickets for Shakespeare's Hamlet, which is being presented by LaSalle College theater group. The production has received very good reviews so far. A noted Shakespeare scholar (who shall remain nameless but who is a member of the Student Body has pointed out that LaSalle's company has a very excellent command of Shakespeare's repertoire). If you are interested in attending this play, please sign your name on the sheet in Hagan Hall before 5:00 today. Tickets are \$1.50.

Bruce Davidson

Anyone interested in playing basketball in welcome to play tonight in the Mt. Airy Presbyterian church's gym at 8:00 p.m. We will be meeting at 7:45 in the mail room in Main Dorm. We hope to make this a regular event.

Dick Olson

"He who rules must first obey"--
Solon, as quoted by Diogenes Laertius,
I. 60.

COURSES

Prof. Charles R. Streich

Title of course: Pastoral Psychology #601

Prerequisites: None

Brief Description: The course will deal with the Church's ministry throughout the human life cycle. Using various understandings of man (theological, psychological, etc.), emphasis will be given to ministry based upon a knowledge of the developmental character of man.

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Possession
I am seized, shaken, riven
torn asunder, stricken dumb,
upon my knees, I fall beneath
this hammer blow
(is this the arrow of the god?)
this force that grips me, tears me,
turns me inside out
still in this terror, there is hope
within this sadness, there is joy
all things are one and one is all
whatever fate awaits me
in the uncertain yet to be
I am content

Bill Berglund

SPIRITUAL INTERVIEW

The other night I was reading some back numbers of the SEMINARIAN which Carl Shankweiler had brought. After finishing I must have dozed off. Suddenly I felt an unseen presence in the room and I heard a voice from somewhere (whether in the body or out of the body, I don't know) saying:

"Good evening, Dr. Voehringer. I am a reporter from the SEMINARIAN. Would you mind if I asked you a few questions for an interview?"

"Welcome, welcome," I said, "Glad to hear you. Go right ahead! What is the first question?"

Question: Now that you are retired and no longer personally involved, what do you think about the future of the Seminary?

Answer: I think the Seminary should relocate at City Line and Lancaster Aves., e.g. on the campus of St. Charles. By doing this we could bring about what has been discussed for the past few years without success, viz. a truly ecumenical cluster of theological seminaries in Philadelphia. There we would have three strong seminaries,

representing three of the most important branches of Christendom, the Roman Catholics, the Lutherans and the Baptists.

At first I would envision that each of the three seminaries would retain its identity with its own faculty, course offerings, and chapel services, while sharing some physical facilities, libraries, course credits, academic and social events etc. Later a closer co-operation or integration could develop. Such a cluster would most likely draw other seminaries to join, such as Lancaster and perhaps even Gettysburg. If we believe in ecumenicity in theological education (as I firmly do), this is the chance to bring it about in our area.

Q. Do you think the Roman Catholics and the Baptists would co-operate?
A. The only way to tell would be to ask them; but I wouldn't be surprised if they did.

Q. Do you have any other far-out ideas?
A. Yes. As long as the Seminary stays in its present place, I think the best place to hold our commencement exercises would be the Church of the Holy Cross on Mt. Airy Ave. It's a beautiful, big church (with an excellent P.A. system) ideally suited and located for such a purpose. No transportation and parking problems; everybody could just walk there and back again.

Q. Don't you think that many people would be shocked to think that Lutherans should go to a Catholic Church for graduation?

A. Why should they? It's a Christian Church, not a mosque or a Hindu temple. The cold war is over since John XXIII, you know. And I think it would be a very fine ecumenical gesture.

Q. Would they allow us?
A. All we have to do is ask. I think they would welcome us with open arms.
Q. One more question: How do you like your retirement?

A. Immensely. Never a dull moment. There is so much to do and all of it interesting and leisurely. Right now I am building a greenhouse for my orchids. Besides that I am helping on the farm, caring for my orchard, feeding steers, cutting firewood, watching the sunset, reading books (that have nothing to do with Christian Ed. for a change) and, by the way, I am vice pastor for two congregations, preaching every Sunday (usually twice), teaching a catechetical class of 24 youngsters (well-behaved), visiting the sick and shut-ins, attending meetings and church suppers (that Pennsylvania Cutch cooking is something, I tell you!) As you can see, retirement is the life. I can heartily recommend it to the whole faculty.

Give them all and the students my best regards. If any of you ever come near the Spitzenberg Farm, R.D.#2, Kempton, Pa. stop in and see us. We always have a cup of coffee or a glass of "dunkles" beer, not Torgauer, like Luther, but Stegmaier Porter

Erich F. Voehringer

Hi Folks. Just a note from the Social Activities desk to remind you of the

Dance Friday night.

Time: 9:00 P.M.--?

Place: Main floor of Graduate Hall.

Refreshments: Beer and Pretzels.

Security: The word is out that the campus will be sealed off so us rowdy folks don't break the joint up.

- Five ARA people so we don't break into the kitchen and ramsack it.
- Four Security men to keep us from going off campus and starting a gang fight.
- Three maintenance men to repair and clean up after the party 'cause we're irresponsible students?
- Two French hens--they can shepherd us folks off to beddy-bye. They also are the resident worry-warts.
- One partridge in a pear tree. He oversees the operation. Funny thing though, I never saw a partridge wear black hip boots and a whip. So geht's

John Harding

SOCIAL MINISTRY

The Social Ministry Committee wishes to announce that there are numerous needs which we are just becoming aware of in the Mt. Airy community which request help from seminarians. All of these needs would only consume a few hours a week, but these few hours a week can be of great value both to those who need our help and of personal benefit to the students involved. Though this list is not yet complete it is our hope that you would give serious attention to these needs and respond accordingly.

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
N.W. Ambulance Corp.	Desperate need for attendants to ride with ambulance, to assist in emergencies (morning or afternoon hours) 4 hrs./wk.
N.W. Mental Health Center	1. Need for a student to lead group of former mental patients now living in comm. Must be married or res. of Phila. and have CPE. 2 Hours per week. 2. Also a need for a "sensitive person" to ride school bus for retarded children at N.W. Day Nursery 7-9 AM weekdays w/ pay
Parkway School	Need for teachers 3 hrs./wk see B. Young
Sedgwick Playground	Needs assistance in being w/kids playing basketball. Choose your time.
Presbyterian Church	Need for students to play B-ball, to organize teams; indoors, any evening.
Ch. of Brethern, G-town	Need for volunteer tutors to teach Math-Reading 2 hrs per week
Guadenzia House Outreach 3137 N. Broad	Need for a tutor in reading to teach former addict.

For additional information on any of these needs contact Ed Larson or Bob Young.

STREET CARS

Several weeks ago we made allusion to the large body of poetic material about the streetcar. We therefore would like to send up a test balloon in the form of the following poetic fragment:

Any girl can be gay
In a classic coupé
In a taxicab all can be jolly;
But the girl worth the while
Is the one who can smile
When you're taking her home
on the trolley!

"Straight from the C document!
(Chickengeschichte)

STAFF

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Shellaway, Harry (Where are you?)

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TELEPHONE SERVICE CRUMBLES...

While not wanting to cause panic in this irenic community, I need to make a brief announcement: the Student Body's telephone service faces immanent disaster. Unfortunately, the telephone company does not share our view that the "free phone" should be free and has recently sent us an unexpectedly large bill--\$213.14.

Much of this amount results from the 109 long distance calls, for which \$156.22 should be collected. That would give the Student Body a \$2.29 profit from the long distant calls, but it still leaves \$55.92 which has to be paid by the Student Body treasury. This high expense contrasts with an anticipated monthly charge of about \$10.

Why is there such a large bill? In the past, the free phone was erroneously carried by the telephone company as a residential phone. As such any number of local calls could be made for a monthly charge of about \$13.50. But when the phone was installed again two months ago, the phone company could no longer find record of the old agreement (as the phone had been completely disconnected about a year ago), so a new agreement was set up in accordance with the usual telephone policy, which says that dormitory telephones count as business phones.

As a business phone, the "free phone" has 95 Message Units a month for the set fee of \$7.50. Each unit beyond these initial 95 costs 4½ cents. These units mount up rapidly; for, although calls made to close-by locations use only 1 unit, calls made to more distant places within the metropolitan area require several units, especially if the call is a long one. In our case, for the month of October there were 1149 Message Units for which we must pay 4½ cents each (\$51.71).

The result: The "free phone" is no longer available for local calls. An attempt will be made to continue having the phone available for long distant (because they pay for themselves) and official Student Body calls. It is hoped that seminarians will continue to use the "free phone" for their long distant calls because (1) it is less expensive for them than if they use the pay phone and (2) a small profit is generated.

New telephone rules are needed, therefore. These are as follows:

1. The free phone can be used only for long distance and Student Body calls.
2. The key to the telephone room will be kept in my room (C33). Those wishing to make a call must get the key from me and return it again. If I am not in my room, the key will be given, in turn, to Larry Smoose, Dave Allen, and Bruce Potteiger. Another key will be kept by Student Body treasurer Robert Young, Jr.
3. As in the "Old Covenant", calls must be recorded on the special sheets, and bills will be posted.

One final bit of good news to indicate that the pathetic Davidson Administration is not totally inept is that the Student Body will be reimbursed for the calls made by the night guards on the "free phone".

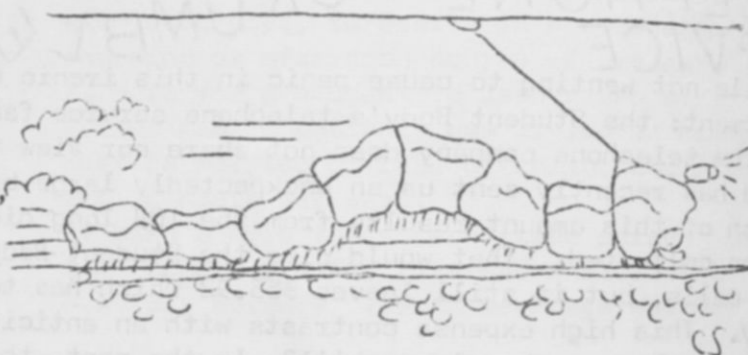
Carl Shankweiler.

The Seminarian does not, as yet, consider Mr. Davidson's administration to be inept. --ed.

DIE STRASSENBAHN SPALTE

Last week a poetic fragment appeared in this column, and the response was overwhelming (I received a total of two comments). Therefore, we present more of the same this week. It should be pointed out that your Strassenbahn editor did not compose these masterpieces. Rather, they are taken directly from the oral tradition. The particular piece under consideration is obviously a cultic hymn of praise, sung during the rush hour by the assembled faithful. See O. Strassenfeldt, "Einleitung die kleinsten Redeformen und ihr Sitz im Leben" for more information.

Never full! Pack 'em in!
Move up, fat men, squeeze in, thin.
Trunks, valises, boxes, bundles,
Fill up gaps as on she tumbles.
Market baskets without number,
Owners easy nod in slumber.
Thirty seated, forty standing,
A dozen more on either landing...
Toes are trod on, hats are smashed,
Dresses soiled, glasses crashed.
Thieves are busy, bent on plunder,
Still we rattle on like thunder.
Packed together, unwashed bodies,
Bathed in fumes of whiskey toddies;
Tobacco, garlic, cheese, and beer
Perfume the heated atmosphere.
Old boots, pipes, leather and tan,
And if in luck, a "soap-fat man."
Aren't this jolly? What a blessing!
A street-car salad, with such a dressing.



REGISTRATION

Registration for the Spring semester will begin November 30, and continue through December 2. All of this activity will take place in Mr. Kaufmann's office. A list will be posted of the cross-registration offerings on Wednesday November 24 right before the vacation. Also the roster for the next semester will be on the bulletin board.

THANKS

The super solid gold sound of the ID did the air waves of Graduate Hall and confronted the rhythmic senses of about thirty people, pleasingly, on Friday evening. Thanks to Middler John Minnich and his friends for an enjoyable evening. We hope to hear you again in the near future.

STAPH

The Seminarian is a student publication of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. It is staffed by students of this institution. The office is located on the third floor of "F" Hall on the side facing the tennis courts. The paper is usually published on Wednesday nights, however this copy is coming out on Tuesday because of the Thanksgiving recess which happens this week (thank goodness for the recess!!). We'd appreciate any articles, cartoons and newsworthy items which you would care to submit. Your suggestions and criticisms are also appreciated and looked forward to, and infact are needed to keep the Seminarian the newspaper of the Student Body at Mt. Airy. The staff this week is:

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Dennis Kohl.

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ECOLOGY NEWS

EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT RECYCLING BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK.....

To clear up some confusion which still exists about recycling and how you can get into the swing of it yourself, let's review the basics. Business Paper, cardboard, newspaper, aluminum cans, food trays, foil, tin cans and bottle tops, glass bottles and jars can be recycled - (or processed so that they may be used again). In our area there are collection sites for newspapers, glass, and aluminum. To prepare glass bottles and jars for recycling merely rinse clean and remove metal neck ring if any and separate by color (i.e., white or clear, green, and brown or amber). Aluminum is not attracted by a magnet. Cans with no-seam and a one piece construction are all aluminum. To prepare these for recycling merely rinse out. Also aluminum are: flip top rings from cans, neck rings from bottles, screw on caps from soda and beer bottles, no seam food cans (i.e., snack pack cans, refrigerated dips), TV dinner trays, pie plates, pot pie plates. Newspapers need merely to be tied securely in bundles.

Glass and Aluminum can be dropped off anytime at La Salle College High School which is between Papermill Road and Willow Grove Ave. Newspapers can be dropped off Monday through Friday at Cheltenham High School, Carlton Ave., Wyncote. Other sites are around - contact Betsy Munz CH2-4172 if you'd like to locate one more convenient for you. The ones mentioned are the closest to the seminary campus.

A thought to rattle the ecological cobwebs in your head:

"Excess packaging, and the use of non-returnable containers is a major portion of today's environmental problem. Consumer action can help alleviate these situations, and can also influence manufacturers to produce everything from automobiles to soft drink bottles which are more ecologically sound. Buy products which are manufactured with recycled materials so that the public demand encourages an increased use of the reprocessed goods. We can all live a better life, ecologically, if we consider the 'environmental impact' of everything we do in our lives."

Betsy Munz

Our apologies to Betsy Munz for forgetting this article in last week's The Seminarian. Somehow the article got put under a pile of papers and like the Qumran manuscripts was only discovered at a much later time. Again our apologies, we hope to do better in the future.

-ed.



A PROGRAM OF CONTINUING THEOLOGICAL READING DURING AND AFTER SEMINARY

Dr. Krodel has recommended to seniors and middlers interested in a program of continuing theological reading a subscription to the journal Dialog, published four times each year. The articles are excellent as are the book reviews in each edition. These reviews can serve as a guide for reading books once in the parish ministry. Check out the library copy of the latest edition. Student subscriptions are \$3.75 per year. Back issues are on sale from Vol. I up through the Fall of 1969 at 4 for \$1. From Fall 1969 on, they are at the regular subscription rate. SIGN UP LIST ON MAIL ROOM BULLETIN BOARD.

A basketball goal has just been erected on the graduate hall parking lot. The seminary is invited to use it whenever they wish. We thank the seminary and the Student Body for their help in making this possible.

The duo of Lee Berry and Larry Smoose have been crowned doubles champs in the final winter tennis event. Drs. Heinecken and White split the first 2 sets with the champs then lost the final 10-8. We will see all you tennis fans next spring.

Dick Olson

All of you red hot hockey nuts are invited to get your puck out of moth balls for some street hockey. The signup sheet: Hagan Hall.

SEX

We would like to invite you, your colleagues, and your students to our Human Sexuality Teach-In on December 1, 1971. Our emphasis this year will be on relationships as this is purported to be a troublesome area for students. Our main speaker will be Dr. Sol Gordon, Professor of Family and Child Development at Syracuse University. The three subsequent workshops will be conducted by members of our faculty and staff. Below you will find a program which lists in detail the speakers, times, and places. We're at 32nd and Chestnut Streets. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call my office - EV7-2400 ext. 355.

We hope you will join us!

Very truly yours,
 (Mrs.) Constance C. Goodman
 Dean of Women
 Chairman of Human
 Sexuality Committee

RELATIONSHIPS

- 1:00PM Main Auditorium
 Everything you never knew about sex**But were afraid to admit
 Dr. Sol Gordon, Syracuse Univ.
- 3:30PM Drexel Activities Center
 101N - Sex games students play
 Dr. Howard S. Baker
 Psychiatrist to University
 Health Services
- 101C - Female Chauvinist Pigs?
 Mrs. Barbara Hornum
 Instructor in Sociology
- 101S - Premarital Marriage
 Dr. Arthur Shostak
 Associate Professor of Sociology

 (Staph continued from page two)
 Contributors: Carl Shankweiler, John Schweitzer, Mr. Kaufmann, Betsy Munz, Bob Lutz, Dick Olson.

Lighting: The Great Gobbler.

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 While doing some research about death for a recent funeral sermon the following cryptic saying was found:
 "Death is a black camel, which kneels at the gate of all." Abd-El-Kader (Think about it!)

Well, it's going to happen again this year - Thanksgiving - Stuffing yourself with Turkey and Cranberry sauces, then maybe you'll hear your real stomach talking at you instead of that funny little voice-of-a-stomach on the Alka Seltzer commercial. Lots of food, football and relaxing on Thursday, one of our few days out of the year when we can become lazy (just for one day mind you!). So we sit back, eat, drink, watch television and feel merry. That doesn't sound too bad!

We've set the fourth Thursday in November aside as a time to remember all the good things that have been given to us by God, sort of remembering our opulence in the face of others' scarcity. A time to give thanks and to think about others who don't have as much or even enough to get by.

It seems that at times we use Thanksgiving to celebrate our plenty by oral satisfaction, we sit around and pat ourselves on the stomach and realize that what we have, we got for ourselves; in a way congratulating ourselves on our own fertility. It might be good to remember that what we have, as well as what we are, comes to us as a gift from God. Perhaps proper thanksgiving for these gifts means a rededication of self to others in response to the goodness which God has given to us.

Have a happy, peaceful and safe Thanksgiving recess.

Dennis Kohl

CONGRATS

We want to extend our best wishes to Pete Helmers on his recent engagement to Jane. This makes the second member of the Middler Class to bite the dust this year. Right now it looks to be pretty hard to tell how many more will follow suite this year or in the near future. Not that it's such a bad trend to follow, I guess. At any rate congratulations and best wishes for future happiness from all of us here at the Seminarian.

