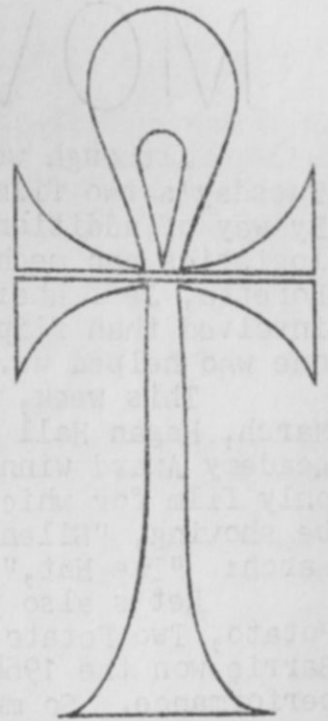


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AN ILLUSTRATION

I didn't really expect the new cover of the Seminarian to be ready by last week's edition, and so I would like to add to it the "full content" of which it's only an illustration. I feel that any design decision - so far as is possible within the given limitations - shouldn't be arbitrary; and so I looked for an inspiration that might make the "Seminarian" cover meaningful graphically.

I began by writing down random thoughts about what this newspaper represents, who "the seminarian" represents, and what "this time" represents. These thoughts included "visual notes." Then, after I had exhausted my own impressions, I asked several other seminarians to consider the same questions. From all these notations, which I combined and hashed over in different ways, I extracted recurring ideas, key words and symbols, of which the traditional word "call" proved to be the most important. Passages such as John 10:1ff, Romans 8:28, I Cor. 12:5-6, Ephesians 4:3ff, Philippians 3:14 and II Peter 1:10, seemed to suggest what expression I felt the cover should contain. But it was expressed most completely by II Thessalonians 1:11b, which in Good News translation reads, "We ask our God to make you worthy of the life he called you to live,"... whatever that may be.

My illustration is very partial. And it's intended to say, "...make us worthy..." though we are always unworthy. Unworthy of being called into existence and (continued on page four...)

MOVIES

Although we were able to give only short notice for last Tuesday's two film showings, we did have eight people in attendance. By way of additional credits, the following persons assisted us with logistics and mechanics: Jim Giannantonio, Peter Fauerbach and Loretta, Jeff Rhein, John Minnich, and Ken Gould. There's more work involved than flipping a switch on a projector, and we thank everyone who helped us.

This week, we will be having our showings on Thursday, 16 March, Hagan Hall at 8 P.M. We will have Laurel and Hardy's 1929 Academy Award winning short subject, "The Music Box." This was the only film for which these two comedians won an award. We will also be showing, "Silent Snow, Secret Snow," on the same bill. Coming 23 March: "The Hat," and, "Chickamauga."

Let's also plug the Social Committee's film showing, "One Potato, Two Potato," on Friday night in Ascension Church. Barbara Barrie won the 1964 Cannes Film Festival Best Actress Award for her performance. So much for the campus scene.

AT THE THEATRES: At the T.L.C. Cinema, 334 South St., the 1968 award winning best picture, "Midnight Cowboy," and, "Alice's Restaurant," form a great double-bill, 14-15 March. Raz Milland's famed, "X" will be featured 17-18 March. In addition to this theatre's policy of showing a sweeping variety of major film milestones, they are also showing some of the old serials in sequence: Captain Marvel and Flash Gordon. For the above screenings, they will also be showing Flash Gordon episodes in continued sequence.

Another good film revival theatre is The Bandbox, down Germantown Avenue at 30 Armat Street. Their offerings will be: 15-18 March, Bergman's "Hour of the Wolf," and, "Fellini Satyricon." On 19-21 March, Fellini's film will be shown again with a different Bergman film, "Shame," as co-feature.

On a somewhat regular basis, the World Theatre at 19th and Market Sts., presents film revivals. There are other theatres, societies, and museums in the city which sometimes show classic films, and even department stores here have gotten involved.

ON TELEVISION: These might be recommended for the film buff from this week's offerings on the boob tube: Wed., 8:30 (17), "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," 1945; 11:30 (17) "What Price Glory," James Cagney, 1952. Scoop of the Week: "Orphans of the Storm," 8:00 (29), Friday. This is the 1921 silent film presented in its entirety. Dorothy and Lillian Gish star as two victims of the French Revolution. D. W. Griffith directed this spectacle, for which he took fourteen acres of sets to re-create the Paris of 1789.

We hope you find something to interest you in the above. We'll look for you in Hagan Hall this Thursday at 8.

Bob Boyer

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AROUND CHAMPI

For the second week in a row we are attempting to revive this old favorite, which up until last year was a regular in the SEMINARIAN. So--Rumor has it that North Dorm was subjected to a nocturnal visit by several persons of the A Hall faction. As a result of the skirmish, Ken Gould has been drawn into active water sport

activity...hey John M, are those stories about your cat true? More details forthcoming...according to a reliable source Bruce A. has freaked out on Hebrew verb irregularities...and his friend next door is off on an Ovaltine binge.. the R.J. Holzenfelzermann award for scholastic excellence this year goes to Martin J. for his fine performance in Hagan Hall Mon.

SACRISTY LIBRARY

3 TROUBLE IN RIVER CITY!

If you have served on a chapel committee you may have experienced a sense of helplessness in looking for resources with new hymns, musical settings, orders of worship, liturgical dramas, and the like. The seminary sacristans hope to right this situation by developing a sacristy library in which Chapel committees could find resources to use in the planning of services.

The sacristans request students and faculty to share with them any materials that they have found to be useful, including orders of music and worship they have developed. The traditional as well as the contemporary is sought. At present, quality is not the primary consideration -- the good, the bad, and the ugly will be welcomed. Evaluation will be done later under the discerning eyes of the chaplains.

You may share your ideas and materials with Sally Burk, Rick Sebastian, or Dave Allen.

Dave Allen

The pocket billiards tournament is now underway. The schedule is posted on the bulletin board in Hagan Hall along with the rules. Each person has 12 matches to play.

Dick Olson

"O TASTE AND SEE"

All faculty and student wives are invited to attend the "Tasting Session" scheduled for March 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Kathy Lee. You will have a chance to sample the favorite dishes of the student wives and take copies of the recipes home with you. After the tasting is over, Mrs. Lee will speak to us about their sabbatical year in Denmark. It promises to be an interesting and enjoyable evening.

See you there!

Dyann Taylor

SOCIAL SIGNALS

Friday, March 17. Movie "One Potato, Two Potato". 7:30p.m. in Graduate Hall. After the film there will be a St. Patrick's Day celebration. There will also be time in between for talking over the film.

Free film, free talk, free refreshments, free dancing...Faculty, Marrieds, singles, dates, Hope to see you there. Made in Cleveland - see Father Cook for details!!

April 7th - Spring Banquet. Get your tickets from Morrill, Fauerbach, Potteiger, Harding by beginning of Easter vacation - March 29. Tickets: \$4.25 for Turkey \$4.50 for Beef

Live Band if James Knox Polk Live from South River, N.J.!

6:30 Cocktails

7:30 Dinner

9:00 - 1:00a.m. Dancing.

All takes place at Sheraton Motor Inn, Ft. Washington, Pa. (At Rt. 309 and Turnpike).

AMBULANCE CORPS.

Several students have responded to the presentation of Mr. Bill Colcord from the Ambulance Corps last Thursday. Any one who might be interested in riding and/or driving for the corps. see R. Young or M. Boggs.

Today during the convocation hour there will be a Service of Holy Communion. The Rev. Jan Walker, Assistant to the President of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, will be the preacher. Hopefully, all the members of the seminary community will be able to worship together today.

Hope to see you there!

CONVOCAATION

At the convocation on Wednesday, April 26, Drs. Lazareth and Kredel will make a presentation to the students and faculty of the seminary. They will critique Jacques Ellul's The Meaning of the City. It would be beneficial for all involved if the students and faculty could get to read this book before the presentation is made.

TIP OF THE HAT TRICK

The Street Hockey teams of the seminary wish to express heart-felt thanks to Mr. Kenneth Garver for making street hockey goals for their use. Mr. Garver made them for us without being asked to do so-- Thank you Mr. Garver--they are appreciated!

STAFF

(continued from page one...) unworthy of the call to real Life (symbolized by the Cross of Life), in which we know God to be our only omega.

Anyone interested in the aesthetic decisions can ask me about them. (There are two things which I wish could have been different: the lettering up the left-hand side should be less than half as large, and the quality of the lines should be smooth, clean, and black in order to be interesting and sensitive of themselves.) I often think we're handed limitations just so we keep in mind what really matters.

Barry Henderson

CONGRATS!

Congratulations to Ed Schreiber on his recent marriage. Ed was married on Saturday, March 11 at Grace Lutheran Church here in Philadelphia. Again, our best wishes to Ed and his wife!

cat news

Our little friend and visiting scholar, Martin J. Heinekatt, who has been attending classes more regularly than some students, is once agin in need of some food. If you can find it in your heart to help us out here, it would be appreciated.

Speaking of Martin, here's a final list of contributors to the operation fund which was established to procure Martin's operation:

- Dr. Robert Bornemann
- John Schweitzer
- Sister Barlene Tyce
- Mrs. John D. Newpher
- George Jones, Bishop of Reading
- Jeffrey Rhein
- Dr. John H. P. Reumann
- Harry (Skip) McDowell
- Mrs. Kenneth Garver
- Barry Ridge
- Barbara Hamilton
- Samuel Makhurane
- Mr. and Mrs. John Morrill
- Miss Rosine Sundelius

A special thank-you to these people from the Heinekatt himself.



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Our staff is about as strong as the library's collection of Algonquian literature, but we are improving (especially with a little help from our friends!). The outstanding journalists this week are:

- Editor: Dennis Kohl
- Assistant Editor: Robert Young
- Linotype operators: John the Schweitzer, Jeff from the Rhein.
- Visitors: Dennis Laskey, Dwight Shellaway, Martin J. Heinekatt.

- Contributors: Barry Henderson, Bob Boyer, John the Schweitzer, Dick Olson, David Allen, Dyann Taylor, Dr. White, Bruce Davidson, John Harding, Maike Boggs.

- Printer: Paul Bartlett
- Anonymous supporters: Dave Rhone, Bertrum Bimple, John Koons, Bob Mitman, Louise Sebastian (nee Vetter--that's how I knew her!), Mike Heinsdorf, Argos, Steve Bomgren, and a cast of thousands.

- Executive speller: Jeff Rhein.
- Love and Romance column: Tom Richards.

- Apocryphal Tales: Carl Mangold.
- Ambassador from Greece: Basil George Vitaxis.

- Lighting: Barry Ridge
- Make-up: Wendy Heitzenroder
- International Correspondant: Mike Heinsdorf

- Inspiration: M. Luther and his dog Clownie.

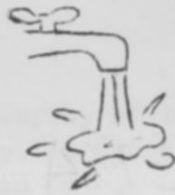
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After a month's silence that time-proven institution known as the "Strassenbahn Spalte" is being revived. Quite a lot has happened along the rails of SEPTA'S 15 odd trolley lines since this column last made its appearance on Feb. 9, 1972, and it was no easy matter to arrive at a decision as to what the subject matter of this week's attempt at humor should be. But after several hours of floor pacing, frustration, reading old issues of the SEMINARIAN, and other activities designed to pass the time and take the writer's mind off the fact that no original idea for this week was forthcoming, the above-mentioned writer decided to describe an activity which he recently had to take part in in order to get from Broad and Erie to Columbia Avenue (the location of that august seat of learning which taught our Student Body President all he knows!). In case you haven't yet figured out what I'm going to entertain you with this week, the subject matter will be----that delightful subterranean, basement-level railway known as the subway. The fact that this is a column devoted to the streetcar does not mean that we cannot, from time to time, provide a little information about this underground mystery ride, since a subway car is, after all, nothing more than a streetcar with long pants.

We need not provide any background concerning the purpose of our trip. Suffice it to say that we did have a need to use the subway--otherwise nothing could have lured us down into that dank, dark and disgusting land under the earth known as the Broad Street Subway. After several minutes of confusion and searching for the proper direction to the cashier's cage (cashier is actually a misnomer, since they only take exact change) I paid my fare and tried to decide if I was going "Northbound" or "Southbound"--all sense of direction is lost when you enter those caves of ice! Having finally decided that Columbia Avenue was to the south, I descended even further to a sort of sub-basement level where the tracks are located. There I joined a crowd of jolly, fun-loving Philadelphians who like myself had gathered there to take part in that laugh-a-minute thrill ride known as the subway. No one who has lived in the city could ever mistake that distinctive aroma which issues from the tunnels of the subway and sometimes creeps along side streets for miles before becoming dissipated to the extent that it is no longer recognizable. I do not wish to go into detail here concerning the chemical make-up of this smell; suffice it to say that it is strongly organic, with just the right amount of ozone to keep it from becoming downright obscene. In times past, waiting for a subway was at best a boring experience, since all one could do was stare at the third rail or make gestures at the patrons standing on the opposite platform. But now most subway stops have been tastefully decorated with works of local artists, so that one has more than enough to do in trying to identify the various signatures. On that particular afternoon I found that much of the work at Broad and Erie tended towards the abstract. But soon the air was filled with a distinctive low moan, and then even the bravest and most hardened patron began to look uneasy. For no one can ever quite learn to adjust to this screaming dragon as it snakes its way through the darkest cellars of the world beneath the street. Screaming to a stop, it dared anyone standing there to enter into the depths of its bosom in order to be transported through the murky, gloomy tubes to a destination unknown. The atmosphere inside the car was far from inviting. Smoke was everywhere, in spite of the oft-repeated warning "Anyone who smokes or carries a lighted cigarette, pipe or cigar on this car is guilty of a misdemeanor". Exotic smells and strong odors prevailed, in spite of the liberally-applied decals which announced to the world: DO NOT SPIT. Finally taking a seat in the rattan splendor of these forty-year-old cars, I asked myself how I had ever been idiot enough to take this ride through the dark. Those laugh-a-minute tours of the underworld described in various New Testament Apocrypha are nothing compared to this Geisterbahn. I swore right then and there that if I ever saw the light of day again nothing would ever persuade me to return to that realm of slime and filth. But, as is obvious by the fact that I have again managed to full up an entire page with this useless garbage, I escaped to the land of the living from that kingdom of darkness, and from now on will leave the underground strictly alone.

water sports



pa. dutch lexicon



This column has arisen in the Seminarian to meet a very real need on the part of the student body--namely the latest inventions and improvisations in water sports.

There has arisen in the recent past, namely last Thursday, or should I say rather two Thursdays ago, a vicious, yea even heinous battle on the sacred grounds of Main Dorm. Even now as I write, the villanous Dick Olson attacks me with his water squirter. All this bears out my theses that there is a need for the student to keep well abreast of the latest developments in water sports.

We do want to invite various scholars and experts on water sports to contribute to this column. Perhaps you have had a recent but enlightening experience with water--tell us about it! Maybe you'd like to relate to us "The Most Unforgettable Character I've Met in Water Sports"--send it on in--we'll be glad for it.

Dave Rhone is the artillery expert, and we will plead with him to take over the editorship of that division of water sports.

Perhaps we will discover a whole lost world of poems and aporyphal tales of water sports by this endeavor--but the Seminarian is ready to do its share for culture.

We will probably not be able to announce up coming battles, but be warned that they happen at random and spontaneously betwe between 11:00 and 12:00 midnight, after that is off limits and out of reasonable bounds.

Just a few quick rules:

1. No buckets allowed!
2. No shooting before 11:00p.m.
3. No shooting in the dorms!
4. No holding!

More news of this exciting sports will be coming soon.

Although many may not admit to it, there is much use of Pa. Dutch among the student body. Perhaps in order for you to be in with the "in-crowd", you too must bone-up on your Dutch. Here's some common expressions:

rutch-- verb-- squirm
spitz - verb - sprinkle
doppig - adjective - klutzy
strubblig - adjective - messy
rench water - noun - rinse water
machine - noun - automobile
chust for so - idiom - just for so
it's all - idiom - there ain't no more

main't - verb - may not
grex - verb - complain
vonct - interjection - once
say nah - interjection - say now
greisles - verb - to annoy
verhultz - adjective - all messed up.

mojhy - noun - hard mo' lasses candy
booghered up - adjective - damaged

Any contributions you can make to this column will be appreciated. Remember, it's for the sake of better communication among the student body.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY--
Remember that this Friday is the feast day of the blessed St. Patrick. It proves to be a gala affair here at the Seminary.

Last minute reminder--
GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THE SPRING BANQUET FROM ANY OF THE GENTLEMEN LISTED ON PAGE 3

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT SOME OF OUR UP COMING WATER SPORT CONTESTS!!!