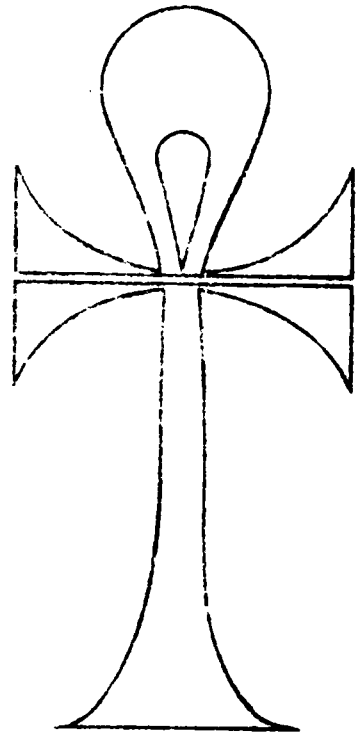


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IN MEMORY OF...

Next Wednesday, September 27, at 7:30 p.m., there will be a Memorial Service for Dr. O. Frederick Nolde, who died this past summer. Dr. Nolde was a distinguished alumnus of this seminary. He received his Ph. D. from the University of Pennsylvania and was a Professor of Religious Education at Mt. Airy shortly thereafter. His more recent associations with this seminary included being professor emeritus and graduation speaker two years ago. He was probably most noted for his activities in the area of high level international affairs. Dr. Nolde was probably the most significant church diplomat to be associated with the United Nations. He certainly was involved in world attempts at peace more than any other Lutheran of our time. He also was the Director of the Committee of the churches on International Affairs for the World Council of Churches. Dr. Nolde was the author of numerous books including, The Church and the Nations. Those conducting the service will be Dr. William Jansen, South Eastern Pennsylvania Synod President, Dr. Newpher and Dr. Lundeen. Drs. Tappert and Heineckon will deliver the messages. We urge all members and friends of the Seminary community to attend this service to remember this great churchman and world leader.

! HELP !

You are needed in WILKES-BARRE!!!

The Seminary Community is planning to spend a day helping the people of Wilkes-Barre clean up from the flood.

The date is October 20 to 21.

More details will follow! Meantime—reserve that date for this greatly needed TASK!!!

Flood Relief Committee

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WHAT DO YOU HEAR

WHAT IS A RETREAT ?????

The word "retreat" has differing connotations. Reading Jim Dugan's article on the retreat in last week's SEMINARIAN, I was forcefully reminded of the differing connotations. In one sense, retreat means to go back to consolidate and regroup. Jim Dugan has brought this sense out in his article. In another sense, retreat means to go back, to abandon gains and retire in defeat. The Seminary Retreat was to me a retreat in the second sense.

I do not want to argue with Jim Dugan, but his article can be a useful device to bring out my frustrations about the retreat.

True, we have done away with the small groups and the "cramped scheduling". Some people, the free spirits, are happy with this, but I wasn't. There were others who were happy at the loss, but not because of the lack of restrictions on their time. These people it seems to me, were glad at not having to be reminded that the ministry of the gospel can be served in many and diverse ways. They were happy at the avoidance of being threatened by the possibility that theirs might not be the only way of living a Christian life. The small groups are threatening to a comfortable view of the Christian Community.

I found the small group discussions of two years ago, along with an organized scheduling an effective way of finding out about our new brothers and sisters in Christ -- to find out their differences as well as their similarities. I found out that the small discussions and the forced interaction brought out problems and gripes that we would have to face in the following semesters. We are brothers and sisters, but we are different, and we each have our concerns which are individual and different.

This year, however, we seemed to be celebrating a unity and solidarity that just wasn't there. Frankly I found the time for meditation and reflection on our brotherhood and our seeming unity quite boring. We were celebrating a false unity. I did not find great diversity at the retreat. I did not see many members of the junior class. What I saw was mainly the married members with their wives coming together in a quite effortless weekend filled with a strange sort of pietism, and a strange sort of unity. Diversity of opinion was neither evident nor sought. There was no attempt at theological discussion and argument which is the sign of a dynamic and alive community. I saw the great emphasis on praying both before and after meals needlessly redundant and non-productive. We were all encouraged to be reflective, but there was no attempt to encourage us to follow through with proclamation; proclamation of problems and concerns and needs as well as gospel.

I felt this false unity and real isolation in Dr. Lazareth's sermon. An interesting sermon, yes, and inspiring, but a sermon stressing unity of professional goals. As a MAR candidate, I felt left out in this grand plan to "Carry on the father's work": Others were left out too. I could not see how in this day and age the seminarian's wife could be content with the role of suffering servant of the pastor, her husband, that Dr. Lazareth seemed to suggest. In short, I felt that I had stumbled onto a retreat of pious married pastors to be celebrating the necessity of their profession, and I felt left out. Yet I am a part of the seminary community. My ideas are valid in the sight of God even if I don't believe in praying twice at meals. I am valid in the eyes of God even though I choose not to be ordained.

Just about the only time I felt at home was when Norm and Sandra Dietz performed. Here at last were people doing something secular and pleasing in the eyes of God. And they were laymen.

I think that it is time the seminary community realized that there is a diversity of people interested in serving God attending this seminary who are not intending to be pastors. The seminary community should realize this and encourage a diversity of opinion and approaches to the gospel. Jan Newpher

"WE" BELIEVE . . . A RESPONSE

As the one largely responsible for subjecting the Seminary community (to use Greg Johnson's words) "to such liturgical crap and unprecedented changing of a basic worship ~~change~~ form of 2000 years of history" as saying "we believe" instead of "I believe" in the Nicene Creed, and being accused of having done so (again in Mr. Johnson's words) "just because it comes from some idiot of the 'Pub' house or elsewhere in the name of change," I suppose it is incumbent on me to say something in response. I wish that it could have been in "some form of theological conversation," as Mr. Johnson put it, but the character and tone of his article preclude this. I would simply make the following observations by way of information and correction.

1- By the reference to the "New Liturgy" I assume that the experimental rites from ILCW (published by Fortress Press) are meant. If so, it is clear from only a cursory glance at these materials that none of them was used. As a matter of fact, the only service of a liturgical nature at the retreat was the order for Holy Communion, and this is a service which was developed here on this campus as an alternative order both to that of the SBH and to that proposed in CW-2--- and for many of us it expresses a theology more compatible with a Lutheran understanding of the Sacraments than either of the others! Far from new, it has been used here very frequently during the past three years.

2- As to the translation of the Nicene Creed, which was "Particularly offensive" to Mr. Johnson, it should be noted that it is part of the new translation of basic liturgical texts agreed upon by the International Consultation on English Texts, the members of which can hardly be called "idiots" or be accused of entertaining change for the sake of change! Moreover, these texts with notes and discussion have been available since 1969. In this country they were published for ICET by Fortress Press in 1970 and in a revised and expanded edition in 1972. They are inexpensive and readily available to anyone concerned with such matters. There has also been wide discussion of the new translations both in technical and popular journals, including a feature article in the Lutheran.

3- Mr. Johnson objects to saying "we Believe" instead of "I believe" for the reason that it suggests that one can believe for someone else. To say this, however, is to give a meaning to the words, "we believe," which they simply cannot bear. Much more serious, however, is that such an argument can grow out of a confusion of faith with confessional formulas and a misunderstanding of the nature of Christian community as well as liturgical action (what it means that a congregation of believers worship together).

4- As to the assertion that "we believe" is an unprecedented change---well, this is not quite true either. There have been other changes in the creed, and some good ones, too; Luther's translation of sancta ecclesia catholica by heiligg christliche Kirche is an example. As a matter of fact, with respect to the case in question Luther himself directs in the Deutsche Messe; "After the Gospel, the whole congregation sings the creed in German: Wir glauben all an einen Gott (We all believe in one God," Luther's own metrical translation of the creed)." I suppose that it need only be said in conclusion that (for what it may mean) the original Greek text of the Nicene Creed, as well as that of several other of the significant early creeds, reads pisteuomen, as any study of early Christian creeds will show; cf. e.g. T. H. Brindley (rev. by F.W. Green), The Oecumenical Documents of the Faith, (London: Methuen, 1950), pp. 26-29, 53, 54, 55, 62 f., 64, 82-84; or (in English translation) John H. Leith, Creeds of the Churches, (Chicago: Aldine, 1963), pp. 25 ff.; and, of course, Prayers We Have in Common, (Philadelphia: Fortress, 1972), p. 12.

SHERIFF LAYS DOWN LAW



Parking Regulations for Mt. Airy Seminary

1. Each student living on campus and each faculty member have been assigned parking spaces. These spaces are for their use only.
2. Commuters are required to park their car on Boyer Street, E. Gowen Ave. or Germantown Ave.
3. "Visitors" spaces are to be open from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday-Friday. After 5:00 P.M. and weekends these spaces may be occupied briefly by commuters.
4. Two warnings will be given to a student before he receives a ticket.
5. After a student has received two warnings, he will be given tickets. Each of these fines will cost \$1.00.
6. After (5) Five tickets the individual may lose his right to park on campus at the discretion of Mr. Kaufmann.

If there are any questions please get in contact with me.

Rod Saylor
Sheriff

Volleyball - Tuesday, Sept. 19

For over an hour the students of Mt. Airy practiced their serves and spikes, and finally at about 7:30 the opposition could be seen approaching the field of battle behind Main Dorm. The faculty had arrived!

Missing from the ranks of the old timers was Lyman Lundeen a terrible blow, indeed, to the hopes of the faculty. Immediately the mind of Dr. Newpher went to work to try and find ample substitutes for the missing Dr. Lundeen. To calm the violent protests of the students, honorary doctorates were given to Tom Omholt in New Testament and Bruce Petteiger in Greek. They didn't dare say anything about Pam Newpher who was jumping up and down ready to get started.

After a good hour and a half of play it is in the opinion of this reporter that the two teams played to a draw. Mike Arimel Bodnyk, Cardinal Puff, and Dr. Aden, after a year lay-off looked quite impressive. The volleyball and the

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festivities afterwards ended about 9:30 when the keg ran dry and the wives from the Wives Club meeting arrived to claim their husbands.

The WEEKLY SCHEDULE



Saturday, September 23 - All Seminary Picnic at George Herpel's place, 2:00 P.M. till ...

Tuesday, September 26 - Open Discussion on Campus Reconstruction in the Refectory after Chapel

Student Body Elections end 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, September 27 - Junior Class Elections in Room 3, Hagan Hall 9:50 A.M.

Senior Class Elections in Room 1, Hagan Hall 11:10 A.M.

Memorial for Nolde in Chapel at 7:30 P.M.



SMILE

the personal content of the creed

First of all, I would like to make an apology; I found out that the Nicene Creed was originally written in the first person plural and that the Eastern Orthodox Church uses it even in this way today. Therefore, if someone wants to be Eastern Orthodox and serve Communion to babies with a silver spoon after the chow bell has rung, that is your business.

I personally feel that the Creed should remain in the first person singular form for a theological reason. In the "I" form, the individual's faith is expressed by him personally before God. When this is done liturgically in the community, a tension is created between the individual's faith and the faith of all believers present. This tension attests to the fact that all men are ultimately alone before God. It subscribes to the words of an essential character that keeps them alive amid the mass. The person in church is not confessing the belief of the church, but he is witnessing to the fact that his faith has an experiential content that is in many ways indescribable. This is as it should be because God comes to man in his hiddenness and therefore any belief of the community is confessional but not creedal in reality.

If the "I" is changed to "we" the tension is released and the community becomes the mass again. The personalized individual relation we have to God is gone and we become members only of the Body of Christ and not whole beings. So others can say the Creed in the plural if they want to, but I can not and will not let the personal nature of my relationship to God be subservient to the liturgy of the community. I can not believe that Christ came to save the community of God but that He came to save individuals in the community of God.

Greg Johnson

OPEN DISCUSSION

THE FUZZ

Just as a reminder, there will be an open discussion of the tentative plans for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the Seminary campus on Thursday, Sept. 26, 1972 in the Refectory following Chapel. At that time, a brief review of the work of the Program Planning and Facilities Use Committee will be given followed by a presentation of some of the preliminary architectural plans. All interested persons are invited.



"LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER..."

Communion Service today at 10:00 in the Chapel. Mr. Robert Hughes will be the preacher.

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The Student Body Office is located next to The Seminary Office which is next to Fritz Ruccius' Room which is in Room 69 of "F" Hall. Though facilities are meager, there are 10 folding chairs and a LARGE table in the office. You can hold comm. meetings there if informed ahead of time.
Rick Sebastian

For all of you on the run, word is out that the Sheriff is catching up with all the "illegal parkers", ie, in the sense of being in the wrong space. (Altho the other kind might also tread lightly). Warning tickets have been flying, but Sheriff Roney is getting ready to really crack down! Remember, parking assignments are posted on the Ad. Building's Bulletin board (in Hagan Hall) and Commuters shall park off campus between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Beware of the Sheriff!!! And check out the regulations found elsewhere in The Seminary.



On Wednesday, Sept. 27 the Junior and Senior classes will hold their elections. The Juniors will vote at 9:50 following their "Old Testament" class in Room 3 of Hagan Hall while the Senior elections will be held in Room #1 at 11:10 after their Liturgy and worship class. All nominations will come from the floor and the elections will fill the following offices: Prez. of the Class and class representatives to the Athletic and Social Activities Comm. and to the Academic Int. Comm.-Library & Prof. Correlation-Continuing Ed. Student-Faculty Committee.
R. Sebastian

NITE LIFE

Valley Forge Music Fair - NI4-5000.
Jesus Christ Superstar
September 19-24.

Man of La Mancha - Howard Keel and
Lainie Kazan
September 25 - Oct. 1.

Academy of Music - 1422 Chestnut St.
LO3-9005
Ravi Shankar
Friday, Sept 29 - 8:30 p.n.

Tower Theater - 69th and Market
The Byrds / Commander Cody
October 5 - 7:30 & 11:00

The Spectrum - Tickets - LOVE-222
Elton John
Sept. 30

Sleuth - Michael Allinson and Curt Dawson
Best play-1971 Tony Award
1114 Walnut St. - WA3-1515
Begins Sept. 25 - Oct. 21.

Latin Casino - Route 70 Cherry Hill, N.J.
Phone: WA3-4343
Gladys Knight and the Pips
Thru Sept. 24.
Joey Heatherton - Sept. 26 - Oct. 1

Of course, there is always the Logan
17th and Race Sts.
Small but swinging, especially one
day a week when they have 10¢ drafts.
Bring \$2.00 and GOOD LUCK!!!

SUPPORTERS

TENNIS: There is a sign-up sheet in
Hagan Hall.

VOLLEYBALL: There are still openings for
teams!!!

FOOTBALL: Anyone who is interested—
is welcome—PLEASE!!!!

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CONGRATULATIONS, Dr. Heineken—

You can now ride the quiet, ultra-
modern Philadelphia Trolley System
for one thin dime!!!

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WHAT: "A Walk In"
WHERE: The Haven (Deaconess House)
WHEN: October 5, 7:45 PM
RSVP: Sign up in Hagan Hall by October 2, 1972
All students and spouses welcome!!!

THE UN EVENT

PICNIC

On Saturday afternoon, September 23,
(that's this coming Saturday!) the annual
All-Seminary Picnic will be held at the
George Harpel residence. 2:00 p.m. is
the scheduled starting time. The
scheduled ending time is ???—just so
you get to church on Sunday—on time!!
Sign up sheets may be found in Hagan
Hall and the refectory on which you may
RSVP! All faculty, students, families,
friends, lovers, mascots, etc. are urged
to join the festivities.

The cost is a mere buck and a half a
head(that is if 40 or more come!) which
will cover the expense of the food and
beer(Michelob) you can consume! the
fare of the day also appeals to your
delight by offering hamburgers, hot dogs,
steaks, beans and potato, macaroni,
and tossed salads, and cole slaw and
so on and so on. SIGN UP NOW!!!!!!

CAMPUS GESCHICHTE

Wednesday was a day to remember—Jim
Anderson was seen without a coat and tie...
Is it true that Gary C. may soon be
shipped out to Fire Island—or is it
Paris Island?...Lyman L—where were you
Tuesday night?...It is rumored that a
Japanese beetle plague will invade Room
2 of N. Dorm...Did Dave Kidd ever find
his examining committee?...Volleyball
enthusiasts—beware of Hubie's over-the-
shoulder...Is there a bookstore?...

B—is the kitchen still floating?...
We've heard of people who put their feet
in their mouths—but J. Jorge has been
frequently seen with a shoe in his...
Why can't breakfast go until 8:30?...
Ask Greaser Dan about Teen Angel—but
have a box of Kleenex handy...Pam N.—
thank for adding beauty(& skill) to the
faculty V-ball team...What's a bookstore?...
How many more times are we going to hear
the "Senior-Middler-Junior Trilogy"?...
More later..... jrck.....

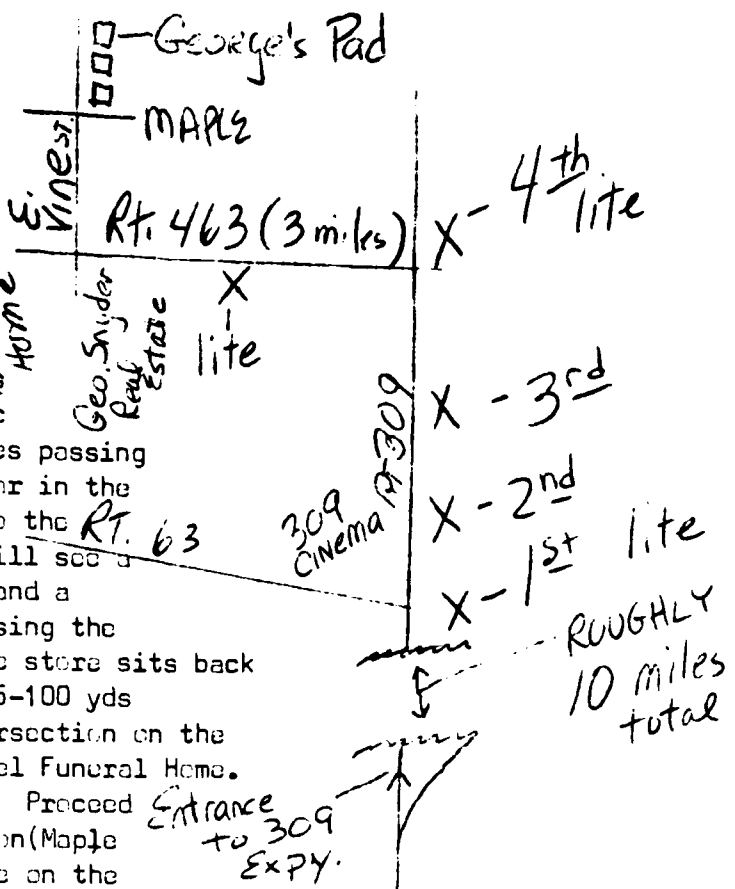
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The Deaconi Students

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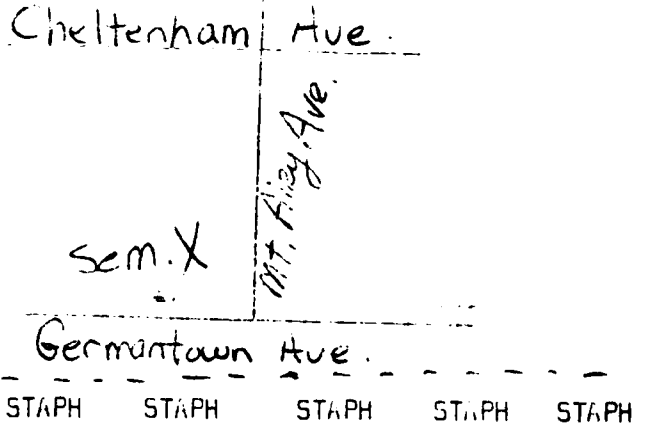
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This is a story as told by the "Old Story Teller", Uncle Bob.

Once upon a time there was a young princess with long flowing golden hair (she was the second cousin on her mother's side to Rapunzel). One day, as the princess was cutting her toenails (six of which were ingrown, the other five were fine) her "fairy" godmother appeared from out of the bottle in which the princess stored all her marbles. "They printhothth", said the godmother, for she was a fairy, "I'll grant you one wish, but hurry, I have a date with Brutho". The princess was startled, she had never met a fairy before. But she recovered nicely after 17 Compoz and a shot of Jack Daniels, and answered, "I'd like to meet Joe Garagiola." "Your wish is with my command." And with a puff of smoke, which left the princess coughing for 5 minutes, the "fairy" godmother disappeared back into her bottle.

SOME TIME LATER, AS THE PRINCESS WAS ON her way to the laundramat, she spotted the Man himself: Joe Garagiola. She ran up to him, all excited, and asked, "Joe, how did you get bald?" Joe smiled and said, "Would you like to be bald?" She breathily answered, "Yes!" And she was!!

Roger Spencer
"(please withhold my name)"

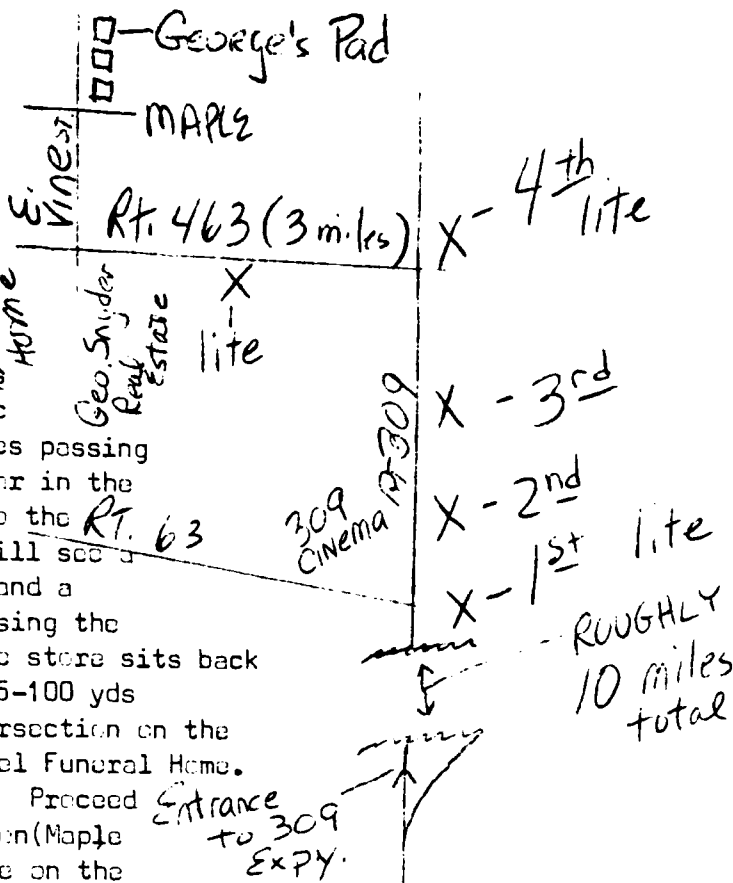


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