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I wish to thank the Seminarian staff, the student body and the members of the faculty for the greetings on the occasion of my seventy-fifth birthday. It was a memorable occasion and I thank God for continued good health, a "faithful and believing spouse" who makes me exercise daily, wonderful children and grandchildren, happy memories of my years in the ministry and in teaching and above all - continuing opportunities to serve the Lord in the Church and in the world.

I enjoy reading of all the activities at the seminary and sense the fine spirit that prevails.

May God bless you all.

Cordially yours,
Martin J. Heineken



UNIFICATIONISTS TO DIALOGUE WITH LTSP

As a means of continuing the dialogue between this seminary and the Unification Theological Seminary in Barrytown, N.Y. a visitation to this campus on Friday, December 9th at 11 am, by three or four Unificationists has been arranged. Dr. Helmut Lehmann will facilitate the dialogue. Anyone interested is welcome to attend at that time, in the Refectory. Since dialogue with UTS is especially difficult, as much participation from this student body as possible is needed. This dialogue is in continuation of that begun last year under the leadership of Dr. O.K. Olson. Partial dialogue, in written form, has already begun, and this visit is a necessary bridge to the difficulties already encountered. Primary discussions will begin following lunch on the 9th.

Bruce Wallace

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ATTENTION GROUPS!!!

Small Group #8, with Dr. Albert in tow, will be responsible for the production of The Seminarian next week. Please meet Gerry at 6pm next Tuesday at the office on the 3rd floor of the Refectory. See you there!!!

COUNSELING WORKSHOP

The Pastoral Institute of Lehigh Valley sponsored a one-day workshop with Howard J. Clinebell, Jr. on growth approaches to marriage enrichment and counseling. Mark English, Joan Pope and Marsha Jark attended from the Seminary on Tuesday, November 22.

Clinebell introduced his method with an explanation of the reason for using a growth approach to counseling. He put forth hope as the most powerful dynamic in counseling as the hope awakener. Citing a study by Rosenthal which established the expectation of the experimenter affecting the performance of laboratory rats. Clinebell said that the study repeated with teachers and student, counselors and counsees proved the effect of a positive orientation on growth.

From this orientation Clinebell drew several points. The counselors should look at counsees through the eyes of growth, not of pathology. Secondly, they should use the dynamic of hope for change. The strength and potential of the counselee should be seen. Clinebell defined "sickness" as blocked growth, and "love" as commitment to and caring about growth. In addition, the counselor should weigh the pull of the future as a dynamic for change, and the intentionality of the counselee. Clinebell asked the audience to see crises as growth opportunities and the opening of pain as an opportunity for growth.

Characterizing the church as an abundant life center, counseling/therapy and enrichment/growth to Clinebell are interested in the truth that frees people from end to something. Marriage enrichment then frees people to own their pain and potential.

Clinebell did two demonstrations during the remainder of the day. In the morning he led three couples through his 3-step "Intention Relationship Method" for marriage enrichment. The individuals in the group spoke of feelings of expectation and anxiety initially, and later spoke in appreciation of Clinebell's realness in saying what he would say to his wife Charlotte were she there. The couples were asked individually to finish two open-ended sentences, "I appreciate...(in you)" and "I need...(from you)" in order to affirm strengths and identify growth areas. In the third step, the couple recontracted for change to meet more of their needs. Finally, the couple engaged in feedback to see how their contract worked.

After lunch, Clinebell led a couple through a marriage counseling session where he began with having the individuals affirm each other, and then asked where the pain was in the marriage, or what they would like to be different. Clinebell's manner encouraged openness in the couple and his impact left hope. The couple finished with a similar contractual situation. Clinebell ended the day with feedback and questions from the audience.

Howard Clinebell is the author of several books on marital counseling including Growth Counseling for Marriage Enrichment; Pre-Marriage and the Early Years and Growth Counseling for Mid-Year Couples (Creative Pastoral Care and Counseling Series, Fortress 1975, 1977). In addition Clinebell has collaborated on several books with his wife Charlotte Clinebell on pastoral and marriage counseling. Those include Basic Types of Pastoral Counseling (Abingdon, 1966) and The Intimate Marriage (Harper and Row, 1970).

COMMUNITY NOTES

Senior Notice (M.A.R./ M.Div)

Our class group photo will be taken next Monday, Dec. 5 at noon. Weather permitting, we'll gather on the Library steps, so wear your longjohns!?! If it's nasty out, we'll go to Doberstein window. After the M. Div's should wear clerics; MAR's dress as you wish. group shot, individual sittings will be taken, probably in The Pit. Sign-up sheet for sittings is posted on bulletin board (so sign up!) Bring \$4 to the sitting. Any questions, please grab me.

Class meeting, following chapel, Wednesday, Dec. 7, second floor of the refectory. Topics: (1) Discussion of class gift possibilities, with Dr. Don Myrom as resource person, (2) Possibility of a Senior Emphasis period on sexuality next semester.

Mark English

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Dr. Martin Heineken, professor emeritus at the Philadelphia Seminary, recently participated in a program at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Columbia, South Carolina. In his remarks he made this personal comment:

"Hail, youth; those who are about to pass to life everlasting salute you: we pass on the torch so you may pass the torch to your children."

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STUDENT APPOINTED AS LIASON

We are proud to announce the appointment of Nancy Anderson as Student Liaison to the Director of Development's Office. What this means is that Nancy will provide a contact for Don Myrom within the Student Body. Her major responsibility will be to coordinate student hosts and hostesses when pre-seminarians come to visit the campus to see what LTSP is like. If you are interested in being such a host or hostess, either one time or occasionally, please contact Nancy. Thank you, Nancy, for your willingness to take on this responsibility.

Marie C. Jerge for the Student Body Executive Committee

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VISITATION RETREAT

Plans are already underway for the Visitation Retreat for pre-seminarians. The dates are March 12-14, 1978. Many of you are familiar with this retreat. This is an opportunity for those who are planning to attend seminary to spend time on the LTSP campus, talk with students and faculty, attend classes and worship services, and basically get some idea of what it would be like to be a student at Mt. Airy. A committee is being formed to put this Retreat into operation. I would like to have the committee chosen before the end of the semester so that we can begin working at the beginning of second semester. If anyone is interested in being a part of this committee please contact me as soon as possible.

Marie Jerge
Retreat Coordinator

FROM THE LIBRARY

THE BIBLE REACHING OUT is the theme of a multi-faceted display opening in the Library. It features seven cases of displays. Firsts in American Bible publishing - a page of the Eliot Indian Bible, the first edition of the Saur German Bible (the first German Bible published in America), the first Bible published in New Jersey, the first in New York, and the Goeb Bible, the first edition printed west of the Alleghenies - are the feature items. Other early American entries include the first stereotyped edition of scripture by the Pennsylvania Bible Society (the oldest such society), the first English Bible in America, by Robert Aiken, and the "Jefferson Bible" in facsimilie.

Samples of scripture in unusual dialects the world round are also featured including a complete case of American Indian dialects.

A display of translations by women include works by Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Helen Spurrell, and Julia Smith.

Among the most interesting visually are the miniatures including a "Thumb Bible," a "Finger Bible" and a portion of Genesis in a 24 page book one centimeter tall.

Other visual highlights are a case of illustrated Bibles, a picture of Jesus Christ surrounded by cherubs created from the entire text of the New Testament by varying word spacing, ink intensity, etc., and an old illuminated copy of the Psalms handwritten on parchment in ancient Geez.

The display is drawn from the private collection of Gerald C. Studer, a Mennonite minister in Lansdale whose life-long, Bible collecting hobby has grown to over 2000 volumes. He has published many articles about his collection as well as more ambitious writings such as Christopher Dock: Colonial Scho lmaster and his most recent piece After Death, What? published by the Herald Press (the Mennonite's equivalent to Fortress Press) in 1976. He serves as pastor of Plains Mennonite Church in Lansdale.

David J. Wartluft

MT. AIRY SOAP CONTEST RESULTS!

Congratulations to Margie Weiss and Mary Wien, who had the only perfect scores in this contest. What will it be, women? A handshake or... Next in line were Jim Heckman (2 wrong), Mark Wimmer (3 wrong) and Steve Moyer (6 wrong). The correct answers for the many people waiting in great anticipation (including Bob Bornemann) are as follows: 1-f, 2-i, 3-o, 4-b, 5-h, 6-a, 7-j, 8-g, 9-l, 10-c, 11-n, 12-m, 13-k, 14-d, 15-e. Thanks to all for your participation. Brother Bruce will resume his regular column next week.

DELAWARE VALLEY'S TOP CRAFTSPEOPLE TO EXHIBIT AT
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

The Christian Association of the University of Pennsylvania will hold its eighth annual Christmas Craft Fair on Friday and Saturday Dec. 2&3, from noon 'til 7pm each day. The Fair, which features exhibits by 100 of the finest craftspeople from the Delaware Valley and other parts of the country, is open to the public and admission is free. The event is held in the C.A. Building at 36th and Locust on the Penn campus; in addition to the exhibits, there will be live music and refreshments available.

This is the 15th Craft Fair presented by the Christian Assoc. (which also hosts an exhibit each Spring), and these Fairs have become most popular with craftspeople and public alike. The 100 participants are selected from twice that number of applicants, assuring a balanced, representative exhibit of virtually every handicraft by their most qualified practitioners.

Exhibits will include leather work, candles, pottery, wood, macrame, batik, a wide assortment of jewellery, and many others. Most exhibitors will feature items ideal for holiday gift giving, including all kinds of hand-made toys.

Many of the craftspeople, including weavers, leatherworkers, jewelers, calligraphers and candlemakers, will be demonstrating their techniques during the Fair, customers will thus be able to purchase items they have seen being made. Homemade baked goods and international foods will be offered for sale, and there will be live music throughout the Fair.

For more information, contact Rich Clark, EV6-1530.

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ART CONTEST

The Lutheran Brotherhood is sponsoring its 20th Annual National Lutheran Student Art Award Program. All entries must be original works of art by Lutheran students. Applications must be received by February 24, 1978. For further information, application blanks are available at Hagan. See Mrs. Maiden.

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The Concerto Soloists of Philadelphia with Marc Mostovoy, conductor, will present the second in a series of five programs at the Walnut St. Theatre, on Monday evening, Dec. 5, at 7:55. Some of the guest soloists include: Katherine and Kristine Ciesinski, Laurie Sausino, and Miles Davis. Some of the works to be performed include "Agnus Dei" from Bach's Mass in B Minor, three pieces from Handel's Judas Maccabaeus. Student tickets are \$3.50. For further information see the Hagan Bulletin Board.

CHAPEL SCRAPPLE
(This is the Yeast....)

Dear Watchers on the Mountains,

It's Advent. Let us pray (with W. H. Auden):

Inflict thy promises with each
Occasion of distress,
That from our incoherence we
May learn to put our trust in thee,
And brutal fact persuade us to
Adventure, art and peace.

(from For the Time Being: A Christmas Oratorio).

I have heard through the grapevine that things fall apart at the end of the semester. Perhaps they must. But we go on toward Bethlehem with good occasions to come together each day in this eager season.

On Thursday (9:40am) our guest preacher is the Rev. Barrie Shepherd, Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. He is good--someone you will want to hear. He was written up in an earlier edition of the Seminarian.

On Monday, December 5, at 5pm. our regular Monday evening prayer.

On Tuesday, December 6, a celebration of St. Nicholas Day with Rinda Rogers preaching on St. Stephen. (Really??? Ed.) (No, we will not sing "Up on the Housetop" in chapel. But at coffee hour. . .)

On Wednesday, December 7, a celebration of Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, that patristic theologian, with our own theologian, Professor Lyman Lundeen, preaching at the weekly service of Holy Communion.

I do not know myself what will be happening next Thursday. I wish I did. But after I make a few phone calls, it may be straightened out. And when I find out, all of you will be among the first to know.

I have appreciated the recent using of contemporary hymns, of ancient hymns, of gospel and guitar hymns, of things that stretch our observing of Advent in so many good directions.

I have heard through the grapevine that things fall apart at the end of the semester. Perhaps they must. Perhaps they won't. But as long as we are studying and teaching and working together, we'll keep singing and preaching and praying together--right up to the end.

Tim Lull

MOVIE OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

On Wednesday night, November 30, the whole community is welcome to join those classes which will be seeing a special documentary film on the "Warsaw Ghetto" at 6:15pm in the amphitheater. If you would like to know more about this 'ey aspect of the Second World War and Nazi regime, feel free to join us. The film lasts less than one hour.

THE PENNSYLVANIA OPERA THEATER announces a revival of its smash 1977 production of Rossini's Cenerentola (Cinderella).

Tickets are \$5. Performances on January 12, 14, 19 and 21, 1978 at the LaSalle Music Theatre. Call 985-8334.

ST. THOMAS ACQUAINT-US

- 30 November (Wed.) ST. ANDREW
--9:40 am. Service of Holy Communion
--6:15 pm. in the amphitheater: showing of a BBC documentary on the
Warsaw Ghetto, 1943. All are welcome. (Time: 55 min.)
- 1 December (Thurs.)
--9:40 am. Chapel
Preacher: The Rev. Barrie Shepherd, Swarthmore Presbyterian
Church.
- 5 December (Mon.)
--noon: Senior Class group picture, at the library
Individual pictures later in the day
--3:30 pm. Faculty meeting
--5:00 pm. Chapel
- 6 December (Tues.) ST. NICOLAS
--9:40 am. Chapel
--5:30 pm. Faculty Supper and Discussion
- 7 December (Wed.) ST. AMBROSE
--9:40 am. Service of Holy Communion
--Senior Class meeting following the service, 2nd floor Refectory
- 8 December (Thurs.)
--9:40 am. Chapel
Preacher: The Rev. Paul Kennedy, Director of Planning, DMNA

Reminders:

- Sherry Hour on Wednesdays at 4:45pm. in the refectory. Come & chat!
- 14 Dec. (Wed.) ADVENT VESPERS
It's a whole evening event....plan on coming and sharing with
the community the joy of this Advent season, at dinner, at the
concert, at Vespers, at the reception.
Anyone who would like to help with the nuts and bolts of the
affair, please see Tim Lull to volunteer.
- REGISTRATION for 2nd semester is Dec. 5-8. Get your information on
the table by the mailboxes and plan ahead. Cards are in the
Registrar's office.

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