

### REFORMED WHAT? AND SO WHAT?

(special Reformation Day issue article by Dr. Dunn, written at the request of the "Seminarian" staff)

The Protestant deformation is a fact of history, to be studied and understood. We observe its anniversary most effectively as we try to answer such questions as, "What does it mean to us?" and "What has it made of us?"

Various names that we bear as some and daughters of the Referration are significant. Hembers of "Referred" Churches have often been asked, "Referred what? Referred Episcopal? Referred Presbyterian? Referred Hebrew?" The right answer is "Referred Catholic!" -- a name which we must share with our sister Protestant churches. Yes, we are the heirs of the heroic men and women, who many of them, at great peril and at the cost of liberty and earthly life, strove to restore the western Catholic Church to the character of New Testament Christianity. \*

So what? What should this mean to you and me in terms of our convictions and our conduct?

We are CATHOLICS. The Reformers had no desire to leave the "Mother Church." Their withdrawal of allegistics from the head of a human hierarchy did not affect their membership in the Church Universal nor did excommunication by such human authority. Indeed, the fact that most Protestants do not presume to exclude Romanists from the Church Universal suggests that we are more "catholic" in spirit than they!

As PROTESTANTS our position and message are affirmative as the "Pro" implies -- not negative. We witness in behalf of our faith, not against someone else's. The truest Protestant testimony today is not against Rome or any other religious system, but in the practise and promotion of our own part in the WHOLE Church. The frequent observation (CONTINUED: page 2)



AT LAST! Plans for Junior Assistants, initiated by the present staff of the "Seminarian," have become promising realities as this issue goes to press. The three Junior Assistant Staff members from the ranks of the present Junior Class have been selected by the editors. They are:

Arm Schoup: assistant Features editor Larry Fisher: assistant News editor Robert Godfrey: assistant Sports editor

Very shortly these new members of your staff will begin to get the kind of "inside information" about the "Seminarian" which will prepare them for the year to come, when they will be a part of next year's staff. For instance, they will know how to prevent the "faded copy" which characterized the first three issues this term: G.H.H.

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that our Roman Catholic brethren attend church more regularly than we Protestants, to the extent that it is true, should challenge us to a deeper loyalty and a greater constancy.

As EVANGELICAL, a name which like "Reformed" can be shared by all children of the Reformation, we are pledged to the quest of an ever greater knowledge of the "Written Word" and an ever closer communion with the "Living Word." No church law, organization, or tradition can take the place of the "Book of Books." All must be tested by it and by the Lord of Life whom it presents.

As REFORMED -- so what? To be true to that name, i.e. to the principles of the Reformation, we must carry on the work which the Reformers did in their lands and times. History proves that "Reformed" churches need continuing reformation; otherwise they become sterile and stagnant.

The REFORMATION is "unfinished business" which must be pressed under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We remember best the Sixteenth Century achievements and honor most adequately Zwingli, Luther, Calvin, and their colleagues by devoting our lives to such present-day reforms as their, and our, Lord demands.

Here, then, are some suggestions for your Reformation Day reading:

Bainton: The Reformation of the Sixteenth Century Nichols: Primer for Protestants
Munro: Be Glad You're a Protestant
Crapullo: The Protestant Faith
Ferm (ed.): The Protestant Credo
Anderson (ed.): Protestantism a Symposium
Easton: The Faith of a Protestant

#### ANNUAL

## REFORMATION DAY SERVICE

Sunday, October 31st 8 o'clock pm

First E. & R. Church

Orange Street

Combined choir Guest Speaker: Dr. Charles Schaeffer

- ALL SEMINARIANS ARE INVITED -

# SERVICES HELD FOR DR. HELLER

Dr. Clarence Nevin Heller, our Seminary's librarian for a quarter century, died on October 16th at the age of 85. A son of a Reformed parsonage (Rev. and Mrs A.J. Heller) he tock his college work at Franklin and Marshall and graduate work at Cornell. After teaching Latin and Greek in his Alma Mater from 1895 to 1922, he came to our library where he served faithfully and most helpfully until his retirement, January 1, 1948.

The following is quoted from an appreciation printed in the SEMINARY BULLETIN at the time of Dr. Helier's retirement:

"Ever courteous and painstaking in his service he has taught and lived a high ethic in the use of library facilities, holding these lofty standards in the handling and treatment of books before successive classes of theological students and faculty members. Having such a deep respect for books as the common carriers of culture he has striven to impart this respect to us and to secure such use of these books as would benefit the greatest number."

Dr. Heller's funeral service was held in Santee Chapel Tuesday afternoon, October 19th. Dr. Bollman and Dr. Meck officiated. Mrs. Heller, one daughter, Mrs. June Becht, and one sister, Miss Edna Heller, survive.

#### BOOK COOP REPORTS

The Bookstore Cooperative is pleased to announce that it will again have a display of books for the Annual Convocation in November. Last year's display was well received and it is heped that this year's will be even better. The display will feature books written by our lecturers, plus a number of other well chosen books covering various fields of religious endeavor. A committee has been appointed to take care of the details of this display. Those on this committee are: Arpad de Kallos, Vernon Stoop, Phil Harner, and Don Studer.

Perhaps, some seminarians are wondering about the recent notice on the bulletin boards concerning an item of policy just adopted by the Executive Committee. This resolution is the one just adopted: henceforth all items handled by the Bookstore where there is no profit to be made will be sold at a 20% mark-up. This is to cover handling, postage, and other costs involved; so that the Bookstore will not lose money on such orders.

This resolution has been made because the Bookstore has found that on material such as pamphlets, brochures, and some foreign books the Goop loses money on the incidental expenses in handling them. This move benefits everyone concerned, because such items still count toward dividends and general stockholder-profits.

It is hoped that those few remaining seminarians who have not joined the Coop will do so soon; so that they may benefit from our dividend system. At present, the Coop has 98 stockholders. The business for the month of September has been good, and a high rate of dividend is to be expected for the first term. Let's all support the Bookstore Cooperative by obtaining our books through it.



REGISTRATION for Winter Term courses Wednesday, Nov. 3rd (not Tuesday, Nov. 2nd, as in the Manuel) from 10:20 to 12:20, and from 2:15 to 4:15. All students expect Seniors will be asked to register the degree or the course toward/or in which they

will be working.

FACULTY MEETING Tuesday afternoon, November 2nd, at 2 o'clock. (CONTINUED: page 4)

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PHRST DEADLINE for Senior B.D. thesis cheek-up. Any who have not discussed thesis with counseling professor will be expected to do so or or before MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

SENIOR HISTORICAL PILCRIMAGE (course #34), Thursday, Oct.28.

The will leave semple at 8:30 am for a trip to historic

course in Laborator, Berks, and Montgomery Counties, re
mening before the evening meal and the Halloween Party.

ADVATCED PROGRAM FOR CONVOCATION LECTURES

TRESSARY-Vednesday, November 9-10

The Religion
of Protestant Christians" - Dr. Wilhelm
Pauck
Reception to Lecturers and their wives

Second Swander Lecture: "Protestantism in the Crisis of the 20th Century"

10.31 am First HoCouley Lecture: "As the Branch Abides" -- Rev. Elden Eirhart

2:00 pm Third Swander Lecture: "The Genius of American Protestantism"

3:30 pm Second HeGauley Lecture: "As the Branch Abides ... 2"

1:30 pm Fourth Swander Lecture: "American Protestantism and Ecumenicity"

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Defying the "Demon Deacs" of the Junior Class for the second weak a powerful Middler team, guided by triple-threat war. Hall Herming, mauled their way to another victory! Good defensive playing by the Juniors be-willdered the apperclass erew throughout the game; but the powerful "Middles" came through at the head of a 24-4 acore.

Before the third game on October 21st, the sommarian sportsmen, in true Protestant spirit and in colebration of Reformation Day, "reformed" the two football squads. Two thems are now being used, both of which have Junior, Middler, and Sonior players on them. This move was accompanied by the arranging of a two-out-of-three tournament, which should make for some better football for the two faithful sports fans, Clarie Settlemire and line. Joe Hemmesey!

"Descor" Westcoat's "reformed" team kicked off to "Henning's Harricanes" in the third game of the season last Thursday. The Harricane's scored first, in Call snaring one of Henning's passes. "Deacon's Demons" held the score to 6-0, however, until the half-time with the intercepting chill of "Henry the Hawk" Meiss. The third and last quarters saw the "Demons" in commend. With Bright scoring once in each quarter. Don Leonard scored one extra point, giving the "Demons" the 13 points that were to mean victory. Dispite the "Herricane's" third-quarter T.D., the game ended 13-12 with the record of a well-played battle on the part of both teams.