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### P L A N N E D     P A R E N T H O O D

Last marriage lecture tonight at 7:30 p.m. Rabbi Youngerman, of Allentown, will speak about marriage counselling.

### D E A N ' S     C O R N E R

Our Seminary community was shocked and grieved to hear of the death of our custodian, Mr. Robert Davis, on Sunday afternoon, November 16, in the St. Joseph's Hospital where he had been under treatment for two weeks, suffering from a severe case of hepatitis. "Bob" had not been feeling well since summer but had gone about his duties with a minimum of complaint. He began his work with us at the first of the calendar year and had moved his family here in April. His older son, Herbert, a member of the Middler Class, has been supplying our church in Mountville. His younger son, James, will graduate from West Chester S.T.C. in January and will teach at Coatesville. Mrs. Davis, her aged aunt, Miss Flew and Bob's sister, Belle, have constituted the family at 523 N. Pine Street. Three other sisters and one brother also survive.

Born in Wilkes Barre in 1899 he had lived most of his life in Jermyn, Pa., near Scranton, where the funeral services were held on Thursday, November 20. He belonged to the Primitive Methodist Church and was a man of unselfish and devoted Christian life. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Mrs. Davis and her sons and all those who loved him and will sorely miss him.

THANKSGIVING RECESS will extend from Wednesday, November 26 at 12:20 p.m. to Monday, December 1 at 9:00 a.m.

FALL TERM CLASSES will end on Wednesday, December 10. The next two days will be devoted to orientation for Winter Term courses according to a schedule which will be posted soon.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 is the deadline date for complete outlines of essay type B.D. theses or complete work plans for the survey type.

CHRISTMAS RECESS - from Friday, December 12 at 12:20 to Monday, January 5 at 9:00 a.m.

GREETINGS TO THOMAS MALCOHM ARNER, JR. who arrived November 5th - now youngest member of our Seminary family.

### N O   T I C K E E   -   N O   W A S H E E !!

Because so many students are buying books on credit and allowing this credit to extend over a long period of time it is becoming increasingly difficult for The Bookstore manager to meet his bills from publishers. Please try to pay credit off within 30 days. If books aren't paid in a reasonable time it will be necessary to reduce the dividends.

- The Bookstore Coop Executive Committee

WANTED: Clergy tags for license plate. Will pay top price. Prefer luminous set with corresponding church year colors.

- D. N. Kelly

H I S   L O V I N G   H A N D   I S   O V E R   A L L

Today may have a cloudy sky,  
Tomorrow have the full-orbed sun,  
Today the heart may fret and sigh,  
Tomorrow see a victory won;  
How can we doubt our Father's care?  
He notes the helpless sparrow's fall;  
Oh, lift the heart to Him in prayer -  
His loving hand is over all.

He will not quench the smoking flax,  
The bruised reed he will not blight,  
The soul that trusts him nothing lacks,  
For it is precious in his sight.  
The shorn lamb no blasts shall feel,  
He heeds the ravens when they call;  
Though Calvary his love reveal,  
His loving hand is over all.

And if upon a stormy sea,  
You face the wrath of earth and sky,  
He'll quell the storm and say to thee,  
"Be not afraid, dear one, 'tis I!"  
And if your path be rough and steep,  
Where frightful shadows thickly fall,  
Your safety will his angels keep -  
For his loving hand is over all.

- Selected.

T H E   M c C A U L E Y   L E C T U R E S

- Don Markham

Rear Admiral E. B. Harp, Jr., Chief of Naval Chaplains, delivered two lectures on the Military Chaplaincy, which were both revealing and inspiring. Beginning his lectures with the stating in brief of some of the history of the Chaplain Corps of the United States Navy, Chaplain Harp showed the evolution of the Corps from its humble beginnings in 1778 until the present day. He outlined the job of a Chaplain and illustrated his talk with incidents from his own personal experience and the experiences of some of his comrades. In his presentation of the Chaplaincy one could not help but note the high degree of inter-faith cooperation which makes the work of a Chaplain possible. Also as a part of the lectures, Chaplain Harp explained very clearly the type of character-building program which is being carried on in the Navy by the Chaplains. As one listened to these lectures, one could very easily see that the Chaplaincy is a vital pastoral field which is far different from the ordinary pastorate and therefore takes an entirely different approach than that used in the ordinary pastoral ministry.

I S M   M E E T S   A T   M O R A V I A N

Friday, November 21, Seminarians from the Philadelphia region will direct themselves toward Moravian Seminary, Bethlehem, Pa. to attend the fall Inter-Seminary Movement Area Conference. Dr. Nels F.S. Ferre will speak on the theme Christ and the Seminarian. Dr. Ferre is professor of Christian Theology at Andover Newton Theological School. A graduate of Upsala and Lund Universities, he is the author of 14 books and has delivered 21 series of lectures. The Conference will get underway at 3:00 p.m. with registration.

Here's an opportunity to learn what's going on in other Seminaries and to discuss our Christian faith with students in other pastures of theological learning, so let us have a fine representation from Lancaster. If interested contact John Musser or Larry May.

## H A Z E L T O N - S W A N D E R L E C T U R E R

This year's Swander Lectures were given by Dr. Roger Hazelton, the John Knox McLean Professor of Religion at Pomona College in Claremont, California.

Four lectures were delivered under the general theme of new accents in theology. Dr. Hazelton brought to our attention the current discussions or dialogues between theology and the arts, the sciences, and philosophy. The lectures brought a subjective interpretation of these current trends. Dr. Hazelton presented sharp insights in the limited time at his disposal. It is evident that he had to be extremely selective in the material which he chose to discuss.

Particular stress was laid upon the problem of the relationship between theology and the arts. In speaking to a group of theological students, Dr. Hazelton was able to assume that we would be well grounded in Biblical Theology and spent a major portion of his time in filling in the background for a new interpretation. It is the obligation of the theologian to relate himself and his theology to the various voices in the world at large. This implies a relationship of dialogue with these voices rather than a relationship of conformity to them.

New insight was also presented in the interpretation of symbols - in particular the "broken symbols". The modern artist breaks, mutilates, or even destroys his symbols in his awareness that symbol and reality must never be identified because all symbols are necessarily incomplete.

All symbols used by the modern artist must point beyond themselves. There are vertical symbols and horizontal symbols, and the Protestant theologian lives at the intersection and must be true to both symbols.

Dr. Hazelton's presentation was clarified by his marvelous gift for creating phrases. An artist with language was able to present theology in palatable and artistic terminology. One felt that his frequent over-simplification was due to his lack of time to develop correlative ideas.

It is significant that Dr. Hazelton's lectures opened wide opportunities for discussion after his visit. It proves that if his purpose was to make some of us think, he succeeded.

- George Hazen

## C H R I S T M A S B A N Q U E T

Committees are actively preparing for our Annual Christmas banquet to be held December 11 in the refectory. Members of the Committees are as follows: Program, Ruthanne Kelshner; Publicity, Willard Rabert; Decorations, Mary Wenck and Dinner Arrangements, Rex Dobey.

Watch the bulletin board for further developments and reserve this evening of December 11 for Yuletide fellowship with the seminary family.

## S E M I N A R Y T E A M L O S E S

The Seminary basketball team lost the final game in the series of three with the Crispus Attacks Community Center. The final score was 34-20.

On the basis of those three games, Coach Dr. Donald Englert will field two teams which will enter intermural competition at Franklin and Marshall College. Neither a date for the start of the season, nor a schedule has been posted.

- Ernest Racz

P R O F E S S O R     B A E T A

Professor Baeta stated at the beginning of his first sermon that if he had to select a title, he would pick "Christianity and Freedom." His main theme was taken from Psalm 8 and Genesis 1, "thou hast made him a little less than the angels . . . Thou hast given him dominion over the work of thy hands . . ." and "Let us make man in our image and let them have dominion over . . . every creeping thing . . ."

His introduction depicted how we regard man. In the vastness of the universe we wonder how man, having only six feet average height and living such a short time, can be so important. He cares not how he receives his basic needs - food, clothing, shelter. The speaker then stated the Epicurean philosophy adding "If there is no God" at the beginning of the famous belief of the Greek philosophy, The Psalmist, like the others above, begins cynically, but he elevated man since he knows God.

Man is the Son of God was the first point. God touches Adam as the latter examines his Creator as in Michelangelo's picture of the creation of man. Adam belongs to both earth and Heaven. He is subject to the earth's laws, but he looks homeward to God. Having created a chasm through the fall, man had to rely on his Maker to close the breach and this act of God places responsibility upon man to respond.

The dignity of man is the essence of humanity was Professor Baeta's second point. God gave man freedom which he would not revoke even if man used this freedom against his will. There is no rest, no peace for Adam until he is restored to his original position.

Abolition of slavery, the secret ballot, democracy, self-expression, human rights - the four freedoms have led to the progress of man's dignity. Christians have a responsibility to uphold freedom since God created man to be free (equal). God makes this binding on all men - to be totally free. Man has to be free or he is not man.

In his second sermon, Professor Baeta continued by developing man's growth. In Christ, God reveals himself to man. Through his Son, God has become concrete to man. We are to be aware of our full stature and what God wants us to be. Man is the offspring of God who is told by his Lord whom he is and from where he came.

But, man through sin, has lost his bearings and to regain his position as the child of God, he must form a healthy community, then a healthy nation, and finally a healthy world.

- Willard Rabert

M I S S     R E N A T E     S C H M I D T

Last week we were very privileged to have as our guest Miss Renate Schmidt, of Germany, who was visiting the U.S. for a few months, during which time she concentrated on the field of industrial relations in America. This experience she hoped would be of help to her in her work as a counselor for women in German industries.

Renate seemed to enjoy her stay with us and appreciated the warm welcome which both students and faculty members showed her. This "community life", as she called it, was a new experience for her, since campus life is unknown in Germany, where students do not live in dormitories.

We are certainly grateful for having had the opportunity both of knowing such a brilliant, as well as gracious woman as Renate, and of seeing ourselves through the eyes of a fellow minister of the Gospel from the United Church in Germany.