



# The Seminarian

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## BOOK STORE COOPERATIVE

The Book Store Cooperative has grown to maturity. Allow me to explain what I mean. The Book Store Cooperative was organized by a group of very dedicated and talented students and faculty to fill a very desperate need. The group did its work well and the cooperative was started on a foundation of rock. Efficient and farsighted as these men were. I am sure from conversations with them, that they did not dare to think that in less than four years it would be the organization that it is today. In spite of a consistently smaller membership, volume sales have consistently increased. In addition to an increased volume of sales, services to the membership have also been expanded. Surely on the strength of its sure foundation it has come to maturity. The trouble now confronting us is that in maturity it is operating on a foundation which however good in the past cannot in maturity adequately handle the business without putting undue strain on our Book Store Manager. In the light of this the Executive Committee of the Book Store Cooperative is proposing that we amend the Constitution and By-laws to meet these particular needs.

There are three important changes which we are proposing and which will be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Coop on March 25, 1957 at 7:30 p.m. in the lounge.

1. I call your attention to Article 5, Section 2a, concerning Annual Meetings. Our Annual Meeting this year is during the month of March as it has always been in the past. If the proposed amendment is adopted the Annual Meeting will be in January. This means that the fiscal year will be from January 1 to December 31 (By-law Section 9, item 3) and the term of office of the Manager shall be from February 1 through January 31 (By-laws Section 6, item 1). This change is made necessary by the fact that should the proposed amendment be adopted the candidates for manager would be Middlers in good standing and the assistant manager would be a Junior. In order to provide adequate opportunity to become acquainted with the Juniors and to prevent overloading the Manager with end-of-the-year work as a Senior, a date in the middle of the school year seemed most appropriate. This then is a far-reaching change.

2. Another important change is the addition of By-law Section 3, Item 7b, authorizing the Executive Committee to interview all applicants and elect one of them to the position of Assistant Managership. This is a necessary expansion of the paid personnel of the Book Store. We are not justified in continuously demanding more and more time from our manager. The only answer is to provide him with adequate assistance. The assistant manager would be expected to serve as an apprentice, not merely as an errand boy.

3. The final far-reaching change concerns the election of Executive Representatives and the paid personnel of the Cooperative. Heretofore, in the election of an Executive Committee, the Middler and Junior classes respectively served as nominating committees. Each nominated five of their number and presented their names at the Annual Meeting at which time the whole cooperative membership voted on their selection. Thus they were elected from each class to represent the whole membership. The Executive Committee feels that the three committee members from each class should certainly represent the whole membership generally, but more specifically the membership within their own class. Thus in By-law, Section 5, item 3, class representation is provided for whereby each class will nominate and hold elections within one month after the opening of the school year.

Concerning the selection of the Manager and Assistant Manager, even more far-reaching changes are provided. In By-law, Section 3, item 7 a and b, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to elect from the applicants the manager and the assistant manager according to the regulations in Section 5, items 3 and 4. This means the Cooperative membership will not elect the manager from a screened selection of applicants presented by the Executive Committee. Rather the Executive Committee in addition to interviewing and screening applicants will also make the final selection which will then be announced at the Annual Meeting. The effect of this change will be to enhance the importance of the election of the Executive Committee for it is through them, more than ever, that the membership will make its views known.

The Executive Committee of the Book Store Cooperative feels the aforementioned changes are needed. Please study the proposed changes and their implications. If any questions arise feel free to express them. Finally, after having studied the changes on their merits, cast your vote pro or con at the Annual Meeting on March 25, 1957.

--Hal Schoup

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### Inter-Seminary News

Regional ISM Conference March 14-16, Gettysburg

The annual Middle Atlantic Regional Conference of the Inter-seminary Movement will be held at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, beginning at 5:00 P. M., Thursday, March 14th, through noon, Saturday, March 16th. You will remember that Lancaster was host to this conference last year.

The conference theme this year is one of vital importance to all seminarians, "Biblical Theology Enters the Local Parish." To stimulate thinking and discussion on this topic will be the following well known lecturers: Dr. Dora P. Chaplin of General Seminary, New York City; Dr. John Bright, author of "The Kingdom of God," of Union Seminary, Richmond, Virginia; Dr. Hugh Baille Maclean, of New Brunswick Seminary, New Jersey; and Dr. Donald Miller, of Union Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. In addition to these speakers, there will be discussion groups, periods of fellowship, and inspiring services of worship. Special features include the showing of the motion picture, "Martin Luther," a guided tour of the historic Gettysburg Military Park, and social get-togethers on Thursday and Friday evenings.

I realize that the Seminary choir will be on tour and that other Seminarians will be enjoying the inter-term recess, but I believe that the conference program deserves the support of every Seminarian who wants to invest two and one-half days in furthering the ecumenical movement.

The total registration fee for the conference is \$6.00, including meals and housing in motels. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, March 6th, when \$2.00 must be forwarded with your registration; the rest is to be paid at the time of the conference. Copies of the complete program will be found on the radiator in the main hall. Anyone planning to attend the conference or interested in further information please contact me by Wednesday, March 6th.

--Dave Koch

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### Heaven and Hell

(musing by a fireplace)

The flames burn bright - while embers glow  
And yet the flickers on the ember pan  
Are cold and mere reflections of reality.  
A flame - most people think of hell,  
Yet here are warmth and light  
That soothe a troubled heart.

Much more like heaven they appear to be  
Which gives itself in love to eager souls,  
While hell must be some far-off place  
That looks upon the brightness of God's realm  
As we so wistfully gaze at stars  
Yet only see their light, but cannot feel their warmth.

Cold, outer darkness - this is hell  
Where only single rays of heaven's bliss  
Can reach the eyes of those that weep  
Because they are - - alone.

Rodney A. Henrie

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### NOTICE

THE GIRLS OF "330" INVITE THE ENTIRE STUDENT BODY, FACULTY MEMBERS, WIVES, AND FRIENDS TO ATTEND OPEN HOUSE - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20. TIME 9:00 p.m. - REFRESHMENTS, CATERED BY EARL.

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A O E The Winter Term closes on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. All work  
N S of the term is due that day.

The Spring Term opens on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, with the regularly scheduled classes of that day. Copies of the Spring Term schedule will be available on the radiator in the hall or in the President's or Dean's offices.

We will be welcoming Joe Heiney and Galen Klinger back for the Spring Term work. Joe's letter of appreciation, read in the last Monday assembly, was itself very much appreciated.

The Board of Visitors' Examination for prospective graduates will be on Friday morning, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 9:00 A. M. in Room 2. It will be preceded on Thursday night by a fellowship dinner of the Board members and the Seniors (M. R. E. Second Year students included) in the refectory at 5:30 P. M. This will be followed by group meetings in the classrooms of the Main Building. The Committee on Examination this year consists of Dr. Paul Schroeder and Revs. Clarence and James Moyer.

Bon Voyage to the Choir in its inter-term trip.

Welcome to the students who will be coming in as our guests at the Church and Ministry Conference between terms.

We look forward to a cosmopolitan and ecumenical year in 1957-58. One Japanese student, at least three Hungarian students, and one Gold Coast student are among the new students expected, in addition to the "foreign student" not yet designated.

Dr. Ralph Felton of Drew University and Rev. R. Howard Paine of Manheim will be visiting instructors in Rural Church and History of Worship, respectively, next school year.

Rev. Wilson Carvell, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Lancaster, was our Chapel speaker on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

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An important meeting of the Society of Inquiry was held in the Lounge of Richards Hall, at 7:00 P. M., on Wednesday, February 27. The group received the report of a committee, appointed earlier in the year, to study financial difficulties of the Society. This committee consisted of Don Ely, chairman; Jim Bright; Bob Welsh; Mead Bailey; Dave Koch; and Nevin Kershner. Two recommendations were adopted after discussion. The first was a resolution that the Society go on record as favoring an increase of the student activities fee from \$3.00 per student, per year, to \$5.00. The second recommendation requests the Administration to assume responsibility for the balance due on the television set, for T. V. repairs and replacement, for washing machine repairs and replacement, and permits the Administration to keep the proceeds, past and present, from the washing machine.

Beginning on Monday, March 4, and every Monday until Easter (with the exception on March 11), there will be a Lenten offering during the Assembly. This money will go toward our Benevolent Budget, as adopted by the Society last October. It is hoped that we will succeed in getting \$35.00 from each of these offerings. It has already been explained in Assembly period that it is necessary to have the first of these offerings before the Lenten Season actually begins. Lenten Piggy banks will be distributed on the day we return for the Spring Term. One will be placed on each table in the refectory and one will be given to each student who does not take his meals in the dining hall. In past years it has been the tradition for each student to give one penny per meal; however, it was suggested in a meeting of the Finance Commission that each student give enough pennies to amount to \$.05 per day. If this suggestion is followed, we will have no difficulty raising the \$100.00 called for.

It is almost Spring and it can no longer be denied that the Seminarian's Editor-in-Chief, Posey Scheirer, is expecting in June

to number himself among the married men. He is to be married to Miss LaRue Snyder of Bethlehem. The date is June 22. Congratulations!

The Executive Committee of the Bookstore Cooperative has announced that it is now receiving applications for the position of Bookstore Manager for the school year 1957-58. The election of the manager will take place at the Annual Meeting of the Cooperative on Monday evening, March 25th. Any member of the Junior Class who has completed at least one term of academic work at the Seminary is eligible to apply. After approval by the Executive Committee of the Bookstore, the names of nominees are presented to the Cooperative Members at the Annual Meeting. The newly elected manager will serve as assistant manager from the time of election until the beginning of the new school year when he will assume the responsibilities of manager. The salary of the manager will be \$450.00 for the year--an increase of \$75.00 over last year.

Please note that all candidates must submit their names along with a list of qualifications and previous experience to Barry Kern, Secretary of the Executive Committee, as soon as possible and no later than Friday, March 8th, at 12 noon. No applications will be accepted after this date.

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On Wednesday evening, February 27, Seminary # 1 defeated City # 2 on the Franklin and Marshall Basketball Court. After the first minute or so of the first quarter, the game was a walkaway. Gockley was high scorer with 23 points, followed by Bawel and Scheirer. Benner and Welsh also had a dozen or more points. The final score was 85 for the Seminary and 31 for City # 2. It might have been even more of a crushing defeat to City # 2 if some of the score-keepers had not begun to cheer for the underdogs.

The Ping-Pong Tournament ended last Thursday evening. Here is the order in which the players ended: Paden, Bright, Oliphant, Welsh, Henrie, Ely, Shellhamer, Gold, Bawel, Krick, and Flickinger.

On Friday evening, March 1, Seminary # 2 played Hartman Hall # 2, the latter team being victorious by a score of 39 to 31. On our team, Rankin was high scorer with 13 points, followed by Mengel with 10.

--Don Ely

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The first mid-week Lenten service will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, March 6, 1957, at 7:00 P. M. Every member of the Seminary Family is urged to attend. This will be the first of six Lenten services. The others are scheduled for the following dates:

March 20  
March 27  
April 3  
April 10  
April 17.

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Last Tuesday evening the Seminary Choir journeyed to Souderton, Pennsylvania, to give a concert. Miss Lonnie Burrichter was detained downtown and missed the bus, so the quartet was in danger of becoming a trio. This was remedied, however, when Director Frank McConnell suggested that John Stoudt sing second alto. This was done and from all reports everything went off very smoothly. Delicious eats were served.

Choir members are looking forward to their coming tour. Arrangements were made some time ago, and the tour will take up most of the recess between March 8 and March 17.