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B R A D Y Y O U T H F E L L O W S H I P

Youngsters who have been saving a few coins every meal time for the past eight months will dedicate their savings to the Seminary building project with a service in Santee Chapel Monday evening. The donors are members of the Faith Chapel Youth Fellowship, Brady. Marlin Shawda is the advisor.

Robert Allen, president of the Society of Inquiry, will serve as liturgist for the service and Paul Reed will be organist. The gift will be presented by Marlin Taylor, president of the Youth Fellowship, and received by Dr. Robert V. Moss, Jr., President of the Seminary.

Mr. and Mrs. Shawda will be hosts to the group at dinner in the refectory. They plan to tour the buildings prior to the 6:30 p.m. service.

Faith Chapel is a mission church of St. John's, Shamokin.

T H E D E A N ' S C O R N E R

THE SEMINARIAN salutes and welcomes the three outstanding churchmen who are our guests and our leaders in thought and devotion at this CONVOCATION TIME:

DR. CHRISTIAN G. BAETA is our Convocation preacher. This is the first time we have had one and, due to the great and growing interest in the young nation, Ghana as well as to our relations with our fellow-student, Noah Dzobo, Dr. Baeta's ministry among us is of very special interest. He is Senior Lecturer in Divinity at the University College of Ghana and is serving this year as Luce Professor of World Christianity at Union Seminary, New York. He is the Chairman of the Christian Council of Ghana and a Vice Chairman of the International Missionary Council.

DR. ROGER HAZELTON, our Swander Lecturer is the John Knox McLean professor of Religion at Pomona College in Claremont, California, and formerly professor at Andover Newton Theological School in Newton, Mass., where since 1945 he served as Abbott Professor of Christian Theology. He is an ordained minister of the Congregational Christian Churches. Among his publications are "The God We Worship" and "God's Way With Man."

REAR ADMIRAL EDWARD B. HARP, our McCauley Lecturer, graduated from our Seminary in 1929 and entered at once the Navy Chaplaincy. During World War II he served as Chaplain of the USS Hornet; after the action off the Santa Cruz Islands he was cited for meritorious conduct. From February, 1953 to October 1st of this year he served as Chief of Chaplains of the United States Navy and is currently serving as District Chaplain of the Eleventh Naval District, San Diego, California. He is a son of our Cavetown Charge, Maryland and an ordained minister of the E and R Church.

While speaking of chaplains we are happy to report that we have received from Chaplain Daniel ("Ted") Saylor, '55, twenty two slides of scenes in central Europe, associated with events in Church History with an explanatory script and covering letter. In the last he writes that he, Jane and Mike will return to the U.S. next April and plan to visit Lancaster.

The Dean's Corner - Continued

The new, red-covered and much needed hymnals for Santee Chapel were dedicated at the assembly service, Monday afternoon, November 3rd, by Professor Englert. The Senior Class and others who contributed to this gift are subject to our gratitude.

REGISTRATION for courses of the Winter Term will take place in the Registrar's Office, Room 10 next Monday and Tuesday, November 10-11. The hours on Monday will be 2 to 5:00, and on Tuesday, 10:15 to 11:30 and 1:30 to 4:00. Recall the provision that registration will not be approved in case of conflict until arrangements with Professors of conflicting courses have been consulted and necessary arrangements made.

Greetings have been received from all three "units" of our "delegation" at New College, Edinburgh: Lou Buchhold, the Scheirers and the Ted Trosts.

DEAN DUNN will attend the meeting of the Board of International Missions at Cleveland, Thursday and Friday, November 13-14. Church History classes will not meet on these days.

S O C I E T Y O F I N Q U I R Y M E E T S

On Tuesday, October 28, the Society of Inquiry held its first general meeting of the new school year in Room 2. Robert J. Allen, the President of the Society, opened the meeting with prayer and presided throughout. Following the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer, Barbara Haverstick, the chairmen of the eight Commissions of the Society gave brief reports of their activities.

The primary consideration for the evening was the presentation of the Society's budgets for the present school year. Robert J. Welsh, the chairman of the Finance Commission pointed out that the Society each year runs on two separate budgets. One, the operational budget, is designed to take care of the expenses of the eight Commissions, while the other, the Benevolent Budget, provides funds for the six benevolent projects which the Society undertakes to sponsor. The two budgets, each of which involves \$900, were approved as presented. (For a detailed break-down of the budgets see the meeting agenda which was given to each student last Monday).

The only dark cloud on the scene of a very smoothly and efficiently organized meeting was the fact that only a small percentage of the total membership of the Society was present. It is indeed unfortunate that more students were not sufficiently concerned for the work of their Society of Inquiry to take an hour to attend this meeting.

G E R M A N C L E R G Y W O M A N M I N I S T E R

Miss Renate Schmidt, a Lutheran ordained minister from Germany, will be visiting with us at Seminary during the week of November 10. She will be occupying the guest room on the third floor of the dormitory, and will attend classes throughout the week.

On Tuesday evening, November 11, the Seminary Family is invited to an open house at 527 N. Pine Street where they will have the opportunity to greet Miss Schmidt and welcome her to our campus. Mrs. Barbara Haverstick will act as hostess to our guest from Germany.

A D O U B L E D E C A L O G U E F O R M I N I S T E R S

- I. Thou shalt remember the words of the Bishop, "Go where thou art sent, and stay away from where thou hast been".
- II. Thou shalt confess thine own sins first.
- III. Thou shalt not say that thou art busy.
- IV. Thou shalt have a rest or change one day in seven.
- V. Thou shalt not choose the translation which suits thy purposes best.
- VI. Thou shalt not make conscious compromise with intellectual dishonesty.
- VII. Thou shalt not twist the meaning of a text to fit preconceived notions.
- VIII. Thou shalt give due credit for thoughts borrowed from other men.
- IX. Thou shalt proclaim positive solutions and leave destructive criticism and meticulous analysis to those who have no answer.
- X. Thou shalt not ride homiletic hobbies.
- XI. Thou shalt respect the opinions of the laymen whose servant thou art.
- XII. Thou shalt not be subservient to individuals at the expense of the general welfare.
- XIII. Thou shalt not bear false witness in annual reports.
- XIV. Thou shalt not steal members from other communions.
- XV. Thou shalt never discredit the achievements, motives or reputations of fellow ministers.
- XVI. Thou shalt not make excuse for not being in a larger pastorate.
- XVII. Thou shalt not exaggerate the greenness of other fields, nor the infertility of thine own.
- XVIII. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's salary.
- XX. Thou shalt not hesitate to pray or speak in difficult situations.
- XX. Thou shalt seek to be "More skilled to raise the wretched than to rise".
(Goldsmith, "The Deserted Village")

by William T. Swaim, Jr.
Dillsburg, Penna.

H A L L O W E E N P A R T Y S U C C E S S

Putting aside their clerics and classroom garb, thirty-four members of the Seminary Family impersonated characters ranging from pirates to scare crows, as the Social Life Commission held its annual Halloween Party at the Samuel Long barn last Wednesday evening, October 29th.

After arriving the guests were guided through the Willard "Igor" Rabert Mortuary where the remains of a battered and dismembered body lay spread on a slab for curious onlookers to touch. Trying to identify the masqueraders was no easy task as very few people were able to score better than 40%. Judges Dr. and Mrs. Gable and Dr. Sayres, after much deliberation, awarded the costume prizes as follows: most original, Mrs. Martha "Campbell's soup" Rabert; most unique, Ed "scare crow" Wenck; most artistic, George "Siamese general" Hazen. Following the game "Robber's Bingo", Don Markham efficiently displayed his talent for calling square dances as the group participated in the main event of the evening. Before the party ended, cider and pumpkin pie were served. A large vote of thanks is extended to Mary Wenck and especially to her father, Samuel Long, who made this party possible away from campus and in excellent Halloween atmosphere.

S E N I O R C L A S S T A K E S P I L G R I M A G E

The day of October 23rd dawned drizzly over the Lancaster Seminary. A group of seniors assembled for the annual tour of historic churches, under the leadership of Dr. Dunn. The mode of transportation was supplied by the Rev. Gerald "Take a Bus and Leave the Driving to Us" Hinkle.

After a drive to Gettysburg which properly and satisfactorily settled our breakfasts, we arrived at the Lutheran Seminary to discover to the horror of a portion of the group that we had missed the coffee break. At Gettysburg we traveled to Chambersburg where we passed Zion Reformed Church and St. John's Reformed Church.

We arrived at Mercersburg on schedule - at 11:00 a.m. There we toured the Mercersburg Chapel, Trinity Reformed Church, and the Academy grounds.

We journeyed next to historic Salem Church, near Maugansville, Md. There we were welcomed by the Rev. Joseph Clem and given a magnificent lunch by the ladies of Salem Church. We left Salem Church to visit Hood College. We were welcomed by the President, Dr. Andrew Truxal. We toured the chapel and since we were late none of the bachelors had an opportunity to secure phone numbers.

Our last stop was at Christ Church, Littlestown. Here we saw one of the oldest churches of Pennsylvania which had a connection with Michael Schlatter.

We arrived at the Seminary at 6:30, just in time to be served dinner in the Refectory.

The only casualty of the trip was a rain coat belonging to the Dean which apparently decided to change its denominational affiliation and to become Lutheran.

- George Hazen

S E M I N A R I A N F I V E W I N G A M E

On Tuesday evening, November 4th, the Seminary basketball team played the first, in a series of three games with the Crispus Attacks Community Center basketball team. These games are practice games, primarily for the purpose of forming two teams that will play a regular schedule in the college intermural league. There will be two more games, one on the 11th and one on the 18th. Coach Englert would like all of those men interested in playing to sign the paper posted on the Richard's Hall bulletin board.