

# The Seminarian

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## SEMINARIANS CONTRIBUTE

### TO ORPHANAGE IN STEVE MADI'S NAME

With an offering to Steve Madi's memory the Seminary Family made its final outward gesture to a member whose service and friendship are still a very present reality. His concern for the welfare of the Christian Church he so longed to be able to serve will remain as a challenge to us as we face the tasks which are ours. As we send \$50.00 to the Hungarian Orphanage at Ligonier, Penna. we also send our tribute.

Steve came to the Seminary after graduating from Elmhurst College. He was a native of Perth Amboy, N.J. His senior year he brought the former Mary Demeter into the Seminary Family following their summer wedding. In August of this past summer he accepted a call from the Wadsworth E & R Church, Wadsworth, Ohio.

When news came of Steve's death on Friday, January 19, our thoughts and prayers were immediately with Mary, his family, and congregation. At his funeral on Wednesday Dean Dunn spoke on behalf of the Seminary. Pallbearers were Al Kovacs, Harry Goodlin, Lester Ringer, Nelson Weller, Collins Dofibaugh, and Wilbur Stell. Services were in the John Calvin Hungarian Reformed Church in Perth Amboy N.J.

## REGIONAL INTER-SEMINARY

### CONFERENCE HERE FEB 25-27

For the first time in over two years, our seminary will be host to a meeting of seminary students. The Middle Atlantic Regional Conference of the Interseminary Movement to be held here February 25 to 27 will bring together students from about thirty seminaries from Virginia to Connecticut. This is the largest meeting to be held in Lancaster in the memory of anyone here and for some time before any of us came to Lancaster.

The theme of the conference will be "The Church, Her Ministry and Sacraments." It will be an inquiry into the job of the Church in the

## JOB TO COME TO LIFE - !

The ancient drama of Job, a servant of the Lord, will come to life this Lenten Season in Santee Chapel. Interpreted by a company of Seminarians, the intense story of a Jew who demanded, "Why must the righteous suffer?" will walk on and off the chancel set early in April to provoke the thoughts and inspire the faith of all who attend.

The casting of the drama, in which Professors Stonesifer and Engbert assisted last Tuesday evening, ended with assignment of the following roles:

JOB, Bill Rader  
ELIPHAZ, Don Grander  
BLIAD, Wilbur Stell  
ZOPHAR, Joe Grosse  
ELIHU, Neils Wenner  
THE LORD, Maurice Cherry  
Narrator, Dale Heckman

Henry Meiss, with versatile abilities and experience, has consented to understudy Job as well as other roles. Bill Simpson will direct a speaking chorus consisting of Ed Shelly, Glenn Rader, Jack Kaaten, Bob Rieff, Joe Hennessey, Jerry Hinkle, and Jim Gress.

In four pre-Christmas meetings, a number of students delved into THE BOOK OF JOB, discussing and examining its characters one by one. Profiting from these meetings, Bill Rader and Dale Heckman then prepared a script which puts lines of the R.S.V. translation in playform. Mes Curt Sandrock and Mrs Bill Boyer helped in this preparation, as have Wilbur Stell and George Allen.

present day. The positions on the task of the Church will be presented in their historical context by speakers. The "catholic" and "reformed" positions on the sacraments will be presented in broad form. The greater emphasis of the conference will be on discussion, less on speakers. This is the best procedure in ecumenical gatherings -- to have the delegates share their views in  
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## HOOPSTERS DROP GAME TO PRINCETON SEM. FIVE

The Seminary basketball team traveled to Princeton on Thursday to play against the Princeton theologs. We came out on the short end of a 69-46 score. Princeton's combination of a big court and big men proved to be too much for our team to cope with. Another deciding factor was the injury to Nels Wenner's shoulder early in the third quarter. A good, close game turned into a scoring spree for the Princetonians. Our team is confident of evening the count when the Princeton five comes here in early March.

The bowling league has passed the half-way mark. The faculty seems well pleased with the way the league is running, even though they dropped a point to the out-of-dormers last week. Professor Sayres rolled 179 in one game and now holds the individual leadership in the battle of the "Four S's" (Sayres, Studer, Sponsler, and Simpson). A WARNING TO THE FACULTY: Second Floor and 330 are still very much in the running and are going to be tough to beat. THIS SCRIBE'S PREDICTION: Second Floor will take three points from the faculty this week.

The darts are still flying in the Seminary gym. Wednesday the faculty team (composed of Professor Englert and six students) took three straight games from the student team. "Babe" Ingold came out of a batting slump in the last game to hit a home run with the bases loaded. If you want to know how you can play baseball and ping-pong at the same time, talk to Clarie Settlemyre about it; she seemed to do all right doing both of them simultaneously the other night. Incidentally, the ping-pong championship should soon be decided. It's still a toss-up between "killer" Lysterly and the versatile Clarie. Harner, Wetzel, and Wenner are also within striking distance of the top spot. That's all for now.

Len and Glenn

## WOMEN CHANGE MINDS,- - and meeting dates!

The Association of Seminary Women has made a change in its schedule of programs for the next two months. For February the group will have Dr. Meck as their guest on Monday, the eighth. Dr. Meck will speak to them on the importance of the minister's wife.

The program originally scheduled for February will be held on March 8, when the group will serve as hostesses to the wives of ministers in Lancaster E and R churches and those in the surrounding area where field work is being done. At this meeting a panel will lead off a discussion of the problems faced in living in a parsonage, this time from the woman's point of view. Following the panel questions will be asked and the rest of the evening spent in sharing of experience and getting acquainted with one another.

Members of the panel were chosen to represent the rural-multiple-church charge, the small town church, a church being served by a recent graduate of seminary, and a city church. The panel members will be Mrs David Maugans, Mrs Tom Phillips, Mrs Nevin Stamm, and Mrs Elden Spangler.

## JEANNE INGOLD STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR IJRE

With the Book Co-op giving its news of what's of interest in the publishing world the International Journal of Religious Education has also made its voice heard in this issue of the SEMINARIAN. This magazine which presents articles of interest in various phases of education in religion can be ordered by seeing Jeanne Ingold, the campus representative of the Seminary.

Student rates are available if the subscription is made through Jeanne. Sample copies are available for inspection.

pastors of the years of your coming ministry. But even if you cannot, you can be of help by allowing your fellow Christians to stay in your rooms the two nights of the conference, by putting away any belongings you do not want disturbed, and by helping to ease our job of presenting a clean group of buildings to our inter-term guests.

We are looking forward to a profitable experience in fellowship on a wider geographical level.

Your ISM Committee

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ample discussion, with speakers serving to stimulate discussion.

The conference will begin Thursday evening, February 25, and close the morning of Saturday, the twenty-seventh. A sideline of the conference will be an explanation and tour of the Amish area near Lancaster.

We hope you can attend the conference and get to know some fellow

# LETTER TO THE EDITORS

330 College Ave.  
January 22, 1954

Dear Editors:

The biggest blind spot of patriotic Church people appears in the SEMINARIAN'S interview with Arpad deKallos (January 11, 1954) as a strange, gray vacuum. This vacuum hovers between the following printed sentiments: "America has a real opportunity to show what Christian love is-and how it works," and "... he would fight for her (America) if necessary." The gray vacuum occurs also between these two: "His idea of Christianity is to emphasize not by ideas, but by deeds ..." and "he doubts if there is any other way to bring them together except through open war."

But there IS ANOTHER WAY, Arpad! and that Way is precisely the big blind spot not only of newcomers but of a great majority of people in America.

Arpad is willing to die, if necessary, for the America that has adopted him; such a noble attitude is not always present even in native Americans. Yet he's right, and one must give everything for what he believes. So far I'm with it. But remember! Genghis Khan's Mongol warriors felt that way too. Fanatic hordes of the Moslem world have died noble too. So have Roman emperor-worshippers. So have Stalin's heroes. And the heritage of their violence and terror is: greater violence and terror. Still, I agree that one must give even life itself for one's countrymen, for one's God, for what he believes.

Then, what do we believe? We believe, as Arpad has stressed, that Christ willingly and lovingly shed his blood for us ---- not our blood or Pilate's, mind you, but his own. With His life he has revealed His love, that life might be ours. We believe that Followers are ready to give not less than life for Christ, for neighbors. Today and in recent centuries, however, followers have disagreed about whose life they shall give!

Arpad, with millions of companions, stands ready to die to protect his brother---by killing another brother. In its own way, that's heroic sentiment. But must not a Christian with faith be ready to die for his brothers by faithfully refusing to kill them or even to hate them? We agree, Arpad, to the necessity of shedding blood. But how shall it be shed? For, as Christ showed Peter in Gethsemane, there are other ways to shed heroic blood than by soldiering. We know a more fruitful way to die for one's country.

Look at the offspring of violence: fear, doubt, desolation, death. But love, more and more as a man dies for it, sows more love, and then forgiveness, and then reconciliation and peace. These are the heritage we can have and leave.

We must conclude that the joyful labor of a Christian is not to take life but to give life, to plant not a germ of fear but a seed of love. Rather than a man convert by his love his own murderer than that he, perverting his love, be frightened into killing a brother. For the coins may be Caesar's, but life belongs to God.

May this imperfect statement be an invitation to further glances at our "Blind Spot."

Respectfully,  
Dale Heckman

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## DEAN - O - GRAMS

REGISTRATION for the Spring Term courses will be on Wednesday, February 3, from 9:00 AM till 12:30 PM and from 2:00 to 4:00 PM in the Dean's office.

REMINDER: Board of Visitors' Examination of Seniors on Friday, March 5. Hours to be announced.

THOSE BD THESES should be coming along. Let your advisor know about your progress.

# WORK THAT PURIFIES

by Wayne Fouta  
revised and edited by Bill Rader

Recall the period immediately following the First World War, when many friends (Quakers) volunteered to go to Belgium and France to help repair the devastated areas. The volunteers labored and lived together in what became known as "work camps." Again, since World War II, men and women of all races and many nations have built and labored in camps in war-devastated countries each summer. It is Christian young people who volunteer, paying their own way to help their brothers.

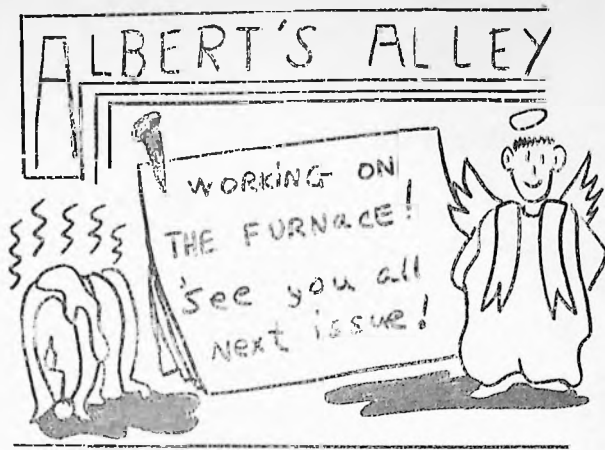
But what are weekend work camps? In many cities throughout the country, groups of volunteers devote a weekend to helping needy people to make repairs and improvements in their homes, or to carry out community projects. In Philadelphia, for example, there are several such work camps in operation each weekend. They are sponsored by the Quakers.

Work camps give young people opportunities to express their Christian faith in concrete service to people who are in special need. The point of work camp is not merely to go into homes and work for people, but to work with them. The example of the work campers in this interracial, inter-faith venture, inspires the people to do things for themselves.

The work camp does not limit its work to any one segment of the community, but strives to help the entire community. The young people, meanwhile, receive a better understanding of people and their home-needs, and learn what it means that in Christ there are no social barriers.

In 1948 the Lancaster Interracial Council, inspired by the work being done in Philadelphia, organized the Lancaster Weekend Work Camp. Since then there have been four or five work camps each year. Dr. Englert, who had experience in work camping in St. Louis, has been active in helping to set up the work camps each year.

What goes on at a typical work camp? The campers meet on Friday evening at 6 o'clock at the Crispus Attucks Center which becomes "headquarters" for the weekend. There most of the campers eat and



sleep for the two days and nights. Most of the meals are prepared by the Lancaster Council of Church Women, with enough K.P. work left for the campers to keep them from getting soft. Cots are furnished by the Salvation Army. A program of recreation, discussion, fellowship and worship are added to the work to make the weekend schedule. On Saturday the workers go, by pairs or larger groups, to needy homes and community agencies, tackling such jobs as painting, wall papering, cleaning, and window-washing.

The first work camp of the 1953-54 season was held on the weekend of November 13-15, in spite of the snowstorm. In the work camp tradition we were interdenominational, interracial, and international. The next work camp is coming up very soon, February 7-9. The co-leaders will be Miss Esther Winters, a student at Millersville State Teachers College, and Bob Neuhauser, an engineer at R.C.A. One of the features will be a report from a group of Lancaster young people who attended the Philadelphia work camp this past weekend.

The work camp will be the chief action project of Youth Week here in Lancaster. If you are interested in taking part, you can secure a registration card from Dr. Englert or Bill Rader. This is an excellent project to bring to the attention of your Youth Fellowship. If you would like someone to speak to your groups about work camp, call Miss Rheta Cohen at 3-2753. She or some other member of the Work Camp committee will be glad to come. Find out about the program. Encourage the members of your Youth Fellowship to take part in the next work camp, or at least to plan to come on the weekends of March 12-14 and/or May 7-9. Come with them!

# THE STORYTELLER

Strangely and frequently there come calls for those who are preparing themselves for the ministry to stop, examine, and consider. As days pass there come tests and doubts. Often the question arises, "Am I really fit and actually called to become a minister of the Gospel?" With this editor there was shared last week a letter from Germany which seems to suggest that it might be better if ministers were not a "type" as we often picture, or think we should exemplify. Perhaps this is so; at least the correspondence shared with us this week by our STORYTELLER is presented for your reading and consideration.

-SAW

"I was indeed astonished to hear you have taken to theology. Why? Well, I don't think you'll understand my reasoning if I don't do some explaining. You see, over here we have some sort of 'typologia professionalis', meaning that a certain type of man is a teacher, a parson, an artist, etc. You can tell it by his manners, by his way of speaking, his looks. Of course this is only a generalization; we have just as well doctors who look like teachers, teachers who look like five-star-generals, and so on. Yet in general an elementary school teacher is easily distinguished from a minister or a cop.

"I never would have dreamt that you might become a minister, because you just aren't the type! A German Protestant 'Pfarrer' is somewhat more impractical, a little helpless to life; his everyday language always sounds a little like his sermons do, not only in phrasing, but also in pronunciation. According to the European typology and point of view, you would make a good mixture between musician, artist, and businessman. I am afraid this comparison may not flatter you since I do not know what and how you think of yourself, but I hope that you won't feel insulted at all. You see, I myself do not like the types we have over here; they result from a misunderstood traditionality. A teacher's son can usually become a teacher, an officer in the administration, or the like. If he became a painter, he'd be considered a decadent, an outcast of the family. If the father is an army officer, the son could never

## HINKLE HEADS STUDY COMMISSION

Willard Wetzel disclosed at the recent meeting of the executive committee of the Society that he had appointed Jerry Hinkle chairman of a special study commission. The task of this commission will be to study the constitution of the Society and its history, attempting to rediscover the original purpose of the Society of Inquiry. This action resulted from several suggestions made at the Society's last business meeting.

become a teacher, since that would mean descending the social ladder. If the children do what they like in life, they are looked upon as 'lost children'.

"This general attitude was loosened a little after the last war because so many families had to leave their homes and almost everyone lost his money, if not all his property. But today, eight years later, eight years during which a part of our economy has been built-up again (thanks to the U.S!), this attitude is returning.

"But back again to you. Please let me congratulate you with all my heart for the step you have taken, for I feel that if practical men like you preach the Word of God, it is worth more than the sermons of a impractical backwoodsman (spiritually speaking!), which kind of men more than two-thirds of our Protestant Pfarrers are.

"Let me tell you of an experience I had in Munich. In 1950 I lived in the suburb Harlaching, near the American colony. My church was a tiny white building, beautifully situated on Naupliastrasse; perhaps you remember it. One Sunday I overslept, and as my watch had stopped I had no idea what time it was. When I arrived, I saw that quite a few Americans were entering the church. I wondered why Americans were attending a German service, but I soon discovered that the German service had ended an hour earlier and this was to be an American service. (Army chaplains conduct religious services in downtown Munich churches for servicemen and their dependents who live in nearby neighborhoods. - Ed.) Well, it was just the same to me; it doesn't matter in which language you try to put your devotion before God. But what gave me more joy and relief was the minister, an army chaplain. (continued on page 6)

## ROY SCHMID TO SPEAK TO SOCIETY

On Tuesday evening, January 26, at 6:30, the program committee of the Society of Inquiry will present Rev. Roy Schmid, recent graduate of the Seminary and now pastor of St. John's E. and R. Church in Lebanon.

At this January meeting, Rev. Schmid will show colored slides and give us all a description of the interesting year he spent in Europe with the Heifer Project of the Church.

Those of us who remember "Roy" are especially anxious to hear his presentation and to share his experiences abroad. Plan now to attend!

-Jerry Hinkle

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This was not the 'person-type' we are accustomed to, either the sleep talker or the bullfrog-type who shouts that you think the walls of the church may fall in. This American was a man who spoke like you and me, but notwithstanding, he could give you something to think about; he was able to open your heart fully to what you were doing in church, and when you left, you somehow felt relieved and happy.

"I found only one such man in our German church, in Leipzig in 1943. He was from the Balticum, a man with great experience in life, a real 'Seelsorger'. He died in 1946 from tuberculosis.

"When I moved to a room in the city I attended services in the Protestant church along the Isar River, I don't remember the name of the church (St. Lukas Kirche - Ed.). Here I found that this American chaplain was just like his colleague in Harlaching. Perhaps this means that in the States there may not be such dynasties of parsons as we have them over here.

"As you see, I am rather critical of our German church. But be that as it may, I think it is a wonderful thing when one feels in himself the strength to help his fellowmen morally and spiritually."

It must be remembered that this is the voice of one man speaking, but nevertheless it is a voice speaking out of a real experience. His grammar in a foreign tongue may be imperfect, but he lets little doubt in its expression!

## O'ER THE SHELVES

Here is your voice of the Co-op again, bringing you the latest items of interest in regards to your Bookstore Cooperative, and we do mean YOURS.

The Executive Committee has set the date of our Annual Meeting for Monday, March 15. Since it is your cooperative, it will be to your interest to be there. We will do our best to remind you.

An important item to be considered at the Annual Meeting will be the election of a new manager from the Junior Class. Applications will be received beginning February 1 and the deadline for applications is March 1. These applications will be taken by any member of the Executive Committee or the present Manager. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Looking forward to the Annual Meeting in another way, your Executive Committee has appointed a committee to audit our books. The Auditing Committee is as follows: Harold Rodland, Chairman, Willard Wetzel, Don Studor, and Dr. Bartholomew.

Volume 9 of the Interpreter's Bible has just been published. Your Bookstore offers you this important commentary at a discount through your dividend. Take advantage of your membership. Order through us and save.

Harry Goodlin  
Promotion Committee  
Book Store Co-op

## DR. SHAFFER TO

### OFFER NEW COURSE

The new course "A Parish Program of Evangelism" will be offered one hour a week as an elective for seniors during the Spring term. It will be an intensive study of a well-rounded plan of evangelism for the local church. The roles of pastor, lay members, evangelistic committee, and the various organizations will be considered.

The course will also deal with the theology and the motives of evangelism, as well as the various methods to be used. The instructor will be Dr. William R. Shaffer, pastor of Faith Church, Philadelphia and President of Philadelphia Synod.

Clarie Settlementire



## CHOIR TO BEGIN CONCERTS

The Seminary Choir will open its concert period officially when it shares its message in song with Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church, Palmyra, Pa. on Tuesday, February ninth.

Under the direction of Mr. McConnell, the choir is developing into a fine musical organization. The program which it is to render throughout the year will, without a doubt, prove to be an inspirational experience for both the individual choir member and the listener in the pew.

Therefore, the choir is looking forward to one of its best years not only in concert success, but in rewarding experience to the individual members.

The reader of the SEMINARIAN will be kept in close tab with the activity of the choir throughout the year. It is hoped that such a practice will interest those who are not members of the choir and who have at least another year of Seminary life, into coming a part of the choir next year. The choir is your organization. Let us all work together to keep it an organization of which we can be proud.

A note of thanks is extended to choir members for the fine cooperation which they have offered to date.

J. Hennessey, asst. manager

## CHWOROWSKY ASSEMBLY SPEAKER

Martin P. Chworowsky is enthusiastically remembered in Lancaster Seminary and we anticipate his speaking to us in Chapel today, Jan. 25th. He comes to us in behalf of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Currently, Dr. Chworowsky is director of the Albert M. Greenfield Center for Human Relations and research professor of human relations at the University of Pennsylvania. He received his undergraduate education at Harvard College. He holds the LL.B. degree from Harvard Law School, and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh. There he taught in the School of Education and was head of the demonstration school. Subsequently he was associate professor of psychology and education at the Carnegie Institute of Technology. He has also taught in universities in Ohio, Wisconsin, and before coming to Philadelphia, he was professor of education at Teachers Col-

## LINCOLN UNIVERSITY SEMINARY TO BE GUESTS AT SPRING RETREAT

After the fine opening Retreat at Camp Andrews, many of the Seminary family felt that it would be good to have a similar Retreat later in the Seminary year.

With the faithful work of the appointed committees, this desire is now a near reality. On March 2nd in Lancaster, the Lincoln Seminary will join with us in a Day of Prayer.

Concentrating attention on the theme, "Christ, the Hope," the Retreat will begin with student-led Bible study groups. Time will be given that these groups may lead into prayer before the meditation of the morning, "Christ, My Hope," by a Lincoln student. (It is hoped that the student meditations will largely be the products of the sharing of cell group experiences.)

The meditation, "Christ, Our Hope," by a Lancaster student, will open the afternoon session. Rather than continue as in the morning, there will follow a discussion on the morning group meetings and meditations. This in turn will be followed by a sharing of Christian experiences and witnessing to out faith, leading again into prayer.

The climax of the Retreat will be the partaking of the Holy Communion.

Bill Simpson

## MIDDLER RECEPTION TUESDAY EVENING

The members of the Middler Class, their wives and sweethearts, are reminded not to forget one of the most important events of the year. The event being, of course, the annual Middler Party at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the Refectory.

The faculty of the Seminary is to act as host.

A fine time is planned for all. It is hoped that every Middler will make a special effort to attend.

J. Hennessey

lege, Columbia University, and coordinator of the Intergroup Relations Program there.

For two years he was associate Director of the Commission on Educational Organizations of the Nat'l Conference of Christians & Jews. In this 25th Anniversary year of this Conference, may we of Lancaster Seminary hear Dr. Chworowsky gladly.

Bill Simpson