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REUBKE'S "FUGUE"

What is a "Fugue" by Reubke, you ask? Well, that my friends, is a very lovely and exciting organ sonata!

Also, that is what Mr. Frank McConnell played for his inaugural "address" at the opening convocation which was Sunday night, February 10, in the Santee Chapel. And what an inaugural address it was! The chapel was filled with the tremendous sounds of a master organ with a master organist at the console!

Yes this was the inauguration of one of Lancaster Theological Seminary's greatest friends and supporters, and one of favorite people who has ever been associated with LTS. A friend of all who has ever spent very much time here, in many different respects. A man whose constant smile and "cool" calms many a hectic morning service, as well as special services.

Sure we all know and like Frank, but what was this inauguration? In honor of the many years of dedicated and distinguished service to LTS, Mr. McConnell was inaugurated as Adjunct Professor of Church Music on the Martin and Anne E. Fey-Emma A. Roeder Foundation. With his inauguration, Professor McConnell recieved an engraved medallion from the Seminary, recognition from the Alumni Council and the Lancaster Chapter, American Guild of Organists, and a thunderous standing ovation from all present.

Will all this attention - the title and recognition - have any affect on Frank? Don't bet on it! Although he is obviously proud and happy, Frank will always be Frank. In fact, the remark was heard that

WELCOME!!

Have you noticed some "new" faces wondering around LTS's huge campus lately? Or what about "new" people in your classes?

Don't worry, they aren't out to get you (we hope!!) They most likely are only new seminarians. Beginning this term, there are 42 new students in various classifications, mostly M.Div. though.

We would like to welcome Nan (Katherine) Crews, Gustav Fridensvalds, A. Kenneth Heller, Jr., Wendell S. Junkin, R. Craig MacCreary, Dale L. Miller, Donald E. Mummert, Barry P. Murr, Edgar W. Roberson, Jr., William G. Pitcher, Marilyn R. Martin, and Mary Ruth Allis.

There will be a get together in the HUB Tuesday night, Feb. 19, at 7:00 p.m. for all new and old students, their spouses and children. Also invited are faculty, administration, staff, and friends of the seminary. Refreshments will be provided--all you can drink and eat! A small donation of 50¢ to help defray the costs of this party will be appreciated. Oh yes, this is being sponsored by the Student Community Council.

P.S.: A hardy welcome back to all those who were elsewhere during January.

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we could all learn a lot about humility from him. How true this is! Keep up the great work, and music, Frank.

Dennis A. Moritz

"SOLDIERS" OF GOD

In an age when more and more high schools and colleges are beginning to remove R.O.T.C. facilities from their campuses, this student found it appalling to find the presence of the military in the pulpit of Lancaster Seminary on Monday. In a decade when the church has found it necessary to speak out against the war in Vietnam, it was also "enlightening" to find this same military official using the facilities of this seminary to carry on recruitment activities. Seventeen hundred and fifty-nine years after Hippolytus wrote, "If a catechumen or a baptized Christian wishes to become a soldier, let him be cast out, for he has despised God," Lancaster Seminary has so compromised the Christian Church that it cooperates with the military and hopes to appease its collective guilt by providing the military with pseudo-holy men, commonly referred to as military chaplains. The author of The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, Edward Gibbon, stated, "During this period, the various forms of worship were held to be equally true by the practitioners, equally false by the philosophers, and equally useful by the magistrates." One wonders if such a statement does not gain a renewed validity in the light of the role of Christianity as the national religion of America, and in the "usefulness" of such a religion to the American military. Do we of Lancaster Seminary hope to make Christianity "equally useful to the magistrates" and military, or should we perhaps try to recapture the authentic, prophetic Christian witness to a world in which there "are wars and rumors of wars?"

John R. Specht

Ju' liet (jōō'li-ēt), n. See ROMEO.

CLASSICAL GUITARIST OPENS FESTIVAL

Interested in Music, Art, or Poetry? What about Dance or Screeving? How about a free concert by Pete Segal and Janet Ketchum! Everything can be yours at a very reasonable cost of zero, April 25, 26, 27, and 28th at Lebanon Valley College.

College and community have joined to form one of the most outstanding Arts Festivals in Pennsylvania. Exhibits, workshops, and concerts are scheduled to make this weekend explode with activity. Opening ceremonies with Pete Segal and Janet Ketchum will be held Thursday, April 25th.

Anyone interested in performing or exhibiting is asked to write to Box 283, Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa. or call 717-867-3561 ext.317.

BALAAM'S ASS

An amusing debate took place in the street the other evening between Mr. W., a sceptic on religious matters, and a German Lutheran. The sceptic, ridiculing the truth of certain passages in the Bible, and supposing his antagonist about cornered in argument, asked him if Balaam's ass ever spoke like a man. The Lutheran was silent for a moment, and then said: "Me read mit the Bible dat von Balaam beat his schackass, and she speke chust like a man. Me believes dat. Me never hear a schackass speke like a man myself but me hear a good many men speke like a schackass." It was some time before our friend could recover.

John Balaz

MINE EYES

Mine eyes
has seen
the visions
in my soul

Bob Morse

A COIN HAS TWO SIDES

I would like to ~~make~~ a belated reply to the article by John Specht which was a rebuttal to my article on George McGovern last semester.

John feels that a liberal government will not work, or such was my feeling about his article. I not only feel that a liberal government would work, but it is the most realistic of goals to strive for under the circumstances. I think that the last election showed that many people are unsympathetic to the poor of our nation. So let's take a look at the alternatives. This is where the broader concept of "social action" comes into play.

In your congregations you will find a small group of liberals who are sympathetic to the poor. I see the role of the minister as someone who can mobilize this small group of liberals to become involved in social problems at the community level. This small "hard core" of Christian liberals could act as advocates for the poor of their community and help the poor to determine the goals which they feel are important to them. This is meeting the problem of poverty head on in a realistic fashion..

I don't mean to imply that the minister should exclude preaching about the Christian's responsibility to the poor. This should always be part of his sermon material.

So, John, as you can see, that which I am opting for is much broader than a liberal government, although this is a part of my outlook. I feel that God wants justice for all people, and I feel that we can work toward this through social action. If revolution is necessary, let it be achieved through non-violent protest. John, I realize that you also do not believe in violence. I'm just saying that social justice can be obtained through non-violence. I feel that what you are doing in admonishing us about our responsibilities is a necessary cause. There are two sides to the coin in calling a people to repent. There is the side of admonition, which has been your side, and the side of the positive response once repentance is given. Let's work together, John. But if we can't agree,

MARKED TIRES ?

Have you noticed any strange white marks on your car tires lately? Or maybe a half sheet of paper called a parking notice? Maybe even a parking ticket?

The cops have finally hit LTS! Its too early to evaluate what the results will be, but it appears that the parking problems will be alleviated if backed up by certain key personnel.

An evaluation on the effectiveness of the new regulations will be forthcoming.

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SPORT SHORTS

Who's got the hottest bowling ball? Why, its none other than "Dandy" Don Wetzel! Currently Don is rolling over the competition with a 162.5 average. Not only is Don leading with the highest average, but he also has the highest 3-game series (567) and the high game with a super hot 244! Trying to catch Don is Denny Bechard, Karl Jones, Paul Thompson, and Doc Englert, all of whom are within 7 points of each other.

Who's got the coldest basketball? Believe it or not, LTS!! Yes, LTS's "God's Boys" finally ended their long and cold season. Though their record wasn't too bad, they just couldn't get going. After losing their final game, their record stands at 3 wins and 4 defeats. How about recruiting some b-ball players next year Mr. Farrar?!?!

Denny Moritz

P.S. Volleyball season should be starting in about a month, so start getting ready now!

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let there be acceptance.

Bill Darling

SLAVES AND MASTERS

During the Student-Faculty-Trustee Retreat, someone remarked that the church had been slow to respond to the issue of slavery. Yet, gradually the church began to view slavery as an abomination to God. Certainly this is the only Christian conclusion; however, it is still in question as to whether the church will ever give witness to this basic truth with more than words. The question of slavery did not die with the end of the Civil War. The question of slavery is still very much before a church which not only has failed to declare the emancipation proclamation of liberation which was first enunciated by the Carpenter Christ, but also has failed to cease its counter-revolutionary policies of investing in those corporations which are raping the Third World nations.

This writer does not use the word "slavery" imprudently. In a nation such as South Africa, for example, slavery is the objective reality. Is it not preposterous, however, to raise a question about a nation and an oppressed people so far removed from the experience of this seminary community? This would be a perfectly legitimate question to raise if this seminary community were removed in fact from the suffering and oppression of the people of South Africa. It is not the intention of this writer to begin quoting now from John Donne's "Meditation XVII" although its argument is perfectly valid and applicable. No. The objective reality of slavery forces all the members of this seminary community to ask the following question: If there are slaves, who are the masters?

On a very superficial level, one may say that the white minority government of South Africa is the master of the millions of African, Coloured and Asian slaves who inhabit this land of apartheid. This, however, only partially answers the question which is now under consideration. One must begin to look to the U.S. corporations which give the economic support that allows the white minority government to stay in power in order to really answer the question. The masters, therefore, also include the heads of and investors in these U.S. corporations. Sixteen percent of the stock found in the investment portfolio of the U.C.C. is in corporations which operate in South Africa, Namibia, Angola, Mozambique and Rhodesia. What is more, 38 percent of the stock found in the investment portfolio of Lancaster Theological Seminary is in corporations which operate in these same nations! This last fact should help the members of this seminary community to answer the question under discussion. If there are slaves, we--students, faculty, administration and trustees--are the masters. Since there are slaves, we can either remain masters, or take the responsible Christian action which the situation demands. The question of slavery is once again before the church. God awaits the answer.

Paul Eugene Clark

FREE STEAK--I THINK?

When was the last time you had a free steak dinner? Quite a long while? Well me too! But we all have the opportunity on Feb. 28 compliments of Presbyterian Ministers' Fund. All are invited to attend this wonderful meal without a sales pitch! The meal will be at the Meadow Hills Dining House--one mile south of Lancaster on the New Dan-

ville Pike. Please return the notice which you received by Feb. 25. If you did not receive a notice or lost it or anything else, please see Denny Moritz. More details later.

Ro'me-o (rō'mē-ō), n. see WILLIAM.

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CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - 149:18

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* Open to Seminary Community

** Open to General Public

Numbers in parentheses refer to announcements which follow.

CALENDAR

Monday, February 18

* 9:10 A.M. - Morning Prayers

7:00 P.M. - Night Ministry

8:00 P.M. - Community Historians

L 200

* 9:00 P.M. - Bowling

Tuesday, February 19

* 9:10 A.M. - Morning Prayers

* 7:00 P.M. - S.C.C. will sponsor a "Bash"

The Hub

* 9:00 P.M. - Bowling

Wednesday, February 20

8:00 A.M. - Executive Cabinet

* 9:10 A.M. - Morning Prayers

* 2:00 P.M. - Seminarian Convocation on Budget

L 200

Thursday, February 21

* 9:10 A.M. - Morning Prayers

Friday, February 22

* 9:10 A.M. - Morning Prayers

2:00 P.M. - 150th Anniversary Steering Committee

L 204

Saturday, February 23

* 1:00 P.M. - Bowling

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office of Development

Mr. Farrar is in North Carolina visiting with alumni, recruiting on college campuses, and meeting with Southern Conference personnel. He will return to campus on February 19 or 20.

THE REGISTER

Executive Cabinet

No report

Next Meeting - February 20

Academic Affairs

No report

Campus Affairs

No report

Student Community Council

Information Requested

The S.C.C. has been participating in a dialogue between Christians and Jews sponsored by the National Council of Christians and Jews. If anyone is interested in participating in this dialogue (esp. Juniors and Middlers) contact John Fureman for details.

Mr. Farrar has requested that more students become involved in the 150th Anniversary Committee. If anyone is interested, particularly spouses, please contact John Fureman.

Information Reported

There will be a "Forum on Student Aid" on February 20, 1974 at 2:00 P.M. in the Hafer Center. At this time, Mr. Farrar and Mr. Wolf will attempt to explain the budget process of the Seminary and answer questions concerning student aid. Plan to attend.

The A.S.W. will provide cake in the Hub on Thursdays at coffee break for donations.

Decisions Reported

The S.C.C. has been asked to participate in a Fund Raising Drive for Muscular Dystrophy. Accordingly, the S.C.C. will sponsor a drive for MD on campus. The S.C.C. will match total funds contributed by students which exceed its initial contribution of \$10.00. Make your contribution to Denny Moritz.

The S.C.C. will sponsor a "Bash" on Tuesday night 2/19/74 beginning at 7:00 in The Hub. A donation of 50¢ per person is asked to help cover expenses.

Next Meeting 7:00 P.M. March 5.

Doctoral Studies

No report

Collegium Development

No report.

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TO: FACULTY, ADMINISTRATION, SEMINARIANS, AND OTHERS

FROM: JAMES D. GLASSE, PRESIDENT

It has been apparent to me that there is a kind of information which is too detailed and interpretative for the weekly announcement sheet, but not general enough for inclusion in the quarterly printed Bulletin. This is the kind of information which I intend to include in this more or less monthly report which is sent to all personnel on the campus and mailed to Trustees, Alumni Council members, and a select list of other persons.

I will appreciate receiving from any individuals or groups items that should be included in this mimeographed message, as well as the names and addresses of persons who might be interested in receiving it. I also welcome feedback, comments, criticisms, and suggestions of ways in which we can keep a maximum amount of information flowing among us.

1. LTS Seminarian Named Secretary of National Council. Last year the United Church Board for World Ministries asked me to name a Lancaster representative to their Council of Theological Students. My policy is that appointment of seminarians (see note below on this term) to Seminary responsibilities and relationships shall be done by the Student Community Council. So I referred the matter to John Fureman. The SCC designated Michael Iski as LTS Seminarian on the Council.

At its meeting in Chicago in January Mike was elected secretary of the Council. He will present a full report to the SCC. And I hope he will write a piece for the Seminarian about the meeting, the Council and some of his ideas for an increased emphasis on missions here at LTS. I will look forward, along with you, to hearing more about his activities, but I wanted to make the announcement of his election.

2. Thanks Barry Lohman and those who assisted him in the very fine job they did of cleaning the Chapel during January. This kind of initiative is very encouraging. I personally appreciated it and have heard a number of people speak appreciatively. Let's share the good news!

3. Policy Changes During January. Seminarians who are returning after being away during January should check copies of the announcement sheet in Edna Hafer's office to make sure that you are current on decisions made and announced in your absence. Seminarians enrolling should also check the policy manual on Edna Hafer's desk to make sure that you are informed about policies enacted during the current year and which either supplement or change policies in the current Handbook. I do not want to reprint all those documents, unless it is absolutely necessary. If you have any questions, please ask right away so that you can be clear on what policies and procedures are. Ask the appropriate person. If you don't get satisfaction, ask again. If all else fails, come to me.

3. Special Notice to Trustees. I am hoping to visit personally each member of our Board of Trustees during the current year. I have been getting around to see both active and Emeriti Trustees in their home communities, local church settings and business surroundings. I have found this a very important part of my own self-education and welcome invitations to make these visits at your convenience.

4. Speaking of Trustees, I want to thank Bill Longsdorf and the Committee on Trustees for carrying the major leadership responsibility for the Trustee-Faculty-Seminarian Retreat held February 8 and 9. Very soon we will be enlisting a group of persons to carry forward the planning process begun during those days. We will certainly want to add some representatives of the Alumni Council, and perhaps an outside consultant or two. Their purpose will be to reflect on the findings of the Retreat, clarify some recommendations, and make them to the groups who have decisions to make: namely, Trustees, Faculty, Administration, Student Community Council, Alumni Council. Please watch both the announcement sheet and the Bulletin for further information about that Retreat, if you were not present for it.

A special word of thanks goes to Blanche Wentzel and Paul Stein, Allen Kroehler and Bob Duke, Barbara Williams and Mike Clark, who served as a Planning Committee for the Retreat.

5. Several seminarians have asked me for additional information about the relationship between the Seminary and the Career Center. Evidently there has been some confusion about the relationship. It is really quite simple, and what follows may be more information than you want or need. There are no secrets. If, after reading what follows, you have additional questions, please get to me right away. (I want everyone to have as much information as they need to understand what is important to them in the life of the Seminary. There may be occasions when some information about some activities will be confidential, but this is not one of them.)

On May 6, 1971 the Board of Trustees voted to invite the Northeast Career Center to transfer part of its operation from Princeton, New Jersey to Lancaster so that pastors in this region could more readily receive the services of the Center. The Penn Northeast Conference asked that \$5,000 of their contribution to the Seminary's budget for the 1971-72 academic year be allocated to cover the cost of moving the staff and equipment to Lancaster. The Board further agreed to set aside some funds to cover additional contingencies. Thus, the Center is here because of an official action of the Board and the commitment of one of our supporting conferences.

From the beginning, the Center has rented space from the Seminary at rates equal to or above rent for similar facilities paid by seminarians. Their rent has produced income for the Seminary (\$4,000 this year, for instance) from their payment for use of facilities not otherwise occupied by seminarians or used for other

Seminary purposes. At no time have any seminarians been displaced by their use of our facilities, so far as I know. At present the Center uses two apartments, plus one room in Richards Hall. They pay rent to us by providing services to the Seminary. These arrangements are contractual agreements drawn up each year. In addition, the Center has paid for all improvements to the facilities they use--and all these improvements become the permanent property of the Seminary.

The services of the Center have been available to the Seminary on the same basis as to other clients--including national denominations and region judicatories which purchase services for their constituents--as well as individuals. Brochures describing the services of the Center, schedule of fees, etc. are available in my office or from the Center. For further information, see me or the staff of the Center. (There are other organizational details that may be of interest, but I will not detail them here, because they do not bear directly on the relationship of the Seminary to the Lancaster Career Development Center. I refer specifically to the emergence of Eastern Career Development Services as the successor of the Northeast Career Center, etc.)

This year there has been a significant change in relationship between the Seminary and the Center. The Faculty voted last year to employ Tom Brown, Director of the Center, to design and implement the "Collegium Program" recommended by last year's Faculty-Student Task Force. They further requested that \$5,000 from our Fund for Educational Development (a fund created by the Board of Trustees in 1972 to underwrite educational experimentation) be allocated to the development of this program. This decision by the Faculty marked the first formal contract for services from the Center, and provided the basis of a relationship which has now developed in another new direction.

This fall, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet, I appointed Tom Brown Director of Vocational Planning for the Seminary. We have contracted with the Center for a block of his time so he can assume this part-time responsibility on the staff of the Seminary. He joins the other part-time administrators who are responsible for various programs in the Seminary. (Allen Kroehler, Director of Field Education; Lee Gable, Director of Continuing Education; Loyde Hartley, Director of Doctoral Studies; Nancy Payne, Director of Communications). His primary responsibility is to the Faculty for the development of the Collegium Program, and reports directly to the Faculty-Student Committee on Collegium Development. He also directs the assessment process in the D. Min. Program. In addition, during the absence of Professor Irion, the Center is providing counseling service for students within the contract of the Seminary for services. This means that seminarians needing professional consultation may be seen by Mr. Brown without concern about a fee for his time. If too much time is utilized for this purpose, he will consult with me about the matter, so the individual student seeking help need not be concerned. In cases where psychological testing is necessary, the costs of those services will be handled on an individual basis.

Some such costs are already covered in funds which are part of the Seminary budget; help for others is often available from the Conferences.

Recently a seminarian surprised me with this question: "why do we spend all that money on the Career Center and get nothing for ourselves?" I regret the misunderstanding that appears to underlie the question. And, of course, I must assume responsibility for not providing more information with seminarians from the beginning. Quite frankly, the Board of Trustees did not have seminarians primarily in mind when inviting the Center to the campus. It was, at that time, part of our concern to provide services in "continuing education and clergy support" to our supporting churches and to pastors in the area. We were not mindful of the ways in which the presence of the Career Center on campus would provide resources for the Master of Divinity Program, but that was not its primary purpose in the beginning.

Now, of course, the Center professionally (and Tom Brown personally) have become important parts of both our M. Div. and D. Min. programs. Several members of the Faculty and staff have used the services of the Center for personal and professional purposes. The vote of the Faculty this year to expand and extend the Collegium Program, and the commitment by the Budget Council of additional funds for 1974-75 to this process is a further illustration of the growing relationship between the Seminary and the Center.

The one constant in the relationship has been its contractual character. The Center rents space from the Seminary on an annual basis, and the Seminary contracts for services on an annual basis. Thus both parties are free to change the relationship in a process of open negotiation, and to develop relationships in ways that are mutually advantageous.

I personally feel that the relationship has been a real advantage to the Seminary. I look forward to the continued development of these relationships, and welcome any comments, criticisms, or suggestions from any source as we continue to review and revise these relationships.

6. A word about Language and Terminology. We are being reminded every day that we should "watch our language." This warning formerly concerned primarily with "dirty words" is now concerned with more ordinary terminology. Specifically, I propose that we try to use two kinds of terminology uniformly in an effort to clarify our communication.

First, we shall use the term "chairperson" for all offices formerly referred to as chairman or chairwoman. Secondly, we will use the term "seminarian" in place of the term "student." This is to acknowledge the fact that most of our so-called "students" have significant commitments outside of their academic work and that we must try to take that larger environment into account as we regard each other.

I will not quibble right now about distinctions between "Faculty" and "Administration" and "Staff." These may become matters of concern. But, for the time being, I want everyone to inform me immediately and directly when any language is being used in official publications of the institution which you consider to be misleading or offensive. We do not promise to change our language every time someone complains, but we certainly do need to know about every complaint so we can know the effect our tongues are having on people's sensibilities. So let's watch our language.