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SEVERAL ENGAGEMENTS

ANNOUNCED OVER HOLIDAYS

Four members of the seminary family gave away a portion of their independence (in the shape of a diamond ring) during the Christmas holidays.

Miss Annabel Evans of Slatington became the fiancée of Sam Fogal. Miss Evans is at Western Reserve University, studying for her master's degree in library science. The couple have not set a wedding date.

Russ Mertz is engaged to Miss Carol Riegel of Sunbury, a senior at the Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing in Philadelphia. They plan to be married late this summer, either in August or in September.

A senior at Elmhurst College, Miss Marjorie Klassy of Monticello, Wis., is the fiancée of Gene Schnierer. Miss Klassy will be teaching in Lancaster next year. No wedding date has been set.

The engagement of Larry Blunden, a middler, to Miss Cathryn Heffner, of Lima, O., was announced over the holidays. Miss Heffner attended Bluffton College, Larry's Alma Mater, and is teaching elementary school near Lima.

NEW FACULTY SECRETARY

IS FORMER MUSIC STUDENT

Miss Grace E. Nuss, of Strasburg, has been named as secretary to the faculty, succeeding Mrs. Edna Hafer who has been promoted to secretary to the president and dean.

Miss Nuss comes to the seminary with considerable secretarial experience. A graduate of Lancaster Business College, she was formerly employed by Paul Trout,

FACULTY AWARDS FELLOWSHIP TO BACH

NOMINATES KNOBEL, KULP FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

George Bach has been named by the faculty as the awardee of the Potomac Synod Fellowship for a year's graduate study. Don Kelly has been named alternate.

The faculty also has nominated Dave Knoebel and Bill Kulp for senior scholarships to be granted jointly by the Lily Foundation and the Seminary.

This announcement was made by Pres. Robert V. Moss, Jr. at the first assembly of the new year.

TOTH-GABLE NUPTIALS

PERFORMED DEC. 19

George Toth and Carolyn Gable were married on Saturday, Dec. 19, in St. Peter's Church. The ceremony was conducted by Dr. Lee Gable, assisted by the bride's uncle, the Rev. Archie Rohrbaugh of York.

Seminarians taking part in the service were the maid of honor, Marian Gable, and the ushers, Dave Knoebel, Tom Arner, Bill Kulp, and Paul Peters. The flower girl was little Ann Shellenberger, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Richard Shellenberger of Somerset and granddaughter of the Dean.

Following a wedding trip to the Catskill Mountains, the couple are living at 146 E. New St.

CPA, and for five years was secretary-receptionist for WLAN.

Earlier, she studied vocal music at New York City's Carnegie Hall and for two summers at Peabody Institute of Music in Baltimore. She sings soprano.

THE CHURCHMOUSE

IT SEEMS TO ME...

By Don Kelly

...THE PROTESTANT PEROGATIVE

"This is a graduate school!" Many times we've heard that sentence since we first entered these halls. But do you know of any graduate school that closes it's library at the early hour of 9 O'clock?

If genuine graduate study is to take place here longer library hours are essential. If research is to be fruitful we need more than a large number of volumes systematically classified. We need a library with doors open until at least 10 p.m. if not 11 p.m.

Circulation has increased greatly this years, my fellow churchmice inform me. Perhaps it would increase even more if access to the books were extended by a couple of hours each night.

The expenses for this revision of hours would be nile since the desk attendant would be working only 2 hours more per day (or perhaps the desk could close at 9 p.m. and the students could remain to search the stack and study) and the electricity for the lighting would be burned regardless of where students study.

Furthermore, we were told that even if a new book remained on the shelf unused for ten years the purchase is still worth while and;--these books must be accessible when the need arises--in the near future or ten years hence. Would not the same philosophy apply to hours? Why lock up these purchases so early in the evening? Perhaps if the hours are extended some books may need to "rest" only five years.

Also, what about those who have evening meetings? They have little opportunity to use the library.

What do you think, pulpit-pounders?

"Miny Mice"

(Editor's Note: Last year, Prof. George H. Bricker directed a survey at the closing hour for a period of about two weeks to learn the count of students using the library at that time and to see how many would desire longer hours. The results then did not warrent an extension of library hours. However, the librarian has indicated his willingness to repeat the study this year and if there is enough student demand the hours then could be extended.

Before Prof. Bricker assumed his posi-

This plan has been before Synod time and again in one form or another. If all our ministers are to receive the same basic salary then we must begin with this plan at its roots, with the ministers themselves. For the most part our lay people are either indifferent to this idea or are in favor of it. But how are we going to get the ministers to vote for this? Or even to be concerned about it? I'm just starting out in the pastorate and you want me to stand up and speak out for a plan which will, in essence, simply mean that I am in favor of a raise? Of course I'm for it--right now. But look at these fellows who have 20 years in the pulpit behind them. Why should I take money from their pocket? That's just about what it amounts to. Besides, I'm in favor of it now, but I'll feel just the same as they 20 years from now.

That isn't my objection to it at all. It will destroy all incentive. Why should I work hard in this church--build up a large congregation, raise the apportionment every year, put up a new plant--only to get the same salary when I go to a bigger church?

Its impractical. Too much of a headache. It's easy to talk about adjustments for children, geography, and time in service to the church, but this can never be worked out. Too many accounting problems. Otherwise, I like the idea.

Most of us have to sweat and strain just to make it through seminary. I look at this as though we were professional people, training just like a doctor or lawyer. Sure it's tough at first, but once we graduate I think we're entitled to all we can reasonably get. After all, preachers are human too, and deserve a little of the 'luxuries' of life if they are fortunate enough to be able to afford them.

Text: I Kings 18:21

tion as librarian, the library was open only from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 to 5 p.m.; there were no evening or Saturday hours.

THE VOICE FROM THE TOWER

By Dr. Alfred B. Bartholomew

For more years than I am in the ministry, there has been a united mission study emphasis on a theme for National Missions and a theme for International Missions. More than 20 denominations cooperate in this. Perhaps the studying is done more by women in women's groups than is done by pastors or laymen. We hope that some of the men catch the information by osmosis. The books published for these studies are published by Friendship Press. Catalogues of their publications have been available for some months here at school. If you want one and have not received it, come to the Hafer Room.

The theme for this year's National Missions' study is "The Church's Mission in Town and Country". There is a cycle to these themes. Town and Country church was the theme about 9 years ago. About 4 years ago the theme was the Church in the city. The materials gathered for these themes are very valuable for your study.

The books which are published, the audio visuals which are prepared and the supplementary materials have a peculiar advantage. They are prepared by authorities in the field, but they are written for lay consumption. Here we mean by "lay", non-technical. Some laymen are better sociologists than ministers and would understand the technical works better than we. But here is sound scholarship, presented a way which is easy to grasp. Year by year, this is the most painless way to get a good education in the mission fields of the church.

The basis text for the National study this year is "People, Land, and Churches" by Rockwell Smith. While much of what is directed to Town and Country study is still concerned with the dwindling farm population, here is a work which takes account of the heterogeneity of the rural population. It describes the differences in the rural community from the nature of that community a half century ago. It describes some rural churches and it points the way which many of these churches will have to take in the future.

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THE ALTAR

By Fred Largen

Have you prayed the New Year's prayer "Dear God, watch me perfect myself?" If you've made a New Year's resolution it may be similar to this prayer. Behind such a resolution is the assumption that MAN can perfect himself. The Christian knows this is not possible; but, the question always arises concerning the New Year's resolution that is kept: doesn't it show that man can perfect himself? The answer is NO, and can be substantiated by an examination of the resolutions which are kept and those which are broken.

The making of a resolution implies a desire for change. The individual wanting this change does not realize the problem is one of slavery. Every individual who is not a slave to Jesus Christ is a slave to something else, and as such serves that other as lord and master. The resolution which is kept is the one in accord with the master to which the individual is enslaved. It can be kept because it does not conflict with that master. The broken resolution is the result of having one master and attempting to serve the other. This cannot be done without the original master ceasing to be master. As long as the first remains master, the resolution will be broken.

The New Year's resolution is then a very futile thing. The kept resolution has no real vitality as it does not change masters and so does not deal with the problem of slavery. The broken resolution is broken just because of this slavery and thus witnesses to the futility of the resolution and man's attempt to perfect himself.

The answer to change, at New Year's or any other time, is not one of resolutions to change ways, but the grace of God which changes masters. **WAYS DO NOT DETERMINE MASTERS, BUT MASTERS DETERMINE WAYS.** Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other." This calls for a kerygma centered ministry. We must preach the Master first and His ways second. Not until a man has Christ as

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NEW APARTMENT BUILDINGS COMBINE

BOTH CONVENIENCE AND ECONOMY

By Bill Bleckley

(Part II of a Series)

The basic philosophy behind the building programs of educational institutions today is economy. Its application may result in the construction of drab, unappealing living quarters for students--married or single--in which the chief aim is to contain the greatest number of individuals (or families) in the smallest possible space without stacking them one on top of the other. However, this is not the philosophy under which the three new dormitories in our midst are being built. Thanks to a far-sighted and understanding building committee, these new apartment buildings have been designed with their future occupants in mind--not only economy.

In the earliest days of the planning for these buildings, the committee toured facilities of other institutions to get an idea of what to do or not to do. Their tour showed them all kinds of apartments for married students and all kinds of general building layouts. They quickly rejected those apartment types that were designed around one main living-dining-sleeping room with a small kitchen and bath. This type did not provide sufficient privacy for fruitful study within the unit. Also, they rejected those general layouts in which individual units opened on a central corridor extending the full length of each floor. These layouts did not provide the privacy they felt was necessary between individual apartments. And too, corridor space--a great portion of which is nearly always wasted--could be put to better use in another, more suitable, layout. These are the reasons why the new buildings will contain three and four room apartments with no more than three individual units opening onto any one corridor.

Another major consideration, faced by the committee, was, that of the style of architecture to be used. Should it match either of the two styles existing on campus? (The classroom building and the

library represent one style, and the refectory and dormitory, the other.) Some members felt these styles, or at least one of them, should be matched. However, the majority held the opinion that to duplicate either of the two existing styles--with their ornamental chimneys and brick-work--under current prices for labor and materials, would be far too costly. In addition, it was learned that, probably within the next 20 - 30 year period, all traditional styles of architecture will become non-existent, so that any future building done at the Seminary would not match the existing styles anyway. With an eye to congruity in the future, the present style was selected out of the wide range of contemporary designs. It was felt that this style stayed away from any drabness and permitted the use of as many of the latest construction methods and materials as financial resources and comfort of the occupants would allow.

Perhaps the most striking of the construction methods used was that of the "lift-slab" technique. The concrete slabs for the floors and roof--each complete with the necessary piping and electrical wiring--are poured, raised into place by hydraulic jacking and then welded to the supporting steel columns. Since these columns bear the weight of all the floors and roof, the exterior walls of each building carry only their own weight. The use of the lift-slab technique resulted in a financial saving of over \$40,000 and a time-saving of nearly two months.

Other interesting features of the new buildings include the use of: aluminum and asbestos panels around the windows to add color and lightness to the overall appearance, colored tiles set in the end walls to relieve the monotony of unbroken masonry, and the projecting fin-like balconies over the windows to provide shade from summer sun and to hold

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THE DEAN'S CORNER

By Dr. David Dunn

The following are the enrollment figures for the Winter Term: Seniors, 18; Middlers, 27; Juniors, 36; MRE students, 8; and unclassified, 9. Total: 98.

The Rev. J. William Giles, pastor of Union Presbyterian Church, Oxford, has enrolled in the MRE program, as has Kimon Farantakis. The Rev. Howard Pusey has discontinued his work here for the present. (Other changes in student personnel are noted elsewhere in the SEMINARIAN.)

Among those auditing courses this term are Mrs. Helen Tomkins and the Revs. Eugene Patrick and Donald Richards.

Tuesday, Jan. 19, at 12:20, has been set as the time for taking the Middle and Junior Class pictures for the Yearbook. The yearbook will appear as part of the Catalogue in Mid-April.

The old Board Room has been divided like Gaul into three parts. You will enter by way of a reception room into the office of Registrar Dorothy Korn or into the new office of the Dean. The latter will thus be moved "down" on his way "out". He would hope to be "down and out" all at once. Prof. Irion will occupy Room IX.

The SEMINARIAN welcomes Miss Grace Nuss to the seminary staff. Mrs. Hafer, whom she succeeds in the office of Secretary to the Faculty has moved to the "front office" where she succeeds Miss Korn as Secretary to the President.

During the Christmas recess, Dean Dunn and Prof. Spotts attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Historical Society (Evangelical and Reformed) at Elmhurst College, by way of the American Church History Society's meeting in Chicago. They were elected President and Treasurer, respectively, of the Society, with Dr. Carl Schneider of Eden Seminary and Prof. Rudolf Schade of Elmhurst as Vice President and Secretary.

Profs. Schneider and Anstaett are the librarians of the two archives, housed respectively in the F&M Fackenthal Library and at Webster Groves (Eden), which seminary students are cordially invited to visit and use.

Prof. Vassady's sabbatical trip to Europe has been delayed by Mrs. Vassady's continued illness. He is working upon

SEMINARY WAS REPRESENTED

AT ATHENS CONFERENCE BY FIVE STUDENTS

Five students attended the 18th Ecumenical Student Conference on the Christian Mission at Ohio University, Athens, O., Dec. 27-Jan. 2. They were Kimon Farantakis, Jim Mengle, Toshio Mine, Akiko Toriyama, and Ken Trauger.

The conference brought together 3,500 students from around the world to consider such issues as technological upheaval, new nationalisms, racial tensions, militant non-Christian faiths, and new patterns of obedience in mission.

The Rev. Dr. James E. Wagner, president of the E&R Church and co-president of the United Church, was the celebrant of the Holy Communion closing the conference.

Akiko and Toshio reported that there were 50 other Japanese students there and Kimon claimed it was the next best thing to going to a much older and more celebrated Athens.

THE GARGOYLES

Gargle: Where did you get your name, "R"? The Apocrypha?

Argyle: Nope! My parents attended an Ivy league school.

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Gargle: I hear they've added a new course to the PT Department this term.

Argyle: Yah, it's taught by the prof in the blue overalls.

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Gargle: One of the profs is trying to get rid of Jesus.

Argyle: Where did you get that idea?

Gargle: He's always saying "Exit Jesus".

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Argyle: I think she's studying to become a rabbi.

the writing of his book at home and it is hoped that they will soon be able to travel.

This term, Prof. Spotts is teaching the "Ethics" course to seniors; Prof. Glick is teaching the "Christian Doctrine of Christ" to middlers; and Prof. Bricker is teaching "History and Principles of Worship" to juniors.

SNIPS and BITS

James Mengel has begun an interne year at Hough Ave. Church in Cleveland, O. This congregation is an inter-racial fellowship of whites, negroes, and Japanese.

Replacing Jim as editor of the year-book is Mary Wenck. Bill Bleckley has been named assistant editor and Stan Wagner is senior consultant.

Charles DeBoeser and Bill Dean have withdrawn from the seminary. Both were juniors. Charles will enter medical school in the fall; Bill is returning to teaching.

Upon returning to school last week, students were greeted by new china in the refectory. The bright red design adds a pleasant dash of color to the tables. Need it also be said that the decorations on the center table also give the dining hall a genial atmosphere?

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his master can the Christian way become meaningful. We must say with the apostle Paul, "For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." This is the Christian resolution and it comes only by the grace of God.

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There is an excellent film strip with record in our library, "This Sustaining Bread". This is not a usual film strip. It is not the series of pictures of rural churches or rural scenes. It is a worship aid. It uses modern art much in the way it was used by Stokowski and Disney in "Fantasia". Before you pass any judgement on it, see and hear it. It will be an excellent piece of material.

There are other sound films available as well. The United Church of Christ has produced a sound film, "Shadow on the Lane". I shall not describe that here, but will make brochures available on the radiator.

Share with the persons of a large portion of Protestantism in America. Read and study and understand the mission of the church to the Town and Country communities of America. If we can help you, please ask.

ON THE SPORTS SCENE

WITH BILL RUCH

Although it made a slow start, the sports program is moving now at a healthy pace, and consists of a variety of activity that ought to meet everyone's tastes.

Six men, all heavyweights, have responded to the call for wrestling competition which will begin soon. Dart ball also will begin soon.

The bridge tournament that has been in motion since October encountered some snags and was never completed. However, this activity will begin anew next term.

The first bowling games were held on Friday, Jan 8, at 1:45 with 29 taking part. Don Kelly had the 3-game high of 465 and the 1-game high of 183. The faculty team is presently in first place.

Basketball intramurals are also under way. Scores of past games are:

Lambda Chi Alpha—72	Team 2—9
Team 1—38	City 4—35
Phi Kappa Sigma—39	Team 2—19

In answer to the many inquiries on the origin of the monicker "Chrispus Attucks", it was a man's name. Chrispus Attucks was allegedly the first negro killed in the Revolutionary War and thus negroes throughout this country name many public buildings such as the local gym in his honor.

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heat in the winter as well as to provide interesting contours to the buildings.

Even the little seminarians have been thought of. Between the dorms which parallel College Avenue a play area for the small-fry will be installed. And around the perimeter of the buildings there will be parking facilities for 42 cars.

Originally, the estimate for construction of the three dormitories, the Pine Street parking lot, the on-campus parking areas, the play area and the installation of the new heating unit was \$623,000. However, it now appears that the total amount, including engineers and architects fees etc., will swell to about \$725,000 by the time the job is completed.