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New CTS Appointments

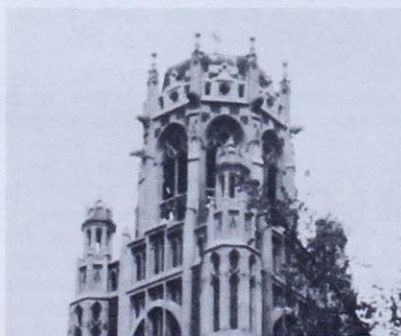
On June 4th, 1981, CTS Commencement exercises were held in Hyde Park Union Church.

It was a particularly uplifting occasion, one graced by the presence of The Honorable Andrew J. Young, Commencement speaker, and distinguished minister of the United Church of Christ.

In closing out the 126th academic year of the Seminary, Mrs. Betty Reneker, Board of Trustees Chairperson, brought greetings and a warm welcome to the overflow crowd that gathered to witness the festivities.

Mrs. Reneker continued her remarks by sharing a series of academic notices.

Due to the importance of these announcements, it is necessary that they be included in this newsletter, especially since we have an ongoing responsibility to keep all constituents of the Seminary fully informed of recent faculty and administrative appointments and changes:



Several new faculty and staff appointments are announced as the Seminary concludes its 126th academic year.

The Board of Trustees wishes to announce a number of new faculty appointments. Beginning July 1, 1981, Dr. Yoshio Fukuyama will become Academic Dean and Professor of Social Ethics at CTS. Dr. Fukuyama has been head of the Department of Religion at Pennsylvania State University for the past seven years. He succeeds Dean Perry LeFevre who completes twenty years service as Academic Dean with this Commencement.

Also beginning July 1, 1981, Dr. William Myers will become Director of Field Education and Assistant Professor of Christian Education at CTS. For the past ten years, he has been Associate Minister of the Flossmoor Community Church.

The Albert W. Palmer Visiting Professors of Ministry for the 1981-82 academic year will be the Reverend Drs. Eleanor and Truman Morrison, Co-Ministers of the Edgewood United Church of Christ, East Lansing, Michigan.

There are also three part-time appointments for the 1981-82 academic year worthy of your attention. Rabbi Vernon H. Kurtz, who receives his Doctor of Ministry Degree at this Commencement, and who is Associate Rabbi of Congregation Rodfei Zedek, will be teaching (with Dr. Clyde Manschreck) a course on the Holocaust. Dr. Richard Sales, a United Church of Christ Board for World Ministries Missionary in Botswana will be spending his furlough teaching in the field of theology beginning January 1, 1982. And Dr. Mark R. Laaser, a member of the staff of the Wholistic Health Center of Hinsdale, Inc., will be teaching a course in Wholistic Health Care in the Spring Quarter, 1982.

For the 1982-83 academic year, two other appointments have already been made. Dr. Dorothy Bass will become Assistant Professor of Church History. Dr. Bass is currently a William Raney Harper Teaching Fellow in the College of the University of Chicago, and will be teaching a course at CTS during the coming academic year.

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Finally, Dr. Susan Thistlethwaite will become Assistant Professor of Theology and Education at CTS in the 1982-83 academic year. Dr. Thistlethwaite is currently Assistant Professor in this field at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. All of these significant appointments will bring additional strength to the CTS faculty.

We wish to pay special recognition at this Commencement to Dr. John W. Kin-

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In a characteristic pose, "Dr. Sam" (left) pores over a series of Chicago maps and charts, basic tools of his trade.

Dr. Samuel C. Kincheloe: A Tribute

by Dr. Victor Obenhaus

Is there any student attending CTS between 1928 and 1955 who did not know that Samuel C. Kincheloe grew up on a farm in Brown County, Ohio? Even his pronunciation of "Brown County" was distinctive. Yet this beloved teacher, whose roots were deeply rural, gained national renown as an authority on urban life in general, and its churches in particular. Behind that paradox, too long for explication in this brief tribute, lies the saga of a humble and remarkable life.

As we sat, prior to the funeral service, in the glassed-in porch Sam and Evah had added to their home on Stony Hollow Road, we could see the house in which he was born, the fields he had cultivated, and the woods through which he had roamed as a youth and later in his retirement years. Only a short distance up the road stands the family church in which he maintained a life-long interest and from which he was buried. The years between are marked by an extraordinary career.

Biographies must contain some statistics. To his peers—and, at a proper distance, his students—Samuel C. Kincheloe was always "Sam". Born November 20, 1890, he died July 16, 1981. He graduated from Drake University, received his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, and was ordained in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Subsequently, he also received ministerial standing in what is now the United Church of Christ.

In 1928 Samuel Kincheloe began an association with CTS and then with the

Federated Theological Faculty of the University of Chicago which spanned almost thirty years. His first wife, Beulah Elifrits Kincheloe, died in 1949. They had two children, Jean K. Taylor and Robert Stone Kincheloe. In 1950 he married Evah Ostrander, known and loved by generations of students as librarian of CTS. She survives him, and lives in their home near Georgetown, Ohio where they eventually retired.

Dr. Kincheloe's fascination with church life and culture was furthered by his experience with the Sociology Department of the University of Chicago when the renowned "Chicago School" of urban sociology was flourishing. It equipped him with the tools to understand the urban church. The many hundreds of city maps and church charts still in the CTS archives eloquently and graphically tell the story of many Chicago churches and of other cities as well. The Department of Research and Survey of CTS, initiated by Arthur E. Holt and for which Samuel Kincheloe became the Director, was one of the many pioneering contributions of this Seminary. At one time, the directors of research for almost every major denomination in this country had been trained here.

In his scholarly and perceptive research, Dr. Kincheloe came to some significant conclusions about city churches. One result was his widely-used study, *The American City and Its Churches*. His early work was done in a period of anguish in American life. It produced his volume, *Religion in the Depression*. In addition he contributed

numerous articles and book chapters. Perhaps best known of all is his article, first appearing in "Religious Education," "Behavior Sequence of A Dying Church."

Upon his retirement from CTS and the FTF in 1955, Dr. Kincheloe became President of Tougaloo College (a UCC school) in Jackson, Mississippi, and later taught Sociology at the newly-formed Interdenominational School in Atlanta, before returning to Brown County.

Dr. Kincheloe died after a comparatively brief illness in the Georgetown hospital. They and a host of relatives from far and near filled Fairview Congregational-Christian Church for the funeral, even necessitating the use of the new Kincheloe Hall addition, named in his honor.

The devotion of the entire community is beautifully illustrated by a nurse attendant at the hospital. She was found crying. A friend, wishing to comfort her, offered the suggestion that perhaps Dr. Kincheloe had been spared a long period of suffering. She replied, "Oh, I know that. I'm just crying because my children will never know Dr. Sam."

We knew "Dr. Sam."

New Appointments

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ney and Dr. Jack L. Seymour who have served with distinction on the CTS faculty for the past two and three years respectively. Dr. Kinney returns to his alma mater, the Virginia Union University School of Theology, next year, and Dr. Seymour goes to a pioneering program at Scarritt School of Christian Education in Nashville, Tennessee. Both have made unusually creative contributions to the educational programs of this Seminary. We will miss them very much, and express our love and affection as they leave us to undertake new tasks.

The Board of Trustees also wishes to recognize a new staff appointment since the last Commencement. The Reverend Stephen J. Davidson has served as Director of Alumni/ae and Church Relations in the Development Office since February 1 of this year. Under his direction, the faculty, students, staff and alumni/ae last month completed a series of alumni/ae phonathons to secure new and increased alumni/ae giving in order to meet a \$15,000 alumni/ae challenge gift given earlier in the year by Mrs. Martha Riddle. We already have reason to be grateful for Mr. Davidson's presence on our staff.

LeFevre Recognized . . . as was Betty Reneker

In our spring newsletter, it was reported that Dr. Yoshio Fukuyama would become Academic Dean, effective July 1, 1981.

Dr. Fukuyama's arrival marked the end of Dr. Perry LeFevre's tenure as Dean of the Seminary, thus completing twenty years of inspired, innovative leadership.

Dr. LeFevre's accomplishments were recognized recently in the form of a Certificate of Appreciation which was presented by Dr. Rooks during Commencement exercises.



Former Dean (yet still Professor) LeFevre reflects upon his years as Academic Dean of the Seminary.

In presenting the certificate, Dr. Rooks reminded the assemblage that "... CTS was one of the first 6 seminaries in the U.S. and Canada to become accredited for the Doctor of Ministry degree, largely because of the pioneering work of the Doctor of Religion degree program established under Dean LeFevre's initiative ten years earlier."

In describing Dr. LeFevre's unparalleled contribution to the Seminary and to theological education, a Certificate of Appreciation was awarded . . .

"... to Perry D. LeFevre in recognition of and unlimited gratitude for: the completion of twenty years of distinguished service as Academic Dean of the Seminary (1961-1981); imaginative, creative, and courageous leadership of its programs during two decades; continuous concern, care and activity in behalf of the growth and development of his alma mater; consistently gracious and generous nurture of the personal and professional growth of his faculty colleagues; and searching, stimulating intellectual leadership of both faculty and students in the quest for contemporary understanding of both the Christian gospel and Christian ministry."

As the shadows of the CTS Commencement began to lengthen, one final person was recognized for rendering invaluable gifts and service to the Seminary.

The recipient of this recognition—Mrs. Betty Reneker, who will soon complete five years as Chairperson of the CTS Board of Trustees.

In calling attention to her "significant volunteer leadership," Dr. Rooks brought to our attention that Mrs. Reneker had served as . . .

"... acting president of CTS between the presidencies of Edward Manthei and Thomas Campbell—the first woman ever to serve in such a capacity in North American theological education. During her leadership of the Board, the Board itself has been thoroughly reorganized and the entire administrative staff replaced—excluding only the president. Most of all, she has assisted CTS tremendously by helping us to bring into the circle of the Seminary's friends an increasingly large number of significant leaders in the Chicago metropolitan area."



Betty Reneker is recognized for her years of service to CTS.

The recognition accorded Mrs. Reneker has been richly deserved, and comes as a result of her tireless efforts to promote and strengthen the ministry of the Seminary.

It is entirely fitting and proper that, as a consequence of her unmatched devotion and commitment, the Seminary express its "immeasurable gratitude" and best wishes.

Alumni/ae: In Memoriam

HOWARD STONE ANDERSON
(BD '28) on August 25, 1980.

MARLOWE ADDY ANDERSON
(CTS '27) on January 12, 1980.

ARTHUR N. BROWN
(CTS '27) in February, 1981.

VAUGHAN DABNEY
(BD '12) in August, 1973.

JOHN F. FIFE
(CTS '35) in September, 1978.

LAWRENCE A. GEDEKE
(BD '30) on May 23, 1978
in Edgewater, Florida.

WILLIAM L. HALFAKER
(BD '36) on February 9, 1981,
in Duluth, Minnesota.

RICHARD R. HULBERT
(BD '34) on December 22, 1979,
in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ROBERT W. KINGDON
(BD '28) on March 15, 1981.

CHARLES M. C. KWOCK
(BD '36) in 1978 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

CURTIS H. LINDAHL
(BD '46) on March 13, 1979
in Sioux City, Iowa.

EZRA MECKEL
(CTS '36) in 1978 in Milaca, Minnesota.

LOUIS L. MILLER, JR.
(BD '19) on February 26, 1981,
in Elkhart, Indiana.

C. EARL PAGE
(CTS '37) on March 16, 1981.

HOWARD B. PILCHER
(MA '22) during the spring of 1980.

LYNN ROHRBOUGH
(CTS '28) on March 17, 1980,
in Beallsville, Ohio.

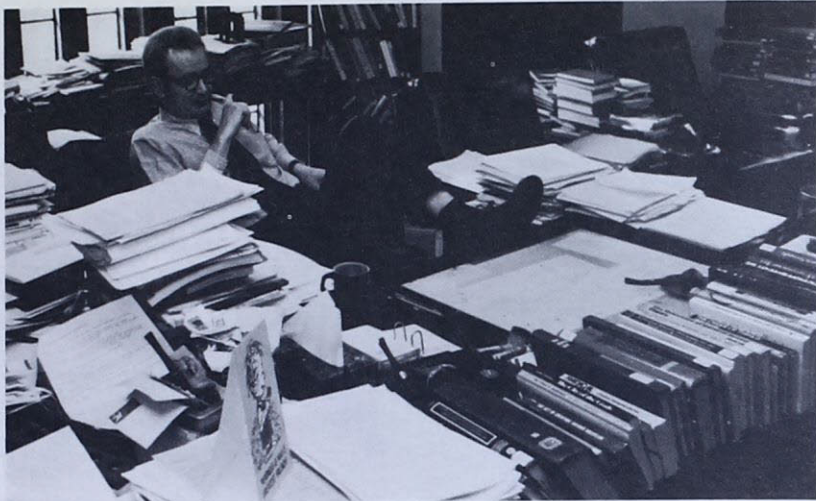
GLENN A. ROWLES
(BD '22) on March 23, 1981,
in Claremont, California.

LOUISE GNIFKE SCHMID
(CTS '22) on October 6, 1977,
in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

JEROME C. SCHULZ
(CTS '29) in Middleton, Ohio.

IVAN R. SMITH
(BD '29) in 1980
in Jacksonville, Illinois

GEORGE WINTERS
(CTS '32) in 1978,
in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.



Having completed his new book, Dr. LeFevre is now able to locate, however momentarily, the top of his desk.

New Book by LeFevre

Understandings of Prayer, written during Dr. LeFevre's recent sabbatical, presents eight interpretations of the theology of prayer by major theologians and writers on the spiritual life in the twentieth century.

The selection of the interpreters of prayer was deliberately chosen to represent a wide spectrum of theological positions. It includes Karl Barth (neo-orthodoxy), Henry Nelson Wieman (empirical process theology), Paul Tillich (existential ontology), Dietrich Bonhoeffer (a radical theology of worldly responsibility), C.S. Lewis (orthodox apologetics), Thomas Merton (the theology of contemplation), Karl Rahner (transcendental Thomism), and Abraham J. Heschel (prophetic mysticism).

The writers are drawn from Roman Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish communities of faith. All historical background for these twentieth century theologies of prayer is presented in the opening chapter.

The present work is unique. Dr. LeFevre is the first to study the development of the theology of prayer in the twentieth century, the first to examine the broad range of alternative interpretations of prayer offered in the contemporary discussion.

The work is also timely, both because we are now in the midst of a renaissance of interest in prayer and meditation in our culture, particularly among students and in our theological schools, and because the processes of secularity have not

abated, posing difficulties, both intellectual and spiritual, for those who wish to pray, or to justify prayer to its cultured despisers.

It is important, therefore, to examine the thoughts of the best theological minds of our time on the meaning of prayer, since this will help us clarify our own thinking on this subject, and also help us assess the current vitality of religious thought and faith.

LeFevre believes that, properly understood, prayer is both the center and heart of all religion. The theological understanding of prayer may well be the heart and center of theology, since prayer presupposes a responsiveness in the reality that transcends the human.

There is not only an "Other" beyond the human, but however that "Other" is conceived, it is the awareness that the "Other" responds which is at the heart of faith and of living religion, and which, as Luther said, makes faith prayer, and nothing but prayer.

The book, available after September 8th from Westminster Press, is designed to clarify our thinking about the meaning of prayer by providing an analysis of the theology of prayer as understood by a wide range of twentieth century theologians.

Readers will be both surprised and enriched by the range and depth of the understanding of prayer found in modern theology, and by the study of the views of prayer presented in this volume.

Worship Resources Edited by CTS Alum

Two new worship resources, employing non-sexist language, are available from Pilgrim Press, 132 W. 31st St., New York, NY 10001.

Bread for the Journey: Resources for Worship contains new services for baptism, communion, confirmation, and other rites; responsive psalms; and other prayers and litanies. The heart of the book is a collection of resources for every Sunday based on the three-year ecumenical lectionary. Ruth Duck, pastor of Bethel-Bethany United Church of Christ, Milwaukee, edited the collection from materials gathered from the worship life of UCC, United Methodist, and United Presbyterian Churches. She is a 1973 graduate of Chicago Theological Seminary.

Its companion volume, *Everflowing Streams: Songs for Worship* contains 83 songs, old and new, for congregational singing. Old favorites like "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" and "The Church's One Foundation" are included in non-sexist versions. New songs which are easy to learn were contributed by contemporary writers like Susan Savell, Jim Strathdee, Tom Hunter, Stephen Rose, Jim Manley, and Ruth Duck. A few feminine images of God were included with the awareness that masculine images are available in most hymnals; but inclusiveness and commitment to a vision of justice and peace for all people was the major aim in selecting the hymns and songs. Ruth Duck edited this book with Michael Bausch, who is pastor of the Congregational UCC in Williams Bay, Wisconsin.

Both books are attractively bound and conveniently sized for use as a hymnal supplement. They are \$3.95 each, or lower for multiple copies.

Events are being planned at Bethel-Bethany UCC and Fortress Book Store in Milwaukee to introduce the books.



Thanks to Ruth Duck (M.Div. '73) people can worship God using inclusive language.

Alumni/ae Relations: Staying on the Case!

by Stephen J. Davidson

On February 2nd of this year, I began a new ministry as Director of Alumni/ae and Church Relations.

Anticipating that a significant chunk of my time would be spent developing alumni/ae relations, I began to search in earnest for the proverbial (and in some instances inevitable) Alumni/ae Council.

Little did I know how difficult it would be even locating the Council!

To assist me in this process, my colleague handed me a list of persons who had been involved in alumni/ae activities in the past.

In calling through this list, I discovered that the vast majority of the "members" of the Council had either resigned or become inactive or left the ministry or something!

Over the last five months, I have struggled to understand the near demise of the Council. Among them are the following:

1. There is a noticeable lack of a broad-based CTS constituency in the Chicago area.

2. To my knowledge, there has never been a clear statement of the Council's goals, or place within the larger CTS community, nor even of the Council's internal operating procedures. That the Council exists at all provides compelling evidence that we are still living in the Age of Miracles.

3. For the majority of calendar year 1980, and on into 1981, the Council "functioned" without the benefit of Seminary staff support and

4. Most of the alumni/ae activity in recent years has been housed within the context of Ministers Week, which has not gained widespread support for some time.

For these reasons and probably several others, relentless efforts (at least!) are indicated that new life and vitality might be brought to the Council, and to our broader program of alumni/ae relations.

In recent days, several decisions have been made, and several efforts initiated which may well lead us in that direction.

Since coming to the Seminary in February, it has been my conviction that a dependable newsletter was urgently needed, one that would free us to be both more reportable and more accountable to our constituents.

Our present schedule calls for the publishing of three newsletters in each calendar year.

In addition, our Board of Trustees recently decided to establish a special Ad Hoc Trustee Committee on Alumni/ae Relations.

This committee, working with existing Council members, will serve in an advisory capacity, suggesting programs and procedures that will bring our alums into a new relationship with the Seminary, one that is mutually beneficial.

To achieve this lofty goal, the Alumni/ae Council recently decided to stage an all-day event in October (tentatively scheduled for October 19th), the purpose being:

1. To help the Council define its goals and purposes and operating procedures

2. To clarify the place of our alums in the life of the Seminary vis-a-vis student recruitment, student life, fund raising, placement, continuing education for clergy and laity, area representatives, class agents

3. To establish a new dialogue between our alums and the Seminary

4. To provide an opportunity for alums to gain a broader understanding of the

Seminary's curricula and intentions in theological education.

At long last, after years of stalls and end runs and collisions and collapses, we have before us at least the potential of moving up to speed in developing solid, productive connections with the alumni/ae of this institution.

One point appears evident: there seems to be a bank of CTS alums who are quite committed to the Seminary and its ministry in preparing competent, professional leadership for the church, particularly the United Church of Christ.

I say this, based upon the financial response of our alums in FY 1980-81, all of which has been summarized in the following chart:

	FY 79-80	FY 80-81
Total No. of Alums	2000 (approx.)	1316*
Total No. - Al. Donors	222	572
% of Alums Contributing	11% (approx.)	43.5%
Total Al. Support	\$11,543	\$27,889
Average Al. Gift	\$52.00	\$48.74

(*We have an additional 300 alums (generally speaking) on our rolls who were not solicited in FY 1980-81, either because we do not have their current address, or because some have indicated their preference not to be solicited. These persons were not considered in computing the above data.)

These figures lead me to the conclusion that there is a "new day" aborning at the Seminary, and a new potential for improved alumni/ae relations.

We have had an extremely encouraging year, one that has enabled us to make significant progress in several areas.

Before us now is the challenge of staying on the case, and continuing in our efforts to be responsive to our constituents, and responsive also to the needs and concerns of the church.



Pictured above: the Class of 1981, the newest batch of CTS alums!



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Alumni/ae News

1912

VAUGHAN DABNEY, awarded an honorary degree from the Seminary in 1930, died in August 1973. At the time of his death, he was Dean Emeritus of Andover-Newton Theological School.

1919

LOUIS L. MILLER, Jr. died on February 26, 1981, in Elkhart, Indiana. A clergyman most of his life, Rev. Miller pastored Mennonite churches in Iowa and Ohio, a Congregational Church in Maine, and a UCC church in Marshall, Illinois. His experiences in ministry found expression in two books which he authored.

1922

RALPH R. KEITHAHN, at 84, is still going strong as a missionary in India, a position he has held since 1925. For his many contributions to the church and the kingdom, Rev. Keithahn was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Seminary in 1959.

HOWARD B. PILCHER, a resident of Woodburn, Oregon, died during the spring of 1980.

GLENN A. ROWLES, retired in 1964 after investing 50 years in ministry in Illinois, Wisconsin, and California, died in Claremont, California on March 23, 1981, two days after his 92nd birthday.

LOUISE GNIFKE SCHMID, wife of Karl Schmid, died on October 6, 1977, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

1924

NEWTON E. BARRETT, at 84, continues to sing in the Oratorio Chorus of Augustana College in Moline (as might be expected, he is the oldest member of that chorus!) and retains his interest in the arts.

ROBERT W. INGLIS has recently retired (in 1979), and now makes his home in Denver, Colorado.

1926

GEORGE A. DOUGLAS, twice retired in Fairfield Glade, Tennessee, now finds himself "...more busy than the proverbial hen with a single chick!"

1927

MARLOWE ADDY ANDERSON, wife of Howard Stone Anderson, passed away on January 12, 1980.

ARTHUR N. BROWN died in February, 1981.

HOWARD TOWNE is retired, and at home in Traverse City, Michigan.

1928

HOWARD STONE ANDERSON died on August 25, 1980. At the time of his death, Rev. Anderson was serving as Interim Pastor of First United Church of Christ in Stamford, Connecticut.

DOROTHY N. DUDLEY is now in her second year as Deacon in a Presbyterian Church in West Salem, Wisconsin.

ROBERT W. KINGDON passed away on March 15, 1981, following a career in pastoral ministry in Hawaii and Wisconsin. His wife, Catherine, who spent time on our campus in 1927, resides in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin.

JOHN C. MARDIS enjoys good health as he moves through his 87th year in Deer Lodge, Montana.

LYNN ROHRBOUGH died on March 17, 1980, in Beallsville, Ohio.

1929

STANLEY B. HOPPER, though retired, travels widely in promoting and developing support for the Home of Onesiphorus, a mission home for children, in Frankfort, Indiana.

EVERETT W. MacNAIR, along with his wife, Dorothy (who spent time at CTS in 1958) are now retired in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, where they are actively involved in various civil rights efforts and organizations, among them the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

JEROME C. SCHULZ has died. At the time of his passing, he resided in Middleton, Ohio.

IVAN R. SMITH passed away late last year. He lived in Jacksonville, Illinois.

1930

JO DAVIS, longtime friend of the Seminary, and member of the Administrative Staff, lives in Hyde Park, and is particularly active in the Union Church of Hyde Park.

LAWRENCE A. GEDEKE passed away on May 23, 1978 in Edgewater, Florida.

WALTER C. GIERSBACH, awarded a Ph.D. degree in 1933, was hospitalized in October, 1980 for an extended period of time in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. He has returned home, and is improving nicely. At age 83, "... he wishes the best for the Seminary in this period of growth."

WALDO S. RICHARDS is retired in Claremont, California, and has frequent opportunities to chat with Dr. McGiffert, fifth president of the Seminary.

CLAUD L. SHAW has seen 95 years of life on this earth, and is looking eagerly to his 96th year.

1931

MILLARD H. MARSHALL has been retired since 1973, and now makes his home in Onaga, Kansas.

MARY M. BURNAP RASCHE, widowed in 1968, remains active in local church activities in Topsfield, Massachusetts, following her retirement in 1974.

FREDERICK W. RINGE, now marking his 50th year since leaving the Seminary, is in his 25th year as the Pastor of the United Universalist and Unitarian Church in Mukwanago, Wisconsin.

1932

CARL H. VOSS, ecumenical scholar-in-residence for the National Conference of Christians and Jews, makes his home in Jacksonville, Florida. In recent months, Dr. Voss received a Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York City.

GEORGE WINTERS died three years ago. Prior to that time, he lived in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

1933

HELEN A. BENTLEY, on campus briefly during the Depression, lives in Saginaw, Michigan. Her continued support of the Seminary was demonstrated recently when she attended the 125th anniversary celebration.

JOSEPH C. CLEVELAND has been involved in interim ministry near his home in Rockford, Illinois.

HENRY G. KROEHLER has just ended two years as Director of Church Relations for Elmhurst College, and is now Interim Pastor of Grace UCC in River Grove, Illinois.

SAM T. LENTERS, retired in 1975, lives in Fort Collins, Colorado, after serving several pastorates, the last two in Colorado. In retirement, Rev. Lenters has turned his attention to art work, and has had several paintings reproduced. However, says Lenters, "...the work of the Christian Church in the world today has had and still has the highest priority in my life."

RALPH LOOMIS recently celebrated his 90th birthday in Columbia, Missouri.

1934

BEN MOHR HERBSTER, first president of the United Church of Christ, retired in 1969, but has remained active in ministry in Dayton, Ohio.

RICHARD R. HULBERT passed away on December 22, 1979, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

EVERETT R. HUNT, on campus for a brief period of time in 1934, is now retired in Tacoma, Washington.

1935

JOHN F. FIFE, a student at CTS during the waning years of the Depression, died in September, 1978.

RAY S. STEAKLEY, a real character (judging from the tone of his letter!) informs us from Mulvane, Kansas that he was "...ordained three times, parishes in five midwest states, three daughters, nine grands, five in-terims since retiring. Me and a '57 Chevy are pressing for classic status. The rest is classified."

1936

ROBERT BERQUIST of West Branch, Iowa, retired two years ago from the Scattergood School.

PAUL BLOOMQUIST is retired in Sarasota, Florida.

SHIRLEY E. GREENE was recently named Rocky Mountain Conference Churchperson of the Year at the Annual Meeting in Provo, Utah. Previously, Dr. Greene had received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Seminary in 1961 for his ministry which includes service in local parishes, and with boards and instrumentalities of the Congregational Christian Churches, and the United Church of Christ, as well as ecumenical and related social service groups. Since moving to Wyoming in 1976, he has served as Executive Secretary of the Wyoming Church Coalition, and is Administrator of a low-income housing project sponsored by St. Paul's Church in Laramie. He has also been active in the Rocky Mountain Conference, chairing the Mission Council, and serving on the Board of Directors. The Greenses will be moving soon to Santa Fe, New Mexico.

W. EDGAR GREGORY, teacher, scholar, and churchman, has recently retired from the faculty of the University of the Pacific. A full Professor of Psychology at the time of his retirement, he received The Order of Pacific, the highest award given by the university to members of its own staff. On the citation, Dr. Gregory was honored for establishing psychology as a separate department, and for relating psychology and religion.

WILLIAM L. HALFAKER, Senior Minister of Pilgrim Congregational Church in Duluth, Minnesota for 18 years, died on February 9, 1981. In 1971, Dr. Halfaker became minister and executive officer of the Central Illinois Association-United Church of Christ. Following his retirement, he returned to Duluth. During the course of his ministry in Pilgrim Church, he was identified by the United Church as one of the 10 Leaders For Tomorrow.

CHARLES M. C. KWOCK, a resident of Honolulu, Hawaii, died in 1978.

EZRA MECKEL died in 1978 also, while residing in Milaca, Minnesota.

1937

C. EARL PAGE died on March 16, 1981.

JOHN AND MARION SCHLARB, CTS alums who were here just briefly, are now retired in Topeka, Kansas, having served churches in South Dakota, Iowa, and Kansas.

1938

FREDERICK I. KUHN, pastor, teacher, denominational executive, librarian, scholar, author, remains active in Billings, Montana, where he is fast at work on several articles and a book to be titled *A Student's Introduction to the Gospels*.

BARBARA W. McCALL continues as a practicing psychotherapist in Concord, Massachusetts. However, she has recently taken time away from her practice to celebrate the 10th anniversary of her son's ordination (John McCall, also a CTS alum, is currently pastor of South Church in Concord, New Hampshire). Her older son, Merritt (CTS '67), directs Menucha Conference Center in Corbett, Oregon. For her many achievements, Dr. McCall received an honorary degree from the Seminary in 1973.

ELIZABETH G. WATSON, along with her husband, George, has retired and moved to a new inter-generational solar community started by Friends in New England. They have recently completed a 13,000-mile pilgrimage, visiting Friends Meetings in 8 states. In

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1979, Mrs. Watson published *Guests of My Life*, the story of her journey through grief following the sudden death of her daughter.

1939

M. CLARK HARSHFIELD is retired and at home in Long Beach, California.

ALBERT ICKLER, prior to his retirement in September, 1980, was responsible for the diaconical and social work of the Westphalian Church (Innere Mission). For many years, Pastor Ickler has worked on various ecumenical and missionary committees, including one in Geneva and one in the Netherlands.

1940

GEORGE O. A. MCKINLEY has served a church in Phoenix for the last 6 years, and is ideally situated to enjoy his retirement, which will begin in 1982.

PAUL GIA RUSSO is retired in Brookfield, Wisconsin. In addition to holding our B.D. degree, Rev. Russo also has a law degree to his credit, and has written a book on law and religion.

1941

DAVID W. BARRY, an honorary degree recipient in 1955 from the Seminary, is now retired and holds the title of Executive Director Emeritus of the New York City Mission Society. The majority of his ministry was spent as president of the Fellowship Center, working intensively in the New York State prison system.

FRANCIS EASTMAN, a familiar name in United Church circles, writes from her apartment in Phoenix and tells us that "...retirement is great—from enjoying leisure activities to new interests as well as active membership in the UCC church, Shepherd of the Hills." Dr. Eastman was awarded an honorary doctorate from the Seminary in 1968, and is best known for her near three decades on the Christian Education Staff of the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries.

1942

KARL BAEHR of Garden City, New York, displayed two pieces of his sculpture at General Synod XIII, and a number of other art objects at the New York Conference Annual Meeting.

1943

MADGE A. FINKE is retired in Aurora, Illinois.

CHARLES T. KLINGSICK was (in September, 1978) called to Hubbard Lake, Michigan, and the Hope Lutheran Church, located near Alpena, Michigan. Dr. Klingsick completed several courses at CTS, following graduation from Trinity Lutheran Seminary. He was the first Lutheran to receive the D.Min. degree from Josephinum Pontifical College.

E. PAUL SYLVESTER, recipient of an honorary degree from the Seminary in 1943 (while serving the First Congregational Church of LaGrange) now resides in Duluth, Minnesota.

1944

LAWRENCE STANTON has (for the last several years) served Michigan Conference-United Church of Christ as an Associate Conference Minister. Based in Grand Rapids, Mr. Stanton has primary responsibility for the total ministry of the West Area of the Conference, which includes Grand Rapids, Southwest, and West Michigan Associations.

1945

ROY L. ADAMS is presently pursuing a career in social work administration in Columbus, Ohio. He was recently elected as a delegate to General Synod from the Ohio Conference.

VALORUS B. CLEAR is involved in juvenile justice work in Anderson, Indiana.

JOHN F. HOWLETT has invested 30 years in ministry serving 7 small churches in Montana. Mr. Howlett is now retired, and has no intention of leaving his beloved Montana.

EDWARD J. VORBA, a graduate of Yale Divinity School, lives in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

1946

PAULINE EVANS BURLISON, an MA recipient in 1946, is now teaching at the elementary level in Salinas, California, and has recently attended a seminar for Church Educational Directors conducted by Ross Snyder, one of her mentors, at the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

ARTHUR C. CHURCHILL, now retired, was named Professor Emeritus of Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio, in 1977. Prior to that time, he and his wife, Ruth, lived in Columbus, where they served on a variety of civic-minded boards and organizations.

CURTIS H. LINDAHL served churches in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa before passing away on March 13, 1979. He was in his 15th year at Mayflower Church, Sioux City, Iowa, at the time of his death.

1947

HENRY DEMLER has retired after 40 years in the ministry of Congregational and UCC churches. The Demlers live in Arlington Heights, Illinois.

MYRON MECKEL, now of Moorhead, Minnesota, informs us that his son, Dan, will be coming to CTS in September.

SAMUEL D. ROBBINS has completed his third year as Pastor of UCC churches in Medford and Dorchester, Wisconsin, following a nine-year stint as a high school guidance counselor.

1948

LEWIS F. PRESNALL has authored a new book titled *Occupational Counseling and Referral Systems*. For the last 7 years, Mr. Presnall has been enjoying the sunny environs of Phoenix, Arizona.

1949

RUFUS F. BAEHR was recently appointed as Clinical Associate in the Psychology Department at the University of Illinois - Circle Campus.

WALTER W. NOFFKE can be found enjoying his retirement years in Pentwater, Michigan. A portion of his time is channeled into the Hart Congregational Church, Hart, Michigan, which he serves on an interim basis.

1950

PHILIP H. DUNNING is Executive Director of the We Care Center in York, Maine, a counseling and job placement center for teens and young adults.

RICHARD L. FORD has announced his retirement, thus completing 38 years in parish ministry, most of which has been spent in Michigan. Now residing in Grand Rapids, Rev. Ford hopes to be useful in Michigan in interim ministry and supply preaching.

1951

GEORGE E. BURTON has just celebrated (on May 3, 1981) the 30th anniversary of his ordination into the ministry.

1953

DONALD G. BLOESCH, upon leaving the Seminary campus, received a Ph.D. degree from University of Chicago, and has done post-doctoral work at Oxford, Basel University, and Tubingen. At present, he is Professor of Theology at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.

1954

SCOTT LIBBEY, best known as the Iowa Conference Minister, will soon become the new Chairperson of the United Church Office of Communication, succeeding our own Dr. Rooks, who served in that capacity for several years. Among other assignments and responsibilities, Dr. Libbey chairs the Commission on Church Order - Consultation on Church Union. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the church, he was awarded an honorary degree from the Seminary in 1972.

1956

LEROY H. ADEN, a good friend of Dr. LeFevre, is Professor of Pastoral Care at Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia, having completed a Ph.D. program back

in the good ole days of the Federated Faculty.

GERALD KLINE, on campus briefly during the 1955-56 academic year, is Pastor of St. Philips Lutheran Church, Littleton, Colorado.

1957

LARRIMORE C. CROCKETT, former Director of Higher Education Council for the State of Vermont, will soon be teaching Bible and Ethics at South Vermont College. At the same time, he and his wife, Shirley, will co-pastor the Community Church of Guilford, Vermont.

WARREN KREML, a recipient of the Doctor of Religion degree in 1969, has (since 1976) served the Nebraska Conference as an Associate Conference Minister. Dr. Kreml was called to this position as part of a team ministry (the other half of the team is constituted by his wife, Anne Lee). Together, they have provided a model for other couples interested in this growing form of ministry.

PAUL REYNOLDS is marketing director for a St. Louis home-building firm, and lives in the suburb of Creve Coeur, Missouri.

CARL R. SCHROEDEL is Moderator of the Minnesota Conference - United Church of Christ.

1958

RICHARD H. GLESSNER is both teaching and serving as the Chaplain of a Junior College in Newton Centre, Massachusetts. In addition, he pastors a church in Foxboro on a part-time basis.

ROBERT H. TUCKER, Pastor of the First Congregational Church in Houston, has completed a D.Min. degree at United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, MN, and would like to spend some "eclectic" time at CTS (where better?).

1959

NED H. MARTIN began his career in ministry serving churches in Ohio, and Illinois, notably Glenview Community Church. After receiving an M.A.T. degree from Northwestern University in 1967, Mr. Martin taught at the secondary level for 10 years before moving back into parish ministry. Since January of this year, he has been Senior Pastor of Second Church, Newton, Massachusetts.

1960

WAYNE HOLSMAN, on campus about the time the Federated Faculty was dissolving, is minister of the Salisbury Congregational Church in Salisbury, Vermont.

1961

KENNETH W. F. BURTON lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado, home of Colorado College. At present Mr. Burton is Associate Professor of Religion, and does chaplaincy work in the college chapel.

SELMER HATLESTAD has served his entire ministry of 16 years in his native state of South Dakota as a Pastor in the American Lutheran Church. He currently serves Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Wessington Springs.

ROBERT A. HOLDERBY has (since 1972) been chaplain and crisis counselor at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago. Many of his experiences and insights have been incorporated in a new book entitled *Treating and Caring*.

1962

CHARLES DICKINSON, currently a Research Professor in Theology and Philosophy at the University of Charleston (W. Va.), will soon become Curatorial Associate for the Manuscript Collections, Andover-Harvard Theological Library, Harvard University, with primary responsibility for the papers of Paul Tillich.

JOHN KEMP has (for the last ten years) served as Pastor of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. His skills in ministry (D.Rel. '70) have been recognized by another closely-related Seminary of the United Church (United Theological Seminary), which Dr. Kemp also serves in an adjunct teaching capacity.

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GUY V. MARTIN is in friendly competition with his alma mater, functioning as he does as Dean of Students at Harvard Divinity School.

1963

ROBERT AND DORIS FRICKE HENDERSON, both alums of the Seminary, now reside in Radford, Virginia, and are both connected to Radford University. At present, Doris is Director of Acquisitions for the university library, while Robert chairs the Department of Social Work, and also does chaplaincy work for St. Albans Psychiatric Hospital.

DONALD S. KLINEFELTER, last seen on the third floor of McGiffert House, trying to sort out the theology of John Baillie, now teaches at University of Tennessee, Chattanooga.

JIMMIE L. SAWYER came back to Chicago in 1979 to be an Area Conference Minister for Illinois Conference, with special responsibility for three mission councils of the Chicago Metropolitan Association. For his many achievements in ministry, Mr. Sawyer was recognized by the CTS Alumni/ae Council as one who has rendered Distinguished Alumni/ae Service to the church and the kingdom.

1965

DENNIS FALES is doing anti-trust legal work for Ralston Purina Company in St. Louis, Missouri.

1966

RAYMOND DAY and his wife, Barbara, decided, after spending several years in conventional ministries, to alter their life style, in an effort to maximize family life, and also enhance the quality of life in general. They did this by establishing "A Day's Work," a family-operated business which features the creation and production of a wide assortment of wood objects. This new form of ministry (which has been described in local papers in Iowa City) has been in operation for four years. In addition, Ray has generated several articles for "Christian Educator," and other periodicals focused on the educational ministry of the church.

RUSSELL A. FORIS teaches music on a full time basis and lives in Elmhurst, Illinois.

WILLIAM S. GARMON has been critically ill recently, but has recovered to the point where he is now able to work part time. Bill and wife, Virginia, live in Danville, Virginia.

NICHOLAS HOOD, an honorary degree recipient from the Seminary, is Senior Pastor of Plymouth Congregational Church in Detroit, Michigan. In that position, Dr. Hood has initiated a series of innovative, "pioneering" ministries intended to meet the needs of many in the church and in the community.

DONALD W. OLSKI works in accounting for a real estate firm. His wife is on the faculty of University of Wisconsin - Green Bay. At present, the Olskis live with their 7 children in a log cabin they are rehabilitating.

R. ROBERT SPEER is Director of Chaplains of Valley Hope Rehabilitation Center in Norton, Kansas. In that position, he offers workshops to pastors eager to know more about addiction, especially alcoholism.

1967

ROSSELL C. BLOUNT, a lay preacher in the Allerton Presbyterian Church, spends his days farming in Iowa.

GEORGE HERMANSON has recently received the In-Service D.Min. degree from the School of Theology at Claremont. Dr. Hermanson is currently campus minister at University of British Columbia.

DAVID LEONARD has (since 1977) pastored the Thomas Universalist-Unitarian Church in Smithton, Pennsylvania. During his "idle" moments, Dave awaits the return of an "outstanding" paper, which he swears was given to Dr. LeFevre several years ago.

1968

THOMAS H. EVANS, a member of the Iowa Conference Staff, now serves under the leadership of Scott Libbey (Iowa Conference Minister and also a CTS alum) in the areas of Christian Education, Youth Ministry, and Outdoor Ministries. He is also fulfilling a three-year term on the UCBHM National Advisory Committee on Outdoor Ministries.

ARTHUR C. URIE delights in pastoring two churches in New Hampshire, one in Andover, where he lives, and one in Salisbury, in addition to holding down various conference assignments.

1969

MICHAEL J. EARHART is a licensed psychologist in Minneapolis, plying his trade at the Jewish Family and Children's Services.

RUSSELL C. HURD is Pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Hubbard, Ohio. In 1979, Dr. Hurd completed the Doctor of Ministry degree at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C.

GEORGE M. SAFFORD has been (for the last 10 years) Assistant Dean of Students, University of Illinois-Chicago Campus. Of late, he has assumed the directorship of the Office of Student Organizations and Activities. Though not directly involved in professional ministry, Mr. Safford feels that work in higher education is a form of ministry, and, as such, is highly rewarding. To which we say: amen!

1970

N. WARREN BARTLETT directs a state program for women and infant care. His wife, Christine, is also involved in early childhood education in the State of Maine.

1972

GLEN A. HALBE spends most of his time pastoring the Community Congregational Church (UCC) in Provo, Utah. His ministry finds expression also in and through various community organizations and causes, among them the Provo Housing Authority, Central Utah Chapter of the American Red Cross, Better Business Bureau, United Way, and others. Given all these involvements, he somehow manages to chair the Rocky Mountain Conference CUE Task Force.

JAMES R. LOWERY, on the Administrative Staff of University of Alabama-Birmingham, now sits on the United Methodist North Alabama Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, with primary responsibility for chairing a committee that focuses on the needs of Methodist ministers who are serving in para-parochial settings.

1973

RUTH DUCK, a UCC Pastor in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and a member of the UCBWM Board of Directors, has recently authored two worship resources: *Bread for the Journey* and *Everflowing Streams* (with Michael Blausch). Both resources are now available through Pilgrim Press, and are of particular value in that they use inclusive language... exclusively!

JOHN GRISHAM was called (in January 1980) to pastor the Upper Alton (Illinois) Baptist Church, a church that recently celebrated its 150th anniversary.

TIMOTHY H. KEHL was called in 1980 to the Orchard Ridge United Church of Christ in Madison, Wisconsin.

MARY L. OGLETREE has been on the faculty of Vanderbilt University, in addition to serving as Associate Chaplain. Mary and Tom, a former member of the CTS faculty during the "death of God" days, have recently moved to Madison, New Jersey, following Tom's appointment as Dean of the Theological School at Drew University. Of equal (if not greater!) significance is news that the Ogletrees are now the proud parents of a baby boy, one Thomas Rimbey Ogletree.

RICHARD G. BALLARD, a familiar name here at CTS, lives in East Lansing, Michigan, and is Director of Development of Michigan Association of Retarded Citizens. Rick spent many years in the CTS Development Office, functioning as Director of Alumni/ae and Church Relations, and Director of Recruitment.

1975

JAMES L. DEERINGER, along with his wife, Kathleen (also a CTS alum, by the way!) live in Redwood, California. At present, Kathleen is focused in the area of financial planning, while Jim maintains a law practice. They have two children.

ANNE LEE KREML is now Associate Conference Minister for the Nebraska Conference, as is her husband, Warren. For their outstanding efforts in ministry, and for creating an innovative model in team ministry, the Kremels received CTS Distinguished Alumni/ae Service Awards on May 5, 1981.

ROBERT LAKE has moved from Madison, Wisconsin, to Milford, Iowa, where he pastors a Methodist-UCC church, while maintaining an active interest in peace ministries. Dr. Lake was awarded the Doctor of Ministry degree from the Seminary in 1977.

JOHN SIMMONS has recently been involved in groundbreaking ceremonies of a new church start in Roswell, Georgia, the first new church start in the United Methodist Church in Georgia in the last seven years.

MARK A. SPIVEY works with handicapped children in the public school system in Madisonville, Tennessee.

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