

The Enquiry

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SPRING CONVOCATION

Dr. George H. Shriver, Jr., Associate Professor of Church History will give the Spring Convocation lecture on Thursday, January 19, 1967, at 10:00 A.M. in the seminary chapel.

Dr. Shriver's lecture, "Church Renewal and the Heresy of New Forms, or the Incomplete Church" will be based upon the text found in Ephesians 4:11-12.

A native of Jacksonville, Florida, Dr. Shriver is a magna cum laude graduate of Stetson University. He received his B.D. from Southeastern and his Ph.D. from Duke. During his recent sabbatical in Switzerland, he was a Swiss-American Exchange Scholar as well as an American Association of Theological Schools Scholar. While in Europe he traveled extensively visiting sites of historical interest.

He is the editor of the newly published book American Religious Heretics.

THE ENQUIRY PROPOSES ENLARGEMENT OF STAFF

In order to insure accurate representation and vitality, The Enquiry is offering an invitation to any who are interested in participating in its publication on a regular basis. Anyone who might consider a positive response to this invitation may be assured that his or her interest will find a place of service in the varied tasks of publication. Inquiries to any member of the staff will be welcome.

FULL FORMAT TO BEGIN WITH NEXT ISSUE

Beginning with the first issue of the new semester, The Enquiry will regularly feature news items concerning the work of the various committees of the Student Coordinating Council -- Athletics, Ethics, Social, etc.

The next issue of The Enquiry will appear January 26.

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EDITORIAL

A WORD IN EDGEWISE

It is quite appropriate that the statement of policy in the last issue of The Enquiry indicated the necessity for the presentation of a variety of opinion, for it is difficult to conceive of a more appropriate place for a representative expression of student opinion than in an official student newspaper.

As obvious, however, as the truth of this point may appear, practice can easily leave it unapplied. Due to either a condition of a will to dominate on the part of a staff or a condition of apathy on the part of a student body, or both, it is not difficult at all for a student newspaper to become not a representative expression but an expression of personal feelings of those responsible for its publication. Another result of either or both of the above conditions is that a student newspaper can become victim of the tendency to concern itself not with an honest treatment and creative interpretation of live issues but with a vulture-like feast upon the decaying carcasses of dead ones -- a practice neither spicing nor nutritious.

With both an awareness of the dangers of the above conditions and a dedication to the task it has to perform, The Enquiry offers an opportunity to all who are willing to enter into dialogue, limited only by the bounds of integrity, good taste, and good will. The accomplishment and maintenance of such

dialogue depends upon several factors -- responsibility on the part of staff, cooperation on the part of administration and faculty, participation on the part of students, and respect on the part of all for the persons and opinions of one another. If each bears his part of the responsibility, The Enquiry can serve its rightful purpose -- that of being a constructive and unifying, even redemptive, force in the life of the seminary. It may be that this is perhaps as much in accordance with the Gospel as a self-imposed martyrdom.

- C.H.

SYMPATHY

Prayerful concern is extended to the family of Dr. Eugene McLeod in the death of his mother. Mrs. McLeod died after an extended illness in Rembert, South Carolina, on January 3.

Also to Mr. & Mrs. Everett Parsons is extended our sympathy in the tragic death of his mother and stepfather in Charleston, West Virginia, December 30.

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