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# Curriculum Changes In Effect This Fall

A new Iliff catalog will be published this summer, reflecting the rapid progress made in modernizing and intensifying the seminary curriculum, announced last fall as a mere dream.

Included are emphases on more team teaching and a completely revamped program for first-year students, which will go into effect with the fall quarter.

Dr. Walter G. Williams, chairman of the faculty colloquium which is planning the curriculum changes, is enthusiastic about the first-year program, which will provide a good balance between experiential education and more traditional academic training.

For their first three weeks of class work at Iliff, incoming students will be occupied 14 hours a day in an intensive orientation course on the tasks of the church. The course, worth four credit hours, will involve field trips and audio-visual experiences. Instruction will be directed by professors from academic Division 1—parish ministry and religious education—but many faculty resources will be used.

During the second eight weeks of fall quarter, students will take two 4-hour courses and one 2-hour course. There will be a basic course in Division 1, that is, through scripture and (Continued on page 4)

# Rhoades to Claremont; New Ethics, Psychology Professsors Named

Dr. Dan D. Rhoades, associate professor of Christian ethics at Iliff for the past three years, recently announced his resignation to accept a similar position at the School of Theology of Claremont, Calif.

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President Lowell B. Swan announced
Dr. Rhoades' successor will be Dr.
Dana Winston Wilbanks. He earned
his Doctor of Philosophy degree in
Christian ethics this year at Duke University with a dissertation on the problem of revolution in contemporary ecuminical ethics. He joins the faculty
for the fall quarter.

Dr. Ronald Redvers Lee has been named assistant professor of psychology of religion and pastoral counseling, and will join the faculty for the second summer session. The position has been filled by visiting professors for the past year.

This year Dr. Lee is a fellow in religion and psychiatry at the Menninger Foundation, Topeka, Kan. The two previous years he taught at King's College, Brisbane, Australia, and served as a pastoral psychologist in Brisbane alcoholism clinics.

A native of Australia, Dr. Lee was graduated with honors in history when receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Melbourne. He completed a four-year course of theo-

logical study at Queen's College, Melbourne, and was graduated with distinction with the Bachelor of Divinity degree from Garrett Theological Seminary, Evanston, Ill. He received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from Northwestern University in 1965.

Dr. Lee is an ordained Methodist minister and has served parishes in the Rosebery-Zeehan Circuit in Tasmania, the Chelsea Circuit in Melbourne, and in Evanston, Ill. He and his wife have two young sons.

Dr. Wilbanks is a Presbyterian and the son of a clergyman, Thomas Winston Wilbanks. He attended schools in Texas and won the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1962 at Trinity University in Texas. He was graduated at the top of his class when receiving the Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1965 at Union Theological Seminary. His fellowships have included the highest offered by Duke, the James B. Duke Fellowship, 1965-68. Dr. Wilbanks is a member of Alpha Chi honor society.

In addition to his interests in music and sports, Dr. Wilbanks' hobbies include travel, which has taken him to France, Germany, Liberia, Guinea, and Sierra Leone. He is married and has one child.

Dr. Rhoades will teach through the (Continued on page 2)



Dr. Dana W. Wilbanks



Dr. Ronald Redvers Lee



HONORS NIGHT for Dr. Walter G. Williams was sponsored by the Iliff Alumni Association during the Iliff Week of Lectures. From left: Dr. and Mrs. Williams and Rev. and Mrs. Earl Hanna of Arvada. Hanna was retiring president of the association and made several presentations to Dr. Williams.

# Dr. Williams Honored by Alumni

Dr. Walter G. Williams was honored by the Iliff Alumni Association for his 25 years of service to the seminary and community.

Praise and a plaque and a cash gift of \$1,000 were presented to Dr. and Mrs. Williams at the association's annual banquet, held during the Iliff Week of Lectures in January. Members of the Williams family as well as friends from their church, Washington Park Methodist, attended the banquet.

F. Hauser Winter (ThM '44), pastor of First Methodist Church in Maryville, Mo., was named outstanding alumnus of the year. He is chairman of his Conference Board of Missions, is active in his community mental health programs and is a trustee of St. Paul School of Theology in Kansas City. He was a General Conference delegate in 1964 and is a delegate again this year.

Named outstanding graduating senior was Ed Pease of Parker, Colo. He has had a high academic ranking, has been an Iliff League officer and was active in the Inter-Seminary Movement. Pease will enter the University of Iowa Medical School in the fall.

James C. Keesey (ThM '53), pastor of Grace Methodist Church of Denver, moved up into the presidency of the association, succeeding Earl K. Hanna

#### New Profs -

(Continued from page 1) summer sessions at Iliff and will join Claremont for the fall semester. In his career at Iliff, Dr. Rhoades has earned the high regard of students, faculty and community as a teacher, community worker and social critic.

(ThM '52), pastor of Arvada Methodist Church. D. Warren Dirks (ThM '43), of Cheyenne, Wyo., was elected vice president and Miss Margaret E. Scheve (ThM '34) was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Elected as a director was Thomas English (BD '65) of Boulder.

The Alumni Association is attempting to encourage formation of cluster groups of local alumni organizations, which often meet during their respective annual conferences. President Keesey and other officers will help arrange for speakers or slide presentations. His address if you need help is 4905 E. Yale Ave., Denver, Colo. 80222.

#### **Alumni Notes**

Dr. Carl C. Bracy (ThM '40), has been appointed executive director of the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges and will direct the appeal to business and industry for operating funds for 34 member colleges. He has been president of Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, since 1954 and directed academic growth and \$5.6 million in construction programs. Previously he was president of McKendree College in Lebanon, III., and Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Wendell Golden (ThM '54) and his wife, Clara write from their new assignment at Kinshasa II in the Congo Republic of Africa. En route they met Angolan friends with whom they had worked but hadn't seen since the revolution began in 1960: "Some of them were thought to be dead." Golden ministers to Angolan refugees and preaches in Portuguese. Mrs. Golden and a former Angolan pastor are co-directors of the Bishop Ralph Dodge Christian Center. Their children-Reid, Wendy, Nancy and Dale—are in an American school of 350 children from 21 countries.

**Dr. Culver Warner** (ThM '50 and ThD '55) died in September after undergoing open heart surgery. He was with the Department of Sociology at Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina.

Robert Swager (ThM '57), a military chaplain, has been promoted to lieutenant colonel.

Note: We'd like to hear your latest news, too, and please notify us of any address changes.

# Summer Session Will Open June 17

Iliff is offering an extensive academic program in the two summer sessions this year — the first June 17-July 19 and the second July 23-Aug. 22. Included are five workshops:

June 18-28 — Marriage and family counseling, by Dr. Claude A. Guldner of Iliff, director of testing and counseling.

July 2-12 — New concepts and forms of mission in town and country, by Dr. Harold S. Huff, executive secretary of town and country work, Methodist Board of Missions.

July 16-26 — The minister and community alcoholism agencies and programs, by Mrs. Lois G. Whitley of alcoholism division of Colorado Department of Health and Paul L. Yutzy of Denver Area Council of Churches community services.

July 30-Aug. 9—The church at work in today's world, by Dr. Alva H. Clark, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Omaha, Neb. Aug. 13-22—Ecumenism and inter-

Aug. 13-22—Ecumenism and interfaith relations, by: Rabbi Daniel Goldberger, Denver; Rev. Dean M. Kelley, National Council of Churches, and Rev. Francis J. Malecek, S.J., Regis College, Denver.

July 17-28 — Church camp and conference laboratory, by Dr. Clarence H. Snelling Jr. of Iliff, professor of Christian education.

Aug. 5-16 — Seminar for education assistants, by Dr. Snelling and Dr. Walter G. Williams of Iliff, professor of Old Testament.

First session offerings include courses in worship and preaching in contemporary culture, taught by Dr. Robert E. Luccock of Boston University School of Theology, an Iliff visiting professor in parish ministry.

Other first-session courses will be: exegesis of the gospel of Matthew; seminar on Walter Rauschenbusch as one of the formative figures in Christian ethics; ethical study of the place of minorities in our democratic system, and the eschatology and ethics of Paul.

Second-session courses will be: historical significance of the Babylonian exile and related literary activities; understanding personality through social, somatic and psychological symptoms; alcoholism as a sociological problem; problems of the church in mass communications, and analysis of cases in advanced personal counseling.

Two hours credit can be earned in each course or workshop.

For further information, write to: Summer School Director, Iliff School of Theology, 2201 S. University Blvd., Denver, Colo. 80210.

For information on summer activities in Denver and nearby mountain areas write to: Colorado Division of Commerce and Development, 600 State Services Building, Denver, 80203.

## Students, 'Get the Picture' Better on New TV Equipment

Students are getting a new look at themselves since the arrival of new television equipment for classes in preaching and other communications courses.

Such equipment previously was available for Iliff students through the University of Denver. The \$7,500 television camera, video-tape recorder and monitor are primarily used in the audio-visual department in the basement of Ira Taylor Library but the equipment can be used elsewhere for a closed-circuit system.

Chief use of the equipment is to show a student how he appears while preaching as well as how he sounds. He can see by replaying the video tape what others see as peculiarities of style or

distracting mannerisms.

It already has been used in small group discussions, giving students some on-camera experience at a time when interview shows are becoming

more popular on television.

A number of seminaries have this same kind of video-tape equipment. This means schools that have outstanding lectures or conferences can trade tapes and thus communicate the events even further. There also is a plan for the Rocky Mountain Conference to use video tapes in a continuing education program.

#### ISM Meeting Held At Iliff, St. Thomas

Iliff and St. Thomas Catholic Seminary were host schools for the annual Midwest regional conference of the Inter-Seminary Movement (ISM).

The conference opened the evening Dr. Martin Luther King died and the mood of this event - one of sorrow but also of action - tempered all that followed in the conference.

The conference closed Saturday noon with a number of ISM delegates from Denver and other Midwest cities participating in a King march organized by Denver's Core City Ministry.

Conference speakers included Dr. Robert C. Dodds, director of ecumenical affairs for the National Council of Churches; the Rev. John F. Hotchkin, associate director of the Catholic Bishops' Committee on Ecumenism and Inter-Religious Affairs, and Dr. Charles Curtis, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Chicago and lecturer at De-Paul University.

Rod Pruss of St. Thomas Seminary, a member of the Denver committee that planned this year's conference, was elected regional president. Dr. Clarence Snelling of Iliff continues as a regional faculty alviser.



PREACHING CLASS uses new television equipment. Normally, senior Chuck McElwain wouldn't see his image on the monitor until he has finished and replays the video tape. Operating camera behind class is Dick Gay, audio-visual laboratory assistant. Prof. Kenneth Neal of Parish Ministry Department is seated in front of the monitor, partially hidden behind McElwain's shoulder. Others (from left) are Don Calvert, George Loveland, Glen Wolf and Gene Dappen. Standing at rear is Richard Keil.

#### Faculty - Staff Notes

Binford W. Gilbert, assistant to the president, and Dr. Carl Pollock, psychiatrist, led a seminar for graduate nurses on "Care of the Terminal Patient" at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. This seminar was a part of the continuing education of the School of Nursing and will be followed by another seminar in May dealing with the intensive car patient and his family in which Mr. Gilbert will also participate.

Professors who visited the lliff campus for informal discussions or lectures recently included: Dr. Martin Marty of the University of Chicago; Dr. Amiya Chakravarty of State University College in New Paltz, N. Y., formerly at Boston University; Dr. Edmund Steimle of Union Theological Seminary and Dr. E. William Muehl of Yale University.

Articles by Dr. Martin Rist, retired professor of New Testament, in recent issues of Mature Years are "How to Study the Bible" and "What is the Best Version?" To be published soon by the University

of Chicago Press in Transitions in Biblical Scholarship is a paper by Dr. Rist, "Jesus and Eschatology."

Dr. and Mrs. Walter G. Williams recently were in a traffic accident in California. Mrs. Williams suffered a fractured vertebrae and has been wearing a back brace but is recovering satisfactorily. Dr. Williams suffered lacerations inside his mouth.

Dr. Charles S. Milligan spoke at Westminster College and Arapahoe Junior College and participated in the faculty symposium at Temple Buell College recently. He attended the second of the Centennial Symposia at the University of California. Dr. Milligan also has book reviews appearing in the March 20 issue of Christian Century.

Dr. Harvey H. Potthoff participated in Dialogue on Religion Week at Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., and was a participant in the Conference on Urbanization sponsored by the Nebraska Council of Churches. He recently led a four-day seminar at Iliff with 12 campus ministers from Kansas schools, exploring recent theological movements and experimental campus ministries.

# Spring Commencement Is May 30

There will be three commencement speakers—one faculty member and two students-at this spring's graduation ceremonies, to be held in University Park Methodist Church May 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Dan D. Rhoades, who has had an active part in working toward curriculum changes now in progress at Iliff, will speak on the future of theological education.

Two members of the graduating class who also will speak on the subject of theological education are Ed Pease and Brian Kovaks. There will be 31 degree candidates.

### Templin Heads for S. African Research

Dr. J. Alton Templin, visiting assistant professor of theology and church history, will spend two months in South Africa this summer to study how 19th century Calvinistic thought was used as a tool to develop that apartheid nation.

He has been granted fellowships by the Social Science Research Council of New York and the Graduate School of International Relations, University of

Denver.

In addition to microfilming historical documents at universities in Capetown, Pretoria and Johannesburg, Dr. Templin hopes to interview church leaders - especially Dutch Reformed - for contemporary views.

En route, Dr. and Mrs. Templin and their oldest daughter, Kayla, 12, will spend three weeks in June in Holland, France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. Mrs. Templin and Kayla will return after the European vacation and Dr. Templin will spend July and August in Africa.

#### **Iliff Family**

Marilyn and David Bloor (BD '61) are parents of a baby boy, Jonathan Richard, born Nov. 12. They have one other son. David is pastor of the Methodist Church in East Sparta, Ohio.

Carolyn (MRE '65) and John Kershaw of Kansas City, Mo., are parents of a new son, Paul Timothy, born March 4.

A son, Kevin Neil, was born Feb. 27 to Ruth and Neil Snarr (ThM '66) of Wilmington, Ohio.

The LeRoy Brattons (BD '63 and MRE '65) of Omaha, Neb., became parents of a son, Douglas Scott, on Feb. 28. He has a sister, Lisa, 3.

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#### Books

(Editor's note: Here are some new or perhaps overlooked books recommended by I liff faculty

Leonard Verduin, The Reformers and Their Step-children, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1964.

-Both the roots and the results of the Reforma-tion were more numerous than sometimes supposed. Each of the "stepchildren" emphasized at least one radical doctrine. For instance, separation of church and state was a contribution not of the major re-formers but of the radicals. formers but of the radicals.

G. Elmore Reaman, The Trail of the Huguenots in Europe, the United States and Canada, London: Frederick Muller. 1964.
This is one of the very few recent studies of the wide influence of this branch of Calvanism.

-J. Alton Templin

Dwight E. Stevenson, In the Biblical Preacher's Workshop, Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1967.

The author briefly sketches a biblical theology in somewhat traditional terms, though using contemporary theologians and commentators for support. He systematically demonstrates procedures for producing sermons based on various kinds of biblical materials.

Harold A. Brack, Effective Oral Interpretation for Religious Leaders, Englewood Cliffs, N. J.: Prentice-

Hall, 1964.
The author discusses the basic task of oral inter pretation, as well as the use of voice, body and text in reading, and gives advice for reading aloud the several specific rituals of the church.

-Kenneth W. Neal

#### Curriculum -

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church history, studying the beginnings of Christianity and its background through the period 330 BC (Alexander) to 325 AD (Nicaea).

Study in the winter and spring quarters will require basic courses involving consolidation and team teaching from other traditional academic departments: Division 2, the study of religion through philosophy, theology and ethics, and Division 3, the study of religion through psychology and sociology.

In addition to these basic courses offered each quarter, first-year students will have at least two electives.

Dr. Williams said there will be more opportunity to design courses of study fo reach individual student's needs and interests.



ILIFF WEEK OF LECTURES student planning committee members who were available for a group picture are (from left): Robert Grilley, Eric Talla, Gale Boocks, Lora Hall, Dave Stewart, Paul Samuelson, chairman Dick Trefren and Brian Kovacs. Not present for picture: Dale Sanders, Bob Barnes, Paul Hathaway, Dick Gay, Stan Mullin, Mrs. Margaret McNairn, Ken Carlson, Ed Paup, Cal Baker, Doug Dingle and Bob West.

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