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Foreword

Theology is a legitimate intellectual discipline, essential to the integrity of a university. Its purpose is the exploration and interpretation of the religious experience of man in whatever forms it might express itself, but especially, here at the University of Dayton, the Judaeo-Christian form based on the word of a revealing God. In order to carry out this fundamental task the theological faculty must not only engage directly in exploring the depths of Christian tradition and of the total religious heritage of the world, but must also be in constant dialogue with the entire university community in which she confronts all the rest of modern culture. Such a dialogue enables theology both to enrich itself from the other disciplines and to bring its own insights to bear upon the problems of modern culture.

It is in this light that the Department is grateful for the opportunity this issue of the University of Dayton Review affords. In the past we have not perhaps dialogued as much as we should have. In the world of today this can be fatal. We hope that with this issue we can begin a more fruitful phase of our existence at the University. We intend it to be a first step in a more active and fruitful dialogue with the rest of the University Community. We invite your response.

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Acknowledgments

We are grateful to the Editorial Board of the *University of Dayton Review* for granting the Department of Theological Studies the opportunity of presenting this special issue. The articles included cover a pleroma of interest in the discipline of theology. We trust that our colleagues at the university will find them stimulating. It is our earnest desire that, as a result of this issue, a genuine academic dialogue may be established between the faculty of theology and our fellow academicians at the university.

The initial article in this issue is presented by Professor John D. Ryan on “John Henry Newman’s Theory of Conscience.” It is an informative and challenging article treating Newman’s psychological description of conscience, his definition of conscience, and his informal inferences to God from conscience. Professor Ryan is a Ph.D. candidate at Marquette University where he is completing his thesis in 19th Century ‘Modernism.’”

The second article is contributed by the Rev. William Vrasdonk on the contemporary issue of “Evolution and Christian Theology.” Fr. Vrasdonk is no stranger to the *UD Review* having recently presented an article entitled, “Is Christ a Fraud?” Fr. Vrasdonk completed his doctoral studies at Carolus Magnus University, Nijmegen, Netherlands. He is the author of several articles in Dutch journals. At present he is Assistant Professor of the Moral Theology on the undergraduate and graduate faculties of theology.

Professor Harold Fox presents a very fine article on “John Wesley and Natural Philosophy.” Professor Fox, who is a Ph.D. candidate at Garrett/Northwestern University, specializes in the field of Science and Religion. Professor Fox is not only an excellent theologian, but also a very competent Physicist.

Recently the university acquired the special talents of a man to be the Curator/Director of the Marian Library. He is the Rev. Theodore Koehler, S.M. Almost immediately upon arrival Fr. Koehler delivered a public lecture under the title: “Marian Theology and the Continuing Evolution of Human Knowledge.” This paper, which challenges other disciplines to cooperate in effecting a greater understanding of man, is represented here.

Last year the Rev. William Cole, S.M. spent much time traveling in Europe and engaging in research on the Protestant Reformers and Mary. The essay presented in this issue is an excerpt of a much larger work that was the result of this year long study. Father Cole, Professor of Theology, teaches Mariology on the graduate level and contemporary theological problems on the undergraduate level.

The next three articles are of a different type. The Rev. Charles Brady, S.M., Brother Leo Murray, S.M., and Professor Michael Barnes have attempted to aid and clarify some difficult issues in theology and higher education. (1) Fr. Brady, (S.T.D. Fribourg) has

attempted to synopsise several current theological works dealing with vital and challenging contemporary themes, e.g. the death of God, or “radical theology,” theology and its implications for secular culture, theology and cybernetics to cite just a few. (2) Bro. Murray has a very exciting and popular course entitled “Theology of *Revolution*.” As one might expect the *title* of his course causes much concern and confusion. Here Bro. Murray seeks to present the *raison d’être* for its existence in a department of Christian theology. The result: a timely, engaging, thought-provoking paper. (3) What is responsibility? What is faith? How do they fit in the university context? These are just a few of the issues that Professor Michael Barnes comes to grips with in his article: “Responsibility, Faith and College Theology.” Professor Barnes is a Ph.D. candidate at Marquette University. He is presently completing his thesis.

The final three articles are again of a different nature. First, Professor Kent Harold Richards, a member of the Old Testament Form-Critical Team of the Institute for Antiquity and Christianity at Claremont, presents a part of a paper read at the Middle West branch of the American Oriental Society and the Mid-Western Section of the Society of Biblical Literature at Indiana University November 3-4, 1969. Professor Richards is a member of the graduate and undergraduate faculties at UD. He did his doctoral work at the Claremont Graduate School.

Second, Professor Richard Boulet presents a paper on a little touched upon subject in Sacramental theology, i.e. “Notes on the Minister of the Anointing of the Sick.” Professor Boulet, who has had broad experience in the teaching of theology on the college and university level, is also *Chairman* of the Graduate Faculty of Theology. In addition to his academic background, Professor Boulet was also one of the theological experts present at the Second Vatican Council. He did his doctoral work at the University of Montreal.

The final article is presented by Professor William P. Anderson. It is a translation and “brief” note on two short theological statements by the heresiarch, Apollinaris of Laodicea. This is the first time that these works have appeared in the English language. Professor Anderson who is a member of the graduate faculty did his doctoral work at Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary. He is also a member of the International Greek New Testament Project team of the Institute for Antiquity and Christianity at Claremont.

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