Marking a Milestone
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The October issue of The Asbury Seminarian marks a milestone in the history of the publication—a change in editorship. From its beginnings 34 years ago Dr. Harold Kuhn has had the chief responsibility for the promotion and production of the journal of the faculty. To honor him upon his relinquishing the editorial responsibilities we have asked him to choose several of the articles and editorials which he felt were among the most significant published during those years. We want to pause, remember, and say “Thanks and God bless you!”

Under Dr. Kuhn’s leadership the Seminarian has developed into one of the major forums for theological expression within the Wesleyan community of scholars. Few people, other than those who have served in such a capacity, appreciate the time and energy required to meet the dictatorial deadlines and maintain the quality of the publication. The consistent support of the Seminarian in the budget of the student organization demonstrates his concern for the essential contribution of the publication to the whole seminary community.

To take the brunt of such pressures for as many years as Dr. Kuhn has must set some kind of record. And it was all done con amore with little relief from a full load of academic and administrative responsibilities. The full measure of the man is revealed in the additional volume of copy which also flowed from his typewriter to evangelical publications everywhere, especially his long-term contributions to Christianity Today.

It is an honor humbly and gratefully received to take up his work and seek to advance it. The Asbury Theological Seminary constituency and the evangelical world at large need this medium for

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the scholarly introduction and interchange of ideas now more than ever before. This is a time of disturbing yet potentially creative ferment in the religious world. With the help of the Seminary Publications Committee and all others interested in the usefulness of the venture we hope to make the future ministry of The Asbury Seminarian a more effective tribute to the "First Editor" than anything we may be able to say here. Harold, we will appreciate your ongoing involvement as a continuing member of the Publications Committee and say "Thank you" as well to Anne for her many contributions to this part of your ministry to all of us.