

The Weakly remembers..THE COOKING OF THE SEMINARY
BANQUET WITH Howard Wells and the
Burt family

We always said that more students could attend the Seminary banquet in the spring if the price was not so high. So on one year the Editor told the Student Council that he, a qualified cook, and Howard Wells a student graduating that year and an extremely qualified cook, would prepare the Seminary banquet and greatly reduce the cost of same. The Council had experience enough of the cooking of Wells and Taylor to trust them with the chore and David Burt and his wife enrolled as specialists for the meal. It was decided to hold it in the gym of Calvary Church in Souderton --has a large kitchen among other things-- and a decoration committee was also appointed. The cuisine staff took certain responsibilities while working in almost all areas as well. Howard would be in charge of the meat (at least two offerings: ham and roast beef), the Editor would be in charge of the salad buffet, breads, etc and oversee some desserts while the Burts would help him with the vegetables and, in particular, prepare a special type of baked potato known only to them. It was a great event and one of those memorable things not soon forgotten. The Editor secured all the salad stuff and with the help of student Gwen Griffith saw a beautifully arranged table (yes, we do not need to indulge in false modesty). The meat was cooked to perfection and appropriate gravies made and, although there were some small moments of question with the baked potatoes, all of the vegetables came our right. We figured it would cost about \$3 a plate and it was in a buffet...help yourself as much as you like manner. What a savings..who could not come? When the student council saw our price range, it went berserk and decided this was the year to have professional entertainment. So they engaged a musician whose fees returned the banquet price to what it would have been if we had gone to a swanky restaurant. And, frankly, the special music was about as good as a local spoon band! See, the Editor still speaks with some vitriol. But it was a good effort, a happy experience and a lesson in how saving money does not always work.