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One year, at the Theological Institute that used to be held in June, the Editor had a night with no planned program so he thought a program of "entertainment" would be suitable for the guests of the Institute. In the Seminary student body was a gifted performer in the person of Will Liegel and the Editor secured his help in putting together a program that included some foolish things by the Editor, some drama by Liegel, a little "magic" by an old friend, and the like. It may or may not have been good but it was fun and the Institute people enjoyed it and urged us to do it again. Well, with that sort of encouragement..we did.

But we did not do the same thing. We planned a program for the fall on the same format and presented it in a local junior high school auditorium to a full house. We included testimonies, special music and various bits of drama and humor. Liegel evaluated the talent and constructed the program and the Editor ran the necessary errands. Sometimes the talent may not have been top of the line but it was sincere and respectable and we produced a program in the fall and in the spring and in the following year went on the road. Road attendances were not as vigorous as the local ones but were not bad and we had with the program an accompanying "dinner" for guests and friends of the Seminary. We took an "offering" at these programs and covered the cost of them with hamburger money left over.

Liegel had a certain genius and flair for this sort of thing and it was a great privilege to work with him. Like other programs they ran their course and we have not held one for ..several years. One of the moments best remembered by the Editor is when he and George Clark and Bob Dunzweiler and John Grauley formed a barbershop quartette...called it the "Hummingbirds" and wore very silly hats with hummingbird beaks on them. Mr. Clark is not fond of this sort of thing but he cooperated nicely and I will always remember the picture of him putting on his humming bird hat and looking like