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HONORS WLU PROFESSOR EMERITUS

A volume of essays in honor of Dr. Otto W. Heick, for 17 years Professor of Systematic Theology at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, was published recently and a special leather-bound copy presented to him.

Dr. Heick, who recently was honored by Waterloo Lutheran University with an honorary Doctor of Letters degree, now becomes professor emeritus of the seminary, one of the few to be so honored in the university's history.

Editor of the book is the Rev. Erich Schultz, WLU librarian and a former student of Dr. Heick's, and contributors are associates and friends from several universities and divinity schools.

Contributors are Willard D. Allbeck of Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio; David W. Hay, Knox College, Toronto; Charles W. Kegley, Wagner College, Staten Island; Otto P. Kretzmann, President of Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana; William E. Gwatkin, Jr., J. Ray Houser, Ulrich S. Leupold, J. Frederick Little, Arne J. Siirala and Erich R. W. Schultz, all of Waterloo Lutheran University.

Dr. J. Ray Houser, WLU seminary principal, in a forward to the book, wrote: "In European academic circles it is customary for students and colleagues of a beloved scholar and teacher to honor him by writing and publishing a series of essays. With such a tradition in the background of Dr. Heick (who came to North America from Germany in 1923), it is eminently fitting that he should be so honored...."

Dr. Houser added, "The achievements of this immigrant youth in those intervening years have been a source of constant amazement and inspiration to me. They testify to his rare gift of mind and heart."

A churchman, teacher and scholar, Dr. Heick has lectured on both sides of the Atlantic and has contributed articles to many theological journals. He was co-author of A History of Christian Thought, which has become a standard text on the history of doctrine in many seminaries.

Today marks the publishing of the first volume of a revision of this two-volume work, recently completed by Dr. Heick. The second volume will be published in the spring.