Visiting Lecturers

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tive overview of the issues of theological education in the UCC and give appropriate consideration from all angles. We visited four of the seven seminaries closely related to the UCC.

In addition to the theological seminaries in Minneapolis-St. Paul (United), Chicago (Chicago), St. Louis (Eden), and Newton Mass. (Andover Newton), we had a number of meetings with congregations, pastors and working groups in the Wisconsin, Missouri, Massachusetts, and Connecticut Conferences, as well as with instrumentalities of the United Church of Christ in New York. We would like this report to be a part of our expression of gratitude to all who have received us and who have entered with us into an open, informative, and helpful dialogue...."
Prof. Dr. Manfred Gerbert, Leiter des Sprachintensivzentrums an der Technischen Universität Dresden, ist vom 18.9. bis Dezember 1986 an der English Language Institute der University of Michigan.

DR. GERD FISCHER

Dr. Gerd Fischer, Politologe an der Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena, ist vom 23.8. bis Dezember 1986 an der Tufts University.

DR. ANDREAS KREßLER

Dr. Andreas Kreßler, Anglist an der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, ist von September bis Dezember 1986 an der University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

UWE POHL

Uwe Pohl ist an der Karl-Marx-Universität Leipzig, Sektion theoretische und angewandte Sprachwissenschaft tätig, und ist vom 25.8. bis Dezember 1986 an der Institute of German Studies in Bimidji, Minnesota.

THE BERLINER ENSEMBLE

The Berliner Ensemble will be performing at the Royal Alexander Theatre in Toronto this fall. Performances include Brecht's Three Penny Opera (Oct. 21-23, 1986) and The Caucasian Chalk Circle (Oct. 24-26). This is the Ensemble's first visit to North America.

CONFERENCES

THE GDR TODAY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

The conference "East Germany Today: People, Problems, Progress," April 22-24, 1986, was a production of the German faculty at the University of Kentucky. Co-sponsors were the Lexington Woman's Club, the local United Nations Organization, and the Central Kentucky Council on Peace and Justice, with additional funding from the Kentucky Humanities Council. The conference was originally intended to be a public introduction of Christoph Hein, who was to visit from the GDR, and the start of community outreach programs. Because of bureaucratic complications from both governments, Hein was not able to attend, but it is hoped that he will be in Lexington for April, 1987.

The conference began with the reminiscences of Kentucky-born John Sherman Cooper, the first U.S. ambassador to the GDR. His presentation certainly revealed how far U.S. policy and preparation of its diplomatic corps has come since the 1970s. Some progress has been made from the days when uninformed non-German speakers were at the controls.

The academic part of the conference began the next day, and dealt with some of the issues of Cold War mentality and misinformation that Ambassador Cooper's talk had brought out. Our five conference speakers, all experts on the GDR, gave informed and interesting talks on the following topics: Robert Greenberg on health care systems for mothers and children; Patricia Herminghouse on trends in women's literature as expression of social concerns; Nancy Lauckner on peace and nuclear issues in literature; Marilyn Rueschemeyer on work, marriage and family life; and Christoph Schmauch on the churches and reli-