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As a grateful church commemorates the 175th anniversary of the birth and the centennial of the death of Dr. C.F.W. Walther, it is deemed most helpful to make available this bibliography. It is a "select" bibliography, because a complete bibliography, especially containing references to all of Dr. Walther's voluminous writings, both long and short, would fill more than 100 pages. The Concordia Historical Institute has a card file of all of Walther's writings which consists of 3,352 entries. This project was begun in 1963 and was compiled by several seminary students over the course of years. This index is invaluable, and entries were based on available German and English periodicals, synodical and district proceedings, books, manuscripts, pamphlets, etc. It is inclusive.

In addition, a Walther bibliography appeared in the Concordia Theological Monthly 32 (October 1961):658-653. This was prepared by Carl S. Meyer and James Michael. This present bibliography is dependent on both bibliographies referred to. We also consulted "C.F.W. Walther: Bibliography," (1984, Mimeographed) by John Drickamer. But we express special gratitude to Seminarian Curtis Giese, who assisted capably and significantly in assembling this bibliography, and to Mr. James Ware for proofreading and other assistance.

Walther was a very facile writer. The list of books he authored is, indeed, significant. In addition, he also founded Der Lutheraner in 1844, served as its first editor, and continued unabated with his contributions when the primary editorship was transferred to the faculty of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis in 1865. Walther also initiated a theological journal entitled Lehre und Wehre in 1855. He served as single editor through 1860 and coeditor from 1861-1864. Editorship of this journal, too, was turned over to the St. Louis faculty in 1865.

In view of this immense literary output, we have included in this bibliography the major writings of Walther in part two. Part three consists of a selection of his writings which appear in periodicals, and part four contains his convention essays. The sections dealing with Walther's major works and his convention essays are complete. The user undoubtedly will find part one, "Selected Sources about Walther," of greatest value, because that section has been primarily limited to English sources currently readily available.

It is our hope that the sources listed here, which were considered essential to provide the contemporary generation with a manageable bibliography, will serve their intended purpose. It is suggested that where many of these sources are no longer available at the publishers, that they be requested on loan from the seminary libraries, or perhaps that the Lutheran theological seminary libraries photocopy articles and sources for the user. Of course, the Concordia Historical Institute, the Department of Archives and History of The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, which has the most complete and the largest collection of Waltheriana, will stand ready to assist you.

May this spur a renewed interest in the first President of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, as well as of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, and of the Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America, pastor, professor and friend.

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