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**"The Bible alone and the Bible in its entirety, is the Word of God written, and therefore inerrant in the autographs."**

## MINUTES OF THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, held at Asbury Theological Seminary, Dec. 26-27, 1957, has been one of the most enjoyable, as well as one of the most significant, of the meetings of the Society. The Seminary's administration more than fulfilled traditional "southern hospitality" in accommodating the members upon their arrivals; and, following a fine lunch in the Seminary dining hall, the meeting was called to order with prayer by President Ned B. Stonehouse at 1:00 p.m., Dec. 26th. Words of welcome were extended by Mr. Robert O. Fraley, assistant to the president of Asbury, with a letter of greeting from Dean W. D. Turkington. After the singing of "The Church's One Foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord," the Society was led in opening devotions by Theo. A. Kessell, on the texts Rev. 1:1-3 and I John 1:1-3. The printed program was then accepted as the docket for the meeting, and the reading and discussion of papers proceeded according to the program.

The first business session convened at 4:15 and the minutes of the last meeting (the 2nd biennial joint meeting with the American Scientific Affiliation, at Wheaton, Ill., June 12-14, 1957) were read and approved. Reports were received from the president and from the secretary of the Society. Following the receipt and approval of the reports of the treasurer and the auditor, the Society voted its approval of the following recommendation of the Executive Committee: that the present E.T.S. editor, the previous editor, and the ten contributors to the volume *Inspiration and Interpretation* each receive \$40. from the royalties received from the sale of this E.T.S. sponsored volume. Reports from the Membership Committee and from the Committee on Program and Arrangements were received. The following were then nominated to serve as Nominating Committee for the meeting: Ned B. Stonehouse, J. Barton Payne, Merrill C. Tenney, Gordon H. Clark, and George A. Turner. The nominations were then closed and the secretary instructed to cast a white ballot for the above nominees. President Stonehouse appointed Wick Broomall and Wayne W. Witte to serve as Resolutions Committee. The recommendation of the Executive Committee was adopted that henceforth the Society's secretary serve as the Necrology Committee, that the institutions of members who have passed away during the year prepare and submit memorials to the Committee, and that these memorials be read at the next annual meeting. After considerable discussion on the proposal of establishing an E.T.S. quarterly, this business session was adjourned with prayer by Delbert R. Rose.

Excellent fellowship around beautifully bedecked tables marked the annual banquet on the evening of the 26th. Vice-president Warren C. Young served as moderator. Following an ample, delicious dinner served by Asbury Seminary, evening devotions were led by Dr. Mildred B. Wynkoop on the text, Gal. 2:20. President Stonehouse then delivered the annual presidential address on the theme, "The Infallibility of Scripture and Evangelical Progress." The popular evening meeting featured an illustrated lecture on the Israel-American Institute for Biblical Studies by G. Douglas Young.

The morning session of Dec. 27th opened with the singing of the hymn, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Morning devotions on the text Phil. 2:4 were led by Burton L. Goddard and concluded with the singing of "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me." The morning papers proceeded according to the program, and this session was adjourned with prayer by Frederick Young.

The second business session convened at 1:15 p.m. and was opened with prayer by Wick Broomall. Reports of the activities of the regional sections of E. T.S. for 1957 were presented by the following:

Eastern Section - Burton L. Goddard, for Chm. Lloyd F. Dean  
Southern - Alfred A. Cierpke, for Chm. Glen C. Atkins  
Mid-western - Chairman Gordon H. Clark  
Far-western - Chairman Eddie Sivertsen (read by the sec'y).

The sections are to be congratulated for their most active year in the history of the Society. President Stonehouse announced the approval by the Executive Committee of the following section officers for the year 1958:

	Chairman	Vice-Chm.	Sec.-Treas.
East	Lloyd A. Kalland	Chas. G. Schaufele	---
South	Alfred A. Cierpke	J. W. Lipscomb	Theo. Mercer; John Bowman
Mid-w.	R. Laird Harris	---	Frederick Danker
Far-w.	Eddie Sivertsen	Everett F. Harrison	Arnold D. Ehlert

Answering the request of the Southern Section, President Stonehouse stated that E.T.S. has not laid down specific boundaries for the sections but that all members are encouraged to participate in as many of the regional sections as they may find geographically practicable. Following its policy of meeting in the East on even years, the Society voted to accept the invitation of The Missionary Training Institute, Nyack, N.Y., for the 1958 meeting, D.v. The Necrology Committee reported no known deaths of E.T.S. members during 1957.

The most far-reaching matter of business concerned publications. Editor John Walvoord's report for the Editorial Committee was received with thanks, both for the publication of the 1956 annual papers, now being mailed, and for the release of two bound volumes during the year: the widely acclaimed symposium, *Inspiration and Interpretation*, and #2 in the monograph series, Merrill P. Unger's *Israel and the Arameans of Damascus*. The editor announced that Monograph #3, *Darius the Mede*, by John C. Whitcomb, Jr., would likewise be sent without charge to all members and associates, and at reduced rates to student associates, in 1958. The Executive Committee then presented its recommendation that the Society now undertake the publication of a regular bulletin, quarterly if possible. In the discussion that followed, it was indicated that the bulletin would replace the present mimeographed volumes of annual papers and that it would also include selected papers from the section meetings and such miscellaneous releases as the annual minutes and reports, the directory and its supplements, and the announcements and programs of the various meetings. But that the bulletin should not render the future publication of bound volumes and monographs financially impossible, an amendment was voted that the 1958 budget for the bulletin not exceed \$750. The motion as amended was then passed unanimously. The Society then approved the further recommendation of the Executive Committee, appointing the Bulletin Committee, composed of Warren C. Young, Merrill C. Tenney, Kenneth S. Kantzer, and J. Barton Payne, with general authority to determine all essential matters relating to the Bulletin of the Evangelical Theological Society, including the appointment of the editor and a possible managing editor. The Committee subsequently met and announced the appointment of Steven Barabas as literary editor and Neil A. Winegarden as managing editor.

Upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Society voted to postpone action on establishing a placement service for evangelical schools and professors, for the present. The Society then voted to join with the American Scientific Affiliation, each organization to appoint three members, with staggered six-year terms, for the purpose of forming a planning committee for the biennial joint meetings.

After the new business was concluded, President Stonehouse called for the report of the Nominating Committee; and Gordon H. Clark presented the following slate of nominees for 1958:

President: Warren C. Young  
Vice-president: Gilbert H. Johnson  
Secretary: J. Barton Payne (incumbant)  
Treasurer: Delbert R. Rose (incumbant)  
Executive Committee, term 1958-61, Ralph Earl  
Editorial Committee, term 1958-61, Kenneth S. Kantzer  
Membership Committee, terms 1958-60, Vernon C. Grounds and George M. Johnson  
Com. on Program & Arrangements, term, 1958-9, Paul Woolley  
A.S.A. Planning Committee: term 1958-63, Merrill C. Tenney; term 1958-61, J. Barton Payne; term 1958-9, John C. Whitcomb, Jr.

President Stonehouse called for further nominations for the office of president. No further nominations were presented. The nominations were then closed and the secretary was instructed to cast a white ballot for Warren C. Young. The same procedure was followed with similar results for the other three officers. The president then called for further nominations for the various committee members. There being none, the nominations were closed and the secretary was instructed to cast a white ballot for the slate of committee members as presented by the Nominating Committee. The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by Wayne W. Witte, and the Society received the report and went on record expressing its thanks to Asbury Theological Seminary for its gracious hospitality, to all who contributed to the program, and to the Society's officers and committee members, especially to those retiring in 1957. Upon motion, a rising

vote of thanks was extended to Editor John Walvoord for the completion of his three years of faithful service, so effective in the publications of the Society.

President Stonehouse then turned over the gavel to President-elect Warren Young. Upon motion, a rising vote of thanks was also extended to Dr. Stonehouse for his able administration. The afternoon session of papers then continued according to the program. Dean W. Gordon Brown led in the closing devotions on the passage John 1 with which the ninth annual meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Barton Payne, Sec'y.

Members in attendance:

G.A.Anderson	Dayton	Hunter	Pardee	Turner
Bender	Dunnett	G.M.Johnson	Payne	Walvoord
Black	Earle	G.H.Johnson	Pfeiffer	Witte
Broomall	Ficek	Kantzer	Ries	Wyngaarden
W.G.Brown	B.L.Goddard	Lane	Rose	Mrs.Wynkoop
Cierpke	Gresham	Livingston	Salstrand	Yehling
Clark	Grider	Murdoch	Schultz	G.D.Young
Coleman	Hanke	Omark	Stonehouse	W.C.Young
Cook	Howard	Osipoff	Tenney	

SUMMARIES OF REPORTS  
Ninth Annual Meeting of E.T.S., 1957

A. Treasurer

Balance, Jan. 2, 1957 . . . . . \$2,123.21

Expenditures:		Receipts:	
Monograph #2, Unger,		Dues	1711.00
Arameans of Damascus	600.00	Refunds	44.41
Symposium, Inspiration		Royalties	750.00
and Interpretation	1139.17	Sales	68.86
Printing and supplies	693.55		<u>2,574.27</u>
Postage & office expenses	156.05		4,697.48
An unhonored check	5.00		
			<u>2,103.71</u>

B. Membership Committee

	Members	Associates	Student associates	
Active, Jan. 1, 1957	252	41		69
Received in 1957	50	23	23	
Reestablished	3	-	1	
Total gained	<u>53</u>	<u>23</u>		<u>24</u>
Withdrew	1	1	4	
Dropped(doctrine,dues)	4	-	3	
Transferred to another				
category	-	4	10	
Total lost	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>	
Net gain	<u>48</u>	<u>18</u>		<u>7</u>
Active, Dec. 26, 1957	300	59		76

C. Regional Sections

Sec:	1957 Chairman	1957 Meetings
Eastern	Dr. Lloyd F. Dean	Oct. 12 Gordon Divinity School, Mass.
Southern	Prof. Glen C. Atkins	Apr. 12-13 Temple Bap. Th. Sem., Tenn.
Mid-Western	Dr. Gordon H. Clark	Apr. 18-19 Covenant Col. & Sem., Mo.
Far-Western	Dr. Eddie Sivertsen	Mar. 15 Calif. Bapt. Th. Sem., Calif.
		Nov. 22 Westmont College, Calif.