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PROCEEDINGS

DECEMBER 29, 30, 1924

THE sixtieth meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis was held at the University of Chicago, December 29 and 30, 1924, in conjunction with the Chicago Society of Biblical Research. The first session was called to order promptly at 2 p. m. on Monday, December 29, President Bowen in the Chair.

In the absence of the Recording Secretary the President appointed Prof. T. J. Meek to act as Recording Secretary *pro tem*.

The address of welcome to the Society was given by President F. C. Eiselen of the Chicago Society.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, of the Recording Secretary, and of the Treasurer were read and ordered to be filed. To audit the Treasurer's books the President appointed Professors Price, Berry and Leavitt. Professors J. M. P. Smith, Fullerton and Waterman were appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

The Committee on Arrangements through Professors Smith and Case made a verbal report.

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter of thanks to the University of Chicago and the Chicago Society of Biblical Research in appreciation of the hospitality extended to the Society at this meeting.

A supplementary report of the Committee appointed to prepare the list of Biblical Manuscripts in America, prepared by the Chairman, Prof. H. P. Smith, was read and ordered to be filed. (See above, p. 188.)

The Nominating Committee nominated the following officers for 1925, who were forthwith elected by the Society:

Prof. J. A. Bewer	<i>President</i>
Prof. S. J. Case	<i>Vice-President</i>
Prof. H. J. Cadbury	<i>Recording Secretary</i>
Prof. M. I. Hussey	<i>Treasurer</i>
Prof. E. Grant	} <i>Associates in Council</i>
Prof. J. A. Montgomery	
Prof. F. C. Porter	
Prof. M. Bittenwieser	
Prof. L. Waterman	
Prof. W. J. Moulton	{ <i>Representative among the Trustees of the American Schools of Oriental Research</i>

Papers were read and discussed as follows:

- By C. R. Bowen: "Why Eschatology?" (Presidential Address).
 By N. Schmidt: "The Numen of Peniel."
 By W. E. Barton: "The Textual and Historical Criticism of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address as Illustrating Biblical Study."
 By W. N. Stearns: "A New Witness to the Didache."
 By B. W. Robinson: "The Popular Quality of the Gospel of John."
 By L. Waterman: "The Vineyard of Solomon."

The Society adjourned at 5.30 p. m. to attend the dinner tendered by the University of Chicago.

Monday Evening, December 29. The second session of the Society was held on Monday evening at 8 p. m., with the President in the Chair. The following papers were presented:

- By M. I. Hussey: "Report of Field Secretary of American Schools of Oriental Research."
 By O. R. Sellers: "Galilee of the Gentiles."
 By M. G. Kyle: "The Story of Ancient Sodom in the Light of Modern Science" (Illustrated).
 By J. A. Maynard: "Recent Light on the Origin of the Alphabet" (Illustrated).
 By C. W. Votaw: "The Locations of Jesus' Ministry."
 By D. D. Luckenbill: "The Name of Esarhaddon among the Stars" (Illustrated).

Tuesday Morning, December 30. The Society convened for its third session Tuesday, December 30, at 9 a. m. Report was made of the proceedings of the Council. Their report

was accepted and the persons named by them were elected to membership in the Society. At their suggestion it was voted that the rule governing the payment of dues be emended to read: "Members two years in arrears in the payment of dues will be dropped from membership in the Society." It was voted that the Society hold its next annual meeting on the Tuesday and Wednesday following Christmas at some place in the East, to be decided later by the newly elected Council.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the books of the Treasurer and found them correct. They recommended that the account of the Society be transferred from Meadville, Pa., to the Hadley Falls Trust Company, and the recommendation was adopted.

The following papers were read and discussed:

- By J. M. P. Smith: "The Difficulties of a Translator."
- By J. V. Madison: "New Testament Translations into English since Tyndale."
- By E. J. Goodspeed: "The Influence of Tyndale upon New Testament Translations."
- By M. Bittenwieser: "The Use of the Perfect in the Psalms."
- By K. Fullerton: "A Poetical Analysis of Psalm 29."
- By A. H. Forster: "Sidelights on the Life of an Egyptian Workingman in the Days of Jesus of Nazareth."
- By G. R. Berry: "The Ritual Decalog."
- By H. R. Willoughby: "The Mysticism of Philo."
- By D. E. Thomas: "Unity and Progress in the Poem of Job: Some Psychological Observations."

Tuesday Afternoon, December 30. The last session of the Society was held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The following papers were read and discussed:

- By T. J. Meek: "Light from the Old Testament on Primitive Religion."
- By D. A. Leavitt: "Some Aspects of David's Career."
- By B. R. Downer: "The Possibility of Referring to an Assyrian Background the So-called Cyrus Passages of the Book of Isaiah."
- By S. J. Case: "Josephus' Anticipation of a Domitianic Persecution."
- By I. M. Price: "Swine in Old Testament Taboo."
- By L. E. Fuller: "The Book of Jubilees: A Priestly Recension of Genesis."
- By G. B. Smith: "What Does Biblical Criticism Contribute to the Modern Preacher?"

- By A. P. Kelso: "The Mysticism of the Prophets."
 By J. A. Maynard: "Early Judaism and Mazdayasna."
 By M. Bittenwieser: "בְּכָל עֵץ לִיהוָה in 2 Chron. 30 21."
 By T. J. Meek: "Yahwism in Israel."
 By W. N. Stearns: "τοῦ πορνηροῦ in Matt. 6 13."

The following papers were read by title because of the absence of the writers:

- By P. Haupt: "Habbakuk's Paean After the Battle of Adasa."
 "Deutero-Zephaniah."
 "Assyrian, *duru*, wall, in Isaiah 45 2."
 By J. A. Kelso: "A Pilgrimage to Petra."
 By F. P. Ramsay: "The Virgin Birth."
 By S. Zeitlin: "Origin of the Discrepancy in the Gospels as to the Day of Jesus' Crucifixion."
 By E. W. Burch: "The Kingdom of Heaven According to the First Evangelist."
 By L. Waterman: "The Origin of Jotham's Fable."
 "The Song of the Bow as Literature."
 By R. P. Dougherty: "Additional Data Concerning the Shirkûtu of Babylonian Deities."
 By J. A. Montgomery: "The Prior Hexaplaric Group, Holmes-Parsons 23 (Venetus)-62-147 in Daniel."
 By C. D. Benjamin: "Collation of Holmes - Parsons 23 (Venetus) - 62-147 in Daniel from Photographic Copies."
 By H. S. Gehman: "The 'Polyglot' Arabic Text of Daniel and its Affinities."
 By L. I. Newman: "Biblical Exegesis of Medieval Heretical Sects."
 By M. Burrows: "The Origin of the Term 'Gospel'."
 By G. L. Robinson: "The Messianic Implications in Isaiah 53 12."
 By W. F. Albright: "Further Observations on the Name Yahweh and its Modifications in Proper Names."
 By P. Haupt: "The First Poem on the Servant of JHVH."
 By J. A. Kelso: "The Development of the Prophetic Doctrine of Sacrifice."
 By K. Fullerton: "Some Notes on the Text of 2 Kings 18 13—20 21."

THEOPHILE J. MEEK, *Recording Secretary pro tem.*