

REPORT OF THE TWENTIETH GENERAL MEETING OF THE CATHOLIC BIBLICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

The Twentieth General Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association of America was held this year at the College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass., on September 4-5-6, under the patronage of the Most Reverend John J. Wright, D.D., Bishop of Worcester.

It was opened with the celebration of the Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit, and with the reading of a letter of welcome from the Very Reverend James E. Coleran, S.J., Provincial of the New England area of the Society of Jesus, and Charter Member of the Association.

The list of speakers and their subjects is, as follows: On Wednesday, Sept. 4, beginning at 9:45 a.m., the Presidential Address, by Rev. Roderick A. F. MacKenzie, S.J.; "Instrumentality and the *Sensus Plenior*," by Rt. Rev. Robert H. Krumholtz; and "Lagrange's Distinction of Record and Teaching," by Rev. Francis J. Schroeder, S.S.J. In the afternoon, beginning at 2:30 p.m., "The Inspiration of the Chronicler," by Rev. Adrien M. Brunet, O.P.; "The Problem of Inspiration and the *Urtext*," by Rev. George S. Glanzman, S.J.; "The Use of the Old Testament in Hebrews," by Rev. John J. Collins, S.J.; and "The Limitations of Inerrancy," by Rev. J. Terrence Forestell, C.S.B.

On Thursday, Sept. 5, beginning at 9:30 a.m., "The Qumrân Text of Isaias," by Very Rev. Patrick W. Skehan; "Some Ambiguous Texts in Isaias," by Rev. Mitchell J. Dahood, S.J.; "Isaias 7,14 and the *Sensus Plenior*," by Rev. Neal M. Flanagan, O.S.M.; and "Abraham Had Two Wives," by Rev. Brendan McGrath, O.S.B.

On Friday, Sept. 6, beginning at 9:45 a.m., "Balaam's Ass: A Problem in New Testament Hermeneutics," by Rev. David M. Stanley, S.J.; and "The Jubilee Calendar," by Monsignor Skehan. It is hoped that most, if not all of the papers read will eventually be published in the *CBQ*.

The Rev. Edward A. Wuenschel, C.S.S.R., gave an informal lecture to several of the members on the Shroud of Turin.

Through the kindness of the Committee on Local Arrangements, trips were made by many of the members to St. Joseph's Trappist Abbey in Spencer, and to the historic towns of Lexington and Concord. The committee consisted of Jesuit Fathers Andrew H. McFadden, John J. Collins, and John P. Haran.

At the business meeting on Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m., reports of the various committees were submitted and discussed. It was voted to appropriate \$500.00 for the International Greek NT Project, and \$100.00 for the Franciscan translators of the Bible into Japanese. The meeting of 1958 will be held at Christ the King Seminary, St. Bonaventure, N.Y. The Reverend Stephen J. Hartdegen, O.F.M., was elected President, and the Reverend George A. Denzer of Rockville Center, Vice-President. A rising vote of thanks was offered to the Reverend Faculty of Holy Cross College for their fraternal hospitality to the Association. An expression of congratulations and appreciation was offered

to the editorial staff of *New Testament Abstracts* for the excellence and serviceability of its first volume.

The following were admitted as active members, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Credentials: Rev. Fathers Aloysius Ambrozic, Toronto, Canada; Thomas Barrosse, C.S.C., Washington, D.C.; Joseph Brennan, S.J., Rochester, N.Y.; John Bukovsky, S.V.D., Techny, Illinois; Jean-Louis D'Aragon, S.J., Montreal, Canada; Joseph F. Donahue, S.J., Newton, Mass.; Thomas L. Fallon, O.P., Providence, R.I.; Robert W. Gleason, S.J., New York City; Joseph Jensen, O.S.B., Washington, D.C.; Andrew Lefrançois, M.S., Ipswich, Mass.; Arthur J. Lenti, S.D.B., Aptos, California; James Ludwig, San Diego, Cal.; Edward McCorkell, O.C.S.O., Berryville, Virginia; Richard H. McGrath, Covington, Kentucky; John McGovern, Maryknoll, N.Y.; Frank B. Norris, S.S., Baltimore, Md.; Samuel Pitts, Washington, D.C.; Charles J. Ring, C.P.S., Washington, D.C.; Richard W. Rousseau, S.J., Chestnut Hill, Mass.; William Schaffner, S.J., Baltimore, Md.; Geoffrey Wood, S.A., Washington, D.C.; Rev. Mr. Richard Caplice, S.J., Baltimore, Md. and George W. MacRae, S.J., Weston, Mass.; and Mr. Richard MacDonough Frank, Washington, D.C.

On the last day a Requiem Mass was offered by Rev. Louis F. Hartman, C.S.S.R., Executive Secretary of CBA, for the souls of the deceased members. In the closing session, Msgr. Rossiter's motion was accepted that a cablegram of sympathy be sent to the Most Reverend Archbishop of Westminster on the occasion of the death of Msgr. Ronald Knox.

His Excellency, Bishop Wright addressed the members and stressed the pastoral importance of the Bible. His Excellency took the occasion also to emphasize the value for biblical research of the traditional classical course in colleges, in which study and appreciation of ancient languages play such a great part.

Those who registered for the Meeting were as follows:

Ambrozic, Aloysius	Cerny, Edward A., S.S.
Balducelli, Roger, O.S.F.S.	Ceroke, Christian P., O.Carm.
Barrosse, Thomas, C.S.C.	Collins, John J., S.J.
Beaudet, Roland	Collins, Thomas Aquinas, O.P.
Benson, Alphonsus, M.S.Ss.T.	Connor, Joseph, S.J.
Boucher, Robert G., C.S.S.R.	Crowley, Edward J., C.S.S.R.
Brown, Raymond E., S.S.	Crump, Very Rev. Francis J., O.M.I.
Brunet, Achille, S.J.	Cummiskey, David, S.J.
Brunet, Adrien-Marie, O.P.	Curran, John T., S.J.
Bryant, T., S.J.	Dahood, Mitchell J., S.J.
Bukovsky, John, S.V.D.	D'Aragon, Jean-Louis, S.J.
Bushinski, Leonard A., C.S.Sp.	Davis, James J., O.P.
Caplice, R., S.J.	Denzer, George A.
Carroll, David, S.J.	Devine, J. Frank, S.J.
Casey, James, S.J.	Donahue, Joseph, S.J.

Donnelly, Gerard, O.S.B.	McGough, Columban, O.C.D.
Donnelly, Philip, S.J.	McGovern, John, M.M.
Donovan, Victor J., C.P.	McGrath, Brendan, O.S.B.
Dougherty, Very Rev. John J.	McGrath, John J., S.J.
Dugré, Maurice A.	McInnes, William, S.J.
Dumm, Demetrius R., O.S.B.	Mahoney, John J., O.P.
Dunn, Raymond, S.J.	Maloney, Robert, S.J.
Ellis, Peter F., C.S.S.R.	Mattingly, John F., S.S.
Fallon, Joseph E., O.P.	Moriarty, Frederick L., S.J.
Fallon, Thomas L., O.P.	Morin, Joseph, C.S.S.R.
Fischer, James A., C.M.	Murray, John P., C.M.
Flanagan, Neal M., O.S.M.	Norris, Frank, S.S.
Ford, Daniel J., O.F.M.	O'Connell, John P.
Forestell, James T., C.S.B.	O'Connell, Matthew, S.J.
Fournelle, Geron G., O.F.M.	Oesterreicher, John M.
Glanzman, George S., S.J.	O'Keefe, Vincent T., S.J.
Glimm, Francis X.	O'Rourke, John J.
Grispino, Joseph A., S.M.	Orlett, Raymond
Gruenthaner, Michael J., S.J.	Pagano, Sebastiano, O.M.I.
Hanrahan, Thomas	Petru, Francis A., S.J.
Hartdegen, Stephen J., O.F.M.	Pohle, Anthony, SS.CC.
Hartman, Louis F., C.S.S.R.	Riley, Placidus, O.S.B.
Heenan, John J., S.J.	Roberge, Martin, O.M.I.
Hodous, Edward J., S.J.	Rossiter, Very Rev. Francis S.
Hoey, Robert, S.J.	Schroeder, Francis J., S.S.J.
Huesman, John E., S.J.	Shea, Richard, S.J.
Kennedy, Gerald T., O.M.I.	Siebeneck, Robert T., C.P.P.S.
Kernel, Theodoric J., O.F.M.	Siegman, Edward F., C.P.P.S.
Krumholtz, Rt. Rev. Robert H.	Skehan, Very Rev. Patrick W.
Kugelman, Richard, C.P.	Sloyan, Gerard S.
Lefrançois, Andrew, M.S.	Sorenson, Howard J., O.M.I.
MacKenzie, Roderick A. F., S.J.	Stanley, David M., S.J.
MacRae, George, S.J.	Stapleton, Rt. Rev. Matthew P.
McAndrew, Miles M., S.S.	Steinmueller, Rt. Rev. John E.
McCloskey, Kevin, C.P.	Stuhlmüller, Carroll, C.P.
McDonnell, H. John F., O.P.	Temple, Rt. Rev. Patrick J.
McDonnell, Kilian, O.S.B.	Twomey, Richard L., S.J.
McEleney, Neil J., C.S.P.	Vancik, Vladimir G.
McGlinchey, James M., C.M.	Yore, Malcolm, O.Carm.

Among the distinguished guests were the Rev. Robert A. Dyson, S.J., Professor of OT Exegesis at the Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome and Mr. Neil T. Heffernan, publisher of the *CBQ*. Also in attendance were several seminarians from nearby institutions.

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