Memorial: HENRY R. VAN TIL, 1906-1961

Born in Griffith, Indiana, Henry Reinder Van Til was the recipient of Calvinistic home influence, reformed catechetical instruction, economic competition, Calvin College education, and theological development at Calvin and Westminster Seminaries, and at the Free University of Amsterdam and the University of Chicago.

At the age of 17 he made confession of faith. In 1940 he was ordained, and from 1940 to 1943 served a pastorate with ardent preaching in Sumas, Washington. During World War II he served with energy as a chaplain in the armed services; and in 1946 joined the faculty of Calvin College, where his breadth, clarity and depth of conviction made him unusually significant.

A noted author and as associate editor, he contributed many important articles to the periodical, "Torch and Trumpet", his last being entitled "Church and State in East Germany" (Oct. 1961). In 1955 he served as president of the Calvinistic Culture Association of America and as vice president of the Evangelical Ministerial Union of Grand Rapids, Michigan. His teaching is reflected in his magnum opus, The Calvinistic Concept of Culture, published in 1959.

Prof. Van Til was currently a member of the Membership Committee of the E.T.S. Since joining the Society in 1950, he had served on the national Committee on Program and Arrangements (1953-54) and repeatedly as chairman of the Midwestern Section. He was an enthusiastic participant, and read papers at regional and national meetings.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Zandstra Van Til, three sons and four daughters, as well as "Uncle Kees" (pronounced Uncle Case, also known as Dr. Cornelius Van Til of Westminster Seminary) and numerous other relatives.

Christ crucified and risen, King in every relationship of life, was the burden of his preaching, teaching and writing. Not only his life but even his sudden death, in his Calvin College office, exalted the faith for which he had ardently contended. The funeral service, to a very large church audience, was an eloquent testimony of the fact that men die but principles live on. The future of the College may indicate that he was one of its greatest professors.

Memorial: KENNETH S. WUEST, 1894-1961

Kenneth S. Wuest was born in Chicago and spent the major portion of his life in the Chicago area. He graduated from Moody Bible Institute in 1924, and from Northwestern University in 1922 (A.B.). For twenty-nine years, beginning in 1929, he was a member of the faculty of Moody Bible Institute with New Testament Greek as his major field of teaching. He was honored with the Litt. D. degree from Wheaton College in 1955. On December 27, 1961, he went to be with the Lord, following surgery on December 7.

Dr. Wuest taught from the Greek New Testament with great zeal and warmth of feeling. His students often referred to him affectionately as "Skipper"—a nickname which came out of a remark he once made; "I'm just the skipper—the Holy Spirit is the Captain of this ship." With tongue in cheek, he used to tell his students that they would be "busy in heaven teaching the beloved language to those who didn't know it." In paying tribute, Dr. Culbertson, president of Moody Bible Institute, characterized Dr. Wuest as "a faithful and honored member of faculty"... "His clear teaching, his exemplary conduct, his manifest love for his subject and for his students, and his endearing contribution in his writings all honored the Lord."

The term "golden nuggets" was long considered by him as the mark of his trade. Golden Nuggets from the Greek New Testament was not only the title of one of his earlier works, but was also used as the caption to his magazine column (Moody Monthly) and as the name for his radio presentations carried on for a number of years. Finding added richness and light in the Greek New Testament and making such available to the Bible student was his special concern in his lectures and writings.

Dr. Wuest was a prolific writer in the field of New Testament interpretation. His works include: Golden Nuggets from the Greek New Testament (Eerdmans, 1939), Bypaths in the Greek New Testament (same, 1940), Treasures from the Greek New Testament (same, 1941), Untranslatable Riches from the Greek New Testament (same, 1941), Philippians in the Greek New Testament (same), First Peter in the Greek New Testament (same), Galations in the Greek New Testament (same, 1944), Studies in the Vocabulary of the Greek New Testament (same, 1945), The Practical Use of the Greek New Testament (Moody Press, 1946), Hebrews in the Greek New Testament (Eerdmans, 1947), Mark in the Greek New Testament (same, 1950), Great Truths to Live By from the Greek New Testament (same, 1952), The Pastoral Epistles (same), Ephesians and Colossians (same, 1953), In These Last Days (same, 1954), Romans in the Greek New Testament (same, 1955), Prophetic Light in the Present Darkness (same), The Gospels in an Expanded Translation (same, 1956), Acts through Ephesians (same, 1958), From Heaven's Glory (same), and Expanded Translation of the New Testament 1961.

Following his retirement from his teaching ministry at the Moody Bible Institute in 1958, he continued his writing and lecturing almost to the time of his death. He became a member of the Evangelical Theological Society in 1957 (#447). His ardent devotion to proclaiming the truth of God, especially as revealed in the Greek New Testament, will long be remembered.