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Raleigh, N. C.

ALLYN P. ROBINSON, JR.  
MINISTER

September 30, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am being bold enough to ask for your help in a cause which I think you would count worthy. The United Church, of which I am minister, has for two winters now held an Institute of Religion which has been shared by the entire community. Ours is perhaps the only thoroughly liberal church in the city and my church leadership has felt a sense of mission in giving some community expression to its liberal gospel. There are, fortunately, many liberals in some of the more conservative churches, and many ministers in the community who would not be able to initiate such a program themselves have been glad to cooperate. I am happy to say that both institutes have been successful beyond our greatest expectations, but in each case, since our membership is quite small and we are financially limited, we have had to depend in part upon the generosity and the "missionary spirit" of those who came to us.

This year our general theme will concern itself with "The World after the War" with the problem of maintaining democracy throughout a period of strain and readjustment with peace, world organization, etc. We would be extremely happy if you could speak to our Institute on Monday evening, February 9, 1942, taking up some aspect of this general theme. We might leave the specific subject to you, although I think something along the line of interfaith cooperation in this time of crisis might be particularly helpful. We could not promise a very large honorarium, although naturally, we would take care of all expenses and if you desired, I am sure that we could arrange for some other speaking engagements in this neighborhood at this same time. You would be assured of a large and very appreciative audience and your address would be broadcast over station WPTF, which is as powerful as any in the country. Having known you for a long time through your books and other writings, I know that you could

make a tremendous contribution and I do hope that you can see your way clear to accept our invitation.

Yours very cordially,

*Allyn Robinson*

APR:CR

Allyn P. Robinson



October 7, 1941

Rev. Allyn P. Robinson, Jr.  
The United Church  
Corner Hillsboro & Davison Sts.  
Raleigh, N.C.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

I deeply appreciate your letter of September 30 and your kind invitation to participate in your Institute of Religion on February 9, 1942. The invitation appeals to me greatly. For some years we have held in The Temple an annual two-day Symposium on "Religion Speaks". Under normal conditions I would have been most happy to come. I plan, however, to be on the Pacific Coast during the month of February in connection with overseas relief campaigns of the United Jewish Appeal, of which I am national chairman.

I trust that at some future time I may be of service to you. With all good wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

AHS:BK

# INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

UNITED CHURCH

DAWSON AND HILLSBORO

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

December 17, 1952

## PAST SPEAKERS

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th Street  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing to ask your help in a venture which I trust may warrant your interest and high consideration.

For thirteen years the United Church of Raleigh has held an Institute of Religion, designed to provide a public forum to those leaders of world thought who have a message worthy of attention. From the beginning the aim has been to make the Institute symbolize the profound conviction of the church that no issue which perplexes the mind and life of man is beyond the scope of religion. The Institute has sought and has been fortunate to obtain speakers who were both outstanding and stimulating. The response has exceeded all expectations and the impact of the Institute is now region-wide. Our church auditorium is usually filled to capacity. In 1950 it was necessary to move two meetings to the municipal auditorium: once when Dr. Ralph Bunch addressed an unsegregated meeting - and all meetings are unsegregated - and again when Dr. Robert M. Hutchins appeared.

The theme chosen for the 1953 Institute of Religion is Strengthening Freedom in America. Charles Malik of Lebanon expressed the basis of this theme when he said in Des Moines: "To re-establish the unity of the Western spirit.... requires vision and sacrifice on every level of human existence - political, economic, intellectual, and spiritual... Unless there is a fundamental turning of the soul away from false gods... freedom will be subverted from within, even if it should beat back the blows falling upon it from without."

We are extremely anxious to have you appear as one of the principal speakers on our 1953 Institute of Religion. We venture to suggest such a topic as "Religion and its Relation to Maintaining and Extending Freedom in the Modern World". Of course you may choose your own topic on the basis of the general theme which is being followed.

So far we have as principal speakers, Prof. Kermit Eby of the University of Chicago, President Harold Taylor of Sarah

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Lawrence College, Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon and Dr. Stringfellow Barr of the University of Virginia. We feel very strongly that your experience and background qualifies you admirably to make a distinct contribution along with the other scheduled speakers. The dates we still have open are January 19 and February 9. We would prefer your coming on January 19 since we are desirous of having the first speaker from the field of religion.

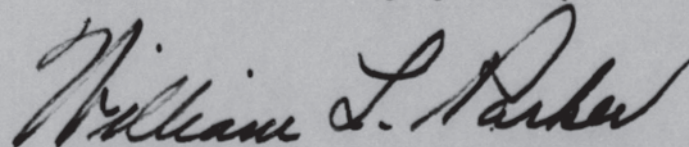
I would like to stress that rail and air transportation to Raleigh is excellent, so that a visit here would not necessitate a long absence from your duties.

The Institute is supported entirely by voluntary contributions, so that we operate on a rather limited budget. We cannot afford a fee commensurate with the value of your services, but we will be glad to pay your travel and incidental expenses as well as a modest honorarium - not less than \$100. Or if you prefer to state a definite fee we will be glad to take it under advisement and will do our best to meet it.

We earnestly hope that you will give our invitation high consideration; we believe that the Institute provides a forum almost unique in the South and we feel that yours will be a singular contribution.

We are anxious to hear from you as soon as possible and would suggest that you wire us collect so that we might proceed with other necessary arrangements.

Most cordially yours,



William L. Parker, Minister  
(For the Institute of Religion  
Committee)

WLP/jms

December 18, 1952

Dr. William L. Parker  
Institute of Religion  
Dawson and Hillsboro  
Raleigh, North Carolina

My dear Dr. Parker:

I deeply appreciate your gracious invitation to address the Institute of Religion. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately, neither of the dates suggested in your letter is an open one for me. I already have out-of-town engagements for both of those dates. Perhaps at some future time I may be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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# INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

UNITED CHURCH  
DAWSON AND HILLSBORO  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

April 24, 1953

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th Street  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I trust you may recall that we extended to you an invitation to appear as one of the featured speakers at our 1953 Institute of Religion at the United Church in Raleigh. At that time you wrote that you were unable to come because of your heavy schedule. We were much disappointed but since you also mentioned that it might be possible for you to come at a later date, we hopefully are extending an invitation for you to appear on the 1954 series.

May I call to your attention again that it is a distinguished forum which presents six speakers of prominence on successive Monday nights in January and February, presenting varying points of view of a central theme. Sponsored by the United Church of Raleigh, which is basically Congregational-Christian and Quaker, the Institute of Religion offers a free platform for the ethical discussion of major problems in the current scene. In the turbulent years since its inception in 1939 many of the great and near-great of our day have spoken to the eager audiences which come from wide areas to hear them.

In 1953 the general theme was "Strengthening Freedom In America", with the speakers shown on the enclosed pamphlet. The topics proved so provocative and of such wide interest we have decided to take as our theme this year "The Responsibilities of Freedom", with the hope of having speakers discuss these responsibilities from many points of view - religious, political, educational, racial, etc.

I am sure that the significance of the Institute of Religion merits your serious consideration and we would be greatly honored if you might find it possible to appear as one of the speakers in the 1954 series. The dates chosen are: January 18th and 25th, February 1st,

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8th, 15th and 22nd. At present all of these dates are open. We are making an effort to get Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam as the opening speaker for Monday night January 18th in order to emphasize the religious aspects of the responsibilities of freedom. To further point up this ethical point of view, we would like to have you with us for the final lecture on February 22nd if this would be possible. Otherwise, any of the dates are completely satisfactory to us. We want you to feel free to choose whatever phase of the theme you care to discuss.

The Institute of Religion, which has received national attention, is supported entirely by voluntary contributions so we are unable to pay fees which are commensurate with the quality and value of our speakers. We do pay an honorarium and expenses of course, and if you wish to state a fee we will take it under consideration and do our best to meet it.

Air and rail connections to Raleigh are excellent and the pleasant climate should prove a refreshing break in your schedule if even for only a short time. We are writing early in the season as we know that your schedule is planned months ahead of time and we are most eager to have you with us.

Most cordially yours,

*William L. Parker*  
William L. Parker  
Minister

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Encl.

May 8, 1953

Dr. William L. Parker  
Institute of Religion  
United Church  
Dawson and Hillsboro  
Raleigh, North Carolina

My dear Dr. Parker:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I wish to thank you for your kindness in inviting me again to address the Institute of Religion. I do not wish to commit myself this far ahead. I have found myself from time to time under the unpleasant necessity of cancelling engagements which I made far ahead. However, I shall make every effort to be with you on Monday evening, February 22nd, but I do not wish to confirm this date until early in the fall as I shall know then more definitely what my schedule will be.

With all good wishes and looking forward with pleasure to participating in your interesting Institute, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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# INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

UNITED CHURCH

DAWSON AND HILLSBORO  
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

June 2, 1953

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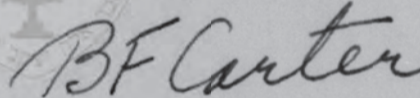
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th Street  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter of May 8 to Mr. Parker. The Committee for the Institute is gratified to learn that you will tentatively plan to address the Institute on Monday evening, February 22, 1954.

We will hold this date open with the hope that you will be able to confirm it definitely early in the fall.

Sincerely yours,



B. F. Carter  
Chairman

BFC:jhw

# INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

UNITED CHURCH  
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October 9, 1953

## PAST SPEAKERS

WILLIAM AGAR  
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 105th Street  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The schedule for the 1954 Institute of Religion is nearly complete and will include the following speakers:

January 25 - Dr. Benjamin Mays, President, Morehouse College, Atlanta.  
February 1 - Congressman Brooks Hays, 5th Dist., Arkansas.  
February 8 - Mr. Hodding Carter, Editor and Publisher Delta-Democrat Times, Greenville, Mississippi.  
February 15 - Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota.  
February 22 - Rabbi Silver.

Advance publicity material is now being prepared; and we would, therefore, appreciate it if you could confirm the February 22 date as suggested in your letter of May 8. We would also appreciate receiving a glossy print of your photograph suitable for making half-tone cuts for the bulletin and posters. Also, if you have newspaper mats of your photograph, two or three of these would be very useful. If you do not have them, we can have them made from the glossy print. Any biographical material which you would care to send would also be appreciated.

Your reply will reach me more promptly if addressed care of General Equipment Company, P. O. Box 26, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Yours very sincerely,

*B. F. Carter*

B. F. Carter, Chairman  
Institute of Religion Committee

BFC:jhw

October 14, 1953

Dr. B. F. Carter, Chairman  
Institute of Religion Committee  
Dawson and Hillsboro  
Raleigh, North Carolina

My dear Dr. Carter:

In reply to your kind letter of October 9th, I wish to say that I have definitely scheduled the date of February 22, 1954, for my address before your Institute of Religion.

I am enclosing herewith a glossy print and biographical material which you requested.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at Raleigh, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:dk  
Encls.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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December 24, 1953

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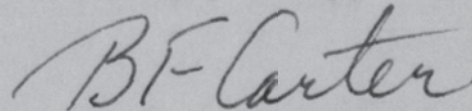
The advance publicity material and programs for the 1954 Institute will go to press about January 2. We would, therefore, appreciate it very much if you could send us a suggested title for your address within the general framework of our theme, "The Responsibilities of Freedom".

The speakers for the series are as follows:

*Jan 18 - To be announced*  
January 25 - Benjamin Mays, President, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia  
February 1 - Brooks Hays, Congressman, Fifth District, Arkansas  
February 8 - Hodding Carter, Editor, Delta-Democrat Times, Greenville, Mississippi  
February 15 - Miss Margaret Frakes, Associate Editor, The Christian Century, Chicago  
February 22 - Abba Hillel Silver

We feel that this year's Institute will be one of the best we have had and are looking forward to your visit.

Yours very truly,



B. F. Carter, Chairman  
Institute of Religion Committee

BFC:jhw

December 30, 1953

Mr. B. F. Carter, Chairman  
Institute of Religion Committee  
United Church  
Dawson and Hillsboro  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Carter:

In reply to your kind letter of December 24th, the  
subject of my address will be, "The Spiritual Basis  
of Human Freedom."

With warmest regards, and looking forward with  
pleasure to seeing you, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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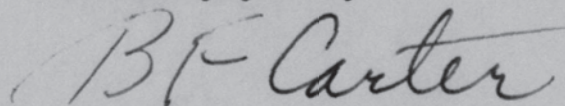
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
East 105th Street, Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Our Institute has been progressing very nicely this year, and everyone is looking forward with expectation to your address on February 22. If you will let me know in advance what your travel plans are, someone will meet you at the station or airport. I assume you will be staying in Raleigh Monday night and have made a reservation for you. If you find your plans require you to leave after the lecture on a late train or plane, please let me know so I can release the reservation.

The February issue of the American Jewish Times Outlook has a very good article on the Institute of Religion, together with your picture and an announcement that you will speak here on February 22. We, therefore, anticipate that a number of people within a traveling radius of Raleigh will be here to hear you that night. If you have not seen this issue of the American Jewish Times Outlook, I will be glad to obtain a copy for you.

Cordially yours,



B. F. Carter, Chairman  
Institute of Religion Committee

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P.S. Your reply will reach me more promptly if addressed care of General Equipment Company, P. O. Box 26, Raleigh, North Carolina.

BFC

February 11, 1954

Dr. B. F. Carter  
General Equipment Company  
P. O. Box 26  
Raleigh, North Carolina

My dear Dr. Carter:

Thank you for your letter of February eighth. I plan to arrive in Raleigh on the afternoon of February 22nd, coming from Miami Beach where I am scheduled to speak Sunday noon. I believe my plane arrives about 4:00 or 4:30 in the afternoon.

I plan to spend the night in Raleigh, leaving early in the morning for New York City.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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# The SPEAKERS: Their Subjects and Backgrounds



T. R. MILFORD

**January 19, 1953**

**T. R. MILFORD**

CHANCELLOR, LINCOLN CATHEDRAL, ENGLAND

*"The Meaning of Freedom"*

Chancellor Milford is the titular guardian of the Magna Charta, early protestation of human rights and freedom signed by King John in 1215. A popular lecturer, Milford was Fulbright Professor of biblical theology and comparative religions at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in 1950 and is visiting professor there at the present time. Born in England in 1896, he was educated at Oxford and Cambridge, and for several years taught philosophy at the University of Allahabad, India. Returning to England, he directed study work in the British Student Christian Movement before becoming Chaplain of Oxford University in 1940. He has lectured extensively in this country and in Canada, as well as in England and Europe, and serves as head of the theological seminary at the Cathedral.

**January 26, 1953**

**HAROLD TAYLOR**

PRESIDENT, SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE

*"Freedom and Authority in Education"*

Born in Toronto, Canada in 1914, Harold Taylor is best known as a vigorous spokesman for liberal thinking and forthright declarations on academic freedom and experimental education. Appointed President at the age of 33, Taylor maintains that the primary responsibility of the teacher is to help each student to think for himself, to choose for himself his own values and ideas, and to participate actively in the affairs and issues of his own society. Thus the student must be taught the need for personal and moral values and a commitment to the discovery of objective truth. Educated at the University of Toronto and the University of London, Taylor became an American citizen and taught for five years at the University of Wisconsin before coming to Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, New York.



HAROLD TAYLOR



KERMIT EBY

**February 2, 1953**

**KERMIT EBY**

PROFESSOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

*"The Expedient Is Not the Moral"*

An outspoken worker for equal opportunity for all people, Eby is teacher, lecturer, and writer in the fields of political science, labor and religion. He has been a board member of the University of Chicago Round Table for four years, is a member of the National Council of Churches, and an ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren. He was a delegate to the White House Conference on Rural Education in 1947, a member of the federal advisory committee for the U. S. Office of Education, and a representative of the National Commission of UNESCO. Before joining the staff at Chicago, Eby served as Director of Education and Research, C.I.O.

**February 9, 1953**

**JOHN B. THOMPSON**

DEAN OF ROCKEFELLER CHAPEL, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

*"The Fear of Freedom"*

For the past five years, John B. Thompson has been Dean of the Chapel of the University of Chicago and Associate Professor of Christian Ethics in the Divinity School. Thompson came to the University from Norman, Oklahoma where he had been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Director of the Westminster Foundation, and a member of the staff of the School of Religion, University of Oklahoma. Educated at Beloit College, Union Theological Seminary, and University of Edinburgh, Scotland, he taught at Highland Folk Schools, Monteagle, Tennessee, and the College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Arkansas. Thompson is active in work for civil liberties and better race relations, and was a member of the executive board of the Southern Conference Education Fund.



JOHN B. THOMPSON



WAYNE MORSE

**February 16, 1953**

**WAYNE MORSE**

UNITED STATES SENATOR, OREGON

*"Ethical Standards in Government"*

Senator Morse is a distinguished educator, lawyer and independent political leader. Born near Madison, Wisconsin in 1900, he studied at the Universities of Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Columbia. At the University of Oregon he rose from assistant professor of law in 1931 to dean of the law school, a position he held at the time of his election to the United States Senate in November, 1944. Senator Morse was reelected for a second term in 1950. He has received honorary degrees from Cornell College, Drake University and the College of South Jersey. He is a member of the Congregational-Christian Church. His outstanding service in the Senate makes him particularly well qualified to discuss ethical standards in government.

**February 23, 1953**

**STRINGFELLOW BARR**

PRESIDENT, FOUNDATION FOR WORLD GOVERNMENT

*"Can Americans Export Freedom?"*

As lecturer, traveler, and writer, Stringfellow Barr is a keen analyst of our time. He has also gained fame as an educator. When elected President of St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland, in 1937, he abolished the elective system and eliminated textbooks upon which contemporary education was founded. He initiated a curriculum based upon one hundred Great Books from Homer to present-day writers. He first originated the series of CBS radio programs entitled "Invitation to Learning," concerning the discipline involved in the Great Books. At present Mr. Barr is Visiting Professor of Political Science at the University of Virginia and President of the Foundation for World Government, an educational foundation conducting research on world economic, social and political problems. He is the author of the pamphlet "Let's Join the Human Race," and his popular book, "Citizens of the World" was published this fall.



STRINGFELLOW BARR

## INSTITUTE THEME FOR 1953

The theme of the 1953 Institute of Religion is "Strengthening Freedom in America." In the words of Charles Malik, Lebanese delegate to the United Nations,

*"To re-establish the unity of the Western spirit . . . requires vision and sacrifice on every level of human existence—political, economic, intellectual, and spiritual . . . unless there is a fundamental turning of the soul away from false gods . . . freedom will be subverted from within, even if it should beat back the blows falling upon it from without."*

Most Americans accept with gratitude our constitutional guarantee of freedom of religion, speech, press, peaceful assembly, trial by a jury of peers, and petition concerning grievances. We approve of our traditional and inalienable rights such as "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." These freedoms and rights, established by the inner strength of dynamic men, have been protected and implemented only by responsible action according to the needs and circumstances of generation after generation. In the light of new conditions, our judicial authorities have reinterpreted them; in the future, other justices will interpret these rights in keeping with the spirit of the times.

In these days freedom to speak and act, to search for knowledge and apply its truth in the development of better humanity, is often challenged by fearful and selfish men. If this freedom to improve society is curtailed, social institutions will ultimately become stagnant.

The wisdom of keeping life vibrant and dynamic is evidenced by all progressive leaders in business, agriculture, industry, and scientific research. They are alert to the necessity of change in order to secure greater efficiency, larger profit, and more satisfied customers. Their achievements in production and in making available many material comforts to larger numbers of people are all to the good if they do not forget that the souls of men are of finer stuff.

The spirit of mankind, deeply religious in outlook, would throw off shackles of the open mind. It desires to be kept free and unafraid, in a climate of complete inquiry and of courageous action. It will not be suppressed by threats or innuendo, by outworn traditions and special privileges. It will be triumphant only as it deals justly, loves mercy, and walks humbly with God.

## DISTINGUISHED MEN AND WOMEN ON PREVIOUS PROGRAMS

The Institute of Religion has been fortunate in presenting many distinguished men and women throughout the thirteen years of its existence. Among the seventy-eight speakers of these years, the community has been privileged to hear Ralph W. Sockman, Norman Thomas, Allan K. Chambers, Rufus M. Jones, Carl J. Hambro, Phyllis Bentley, E. Stanley Jones, Erika Mann, Eleanor Roosevelt, Mrs. Harper Sibley, Homer P. Rainey, Vera Micheles Dean, Henry S. Commager, Estes Kefauver, Reinhold Niebuhr, Ralph J. Bunche, Paul H. Douglas, and John Bennett.

## PATRONS OF THE INSTITUTE

The Institute of Religion, conducted on a community and free-to-all basis, is dependent upon the generosity of its patrons. You are urged to share in meeting the expenses of the Institute by becoming a patron through the gift of one dollar or more. Make checks payable to the Treasurer, Institute of Religion. Offerings are received at each of the meetings at 8 P.M.

# The COURSES (meeting at 7:00 p.m. each Monday evening)

## I. PROBLEMS OF ORGANIZED PUBLIC RECREATION

**Leader:** Prof. Thomas I. Hines, Head, Department of Industrial and Rural Recreation, N. C. State College

**Program:** January 19—"The Community Recreation Problem"

Dr. Harold Meyer, Professor of Sociology and Director, All-University Division of Recreation, University of North Carolina

January 26—"Value of the Community Center to the Neighborhood"

R. Foster Blaisdell, Pres. of N. C. Recreation Society and Supt. of Parks and Recreation, Charlotte

February 2—"Employee Recreation in Raleigh"

James S. Stevens, Asst. Dir., N. C. Recreation Commission; James Chambers, Dir. of Parks and Recreation, Raleigh; and Thomas I. Hines

February 9—"Midget Activities"

William Ridinger, Supt. of Parks and Playgrounds, Concord

February 16—"Public Schools and Recreation"

Charles E. Spencer, Dir. of School Health Coordinating Service, State Board of Health and State Department of Public Instruction, Raleigh

February 23—"Assistance of the North Carolina Recreation Commission to Communities"

Ralph Andrews, Dir., North Carolina Recreation Commission, Raleigh

**Meeting Place:** Church School Auditorium

## II. HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE IN MODERN AMERICA

**Leader:** Prof. C. Horace Hamilton, Head, Dept. of Rural Sociology, N. C. State College

**Program:** January 19—"Can America's Health Be Improved?"

Dr. R. E. Coker, Jr., State Board of Health, Raleigh

January 26—"The Economics of Medical Care"

Dr. R. Fein, University of North Carolina

February 2—"Do We Have Enough Health Personnel and Facilities?"

Dr. C. Horace Hamilton, N. C. State College

February 9—"New and Promising Health Programs"

Dr. Cecil G. Sheps, Div. of Health Affairs, University of North Carolina

February 16—"The Role of Government in Medical Care"

Dr. Clarence Poe, Raleigh, member of President's Health Commission

February 23—"Is a National Health Service the Answer?"

Dr. Arthur Fink, Dean, School of Social Work, University of North Carolina

**Meeting Place:** Second Floor, United Church

## III. PROBLEMS AND BACKGROUND OF THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST AND INDIA

**Leader:** Mrs. Roy N. Anderson, International Relations Department, Raleigh Woman's Club

**Program:** This course, arranged by the International Relations Department of the Raleigh Woman's Club in cooperation with the Institute of Religion, is a series of discussions concerning the basic problems of the areas involved. Many of the long-existing political, economic, and social conditions will be presented by competent authorities who were born there or have worked there on special assignments and missions. Among these are Prof. Floyd Moore, Guilford College, Dr. M. S. Sundaram, Director of Indian Student Training in the U. S., and Mr. Elmandy Said, technical assistant in the government of Egypt and graduate student at State College

**Meeting Place:** Main Auditorium, Raleigh Woman's Club

### RESERVED SEATS

Seats will be reserved in the auditorium for all who attend the Institute classes. No seats will be held after the beginning of the main program of the evening.

### 1953 INSTITUTE OF RELIGION COMMITTEE

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# INSTITUTE CALENDAR

## Fellowship Dinners

Dinners will be served at the church during each of the six sessions of the Institute at 6 P.M. The cost of an individual dinner will be \$1.00. Tickets for the six dinners will be \$5.00. So that sufficient time may be allowed for preparation of meals, please make reservations for individual meals before 1 P.M. of each day of the Institute. The church telephone number is 2-1119. You may also call 2-0992.

## Courses (7:00 P.M.)

- I. Problems of Organized Public Recreation  
Prof. Thomas I. Hines, Leader
- II. Health and Medical Care in Modern America  
Prof. C. Horace Hamilton, Leader
- III. Problems and Background of the Near and Middle East and India  
Mrs. Roy N. Anderson, Leader

## Speakers (8:00 P.M.)

- January 19—Chancellor T. R. Milford  
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The Second  
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THEME

*"The Religious Adventure in a Perilous World"*



*The United Church takes pleasure in presenting its second Institute of Religion and expresses its very great appreciation to all who helped to make last year's Institute so outstanding a success. Now more than ever religion is challenged by the world situation. In a further effort to promote fellowship and to provide for study and inspiration, this second Institute is offered to the community with the hope that it may bring some fresh insight and some rebirth of faith to men and women sorely troubled by the problems of our time.*



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## THE INSTITUTE SPEAKERS

Presented at Eight O'Clock in the Church Auditorium

JANUARY 27

JERRY VOORHIS

SUBJECT: *"The Threat from Within"*

This Democratic Congressman from California, a socially-minded young leader, is perhaps one of the most dramatic members of our present National Legislature. He has served on a number of important committees and is chairman of the Congressional Commission on Unemployment. A graduate of Yale University, Mr. Voorhis is a thorough-going liberal who combines in a remarkable way the mystical and the prophetic. He is an Episcopalian layman who has always been vitally interested in religious and social problems. Although he is a member of the Dies Committee, his address will emphasize some of our unsolved economic problems rather than the more lurid aspects of the Fifth Column.

FEBRUARY 3

HENRY NELSON WIEMAN

SUBJECT: *"A Faith for Imperiled Democracy"*

Dr. Wieman is one of Chicago University's most outstanding professors, and is considered by many to be one of the most original thinkers in the field of religion which our time has produced. He has attempted to discover an intellectual formulation of religion acceptable to the modern mind. He is a vigorous personality and a speaker of unusual power. No one could be better qualified to speak to this particular subject. Among Dr. Wieman's books are: "Religious Experience and Scientific Method," "Methods of Private Religious Living," "Normative Psychology," which he wrote with his wife Regina Wescott Wieman and "The Growth of Religion," written with Dr. Walter Horton of Oberlin University.

FEBRUARY 10

PHYLLIS BENTLEY

SUBJECT: *"This Perilous World"*

This famous English woman is one of the most outstanding novelists of our time. Her books have always appeared on best-seller lists for months after publication. Born and reared in the industrial north of England, her writing has often dealt with the social problems in this area. Her novels always reflect her wide humanitarian interests. Her home is not many miles from Haworth where the Brontes lived and the beautiful Yorkshire moors have often provided the setting for her stories. Knowing at first hand the industrial problems of our time and having played her part in the present war, she well understands the perils of our modern world. We are extremely fortunate in having Miss Bentley in our series for she is a true artist and a brilliant lecturer as well as a writer. Among her novels are: "The Power and the Glory," "Freedom, Farewell," "A Modern Tragedy," and "Inheritance."

FEBRUARY 17

RALPH W. SOCKMAN

SUBJECT: *"The Christian in a World at War"*

Dr. Sockman is minister of Christ Church in New York City and is a Methodist leader of national importance. His range of interests is wide, but we are especially glad to have him address us upon this particular subject to which he has given some of his best thought and upon which he has very vital convictions. It is interesting to note that in the spring of 1941 Dr. Sockman will deliver the famous Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching at Yale University. Many have heard him over the radio and will look forward with eagerness to his address here. Among Dr. Sockman's notable books are: "Morals for Tomorrow," "Recoveries of Religion," and "Live for Tomorrow."

FEBRUARY 24

ALEXANDER ALAN STEINBACH

SUBJECT: *"The Fellowship of Faiths in a Democracy"*

This famous Jewish leader is Rabbi of Temple Ahavath Sholem in Brooklyn, New York. He is a poet of rare insight and a psychologist whose clinics have helped many. Dr. Steinbach is vitally interested in inter-faith cooperation. He is co-chairman with Dr. William Dudley of the Flatbush Congregational Church of the Flatbush Round Table of Christians and Jews and is a leader in the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He is a speaker of rare power and there is often standing room only for his synagogue services. Outstanding among his books is a volume of poetry entitled: "When Dreamers Build."

MARCH 3

ARTHUR RAPER

SUBJECT: *"Democracy and National Defense in the South"*

At present Dr. Raper is a social science analyst for the Department of Agriculture with an office at Greensboro, Georgia. He is eminently competent to discuss the part of the South in the present world situation. A North Carolinian by birth, Dr. Raper was educated at the University of North Carolina from which institution he holds a Ph.D. degree. He was at one time head of the sociology department of Agnes Scott, a Presbyterian college; he was most recently the executive secretary of the Inter-racial Committee of the South with headquarters at Atlanta, Georgia. Familiar with the South's problems and also with its great potentialities, his address will make a vital contribution to our institute theme. Among his books are: "A Preface to Peasantry" and "The Tragedy of Lynching."

## PLAN OF THE INSTITUTE

### 6:00 P. M. FELLOWSHIP DINNERS.

Tickets for the six dinners are available for \$1.50. Tickets for individual dinners will sell at 35c. Since dinner accommodations are limited to 200, reservations should be made in advance. Miss Susie Allen, 612 West Lane Street, Raleigh, is in charge of reservations. Her telephone number is 2-0992.

### 7:00 P. M. CLASS PERIODS.

The following courses will be offered. Individuals are requested to select the course of their choice and continue with it as far as possible through the Institute period.

Dr. Edwin M. Gill, Commissioner of Parole for the State of North Carolina.

Subject: *"Religion and Crime"*

Dr. James Watson, Director of the Division of Mental Hygiene, North Carolina State Board of Charities and Public Welfare.

Subject: *"Education for Marriage and Parenthood"*

This course is designed primarily for college students and young adults and will be limited to those between the ages of 18 and 30. Young people 16 and 17 years of age will be admitted upon the consent of their parents.

Dr. S. L. Stealey, Minister of the First Baptist Church, Raleigh.  
Subject: *"Studies in World Religions."*

Dr. John R. Ludington, Professor of Industrial Arts, State College  
Subject: *"What Can I Do With My Life?"*

This course is intended for High School Students.

A *Special Feature Course* will also be offered presenting round tables on a variety of subjects dealing with the Institute theme. Participants will be announced in the daily papers.

### 8:00 P. M. MEETING IN THE CHURCH AUDITORIUM. SPECIAL SPEAKERS.

(Those attending courses will have seats in the auditorium reserved for them.)

*There is no charge for attendance at either the courses or the meetings. You are invited to help share the expense of the Institute through offerings which will be received at the eight o'clock meetings.*

### INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

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### **SIX MONDAY EVENINGS**

January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, and 25, 1952

#### **SPEAKERS:**

WILLIAM AGAR

Acting Director, Division of Special Services,  
United Nations

HENRY FIELD

Anthropologist, Formerly Curator in The  
Field Museum of Natural History

OSCAR ROSS EWING

Federal Security Administrator

COLONEL BEN C. LIMB

Chief of the Korean Mission to the United  
Nations, Formerly Foreign Minister of the  
Republic of Korea

JOHN C. BENNETT

Professor of Christian Theology and Ethics,  
Union Theological Seminary

ELIZABETH GRAY VINING

Author and Tutor to the Crown Prince of  
Japan



#### **THEME:**

*"Foreign and Domestic Issues Confronting  
Our Democracy"*

## THE SPEAKERS

**WILLIAM AGAR.** Scientist, lecturer, writer, Dr. William Agar is a native New Yorker. He was educated at Princeton University where he received his B.S. degree in 1916 and a Ph.D. in Geology in 1922. He spent the two years 1917 and 1918 in France and Italy serving first with the American Field Service and later as a pilot in the American Expeditionary Force. From 1922 to 1935 he was active in geological work with the Anaconda Copper Company in Butte, Montana, on the faculties of Yale, then Columbia Universities and in professional work for private companies and state surveys. In 1935 he accepted the headmastership of the Newman School in Lakewood, New Jersey, where he remained until 1940. At the end of the First World War, as a result of his experiences in Europe, he was a firm believer in international cooperation. His work in natural resources led him to see even more clearly the basic interdependence of all nations and the dangers inherent in isolation. With the outbreak of World War II, it was almost inevitable that he join with others working to assure American cooperation in the defeat of the Axis. As one of the founders and an active worker in the Fight for Freedom Committee and later in Freedom House he devoted his time to lecturing and writing in connection with the meaning of the war, the requirements for peace and international cooperation in general. During these years he did professional lecturing under the management of W. Colston Leigh and served part time with the United States Geological Survey helping in the search for much-needed metals. In May 1946, after five months spent in Great Britain and Germany under the auspices of the British Ministry of Information, followed by an extended lecture tour of the United States, he joined the Department of Public Information of the United Nations as Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary-General in charge of Public Information. He is now Chief of the Section for Lecture and Educational Services, and Acting Director, Special Services Division.

**HENRY FIELD.** One of the most widely traveled American scientists, Dr. Henry Field is internationally known for his anthropological and archeological research. As curator of the Field Museum of Natural History (which was founded by his great-uncle Marshall Field) he planned and directed the world-famed Hall of Man sculptures by Malvina Hoffman, and the Story of Man with eight dioramas and exhibits illustrating the last 250,000 years of human development. Born in Chicago in 1902, Henry Field was educated at Eton and New College, Oxford. He has done post-graduate research at Heidelberg University in Germany and at Harvard University, where he is at present a Research Fellow. He has led numerous scientific expeditions throughout the world, but particularly in Southwestern Asia and the Middle East, including an extensive trip in 1950 to Iraq, Iran, the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia. In 1947-48, as a member of the University of California African Expedition he conducted research in Egypt (Faiyum and Sinai), the Northern Sudan and Kenya. He is familiar as only the trained observer can be with these areas which are of such crucial international significance at the moment. But these are the same areas which were crucial to the development of man and of civilization. They are the areas which gave us, two and three thousand years ago, both the Old and the New Testaments. Dr. Field's scientific affiliations and his scholarly publications are too numerous to be listed. He has published over 250 articles and numerous monographs. Among his more important books are *The Anthropology of Iraq*, *Sinai Sheds*

*New Light on the Bible*, *Contributions to the Anthropology of Iran*.

**OSCAR ROSS EWING.** Appointed Federal Security Administrator on August 27, 1947. Oscar Ross Ewing was born in Greensburg, Indiana, March 8, 1889, the son of George McClellan and Nettie Moore (Ross) Ewing. His early education was in the public schools of Greensburg and at Indiana University, where he received his A.B. degree in 1910. In 1913 Mr. Ewing received his LL.B. degree from Harvard, where for 2 years he was an editor of the *Harvard Law Review*. Later in 1917 he entered the Army, and subsequently he became an Air Service captain. Following his discharge, Mr. Ewing was associated with Charles Evans Hughes as a member of the firm of Hughes, Schurman and Dwight until its dissolution in 1937. He then joined with Charles Evans Hughes, Jr., to form the partnership of Hughes, Hubbard and Ewing, with which he was associated until his appointment as Federal Security Administrator. In 1942, Mr. Ewing, as a special assistant to the United States Attorney General, prosecuted Silver Shirt leader, William Dudley Pelley, who was convicted of sedition. He also served in 1947 as a special assistant to the Attorney General in the treason case against Douglas Chandler, who was sentenced to life imprisonment. From August 1940 to May 1942, Mr. Ewing served as Assistant Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. In August 1942 he was appointed Vice Chairman and held that office until March 1947. With his appointment as Federal Security Administrator, Mr. Ewing moved to bring into closer relationship the constituent units of the Federal Security Agency, which include the Public Health Service, the Office of Education, the Social Security Administration, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, and the Food and Drug Administration. Mr. Ewing's recommendation of national health insurance as the best means of solving the problem of financing medical care has met with wide attention from all parts of the country. In addition to his recommendation of national health insurance, Mr. Ewing emphasized the need to increase the number of medical personnel, to build more hospitals, to increase research, and to extend local health departments to serve more people. In August 1950 Mr. Ewing called a national conference to consider the problems of the aging, and in December 1950 he served as chairman of the Mid-century White House Conference on Children and Youth.

**BEN C. LIMB.** A key figure in the international situation today as a result of his high place in the Korean government is Colonel Ben C. Limb, American-educated Asian diplomat. As Foreign Minister of the Republic of Korea, his position corresponds to our Secretary of State and his has been a guiding hand in the policies of his native land. As chief of the Korean Mission to the United Nations General Assembly and Security Council sessions, he is an active participant in diplomatic maneuverings that influence the course of conflict in the Korean republic. Educated in this country—he graduated from Mt. Hermon preparatory school and attended Ohio State University—Col. Limb took part in the organization of the Korean revolt against Japan in 1919 and was Syngman Rhee's aide when Dr. Rhee was elected President of the Korean Republic in exile at Shanghai. For the next thirty years he served as private secretary to President Rhee until his appointment as Foreign Minister in 1949. In the forefront of the fight for liberation from Japan's domination, Col. Limb served in the Korean Commission in Washington, D. C. during the 1930's, seeking to establish his country's independence. Since the outbreak of war in Korea, his has been an eloquent voice—he speaks impeccable English—against the forces of totalitarianism in the world.

**JOHN COLEMAN BENNETT.** Professor of Christian Theology and Ethics at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, since July 1, 1943, Dr. Bennett was born at Kingston, Ontario, Canada, July 22, 1902. His preparatory education was at Phillips Exeter Academy (N.H.) from 1918-20. In 1924, Dr. Bennett was graduated *cum laude* with an A.B. degree from Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. He went to Mansfield College, Oxford University, England, in 1924, receiving a B.A. in theology in 1926. In 1927, he received a bachelor of divinity (B.D.) degree from Union Theological Seminary, *magna cum laude*. Dr. Bennett was secretary of the section on the Church and the Disorder of Society at the Amsterdam Assembly in 1948. During the summer of 1950, he flew to Japan at the invitation of the United Church of Christ in Japan and the National Christian Council to "interpret the theological basis for social responsibility." He spent five weeks lecturing and travelling. Three of Dr. Bennett's books have been translated into Japanese. Dr. Bennett was a member of the Federal Council's Commission to study the moral implications of wartime use of mass destruction weapons. He and other theologians are collaborating with economists in a three-year study on the relation of Christian ethics to economic life under a grant of \$100,000 by the Rockefeller Foundation. Other activities of Professor Bennett are: vice-chairman of the department of social service of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, 1937-41; secretary of the Section on Church and Economic Order of the Oxford Conference on Life and Work, 1937; chairman of the Congregational Christian Council for Social Action; and member of the American Theological Association. He is a member of Beta Kappa, and has club membership in the Berkeley Club. He is the author of: *Social Salvation*, 1935; *Christianity and Our World*, 1936; *Christian Realism*, 1941; *Christian Ethics and Social Policy*, 1946; *Christianity and Communism*, 1949; *Man's Disorder and God's Design*, (World Council of Churches Pamphlet, 1946).

**ELIZABETH GRAY VINING.** Seldom has fact been so thoroughly and so excitingly interlaced with fantasy and glamour as in the experiences of Mrs. Elizabeth Gray Vining, tutor to the son of the Emperor of Japan. Author of outstanding juvenile fiction under her maiden name of Elizabeth Janet Gray, Mrs. Vining was sponsored for this unique teaching position by the American Friends Service Committee, of which she was an executive staff member. Appointed by the Japanese Imperial Household in 1946, Mrs. Vining taught English and American literature to Crown Prince Akihito and also lectured at the Peer's School in Japan, where she emphasized the democratic ideals of nations working together for lasting peace. The tall, slender, good-looking Pennsylvania-born author has to her credit two prize-winning books—"Sandy," winner of the Children's Spring Festival in 1945 under the sponsorship of the *New York Herald Tribune*; and "Adam of the Road," awarded the John Newberry Medal in 1943 for the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children. In addition, she is the author of "The Fair Adventure," "Beppe Marlowe," "Penn," "Young Walter Scott" and others. Most of her works deal with biographical and historical subject matter, for which Mrs. Vining does painstaking research. A graduate of Bryn Mawr, Mrs. Vining taught English composition at a girl's school for a while and then studied library science at Drexel Institute. In 1929 she married Morgan Vining, associate director of the extension division of the University of North Carolina and taught library science at the University during two summer sessions. When a tragic automobile accident killed her husband four years later, she continued her writing and teaching in Germantown, Pennsylvania. Since her return to America, Mrs. Vining has spent her time completing work on a book about her fabulous experiences in the Imperial Household of Japan.

## THE INSTITUTE CALENDAR

Fellowship Dinners .....6:00 P.M.

Class Sessions .....7:00 P.M.

Institute Speakers .....8:00 P.M.

An Open Forum Will Follow Each Address

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Monday, January 21

**DR. WILLIAM AGAR**

"The United Nations Today"

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Monday, January 28

**DR. HENRY FIELD**

"New Light on the Bible"

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Monday, February 4

**OSCAR ROSS EWING**

"Health Alternatives Facing the American People"

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Monday, February 11

**COLONEL BEN C. LIMB**

"Can Asia Be Saved from Communism?"

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Monday, February 18

**DR. JOHN C. BENNETT**

"Christian Strategy in the World Conflict"

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Monday, February 25

**ELIZABETH GRAY VINING**

"Young People of New Japan"

## INSTITUTE DINNERS

Fellowship dinners will be served at the church during each evening of the Institute at 6 P. M. The cost of each dinner will be \$1.25. Tickets for six dinners will be \$6.00. In order to give ample time for preparation of meals, please make reservations before 1 P. M. of each day of the Institute. The church telephone number is 2-1119.

Special announcements will be made at each dinner about the classes and other matters of interest. If time permits, brief talks may be given.

## RESERVED SEATS

Seats will be reserved in the auditorium for all who attend the Institute classes. No seats will be held after the beginning of the main program of the evening.

## THE COURSES

**JUDICIAL PROTECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND POLITICAL PRIVILEGES.** This course will concentrate upon three significant contemporary problems confronted by the courts and will look at these problems mainly as they appeared to the Supreme Court of the United States. The first session will consider the present composition and powers of the Supreme Court. The second and third sessions will be devoted to the Court's continuing effort to trace the boundaries of civil liberties in a long line of cases involving political activities alleged to be subversive. The "clear and present danger" doctrine will be followed from its origin through the recent prosecution of Communist leaders. The fourth session will examine the constitutional grounds adopted by the Court in its recent narrowing of racial segregation in various fields including education. The last two sessions will analyze the judicial attitude toward state laws and party regulations that impose discriminatory restrictions upon the voting privilege (e.g., poll tax and white primary laws) or that produce gross inequalities in the weight accorded individual votes (e.g., Georgia's county unit system and the antiquated political geography of Congressional districts in various states).

**Leader of the Course:** Professor P. W. Edsall, Head of the Department of History and Political Science at North Carolina State College; assisted by other speakers to be announced.

**Place of Meeting:** Large Sunday School Room, Second Floor, United Church—use Dawson Street entrance.

**TOWARD AN UNDERSTANDING OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.** This course is tailored for those who believe that a better understanding of international relations, international cooperation, and international law is at least the first step in the direction of lasting peace. Class sessions will be devoted to talks on several approaches to the attainment of the ageless goal of peace, and the barriers which have long blocked its attainment. Whether the United States can be effectively guaranteed from a Third World War by reversion to an isolationist attitude, by maintaining the present status quo, or by participation in a more powerful United Nations are among the topics to be discussed during the six sessions of this course. The Free World-Communist struggle and the lessons of the past six years since World War II come in for consideration in these class discussions, conducted by the foremost authorities from all over the State.

Advocates from two of the most influential international groups—the Atlantic Union and the United World Federalists—will be allowed one session each for the presentation of their approaches to the solution of the current impasse in international affairs; and the question of whether our national leaders differ in our present foreign policy or merely its implementation will be considered from a non-partisan viewpoint by at least one lecturer. The lectures will last 30-40 minutes, with provision made for a moderated question-answer period at the end of each class.

**Leader of the Course:** Charles F. Blanchard, attorney at law, Raleigh, N. C.; assisted by other experts to be announced.

**Place of Meeting:** Assembly Room of the United Church—use Dawson Street entrance.

**THE RELATION OF THE CHURCH AND STATE IN A MODERN DEMOCRACY.** In this course an effort will be made to assess such current controversies as that surrounding the President's nomination of General Clark as Ambassador to the Vatican City in historical, political, and legal perspective. They are not to be discussed as religious or church issues, but as issues involving the whole fabric of our democratic society. A tentative arrangement of the classes in the course is as follows:

1. The Vatican and European Politics Since 1850.  
Speaker: Dr. Lillian Parker Wallace, Meredith College.
2. The Nature of the Vatican as a State.  
Speaker: Dr. J. Francis Paschal, Raleigh Attorney.
3. The History of the Tradition of Religious Liberty in America Since 1620.  
Speaker: Dr. Alice Keith, Meredith College.
4. The Principle of Religious Liberty and the Constitution of the United States.  
Speaker: To be announced.
5. The Present Political Activities of the Vatican.  
Speaker: Reverend Edwin McNeill Poteat
6. Summary and Discussion of the Significance of the Foregoing for the Present Political Situation.  
Speaker: Reverend Edwin McNeill Poteat

**Leader of the Course:** Dr. Edwin McNeill Poteat, Minister, The Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh.

**Place of Meeting:** Basement Room, The United Church—use Hillsboro Street entrance.

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### SOME OF THE DISTINGUISHED MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE APPEARED ON FORMER INSTITUTE PROGRAMS

Li Ling Ai  
Ethel J. Alpenfels  
Phyllis Bentley  
David Bradley  
Dwight J. Bradley  
Scott Buchanan  
Ralph J. Bunche  
George A. Buttrick  
Samuel McCrea Cavert  
Allan Knight Chalmers  
Amiya Chakravarty  
Henry S. Commager  
Henry Hitt Crane  
Vera Micheles Dean  
Paul H. Douglas  
Truman B. Douglass  
Kermit Eby  
Mordecai Ezekiel  
Harold E. Fey  
Markoosha Fischer  
Dorothy Fosdick  
Harry D. Gideonse  
Carl J. Hambro  
Hornell Hart  
James M. Hepbron  
Konrad Heiden  
Ralph Hetzel  
Calvin B. Hoover  
Robert M. Hutchins  
J. V. Hyka  
E. Stanley Jones  
Rufus M. Jones

Estes Kefauver  
Leo Lania  
Henry Smith Lelper  
Max Lerner  
Louis M. Levitsky  
Erika Mann  
Lord Marley  
Clyde R. Miller  
Reinhold Niebuhr  
Liston Pope  
E. McNeill Poteat  
Homer P. Rainey  
Arthur Raper  
Eleanor Roosevelt  
Francis H. Russell  
Paul Scherer  
Ruth Isabel Seabury  
Mrs. Harper Sibley  
Henry Ernest Sigerist  
Irima Skariatna  
Margaret Slattery  
W. Aiken Smart  
Ralph W. Sockman  
Alexander Alan Stenbach  
Carl C. Taylor  
Norman Thomas  
D. Elton Trueblood  
Jerry Voorhis  
Carl H. Voss  
Hazen G. Werner  
Henry Nelson Wieman  
Lynn Alfred Williams, Jr.  
Ella Winter

## A Word to the Friends of The Institute

The United Church takes special pride this year in inviting its friends, old and new, to participate in the thirteenth annual Institute of Religion. The Church finds itself this year without a fulltime minister, but it has gone forward with its plans for the winter Institute program in the belief that this community forum has become too important a part of the intellectual and moral life of this area to be discontinued. The Institute, we believe, has become an institution, and we have been encouraged in this belief by the warm support and assistance that has come from our sister churches, from the colleges, and from the community at large.

This year the program is more varied than usual. The courses are of particularly high quality and we invite all of our friends to take advantage of them. Those attending the courses will be given preferential seating for the main lecture at eight o'clock. Though no one can say that international tensions have eased in any perceptible degree during the last year, we have felt that some attention should be paid to domestic and general issues, as well as to matters connected with foreign policy. We are therefore presenting a mixed program which we hope will appeal to an even wider range of thoughtful people than we have reached in the past.

The Institute again reaffirms its basic faith that a proper concern of any vigorous religion is the open discussion of all affairs that vitally affect mankind. Such discussion, under the aegis of the church, has in the past won the enthusiastic support of our community; we ask for the continuation of that support in the future. This Institute belongs to you, its friends; its purpose is served so long as you are served.

## The 1952 Institute of Religion Committee

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## OUR PATRONS

There is no charge for attendance at any of the courses or the eight o'clock lectures. You are invited to share in the expenses of the Institute by becoming a patron through the gift of one dollar or more. Offerings will be received at the general meetings.

# The Eleventh Annual INSTITUTE of RELIGION

UNITED CHURCH, RALEIGH, N. C.



PROGRAM FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1950, 8:15 P.M.

IN THE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

THE REV. FREDERICK B. EUTSLER, *Presiding*

Prelude

Hymn (to the tune *Truro*) Led by Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith

These things shall be: a loftier race  
Than e'er the world hath known shall rise  
With flame of freedom in their souls  
And light of knowledge in their eyes.

They shall be gentle, brave, and strong,  
To spill no drop of blood, but dare  
All that may plant man's lordship firm  
On earth, and fire, and sea, and air.

Nation with nation, land with land  
Unarmed shall live as comrades free;  
In every heart and brain shall throb  
The pulse of one fraternity.

New arts shall bloom of loftier mold,  
And mightier music thrill the skies,  
And every life shall be a song,  
When all the earth is paradise. *Amen.*

Invocation.....The Right Reverend Edwin A. Penick, D.D.,  
Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina

Offertory Anthems:

"Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Mount of Olives".....*Beethoven*  
Saint Augustine's Choral Club, Mrs. Romaine Simmons Lambert, Conductor

"The Omnipotence" .....*Schubert*  
Shaw University Choral Society, Harry Gil-Smythe, Conductor

Presentation of the Speaker.....Dr. Robert P. Daniel  
President, Shaw University

Address: "The United Nations Peace Effort".....Dr. Ralph J. Bunche  
Director, Department of Trusteeship of the United Nations

Question Period

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We are indebted to Rho Chapter of Sigma Pi Fraternity at State College for assisting the ushers of the United Church this evening. We wish also to express our deep appreciation to the choral societies of Saint Augustine's College and Shaw University, their directors, Mrs. Lambert and Mr. Gil-Smythe for the musical selections they have presented, and to Dr. Frederick Stanley Smith for leading the singing.

"America and World Leadership" is the subject of the address to be delivered by Dr. Max Lerner at the third session of the Institute, Monday, February 6 at 8 P.M., in the United Church. An authority on government, economics, and international relations, Dr. Lerner has taught at Sarah Lawrence, Harvard, and Williams, served as editor of *The Nation*, and chief editorial writer for the newspaper *PM*. He is now a columnist for *The New York Post and Home News*, and teaches at Brandeis University and the New School of Social Research.

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PROGRAM FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1950, 8 P.M.

THE REV. FREDERICK B. EUTSLER, *Presiding*

Prelude.....Mrs. R. O. Caveness

Hymn 411 (all stanzas).....*Bates-Ward*

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for glorious tale of liberating strife,  
When valiantly for man's avail men lavished precious life!  
America! America! may God thy gold refine,  
Till all success be nobleness and every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream, that sees beyond the years,  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea! Amen

Invocation.....Rabbi Harry N. Caplan  
Temple Beth Or, Raleigh, N. C.

Offertory Anthem: "Brother James Air".....*Arranged by Gordon Jacobs*

Presentation of the Speaker.....Dr. Carlyle Campbell  
President, Meredith College

Address: "America and World Leadership".....Dr. Max Lerner  
Professor of American Civilization, Brandeis University

Question Period

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Dr. Dorothy Fosdick, only woman member of the State Department's Policy Planning Staff, which sits apart from day to day crises to consider the long range objectives of American foreign policy is eminently well qualified to speak on "The Foreign Policy of the United States," at the fourth session of the Institute, Monday, February 13, at 8 P.M. A graduate of Smith College, Dr. Fosdick earned her Ph.D. at Columbia, taught sociology and government at Smith, and since 1942 has served the State Department in various capacities. She has attended in an official capacity most of the great conferences preparatory to the formation of the United Nations, and many of its meetings since.

Have you become a patron of the Institute? Use the envelope you found in your pew tonight.