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Departments

The following departments have completed their organization by the election of the principal officers, shown below, and their committees co-operating with these officers. Other departments are securing their complement of officers.

I. *The Council*—President, George Albert Coe, Ph.D., Evanston, Ill.; Recording Secretary, L. L. Doggett, Ph.D., Springfield, Mass.; Executive Secretary, Clyde W. Votaw, Ph.D., Chicago.

II. *Universities and Colleges*—President, Francis W. Kelsey, Ph.D., Ann Arbor, Mich.; Recording Secretary, Blanche Zehring, Ph.D., Aurora, N. Y.; Executive Secretary, Wallace N. Stearns, Ph.D., Grand Forks, N. D.

III. *Theological Seminaries*—President, Wm. Douglas Mackenzie, D.D., Hartford, Conn.; Recording Secretary, Charles M. Stuart, D.D., Evanston, Ill.; Executive Secretary, Shailer Mathews, D.D., Chicago.

V. *Sunday Schools*—President, George B. Stewart, D.D., LL.D., Auburn, N. Y.; Recording Secretary, E. Morris Fergusson, M.A., Newark, N. J.; Executive Secretary, J. Richard Street, Ph.D., Syracuse, N. Y.

IX. *Teacher-Training*—President, Frank Knight Sanders, Ph.D., Boston, Mass.; Recording Secretary, Lester Bradner, Ph.D., Providence, R. I.; Executive Secretary, Mrs. J. Woodbridge Barnes, Newark, N. J.

X. *Christian Associations*—President, L. L. Doggett, Ph.D., Springfield, Mass.; Recording Secretary, Henry E. Rosevear, Louisville, Ky.; Executive Secretary, George W. Fisher, M.D., New York City.

Charles Cuthbert Hall

By the death on March 25, 1908, of Charles Cuthbert Hall, President of Union Theological Seminary and Barrows lecturer to India, the Religious Education Association loses one of its earliest supporters and warmest, wisest friends. Dr. Hall was the second president of the Association, in the year 1904. When the history of the Association shall be written his contribution to its founding and guidance will constitute an important chapter.

The New Volume

Few matters are of greater interest to the constituency of the R. E. A. than the publication of the volumes containing the addresses and proceedings of the general conventions. The next volume will be uniform with those preceding; it will be entitled "Religious Education and the Life of the Nation" and will go, as heretofore, to all members whose dues for 1908 are paid, without further charge.

In this volume the papers will be given with greater fulness than heretofore, the Journal affording the medium for the publication of the excess material which this plan will of necessity create. The Journal will also go to all members whose dues are paid, so that all may have complete reports of all the papers and addresses at the Conventions, as well as much other valuable matter which appears in the bi-monthly publication.

Conferences

Conferences or special meetings on religious education have been held recently at the following points, the General Secretary attending all but one of these: Jackson, Mich., Washington, D. C., Jersey City, N. J., Chicago, Ill., Kansas City, Mo., Pittsburg and Red Oak, Iowa.

A state conference on religious education is being arranged to take place at Syracuse, N. Y., on April 27 and 28. Other gatherings in the interest of religious education will be held shortly at Ann Arbor, Mich., Bloomington, Ill., Cambridge, Mass., New Haven, Conn., Chicago, Ill., Georgetown, Texas, Greeley, Colo., Cleveland, Ohio, Morgantown, W. Va., Lake Geneva, Wis., Racine, Wis., Bristol, Tenn., Hinsdale, Ill., and San Francisco, Calif.

International Moral Education Congress

An International Moral Education Congress is being organized which is to be held in London, September 23-26, 1908.

Papers on the following subjects, among others, will be read: School and Home, School Organization, Discipline, Methods of Training and Teaching, Teachers' Manuals and Children's Reading Books, The Ethical Penetration of the Whole Curriculum, The Relation of Aesthetic and Physical Education to Moral Education, Moral and Civic Instruction, The Education of the Morally Backward, Ethics in Continuation Schools and in Training Colleges.

The General Secretary of the organization is Mr. Gustav Spiller, London, England.

Notes

Through the generosity of Mr. H. J. Heinz "Principles and Ideals for the Sunday School" and "How to Conduct a Sunday School" have been translated into Japanese for the Japanese Sunday School Committee.

The World's Sixth Sunday School Convention will be held in Washington, D. C., June 2-7, 1910.

The St. Louis Sunday School Association is conducting a series of lectures on the "Principles of Religious Education."

The next issue of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION will be devoted to the interests of teacher-training and especially to the matter of the training of leaders in religious education in the universities and colleges.

Dr. C. Crozat Converse, the well-known musical composer, has transferred to the Religious Education Association his rights to the tune "New America," a musical setting entirely different from the old tune and one which is becoming very popular. The Association will send a sample copy of this tune to any person making application.

Simple Practical Help

Last year delays in the payment of the regular membership dues cost the Association about \$250 in labor and postage necessary to remind members of these dues.

There are about 2000 members whose annual dues of \$3.00 each are payable on Feb. 1 of each year. Have you paid your dues for this year, 1908? If you have not, they are now due.

Is there any more simple or practical way to help the Association to save time, labor and money than by the prompt remittance of these dues?