

CHURCH HISTORY

MARCH, 1952

Social Responsibility and the Late
Medieval Mystics

Ray C. Petry

"Anabaptism" and Italy

Henry A. DeWind

Christianity and Socialism in America,
1900-1920

Robert T. Handy

The Negro and Methodist Union

Paul A. Carter

Reviews and Surveys of Recent Literature



Published by
THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CHURCH HISTORY

FOUNDED BY PHILIP SCHAFF, 1888; REORGANIZED, 1906; INCORPORATED BY ACT
OF THE LEGISLATURE OF NEW YORK, 1916.

OFFICERS FOR 1952

Sandford Fleming	<i>President</i>	M. M. Deems	<i>Assistant Secretary</i>
Sidney E. Mead	<i>Vice-President</i>	Guy S. Klett	<i>Treasurer</i>
Raymond W. Albright	<i>Secretary</i>	Wilhelm Pauck }	<i>Editors</i>
(1524 Palm Street, Reading, Pa.)		J. H. Nichols }	

OTHER VOTING MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Matthew Spinka	Ray C. Petry
Ernest G. Schwiebert	Carl E. Schneider
Winthrop S. Hudson	L. J. Trinterud
Massey H. Shepherd	George H. Williams

ADVISORY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

William Walker Rockwell	Herbert W. Schneider
Robert H. Nichols	R. E. E. Harkness
George W. Richards	Charles H. Lyttle
W. E. Garrison	Roland H. Bainton
William Warren Sweet	E. R. Hardy, Jr.
Conrad H. Moehlmann	Harold S. Bender
F. W. Loetscher	Percy V. Norwood
John T. McNeill	K. S. Latourette

CHURCH HISTORY is a quarterly journal published in March, June, September, and December by the American Society of Church History. The editorial address is Swift Hall 306, The University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Illinois.

Subscription prices are four dollars a year, one dollar and a quarter for single copies. Twenty-five cents a year should be added for foreign countries. Remittances should be made to the order of the American Society of Church History. Subscriptions, renewals, changes of address, claims for missing numbers, orders for single copies of current or back issues should be addressed to Guy S. Klett, Presbyterian Historical Society, 520 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania. Claims for missing numbers will be honored without charge if made within two months following the regular month of publication.

The articles in **CHURCH HISTORY** are indexed in the *International Index of Periodicals*.

Microfilm reproductions of **CHURCH HISTORY**, beginning with Volume XVIII, are available to subscribers and to members of the Society from University Microfilms, 313 North First Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The Publication Office is in Berne, Indiana.

Entered as second class matter March 9, 1934, at the post-office at Berne, Indiana, under the Acts of March 3, 1879.

CHURCH HISTORY

Edited By J. H. NICHOLS and WILHELM PAUCK
University of Chicago
with the cooperation of

ROLAND BAINTON (*Divinity School,
Yale University*)

R. PIERCE BEAVER (*Missionary Re-
search Library*)

ROBERT GRANT (*Theological Faculty,
University of the South*)

WINTHROP S. HUDSON (*Colgate-
Rochester Divinity School*)

SIDNEY E. MEAD (*Divinity School,
University of Chicago*)

RAY C. PETRY (*Divinity School, Duke
University*)

MATTHEW SPINKA (*Hartford Theo-
logical Seminary*)

L. J. TRINTERUD (*McCormick Theo-
logical Seminary*)

VOL. XXI

March, 1952

No. 1

TABLE OF CONTENTS

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND THE LATE MEDIEVAL MYSTICS

Ray C. Petry 3

"ANABAPTISM" AND ITALY

Henry A. DeWind 20

CHRISTIANITY AND SOCIALISM IN AMERICA, 1900-1920

Robert T. Handy 39

THE NEGRO AND METHODIST UNION

Paul A. Carter 55

CONTENTS

SURVEYS OF CURRENT RESEARCH	71
I Continental Europe Since 1648	<i>J. H. Nichols</i>
II Church-historical Societies and Their Journals, <i>Wilhelm Pauck</i>	
BOOK REVIEWS	76
B. P. W. STATHER HUNT: <i>Primitive Gospel Sources</i>	Robert M. Grant
C. H. DODD: <i>Gospel and Law</i>	Amos N. Wilder
STANLEY RYPINS: <i>The Book of Thirty Centuries</i>	Allen Wikgren
W. E. TATE: <i>The Parish Chest</i>	Percy V. Norwood
ALBERT HYMA: <i>The Brethren of the Common Life</i>	S. Harrison Thomson
E. DE MOREAU AND OTHERS: <i>La crise religieuse du XVIIe siècle</i>	Bernard C. Weber
ROLAND H. BAINTON: <i>The Travail of Religious Liberty</i> , Lefferts A. Loetscher	
D. B. ROBERTSON: <i>The Religious Foundations of Leveller Democracy</i>	Winthrop S. Hudson
WINTHROP S. HUDSON (ED.): <i>Experiments of Spiritual Life and Health</i>	R. E. E. Harkness
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL AND THE SOCIETY	87
CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS, ACT OF INCORPORATION	90
TREASURER'S REPORT	93