

Henry Joel Cadbury (1883-1974)

HENRY J. CADBURY, son of Joel and Anna Kaighn (Lowry) Cadbury, died on 7th October, 1974, and with his death there passes from the scene one whose contribution to New Testament scholarship, as well as to Quaker historical studies, to the work of the Society of Friends in America and the world at large, has been substantial, long-sustained and immensely useful. His work has continuing value, both in what he himself was able to achieve and through the example and encouragement which his life has been the means of spreading to other workers in the same fields.

For an informed account of Henry J. Cadbury's multifarious activities we refer to Mary Hoxie Jones's biographical sketch of him which appeared in the Festschrift *Then and Now*, edited by Anna Brinton, issued on the occasion of his completion of twenty-two years as chairman of the American Friends Service Committee in 1960. We recall that there has been little slackening since that time in the amount of material prepared for publication coming from Henry's pen. A list of his offices, degrees and honours appears in *Who's Who*, and in *Who's Who in America*.

Henry J. Cadbury was closely engaged over many years in teaching at Harvard (where he held the Hollis chair of divinity for twenty years) and at Haverford College. Something of his devotion to scholarship, and his publishing record can be judged from the fact that entries for his works occupy six columns in the massive *National Union Catalog Pre-1956 Imprints*, not to mention the score of additional entries recorded in the Library of Congress *National Union Catalog* since that date.

A published bibliography is a desideratum for the man who wrote *The Making of Luke-Acts* (1927), *The Peril of Modernizing Jesus* (1935), *Annual Catalogue of George Fox's Papers* (1939), *George Fox's Book of Miracles* (1948), *Narrative Papers of George Fox* (1972), the collection of papers in *Friendly Heritage* (1972) and a host of articles in general learned and in Quaker journals over the past half-century and

more. His presidential address to Friends' Historical Society in 1947, entitled "Answering that of God", was printed in this *Journal*, vol. 39, pp. 3-14.

Many tributes will be paid to the life and work of a great man before this appears in print. We salute the memory of Henry Joel Cadbury, educator, and this Historical Society is thankful that his recreations included (as well as camping) Quaker history. In his myriad concerns and activities he did not lose sight of his highest goals.

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Janet Payne Whitney (1889-1974)

JANET WHITNEY died in America 19 December 1974, and with her passing we lost one who made Quakerism known in her writings far beyond the confines of the Society of Friends. Her outstanding biography *Elizabeth Fry, Quaker heroine* (1936) puts the penal reformers' legend of the formidable matron in Quaker grey within a human setting, and sheds on her career a more roseate and engaging light. Janet Whitney's other biographies, *John Woolman*, *Geraldine S. Cadbury*, and *Abigail Adams*, were matched by half a dozen historical novels with Quaker interest, and contributions to the *Atlantic Monthly*, the *Ladies Home Journal*, as well as to Quaker journals.

Janet E. L. Payne was born at Chesham and educated at the Mount School, York, and Bedford College, London. She married George Gillett Whitney, art master at Westtown School, Pennsylvania. Her Presidential Address to the Historical Society was delivered on 30 September 1965, and printed in the *Journal* that year, vol. 51, pp. 3-20, under the title "The apprenticeship of George Fox".

The Society of Friends, and the Historical Society in particular, counts itself fortunate that its members are concerned and willing to use their talents of investigation and interpretation in the service of Quakerism. It is with affection that we remember Janet Whitney and salute her memory.