

Here Are Books—and Books

With Some Special Suggestions for Religious Book Week

Religion for the New Day

One expects to find, these days, that among the new books on religion a very large number are expressions of an effort not as of old to divorce religion from the world, but to bind it to the world as closely as possible—particularly, of course, to the war-made world, with its special set of social and political problems. Directly inspired by the war—and, in an occasional bitterness of emotion, much engrossed in the war—is *"Lest We Forget,"* by Hugh Black, author of the famous "Friendship" books. In eleven essays, various lessons of the war are given a clear, strong, eloquent discussion. "The Cleavage of the World," "Patriotism, True and False," "Peace and Pacifism"—these are some of the chapter titles. John Kelman, in *Some Aspects of International Christianity*, carries the discussion a little farther and deeper, giving Christianity its place at the conference table where actual after-war problems and remedies are being discussed—The League of Nations, British and American relations, individual versus national morality, and so forth. The book is lucid, persuasive and deeply serious. In point of view and general purpose, Charles F. Dole, in *A Religion for a New Day*, is a more thoro-going modern. His plea is not simply that religion grapple with the day's problems, but that we have in place of the old religion which cannot grapple with them, which has therefore finally failed, a new religion in tune with the times. His main contention is clear and courageous, and the book is interesting; but in treatment it lacks the note of challenge that one instinctively looks for from the daring un-orthodox—it is curiously mild and tentative.

A Religion for a New Day, by Charles F. Dole. B. W. Huebsch, Inc. *Some Aspects of International Christianity*, by John Kelman. The Abingdon Press. *"Lest We Forget,"* by Hugh Black. Fleming H. Revell Co.

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