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Rev. John Allen Clark,  
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Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter enquiring about Eric Mascall's book, the SECULARISATION OF CHRISTIANITY. This book is published by Darton, Longman & Todd, 64 Chiswick Road, London, W. 4 at a cost of 32/-.

Yours sincerely,



DENIS DUNCAN, Managing Editor

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# The SCM Book Club

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## From the Editor's Desk

### The Free Book

offered to all who enrol a new member in November or December is *The Secular City*, the new book by Professor Harvey Cox of Harvard (normally 21s). Dr Erik Routley wrote in his review in the *British Weekly*: 'Once again the SCM Press has published a book which nobody can afford to ignore. I have seldom handled a book which so radiantly combined passion, prophecy and constructiveness.' If you prefer it, we offer an alternative: the two new short paperbacks by Dr Paul Tournier, *Secrets* and *To Resist or to Surrender*.

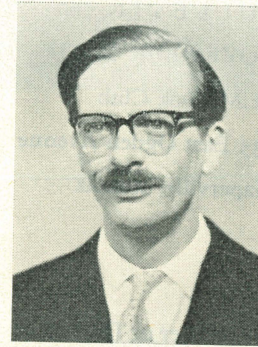
### The January Book

will be *The Triumph of Job* by Professor Edgar Jones of the Northern Congregational College, Manchester. This fresh study of a majestic poem shows that its theme is clearer than is usually supposed. The central subject of *Job* is the reality of religious faith, purified and triumphant after a rejection of shallow dogmas and a long struggle with the mystery of evil.

Some members of the Club will recall *Job and His Friends* by the late T. H. Robinson, our May 1954 book, but the new author has his own approach to this perennial masterpiece. As Professor William Barclay wrote in his Preface to *The Greatest Old Testament Words* by Edgar Jones (SCM Press 1964), through this scholar's exposition 'the teaching of the Old Testament will come alive and will be seen to be astonishingly relevant'.

The March book will be *Interpreting the Cross* by Max Warren.

David L. Edwards



## James Leitch

was born in 1921, and educated mainly in the Latin and Greek classics at Glasgow's famous High School and University. He then worked on theology at New College, Edinburgh (B.D.), and at the University of Basel under Karl Barth and Oscar Cullmann (Dr. Theol.). His doctoral dissertation was on the theology of H. R. Mackintosh. But his interests were not solely theological! He was awarded the certificate of the Pollock Institute of Physical Education

in Edinburgh. While in Basel he came to share Karl Barth's own passion for the music of Mozart – and married a Swiss wife (they now have two children).

In 1950 Dr Leitch was ordained to a Highland parish, from which he was called to the Scots Church, Rotterdam, in 1954. Eight years later he returned to Scotland as minister of the High Church, Bathgate, but in October 1964 he was back in Switzerland, as one of the three ministers of the historic Matthausergemeinde of the Evangelical Reformed Church of Basel. So far as is known, he is the first Scotsman to be called to a 'full charge' in Switzerland since John Knox's historic ministry in Geneva (1555–59). As may be gathered from this career, and from the list of important words of theology translated by Dr Leitch, he preaches and teaches as fluently in Dutch or German as in the language of *The King Comes*.

During 1966 he will be delivering the Hastie Lectures in the University of Glasgow. He is also busy translating for the SCM Press and Harpers *The Theology of Hope* by Jürgen Moltmann.

## A. M. Hunter writes

Dr Hunter, Master of Christ's College and Professor of Biblical Criticism in the University of Aberdeen, is himself a highly popular author in this Club.

Over forty years ago, in the Preface to his *Romans*, Karl Barth declared that New Testament commentators had only done the