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EUGENE A. NIDA, Ph.D.

Author, Linguist

MARCH 23-27, 1953

1. MONDAY, 7:30 P.M.—"SHOCKS AND SURPRISES"
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WILLIAM CHILDS ROBINSON, B.A., B.D., Th.D.

Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Polity, and Missions, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia

Subject: "Christ—The Bread of Life"

FEBRUARY, 1950

CLARENCE EDWARD NOBLE MACARTNEY, B.A.,
A.M., D.D., Litt.D., LL.D.

Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Subject: "A Bow at a Venture"

FEBRUARY, 1951

GORDON HADDON CLARK, A.B., Ph.D.

*Professor of Philosophy and Department Chairman
Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana*

Subject: "A Christian View of Men and Things"

MARCH, 1952

OSWALD T. ALLIS, A.B., B.D., Ph.D., D.D.

Theologian, Author, Old Testament Scholar

Subject: "Old Testament Introduction"

The Rev. Eugene A. Nida, Ph.D., secretary for versions of the American Bible Society, is one of the foremost linguists in the United States. Familiar with the more commonly spoken languages, Dr. Nida's acute ear catches the fine differences in the speech of primitive peoples, for many of whom no printed part of the Bible has yet appeared.

Since 1936, he has been associated with the Wycliffe Bible Translators and is a professor in and co-director of the Summer Institute of Linguistics now located on the campus of the University of Oklahoma. In this work, Dr. Nida is engaged in teaching missionaries and missionary candidates the fundamental principles of linguistic analysis and the procedures for translating the Bible into the various languages of the world.

During the winter Dr. Nida gives himself to research, writing and checking manuscripts of new translations. This work is done on the field wherever possible, for it is the purpose of the American Bible Society to publish the Scriptures in the form of the native language which speaks most effectively to the reader's soul.

Dr. Nida, during the last two years, has spent considerable time in Guatemala, Mexico, Europe and Africa, in consultation with translators and in the study of language problems.

Dr. Nida is the author of a number of books on translation, "*Linguistic Interludes*," published by the Summer Institute of Linguistics; "*Morphology*," from the press of the University of Michigan, "*Bible Translation*," published in 1947 by the American Bible Society, and his latest book, "*God's Word in Man's Language*," published by Harper & Brothers, which is listed among the fifty best religious books of 1952.

Dr. Nida was ordained by the Covina Baptist Church, California, in May, 1943.