

The aim of the group was to offset liberal theology and to urge the purging of the denominations. By 1921 it was represented in 25 states as well as Canada but it fell into intra-party disputes over eschatology matters, and other things, and by 1927 had become just another evangelical association with no distinctive message of its own. Having no longer a definitive program and only a generally mandated position it could secure no real implementation for its ideas and came to a rather painless end.

/2/ The Bible League of North America

Active between 1902 and 1930 and more popularly known as the "Bible Champions". Its main thrust was to oppose modernism and evolution. It was not well defined theologically and this, with the depression, brought about its demise.

/3/ The Bible Crusaders

This body was more inclined towards political activity and was organized by G.W. Washburn. It concentrated on lobbying with state legislatures and worked particularly hard for anti-evolution bills. It was a forerunner, in some ways, of the more modern Moral Majority...which body could learn something from the history of these earlier groups, if it were so minded. Period of greatest activity was the twenties, early thirties.

/4/ The research Science Bureau

Concentration on the work of Harry Rimmer, presbyterian minister and outspoken fundamentalist. The Bureau published an important set of literary contributions under the title "The John Lawrence Frost Memorial Library". The big contest was against evolution, theistic evolution, and modernism. Still has an office today...peak of its productivity in the 40's and 50's.

/5/ Christian Life movements.

These were a series of campaigns that sought to rally believers for a cause affecting the entire gamut of life. They compare favorably with the pro-life movements of today, etc. The principle parties in the ideology are (were):

The National Reform Institute

The Victorious Life Testimony

The Women's Christian Temperance Union

and, as in most sections of this course, several others.