

accompanied by a corresponding increase in the quality of its contents. *The Humanist* has long been the natural focal point for top-level humanistic thinking and writing. As the magazine is increasingly able to offer serious writers a large and thoughtful audience, it becomes much easier to obtain for publication important articles by such men as Julian Huxley, whose "Evolutionary Humanism" appeared in the last two issues of *The Humanist*.

THE FUTURE

The continuing increase in membership and influence shown in this report presents the American Humanist Association with a chronic problem. Any businessman knows the difficulty of financing a constantly expanding operation—money is always needed for more personnel, for new and more efficient equipment to meet the demands of such expansion. And, although these investments more than pay for themselves in time and money saved, by then there are new demands due to the continuing expansion in the interim.

In spite of this difficulty, the over-all picture of the association's present position and future prospects is very good. Humanism is taking hold, is becoming in reality a fourth faith—the faith of thoughtful, intelligent people all over the United States and abroad.

This fact, already foreseen by such prophetic thinkers as Albert Schweitzer, is becoming increasingly more evident. As Dr. Schweitzer said in a letter to the A.H.A. several years ago: "The world thinks it must raise itself above humanism; that it must look for a more profound spirituality. It has taken a false road. Humanism in all its simplicity is the only genuine spirituality. Only ethics and religion which include in themselves the humanitarian ideal have true value. And humanism is the most precious result of rational meditation upon our existence and that of the world."

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