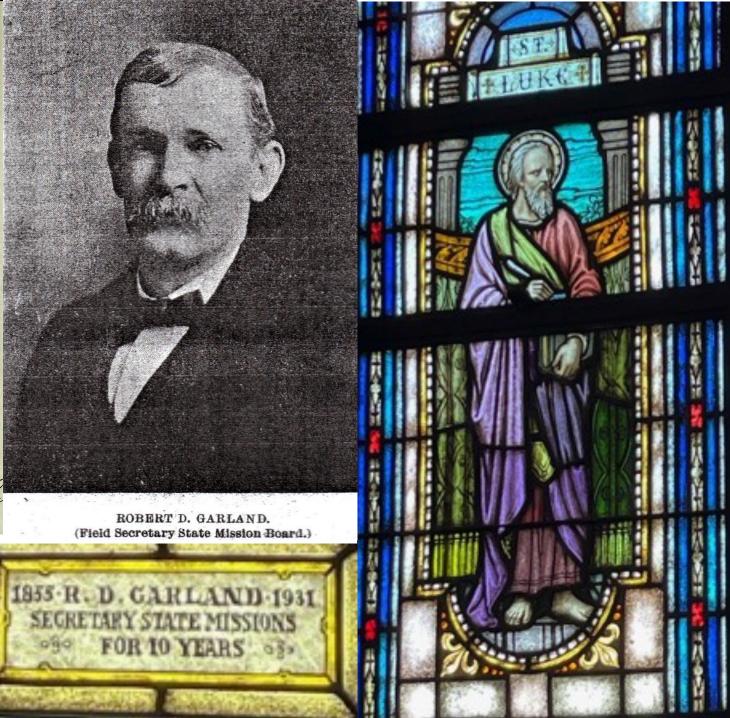
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## ROBERT D. GARLAND.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 8.-(AP)-Robert Daniel Garland, 76, for more than a quarter of a century secretary of the Virginia Baptist board of missions and education or boards which it replaced, died today at the home of his daughter here.

At the time of his death Mr. Garland was advisory secretary of the board, having relinquished the post of active secretary in 1929.

ROBERT DANIEL GARLAND Robert Daniel Garland was a remarkable man. Without the advantages of technical training or of education in the higher schools, he was first a Christian evangelist, who, following his own convictions, laid down a lucrative calling and entered in 1898 upon evangelistic service. For five and a half years he went into Virginia churches with his messages of salvation. His sole reliance was upon the Word of God and His Spirit. He was largely a man of one book, so far as his ministry was concerned. His amazing familiarity with the Scriptures, his ability to quote them aptly and accurately, to give the book, chapter and the verse, without hesitation or faltering, gave him entrance to the hearts of the people who "heard him gladly" as they had heard his Master. When the State Mission Board in 1904 was looking for someone to serve as Associate Secretary, they call Mr. Garland to this place. He was then vigorous and active in body and mind. He already has the missionary temper and spirit. He enjoyed a wide acquaintance with the State in which he was to serve. From 1904 until 1919, the year in which the beloved William Ellyson entered into rest, Mr. Garland and Mr. Ellyson worked side by side. The affectionate relations, which grew out of this association, were broken only by death.

During that period of Mr. Garland's labors as Associate Secretary, he went far and wide over the state, a messenger of comfort to troubled pastors, a wise counselor, a friend of every good man and every good cause and a preacher with a saving message for the lost. When William Ellyson passed into the silent land, the Board naturally and inevitably called Mr. Garland to take up the tasks and responsibilities, which had fallen from the hands of the beloved Ellyson. Then followed nine years of larger responsibility, of heavier tasks and duties, all of which he met and discharged with unfailing courage, with excellent judgment and with a spirit of unselfish devotion. The long and busy years took their toll of strength. To the very limit of his conscious life, his heart was warm and tender. Several years ago, however, physical limitations and infirmities seemed to make it necessary fro him to lay aside the active superintendency of the enlarged work. His last report as chief Secretary of the Virginia Baptist Board of Missions and Education was made in 1928. Since that time he has been valuable to the Board in many ways as a trusted counselor. In recent months those of us who loved him---- and who that knew him did not love him?----noted with growing distress and apprehension the failure of his strength.

Quietly and peacefully he came through an illness that did not apparently involve any great physical pain or struggle, to the end. On Sunday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Cole, in Westmoreland, he quietly fell asleep. We cannot trust ourselves to follow the promptings of our heart in writing of him. He was a close, affectionate intimate friend through a long stretch of years. No cleaner whiter soul made clean and white through the grace and mercy of God, ever lived or served among us. His noble and faithful wife and his three children, in their sore bereavement, must be comforted by the fact, that he leaves to them a legacy of a long and eminently useful and unselfish life, which God abundantly blessed and honored and made fruitful. They may also fine comfort in the fact that on this Monday, tens of thousands in Virginia and elsewhere will be with them in spirit as they lay the tenantless form in its sleeping chamber until the trumpet sounds, and the dead in Christ arise.

**SOURCE: Religious Herald February 12, 1931** 

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