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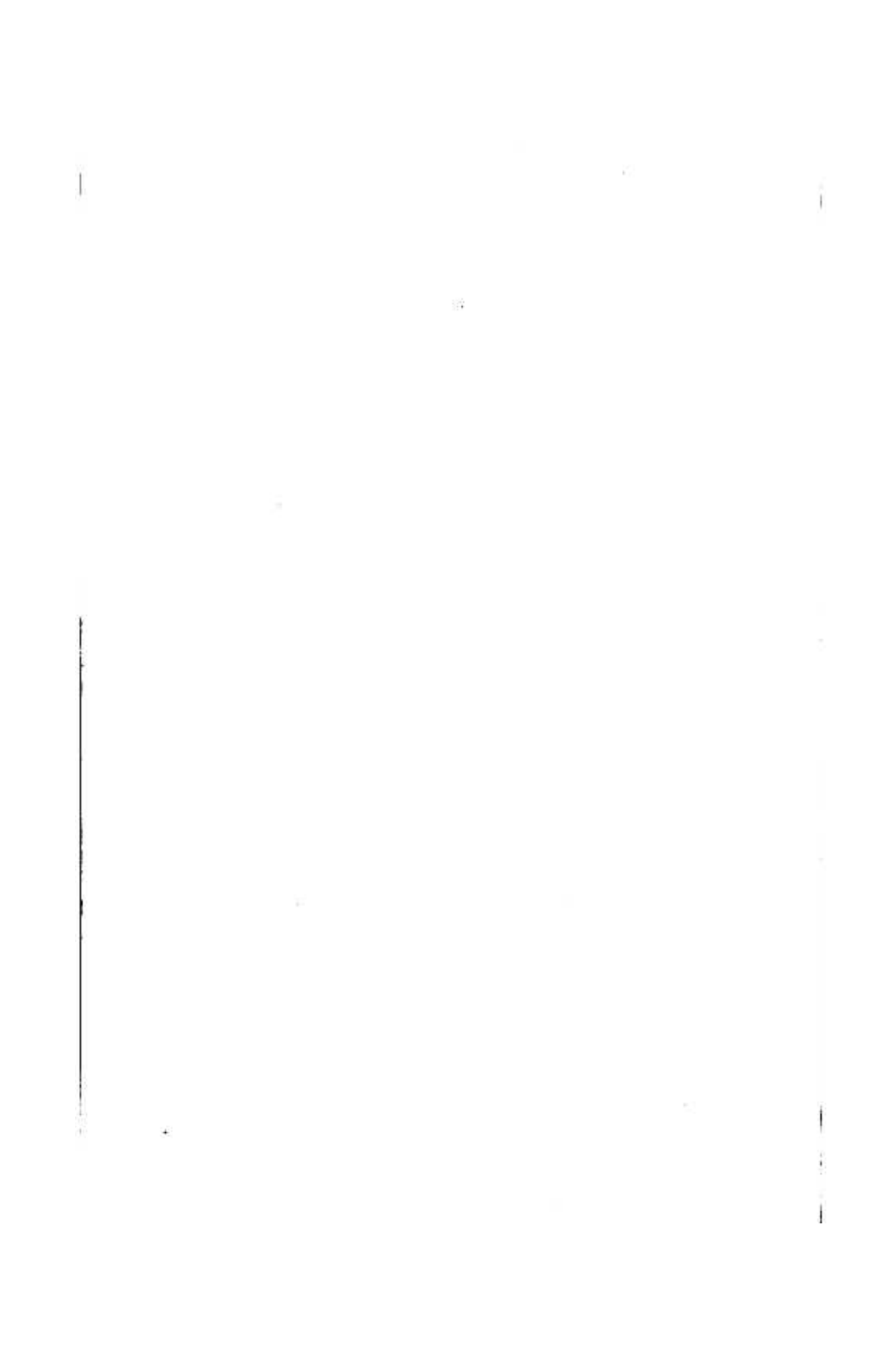
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To my mother on her seventieth birthday
and to my father in memory of evenings
when he read aloud many good books
to his small boy.

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PREFACE

PRESIDENT WILSON, in an address at the Greek Theater at the University of California, once said that the trouble with most of us is that when we know enough to write one chapter we insist on writing a book—filling in the other chapters with other men's opinions!

The author of this book disclaims enough originality for even one chapter! The whole book is filled with unconscious plagiarism, with other men's ideas the sources of which have been forgotten, and probably the only original thing about it is the order in which the ideas are marshalled. It simply represents the effort of a young minister to justify religion to the thoughtful people of a modern western city. It is not an argument so much as it is a confession of faith—albeit a confession of faith not fantastic nor irrational, but made after a university education and in the full and glad acceptance of the modern point of view.