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Dear Ralph:

First,

/Thank you for the receipt for \$19.20 covering my donation of the trip to Indianapolis October 8 for WTS, and for the check in the amount of \$13.58 to cover phone calls incident to this WTS-NHA meeting.

Second, I am now in receipt of all the Journals you have sent me, including the last 12 copies of 1969. Please bill me at once for all the Journals for which I owe you at the regular figure of cost plus 25%. Personally I prefer to leave it at this approved figure and handle them thus. I am little worried about loss or gain.

Third, yes, I fear you are right about distribution of complimentary copies of the WTS. We could give away all our stock that way should enough schools request them. Our business is not big enough for that. Perhaps we could send each school a complementary set of all five of the Journals for student inspection and then place them in their school libraries. That would not cost us too much and might pay off well in orders. A brochure of the WTS could accompany such complimentary packages. What do you think of that? I do give away some individual complimentary copies occasionally when it appears wise and profitable. Your suggestion might also work all right. I only wonder whether cost, whether 30¢, 35¢ or whatever, might not be as good or better in that case. What do you think? I shall leave it to your judgment.

Fourth, I wonder, Ralph, whether since we sell the WTJs all at the same price, that is \$1.00 each or \$3.00 for the five Journals now, you might not work out the average cost to us of the five Journals and then charge me or anyone ordering in bulk this average cost for each Journal instead of so much for one Journal and another price for another. Would this not simplify your bookkeeping and records and make it somewhat easier for all of us? Naturally the Society would be getting the same price for the Journals. What do you think of this?

Fifth, I have written you in a previous letter my request for letterheads and envelopes. Doubtless you have received that letter before now. I shall not repeat it as I cannot remember exactly what I requested. Please check.

Sixth, personally I like very much your suggested title for Noble's paper. The first part is the same as I suggested, SHAME/VERSUS GUILT, but the last part of the title which you suggest I like better than what he has - A BASIS FOR REDEMPTIVE RELATIONSHIPS. To me this sounds good and fits well his paper. However, it is to him as to

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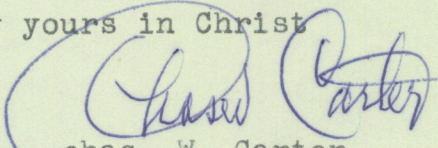
what he wishes to title his paper. I have thought mainly of catching reader interest. If he decides to give it a different title than that he has he should get it to me soon as we now have the papers edited and will be printing them soon.

Seventh, most excellent reports continue to come in from the Vennard Convention-all very good. Harold Kuhn writes: " I like each of the articles. They suggest a new vitality in our movement." Dr. Wynkoop writes: " I felt this year's meeting was good. I'm encouraged about the new thinking that is in evidence. A " Wesleyan" meeting ought to produce fresh thinking and not be handicapped by a fear complex." Blackstone writes with glowing appreciation, and others likewise. All of this is most encouraging. However, on the otherhand I received a most castigating letter a few days ago concerning the 1969 Convention at Marion, from a member and brothere beloved,one not present at either the 1969 or 1970 meetings. We were accused of campaigning, holding caucuses, running in a surprise constitution for adoption at a time when only a small percentage of the membership was present to vote, and then passing it with a very narrow margin. It was all based upon rumors that had been spread by some of the losers at the 1969 convention, plus additions by others who were not present at all but took them up. Some seemed to regret to hear that we had such a good convention at Vennard. Well, we get the bitter with the sweet-the thorns with the roses. This is, however, the only letter of this nature I have ever received concerning the 1969 convention. One brother wrote mildly his disappointment at the loss of the word "inarrrent" soon after the convention, but that was all. I understood that rumors were moving about,however, especially at ATS. Of course Turner was the only one present at the 1969 meeting and I am sure he was not disappointed with the action. Therefore it had to be hearsay down there. We shall attempt to exercise grace and fortitude. I hope you are spared some of these attacks that have come to me during the last year. I anticipate that we shall all survive, however.

Eight, I had a car wreck about ten days ago and got my car out of the garage only yesterday. Thus I have been dependent upon others for transportation for several days. This has hampered my work. So far I have not gotten anyone to print the WTS brochure. The MC Art Department examined the copy and thought it was excellent as you have presented it. I hope I can get it done soon.

School was out yesterday noon until Monday and thus I have these few days for work at home, and am I glad. Trusting all goes well with you, I am

Cordially yours in Christ


chas. W. Carter

P.S. Herewith my check in the amount of \$5.00 to cover WTS dues. CWC