

P.S.

2000 or 3000 brochures

Let me know your thoughts on this/ at once please as I shall soon send the brochure to press. He will do it in a week or ten days. Since the brochure was approved by the E. Committee at Vennard we would not need further authorization. CWC

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Dear Ralph:

Seems we have communicated rather often lately.

First, I hope I did not seem to abrupt about the dropping of the names of unpaid members. However, in the light of delayed criticism which I have received of the 1969 adoption of our WTS Constitution, but especially the item on Scripture, it seemed to me, and still does, hazardous to drop those names this year. Alread some have denied any membership gains for 1969-70, as if such were the result of the action in 1969. Of course such statements are assumptions based upon rumor. But should we show such a loss, some would doubtless interpret these drops as resulting from the 1969 action. We certainly do not want that to happen. I am sure that the critics are few, but even a few can spread a lot of damaging false rumor. Let us hold them over another year at least. That can do us no harm. I believe I am prepared to recommend that you write each of these who have not paid their dues and are due to be dropped, a friendly and encouraging letter, trying to get them to pay up, and that you send them a gift copy of the new 1971 Journal when it comes from the press. I plan to write a brief editorial at the front of the Journal designed to offset the critics, but worded as tactfully as possible. This with the improved quality of the 1971 Journal (we hope) might encourage them to pay up and remain in the society, or at least some of them. What do you say to this?

*Perhaps you
can wait
until you
have the
new
WTS
brochure
to enclose
in your
letter
etc*

Second, the Journal has had its first typing and the girl tells me that she will finish the final by about the middle of next week. Consequently I am very much in need of your materials, including treasurers report, membership increase for this year, as at bottom of page 77 of the 1970 Journal, and the Wesleyan Theological Society Officers for 1970-71, as on the back of the Journal cover. I do needs these very badly to complete the preperation of the Journal for the press, as also to use on the brochure. Perhaps they will come in today's mail, however.

Third, while the Wesley Press price on the 1971 Journal was prohibitive, as also on the new brochure for the Journals, I have fortunately found another good printer whom I know and have used before, who has given me an acceptable price- \$37.75 for 3000 copies or for 5000 ~~x~~ \$51.90. On 3000 copies he is about 1/3 of the Wesley Press, while on 5000 he is well under one half. Shall we have 3000 or 5000 copies? Since I am including the 1971 Journal in the picture on this brochure and we plan an advance in promotion, I would caste my vote for 5000 copies. This is only \$14.15 for the extra 2000.

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Third, Please send to me my statement for the Journals I have gotten from you for which I have not yet paid. Please figure these cost plus 25% as usual. I believe the last I got was 50 copies, 10 of each. I do not recall that I owe you for any others, but let me know. I want to settle all my accounts before leaving, until February 1, 1971

Fourth, we had planned to leave Marion for Barbados about December 22 or 23. However, no flights are now available before December 28 and so presently we plan to leave at that time. However, I want to get the 1971 Journal in the hands of the Edwards Brothers, Inc. by next week sometime, as also the brochure for printing.

1. The Edwards Brothers will complete the printing of the 1971 Journal by about the middle to the latter part of January. I shall instruct/~~you~~^{them} to notify you when it is done. Then how about having them ship directly to me here at Marion about 500 ^(please humans) copies of the 2000 to hold for sale here? That would save us dribbles of ordering. You can then hold this on your books as in my stock and I shall settle directly with you for what I sell. Would this meet your approval? Then I could get an additional stock of the other volumes from you when you come down sometime, or otherwise. 500
and extra postage

2. The Rev. Donald Washburn, Production MANAGER, The Wesley Press, Wesleyan World Headquarters, Box 2000, Marion, Indiana 46952, is printing the 1966 Journal now. It may be off the press before I leave and if so I shall collect it and send it to you. The cost for the 1000 reprints of the 1966 Journal will be \$297.00. If I am gone he can communicate with you directly and you can pay him accordingly. Now, how if I have him send 750 copies to you and give me 250 copies? Thus I can have a supply of these in stock here and get the other four from you.

3. If the brochure is finished before I leave I shall collect it and send you the bulk, or whatever you want of it, and I shall retain the balance here for my promotional use. How would it be if I keep half of the brochures and have half of them sent to you? I shall be using many for mailings, especially after I return. I shall not have time to get off another mailing before leaving now, and anyway I do not yet have the new brochures to send out.

Fifth, I am sorry about that amendment which I made to Harris' motion at Vennard. I simply cannot recall it, though I know I did it. A reply from Merne says: ". . . I am afraid I cannot help you on the matter of the amendment to the motion. The amendment as you reported it in your letter does seem out of context but perhaps it would not if I had a copy of the motion as well." Perhaps you could send Merne Harris a copy of the motion and see if he can recall the amendment. Or it is possible that Blackstone or someone else, possibly Matke, can recall the amendment. I suggest, most sincerely, that you get a small tape recorder to take down the business meeting procedures for facility and safety. I would do this. I am a poor note taker on business. Could you send me a copy of that motion as well? I might use it in my editorial for the Journal. Yes a copy the minutes also, please.

I believe this is about all I can think of for the time being. Sorry to trouble you with so much, but I have no other to go to and this is business that we have to transact for the cause. Oh, yes, a subsequent letter from Dayton smoothed out his ruffled feathers and now he is clucking like any other old hen, or perhaps my reply to his letter smoothed out his ruffled feathers and then he started clucking normally. He seems to be all right now. He may even begin to lay very precious eggs for the society again. He just needed a rooster for fertilization purposes. He might even hatch some chicks for WTS. Don Dayton was at Vennard, you know.

Cordially yours in Him
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