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A FELLOWSHIP OF WESLEYAN ARMINIAN SCHOLARS

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Dear Ralph:

Thanks for your letter of March 18, and for the check for \$7.93 to cover cost of application forms and form letter to delinquent members of WTS. I must be specific and shall be formal in presenting the following:

First, I am completely out of WTS envelopes. If you have an extra supply I could use 500 or more. I have about 500 letterheads remaining. This is because I had my typed form letters done on WTS letterhead and then photographed and done offset. Thus I provided the paper. If you do not have WTS envelopes I shall use WBC envelopes as I have plenty of them. I am using them now intact.

Second, I believe you have me correctly understood in the main at least. 1. It was my understanding that I would be allowed a sufficient number of 1971 Journals without charge to me to send with my letter of invitation to delinquent members to renew their membership without payment of dues. However, I understood that I would not be charged for the Journals of this venture whether they renewed or not—a society risk in fact. However, we hoped that far more would be gained in renewed payment of dues of these delinquents than lost in Journals to those who may not renew. Is this not your understanding, and perhaps what you mean in your letter? I could hardly stand the loss of Journal cost for those who may not renew in spite of this enticement while the WTS gains in dues from those who renew by payment. It is a venture indeed. We can only hope and pray for a sizeable response. 2. It is at my own personal risk that I send out Journals as enticements to membership of new hoped-for members. In this latter case I have marked all application blanks sent out with two indications. (1) I have signed the blanks personally for approval. (2) I have written the names of the persons to whom I have sent these blanks at the top of the blanks. Thus any such blanks, or rather applications, that come in to you which I have thus indicated and signed means that I have sent these people copies of the 1971 Journal. Thus I should be exempt from charge of these Journals that I have sent to them with the application forms. Thus you will not need to send such applicants who accompany their applications with dues a copy of the 1971 Journal. In case of those who do not respond to the invitation, I shall be the loser personally for my cost of the Journals I send them. Please keep count of any application forms that come to you thus marked and credit me with one Journal for each. In either of the foregoing cases I cannot see where the WTS stands to lose anything, and possibly may gain much.

Third, I note your dilemma with Dr. Nicholson. It is

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March 23, 1934

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your letter of March 19, and for the check for \$7.00 on account of application forms and form letter to Fellowship members of 1931. I am sorry that I cannot send you the application forms at this time, as they are all accounted for. I have an extra supply, but I could not get any more. I have about 200 forms on hand, but I cannot get any more. I am sorry that I cannot send you the application forms at this time, as they are all accounted for. I have an extra supply, but I could not get any more. I have about 200 forms on hand, but I cannot get any more.

I believe you have me correctly understood in the first letter. It was my understanding that you would follow a published number of 1931 journals and send me a copy with the letter of invitation to Fellowship members to send their applications with you. I am sorry that I cannot send you the application forms at this time, as they are all accounted for. I have an extra supply, but I could not get any more. I have about 200 forms on hand, but I cannot get any more. I am sorry that I cannot send you the application forms at this time, as they are all accounted for. I have an extra supply, but I could not get any more. I have about 200 forms on hand, but I cannot get any more.

I hope your office with the members of the Society will be of service to you.



of course difficult for me to imagine Dr. Nicholson making a mistake of this sort. He is always so very meticulous about everything, and especially financial matters. I sincerely hope he is not beginning to slip ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~. He seems to have had much trouble in more recent times. I am not certain of what all it may be, except that his wife has been quite ill for sometime now. Anyway you are on the safe side by sending him the 1971 Journal. I note he is loaded with campmeetings for the summer, and of course he pastors the local church at Brooksville, Florida, or has been doing so. Thus he is not really retired.

Fourth, by all means write directly to Wm. B. Eerdmans personally and remind him of the \$50.00 ad of the WBC in the 1971 Journal. He did personally authorize this in response to my inquiry. He has overlooked it, or possibly the treasurer has. They have been having trouble with their computer, they say, and we have corrected several serious mistakes.

Fifth, in addition to your 125 1967 WTJs I have between 30 and 40. Approximately 150 copies will not last long if we get this set deal going. Time will tell. I have about 400 letters ready to stamp this morning. These go out to all the ministers of the Missionary Church, Inc. Kenneth Giger was kind enough to give me the full mailing list. Again we shall have to await the results. I am hopefully after the Evangelical Friends ministerial mailing list, and am promised it. I shall circularize all of them—perhaps between 500 and 1000 preachers, possibly more with the WTJ brochure and letter. Many others are under consideration. I may wait a bit for returns on these earlier mailing, before venturing too far. I have already circularized all of the WTS members whose addresses are correct. Petticord writes that they are selling many Journals out there. He has not ordered any from me. I should be interested to know if he is getting sizeable quantities from you, or if he is bluffing. I shall be very happy if this is correct.

You have not said to have the 1967 Journal reprinted. I have just called Washburn at the Wesley Press for his figure on 1000 reprints. He is figuring and I shall enclose his figure in this letter later. He says it would take him five to six weeks to deliver. Edwards Brothers deliver in four weeks or less sometimes. I gave you their figure in my last letter. Please let me know your decision at once.

Sixth, no I had not caught the error on the form. It might be mine—who knows! Anyway, I think it good that "C" is indicated too. We shall add "D". Thanks.

Sixth, Eerdmans argue that "Special Handling" is highly successful, and I have observed that with them on my orders it usually pays off if I am in a hurry. I do not know if they have some special pull with the mails up there. Frequently on "Special Handling" if I call in an order it arrives here the next day or at most the second day. I doubt, with you, that for our purposes, in the main at least, it may be ~~im~~practical. I have just read official reports to the effect that regular mail is seldom any slower than air mail, and that the zip code is a farce in expediting delivery. Who knows to what extent we are being fooled!

Seventh, I am not quite sure what you mean by your statement concerning attendance at NHA. Does this mean you cannot go? I have written both Blackstone and Mattke. I think they both expressed intentions of attending when we were at Circilville. They will need to have a good supply of Journals sent there in advance of the convention if we do not go.

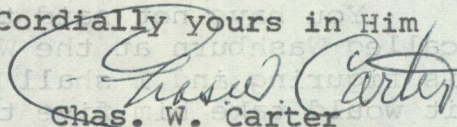
Eight, I have received and read your article once. I need to reread it again more critically, or at least carefully. It interests me much. I hope to report soon on it.

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Ninth, thanks Ralph for the invitation to attend the Jerusalem Prophecy Conference. As matters presently stand I fear this would be out for us. In the first place I have officially resigned from the faculty of Taylor University as of last Saturday (at long last) in face of the fact that I was offered a very substantial raise in salary to continue. Then I was offered the honor of Professor Emeritus when I resigned. However, I gracefully turned that down also. I am not retiring. I am taking up another career-for how long I guess only the Lord knows- perhaps ten, twenty five or more or less years. I am booked to teach again this summer at the Union Theological Seminary in Taichung, Taiwan, at the OMS Seminary, unless I should secure a substitute. For next year and following I am invited to do seminary teaching in the Orient. This is the present direction of our thinking. I was invited to take the presidency of the Theological College in Barbados, but doubt that I shall do so, notwithstanding the great challenge there. I have two other appealing invitations. It appears that we shall go to the Orient again, but will let you know our final decision in this matter. I am now busily engaged trying to help Taylor find a Philosophy-Religion Professor-preferably one with a major interest in philosophy and who can also teach missions and Oriental religions. Do you know of any such prospect? The combination is difficult and we may have to settle for less. A Ph. D. is desired, but someone with slightly less of the right combination may be acceptable. Let me know if you know of anyone. Missions, as also philosophy, are both live options at Taylor now-missions better than at any previous time since I went there. A finer team of philosophy-religion professors could not be found than we have at Taylor. Dale Heath transferred to the history department, except for Greek, a year or two ago. I think already they wish we had him back, but we are happy as it is. This is the first chapter of the story. Let me know if you can help us.

Cordially yours in Him

  
Chas. W. Carter

P.S. I am not sure if you know Claude Thompson of Candler School of Religion-who used to be at ATS. Bob Allred informed me yesterday that he is in very bad condition with cancer. What a pity. One wonders who will be next with this killer running loose. I fear science is not helping us much in some of our most serious problems. In fact right now there is a great disolusionment with the promises of science, which however, may turn out to be to the ultimate advantages of Christianity. Science is not the Savior that many had thought a few years ago. CWC

I do not wish to push the panic button, but your letter stating that we have only 125 1967 WTJs. in stock there, with my few, reminds me that the NHA Convention is April 14-16, and we hope to make large sales there. That is only three weeks away. Sometimes Edward Brothers do a job in three weeks, if they are not too busy. Washburn figures May 1 the very earliest possible for a delivery. Edwards Brothers' figure is \$388.00 for 1000 of 1967 WTJ. Washburn figures \$495.00, but says that he might do it for \$400.00 if at a time when his press would be otherwise idle. However, May 1 would be his earliest possible delivery, which would be too late for the NHA Convention. I tried to call you this afternoon but failed. I shall try again tonight. We could get caught short of 1967 Journals unless we act fast, and may anyway now. I can phone Edwards Brothers to see if they can get it out before April 14, better 10 or 12. Washburn advises that we go to Edwards Brothers if we want it for the NHA. CWC