

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR 1958

For the first time the registrations for this school year included students from beyond the metropolitan area of Chicago.

The opening of school was marked by the first graduating exercises. Twelve certificates of Leadership were granted.

The second semester of this school year witnessed the finish of Marian Rowley's course on the Structure of the Urantia Book, and a minor presented by myself on The Teachings of Jesus. The opening semester in the Fall presented two courses: Educational Psychology by Ruth Burton, and Doctrine III by myself.

A set of maps was purchased and is now in use by the School.

During the year regular Committee meetings were held which were characterized by many discussions pertaining to the present and future conduct of the School.

Respectfully submitted,

*William S. Sadler*

Chairman, Educational Committee

12/31/58

REPORT TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF URANTIA BROTHERHOOD

of the work of the Charter Committee.  
during the year 1958

Since no new societies were formed during 1958, the Charter Committee has been occupied with activities other than those involved in installing new societies, as was largely the case in 1957, when three societies were started. This year Charter Committee has been revising certain papers formerly devised, which experience has shown to be in need of a few changes, as follows:

1. The first of these was a rewording of the basic Minimum Ritual for the Initiation of Individuals into Urantia Societies. The aim of the revision was to make the ceremony not so much a public answering of questions pertaining to membership requirements, such as those of age and residence, (for these matters necessarily have been passed upon beforehand by the society's membership committee), as it was to make the initiation a forward looking statement of dedication to and co-operation with the high purposes of the society. To this required minimum ritual each society is encouraged to add whatever further inspirational features are desired.
2. The second project was the shortening and simplification of the pattern society constitution, which the Charter Committee offers to each new group of founders-to-be as a sample statement of necessary constitutional provisions in accordance with the Brotherhood Constitution. This work is ninety-nine percent completed.
3. Lastly, Charter Committee added a new requirement to the Standards of Admission to be met by potential founders making application to be chartered as a Urantia Society, as given below:

Applicants shall agree that by the time of their installation, or before, they will have decided upon the provisions of their proposed society constitution (after having had it checked for constitutionality by the Charter Committee); so that, not later than thirty days thereafter, they can adopt the constitution, elect officers, and function as an organized society.

These changes obviously necessitate the bringing up-to-date of material in the Packets of Information prepared by Charter Committee for sending to groups considering becoming Urantia Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth F. Burton  
Chairman, Charter Com.

December 31, 1958.

## FRATERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

### Summary of Activities for 1958

According to the Rules of Procedure adopted for this Committee at the meeting of September 25, 1957, four regular meetings were scheduled to be held annually - one each quarter.

During 1958, however, only three meetings were held because it proved impracticable to hold a meeting during the third quarter (July, August and September). After full consideration, the Committee at the meeting of November 9, 1958, passed a motion to the effect that "During the calendar year, three regular meetings of the Fraternal Relations Committee will be held and it will be the intent, when practicable, to hold them during the first, second and fourth quarters. The actual date of each meeting, however, will be determined by the chairman." The Rules of Procedure will be re-written to reflect this change in the first rule.

At the meetings held during 1958, the Committee continued its study of Meade's Handbook of Denominations, giving special attention to the historical background and current developments in the Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches. Significant trends were noted on the part of some church groups toward joining forces for united action. A surprising development in the Episcopal church is the recent effort of some of its leaders to take their congregations back into the fold of the Roman Catholic church. The Fraternal Relations Committee will follow this development with special interest during 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

*Edmond F. J. Kulieke*  
Edmond F. J. Kulieke, Chairman

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Several meetings were held with the Foreign Extension Committee this past year relative to the Jacket for the Urantia Book and Index and recommendations were forwarded to the Foundation.

The Domestic Extension Committee had one official meeting and at that time discussed quite fully the suggestions of the Foundation concerning the promotion of the Urantia Book. Plans were made for an early meeting in 1959.

Ernest M. Korall  
Chairman Domestic Ext. Com.

January 5, 1959

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

One meeting of the Committee was held on October 29, 1958 for the purpose of drafting the budget for the year of 1959. A proposal was made that a comparison of the actual expenses of the Brotherhood to the budgets submitted be kept. The Treasurer agreed to do this for each Committee by means of a memo account.

As in the past, the practice has been continued of limiting the solicitation of funds to the active membership of the Brotherhood. As of ~~October~~ <sup>Dec, 31</sup> 1958, the result of the letter solicitation shows total pledges of approximately \$5,600 of which \$4,710.50 has been paid. This compares with a total of \$5,300 pledged for the previous year. 175 letters were sent out covering 237 individuals from whom 82 pledges ~~from individuals~~ were received. It was suggested that for members whose pledges were in default, one letter be written at the end of each year, and if more than one year is involved, all amounts should be included.

The decision was made that the books be audited henceforth as of December 31st each year by Olga Du Val, accountant. As of this writing, no definite ruling pertaining to tax exemption for contributions to the Brotherhood has yet been received.

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman