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Dear John,

(1) First, another report for Carolyn.

Assignments have picked up a bit this week because of the recent letter. You asked if we needed more "Confirmation" or "TIPS"--we have a generous supply at present and doubt if there will be any need for more, even if we should get enough requests to fill all the classes.

(2) Report on the mini-conference at Bowen Island, British Columbia, May 13 & 14.

The weekend was a tremendous success in spite of pouring rain. Since we were housed and fed, entertained and seminared, all in the same pleasant building we made our own weather: "sunshine." About 40 people attended and all but a very few were there for the full two days.

Five of our Wenatchee members drove up there. We started Friday afternoon in order to make ^{an} early ferry Saturday morning. We took our camper and drove until 10:00 p.m. to a roadside park where we stayed the night. This possibly led to a problem we encountered at the Canadian customs (the fact that we were traveling in a somewhat old camper.) They demanded to see our "book" and pamphlets, but they were particularly interested in whether we were planning to make money by selling something. They did not seem interested in searching our vehicle. After shunting us back and forth a few times between several offices and officials they finally concluded we were not a problem and let us go.* But we missed our early ferry because of the delay.

A number of URANTIA Book readers from Seattle area also attended, and one flew down from Juneau, Alaska. Several cities from farther away in B.C., (Summerland and Trail, were represented and also Joe Pope came from Calgary.)

You probably received a complete program for this event from Nathen, but in case you didn't, we'll include one. Nathen Zadden did a great job of coordinating and directing. The setting was beautiful, tho we couldn't go out and enjoy it much.

(3) One fall-out from this event is that the Seattle area (from Bellingham to Puyallup) is planning an all-day meeting in July. Date to be set soon. It is hoped that this will attract some new people to enlarge the present study groups, and maybe get some new ones started.

(4) Several questions were asked up there that we promised to pass along.
1. Will there be bus transportation from the airport to Lake Geneva? Will we know the schedule ahead of time?

* We believe the Canadian Customs officials were concerned about keeping out "moonies", etc. They had never heard of URANTIA Brotherhood.

2. Air transportation is cheaper if you get tickets ahead of time and plan to stay at least a week. So some are wondering about motels in that area if they arrive either too early or stay after the conference (which seems to limit staying there to the designated days). Is a listing available or is there such a good supply that one does not need to make reservations ahead?
3. The brochure on the conference indicated that all sorts of sporting opportunities will be available, but it did not state whether you have to bring your own, or whether there is rental equipment available, such as for golf or tennis, etc.

(5.) We have a question regarding the conference for Field Representatives. Indications are that it will be held at the campus a day ahead of the regular program. Does that mean we can stay there starting a day early? Do we need to make special reservations for this? Or can we all gather at a nearby motel for this extra day? We will need to decide this ahead of time because of our plan to take advantage of special rates by getting tickets early, and planning to stay for the full week.

(6.) A note to Barbara, Bulletin editor: Our study group varies in size from 3 or 4 to 8 or 10. We meet in homes and there is no definite schedule for this, but we meet regularly on Sunday evenings at 7:30.

The figure of 18 society members is an error. We started out with 15. Since then one has moved away and we have not heard from him in several years; one graduated to the mansion worlds; and one new member has been taken in, so the real number seems to be 14.

Greetings and best wishes to all our good friends at 533.

Love,

Alice & Lew

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