

RESOURCE NEWS

Over the past year the Resource Committee's program for placing Urantia Books in area libraries has experienced growing interest. To date 18 books have been distributed for placement. Of these the majority have been accepted and we are awaiting confirmation on the remainder. About half of the books were donated to the society for placement while the others were purchased through society funds.

At each regional conference an announcement has been made to inform people of the program and how they can get involved. A map showing the locations of libraries that have recieved the books has drawn much attention.

Readers from Long Island, New York to Waterville, Maine have approached the committee for books and ideas with several placements resulting. Placements with society distributed books have been made recently in the following locations:

- Portsmouth, New Hampshire
- Orono, Maine
- Lewiston, Maine
- Great Barrington, Massachusetts
- Worcester, Massachusetts
- Cambridge, Massachusetts
- New Paltz, New York

In addition we have been notified that books have been placed in the Pepperhill, Massachusetts Public Library, the University of St. John's Library in Jamaica, New York and the Eastchester, New York Public Library. Two of these placements were made by readers using their own contributions. One contributor wrote to notify us of having found a URANTIA Book in the City College of New York Library while another wrote to share his experiences in getting his library to buy a book.

The reader told us that in 1976 he was unable to find a copy of the book in any of the Westchester County, New York libraries and that metropolitan New York book stores had not heard of it. He said that he took action by writing to the library director and giving him the name of the book's publisher, the publisher's address, the book's copyright date and Library of Congress Card Number, and informed him that the book was then in its fourth printing. He then asked that the library purchase a copy. His request included a list of the sections of the book and a very brief description of their contents.

The library called him and asked to see his copy and soon ordered a book of their own. The reader attributed his success to the following factors:

1. An able library director and efficient staff
2. A low-key description of the book
3. Familiarity with the library itself

In the final analysis he commented that the book "sold itself," just as it had sold itself to him previously.

This account shared with us is very typical of our experiences in many libraries where librarians have shown interest in the book and have been happy to put a copy on their shelves. Members in the Cape Cod, Massachusetts study group alone have been able to place the book in seven libraries on the Cape.

In addition to the work of distributing library books, the Resource Committee has gotten down to the task of doing some library work of its own. In December the committee met in Farmington to begin work on organizing the materials that are to become the society's Resource Center. Over several hours a wide range of materials were arranged and recorded by computer. Though we have much planning and organizing ahead, we look forward to the day when the center will operate as a service to help in the dissemination of the teachings.

John Murney

MAUDE, YOUR GRANDMOTHER
HAS JUST ARRIVED IN THE
RESURRECTION HALL AND
SHE'S HAVING A DIFFICULT
TIME ADJUSTING. I WONDER
IF YOU'D COME ALONG AND
HELP US OUT.

GRANDMA? HOW
WONDERFUL.
OF COURSE.



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SHE'S A BIT DISORIENTED,
I'M AFRAID. SHE
THINKS SHE'S STILL
IN THE NURSING HOME.
APPARENTLY TODAY
THEY WERE SUPPOSED
TO TAKE A TRIP TO
THE FACTORY OUTLETS
IN SECAUCUS.

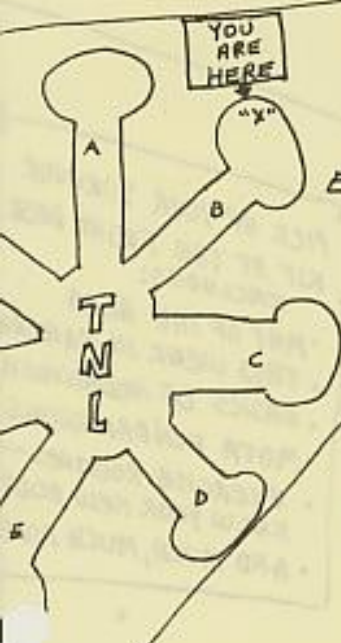
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H/

"B" WING
EMPLOYEE
ENTRANCE



OH, DEAR. AND I AM
TO HELP BRING
HER BACK DOWN
TO EARTH, SO
TO SPEAK.

EXACTLY.



WHERE ARE MY
DROPS! I CAN'T
FIND MY DROPS!



A SWEET
LADY, GRANDMA,
THOUGH SHE
DOES HAVE
HER IDIO-
SYNCRASIES.

THIS MATTRESS FEELS
LIKE BEDROCK! DO YOU
WANT ME TO BREAK MY
NECK? CRANK ME UP--
AND PRONTO! WHERE IS
MY CANE? NOT
UNDER THE BED
WHERE IT
SHOULD BE!



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HOW ARE YOU,
GRANDMA?

BRING ME
MY JUICE!
I DON'T
TALK TO
ANYONE
UNTIL I
HAVE MY
ORANGE
JUICE!



MAUDE,
IS THAT YOU??

AFTER RESTING,
PLEASE PROCEED
TO MELCHIZADEK
SECTOR. THANK YOU.



WELCOME,
GRANDMA.

— DARLING! —



PICK UP YOUR SURVIVOR
KIT AT THE FRONT DESK.
INCLUDES:
• MAP OF THE AREA
• THIS WEEK IN MANGONIA
• BASICS OF NEBADONISH
• MOTA FUNDAMENTALS
• EXERCISE ROUTINES--
KNOW YOUR NEW BODY
• AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Toby Speed

BOOKS WORTH READING

As the fifth epochal revelation slowly emerges into public awareness, it will be coming into rapidly changing social and economic conditions. Those of us who are devoted to the dissemination of the URANTIA teachings would do well to be as sensitive as possible to these changes, and it isn't always easy to see major trends when one is standing in the midst of them.

Two current books help. The Aquarian Conspiracy by Marilyn Ferguson offers convincing evidence of an underground of benevolent networks of individuals and groups. (Could this describe us?). Her emphasis is on persons and their social institutions --education, government, the family, law, medicine and religion. In Megatrends, John Naisbitt is also clarifying transformation; his emphasis is on business-industry and the multi-national economy.

Naisbitt suggests that change is now so significant historically that it will match the Industrial Revolution. Ours is an information revolution! Both Naisbitt and Ferguson describe the strong emergence of a spiritual quest. Are the 1980's "...the brink of one of (Urantia's) most amazing and enthralling epochs of social readjustment, moral quickening, and spiritual enlightenment?" p. 2082, par 8.

Helena Sprague

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS HOMEWORK GROUP

Every six weeks on Sunday afternoons approximately ten students of The URANTIA Book are meeting to discuss such concepts as The Spirit of Truth and the concept of the absonite. Each member has completed at least one reading of the book, although observers are welcome. They study a pre-selected topic, rather than any particular paper. Plenty of time is allotted for lunch and fellowship.

They meet alternately in Sherborn (near Framingham) and N. Harwich (on Cape Cod). For more information call 617-653-8850 or 617-432-4999.

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