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BOULDER SCHOOL OPENS!

By Carl Pickering

The first class of The Boulder School for Students of The URANTIA Book began on April 5th, 1982. Eleven students from around the country are enjoying the benefits of an organized study in which the students themselves take turns conducting the classes. Classes also have the support of a computerized office. A second class will begin on September 20th, 1982. Completion of each class will occur in 2-1/2 years, and the School plans to initiate a new class every every year in the fall. A few vacancies exist at the present time for the second class, and those who may wish to attend are urged to apply as soon as possible, for space is limited, and students are accepted on a first come, first served basis.

The School presents an excellent opportunity to those who would aspire to be better qualified in relating unto others the facts of The URANTIA Book in relationship to the various systems of knowledge that have evolved on Urantia through the twentieth century. The seminars that are held at the School for the benefit of students (and anyone else who would like to attend), further provide a valuable opportunity to relate the knowledge of evolution to the knowledge of revelation -the process of comprehending revelation.

Jim Mills, past president of URANTIA Brotherhood, presented a seminar on "Conceptions of God" April 21st and 23rd to a packed house. Jim returned home very enthusiastic about the School, and all who attended his seminar will not soon forget the professionalism with which it was presented.

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BOULDER SCHOOL OPENS

On May 5th and 7th, Stan Hartman held a fascinating seminar at the School on "Cosmography" -- a complex and rather difficult subject in which he greatly excels.

Berkeley Elliott, a long-time leader of the Oklahoma Society, gave a most informative seminar discussing the many facets of "Personality" on May 12th and 14th, which included a multi-media presentation.

On May 26th and 28th, Errol and Rochelle Strider, the well-known actor and actress team of Creative Spirit, presented a truly inspiring seminar on "Ministry . . . a

look at its nature, purpose, and methods."

Seminars at THE BOULDER SCHOOL will be continuing in the fall. Please do not miss the opportunity to avail yourself of these seminars, which are presented with great care for the benefit of all who would attend.

Of the correspondence that has come in to the School from around the country, perhaps the most frequent comment has been, "It is an idea whose time has come." Similarly, many have characterized the School as fulfilling a personal dream. And the School is indeed fulfilling this dream for the students who have so selflessly chosen to dedicate so much of their time to better meet the great challenge of sharing the Fifth Epochal Revelation of God to man. It is for this reason that the School needs. deserves, and invites the support of us all.

Inquiries should be made to:

THE BOULDER SCHOOL

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Students of The URANTIA Book 1622 - 18th Street Boulder, Colorado 80302 (303) 443-8154

SOCIETY NEWS

The Rocky Mountain URANTIA Society of Denver met in February and elected new officers and representatives to The URANTIA Brotherhood Triennial Delegate Assembly. Terry Kruger replaces Jim McNelly as Society President, JoAnn Brummett replaces Paul Knott as Vice-President, Linda McNelly replaces Marilyn Hauck as Secretary, John Hay remains Treasurer, and Roxanne Andrews stays on as Study Group Officer. Jim McNelly was selected to serve in the new position of Newsletter Editor.

New members of The Membership Committee include Merritt Horn, Kip Kaveny, Carl Pickering, and Buck Weimer. Persons interested in Society membership should contact JoAnn Brummett at 355-4193.

Jim McNelly was elected as delegate to go to Chicago for The Triennial Delegate Assembly representing The Rocky Mountain URANTIA Society of Denver. John Hay was

elected alternate delegate.

A family day for socialization was approved for August 21st, but at the time of this publication, the place and time remain uncertain. Local readers should look for another mailing for more information, or they may call Secretary Linda McNelly at 457-2897.

The Society, in other news, voted to affiliate itself with The Boulder School for Students of The URANTIA Book, which has just concluded its first semester.



Our New Coordinating Committee Top: Linda McNelly, Roxanne Andrews, JoAnn Brummett. Bottom: John Hay, Terry Kruger.

The Bookstore Placement Program continues apace as over 20 new bookstores in Colorado now carry The Book regularly.

Preliminary discussions are occuring for a large Regional Conference for the summer of 1983.

The Open House activity held in January at The Denver Academy was considered successful in welcoming new readers as 65 persons attended the three presentations and small group workshops.

Living Channels of Light

By Terry Kruger

A few years ago, when we united together to form a society, we were individuals who recognized our collective worth as a working group in voluntarily fulfilling our sacred obligation as spirit-liberated sons of God, to the brotherhood of God-knowing sons. We felt the society was a fitting unit to provide a working relationship which could afford us a cohesive channel to reach our brothers who sit in spiritual darkness. Yet today, many of us who know the call of spiritual love, with the power to destroy the hate urge and war mindedness, lie scattered hither and yon like the good seed of the sower.

Those of us who share the revelation of the teachings, and for one reason or another choose to remain apart from the formal obligations of the brotherhood of believers, are not unlike the apostles as they stood watching young John Mark lay hold on one end of a basket, refusing to let the Master leave camp without him, while Jesus, on the other end, witnessing his whole-hearted devotion, could not deny him. The apostles were the Master's chosen group, yet this day they did not take hold of what lay within their grasp. Nathaniel later pointed out that had they all wanted to go as much as John Mark, the Master would have surely have taken them.

If you've ever been involved in a theatrical production, you may have heard the term "ensemble" — in essence, the way the cast "fits" together. The natural extension of a well fitting group is the synergy they produce. The Book tells us the potential of a group far exceeds the sum of its attributes, informing us that in partnership, we nearly QUADRUPLE OUR ATTAINMENT POSSIBILITIES. We know how Jesus organized men into groups, trained them in groups, and sent them out in groups of two. Our entire universe career revolves around functional, organizational, and working groups: from here to eternity. Even now, the Social Architects labor to create their own variety of ensemble, by bringing suitable individuals into efficient working groups on Urantia. Many of us wander the periphery of the spiritual renaissance, seeking to further the gospel in isolation. The quadrupled benefits of beginning our training in group ethics and group worship right here, are about as close as God the Father gets to making us an offer we can't refuse . . .



When we made up our minds to do the will of the Father, we committed ourselves to shouldering the obligations of belonging to the family of God. When these obligations are acted upon, we can become the living channels of light to those who sit in spiritual darkness. Today, as never before, the tragic results of that darkness light up the skies of Urantia with the fires of war; it is up to us to help one another illuminate this world with the fire of the spirit. No one stands still in the affairs of the eternal kingdom. The Father requires us to grow in our knowledge of the truth, and we who know these truths must manifest a growing devotion to unselfish service to our fellows.

As the living channels of light, united in purpose, we must rally to these times of great testing with a loyal, orchestrated, and brilliant rebuttal to those filled with hate and war-minded solutions. We must take up the Master's challenge; blessed with the early presence of an epochal revelation, like John Mark, we must not let go. We must manifest such whole-hearted loyalty and love that we become mighty in the promulgation of truth, and aggressive in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth —together.

Library Placement Program

By Russ Hauck

For some five years I have felt that the Library Placement Program was, or could be, the single most important part of our Society's outreach program. I have continually urged that study groups and our Society make this program a key objective in sharing these Revelatory Papers. It finally came to me that if I felt so strongly, I should quit talking and get busy. I made a personal vow that in 1982 I would take the time to cover the Denver Metropolitan Area. I started in March and have just concluded my campaign. I contacted over fifty public libraries, colleges and universities, and have placed some forty copies of The URANTIA Book.

I don't know when any endeavor has brought so much personal satisfaction. I just wish that I had done this two years ago. I feel as though the books we have placed are like "half buried treasures" waiting to be found by countless seekers both now and for many years to come. So many readers from around the country say that they first found the book in a library and later purchased

their own copy.

With copies placed in Denver, Denver suburbs, and adjoining rural libraries, new and interested readers in this area should have ready access. The adjoining list of libraries now have the book since Marian Rowley, Secretary-General of URANTIA Brotherhood, has fulfilled my requests, and book shipments have been completed. If you have an interested party or new reader, you may refer to the list for the closest library where they can find the book. Many will then wish to own their own copy, and may either order from the Foundation or through their local bookstore. This program should tie in nicely with the Society's Bookstore Placement Program.

While we have pretty well covered this area, there is much to be done outside of greater Denver. I urge our study groups and individual readers in other areas to take the time to check their regional libraries and schools. The following steps should be taken to place the book free in any public, university, or college library at the present

time:

1. Call on the library and see if they have a copy in circulation.

2. If not, would they like a gift copy, and would the librarian be willing to place the book on the library shelves (oral or written). 3. If they welcome the gift, send the name of the acquisition librarian or head librarian contacted, as well as the name and address of the library, to Marian Rowley in Chicago, who will process your request. Marian will send you a copy of the transmittal letter when the book is shipped, and I suggest that you follow up in a few weeks to be sure it arrived and is on the shelves.

Item 2 is most important, because we have found libraries that will accept the book, but never place it on the shelves. I am happy to report that in all of my visits, I was not turned away once. Those who didn't already have the book were most grateful, and looked forward to having it in their collection. Those who already have the book, report it to be among the most popular in their religious section. We now have a good start in Colorado. I hope that study groups and readers in Boulder, Colorado Springs, Greeley, and throughout Colorado, will check their area. As Julia Fenderson, West Coast Field Representative, says, "We are responsible when so much has been given to us, to see that the Revelation is available to other hungry seekers."

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Peace in our Time

By Jim McNelly

As the great continental plates rub against each other along fault lines like those in the Pacific Northwest, the underlying friction makes volcanic eruptions such as Mount St. Helens inevitable. So too, as the elbows of so-called sovereign nations come in contact, the submerged national egotism inevitably explodes into the chaos of war and destruction. Science recognizes the causes of volcanoes, and they are no longer called "acts of God". But when will our statesmen recognize the cause of war and seek to alleviate the pressure prior to its outburst?

World peace is defined in The URANTIA Papers as the state of having attained a mankind government representing the brotherhood of man. In the hands of this government rests global sovereignty which has been delegated to it by the nations of the earth, so that the myth of national self-determinism is dispelled and international affairs are managed in the planetary interest.

The Universe Government is political from the Ancients of Days down through the local universes and through the systems to the worlds themselves. It was one of Lucifer's objections that the ascension plan spent too much time on universe administration and the importance of earning self-government. Representative democracy and the delegation of responsibility are spiritual values that are learned and mastered through evolution, trust and co-operation. Our relationship with our Heavenly Father is personal, but our role in the brotherhood of man is social and political.

Our mission, if we should choose to accept it, is to become living manifestations of peace, beauty, truth, goodness, light, and life. We are to become zealous in our demonstration of the presence of God. We need to act with a spirit of a second Pentecost, a new bestowal of the Spirit of Truth in our public and private lives. We are to let Jesus live again in and through us.

There are numerous ways of working for peace in our daily lives. First and foremost is to emphasize that we are all children of God, and that the brotherhood of man can become a living reality. This message can be shared in churches, with friends, relatives, and those with whom we may come in contact. The brotherhood of man simply cannot be realized without

recognition of the sovereignty of the Fatherhood of God.

We can slip words of peace into social reform movements. We can write our politicians and use the media forums. We can champion international causes, support global co-operation, advocate international trade and exchange, and otherwise work for a "we" rather than an "us and them" mentality. We can challenge and refute the religious doom prophets with their self-fulfilling prophesies. God-knowing men should offer messages of hope, not cries of despair.

Perhaps there is a voice within you, that skeptic who is saying, "Peace will never come in my lifetime, Armageddon is inevitable, there is nothing I can do, the

world must end, give up."

Wake up, child of God. Jesus will not let his bestowal world drift into oblivion. Urantia will survive, it will become unified, it will reach the age of light and life. Peace comes to us one by one, person by person, and will continue until the battle for man's liberty is won and the world is made safe for the living of the teachings of Jesus.

Some day there will be a government of the brotherhood of man, and this truly sovereign democracy will inaugurate an era of peace and co-operation. Perhaps a leader will be delegated to represent his fellow man, and like Elanora on Panoptia, will rise to the occasion and request the lifting of the quarantine, the reunification of our world with the universal brotherhood, and the overthrow of the dark forces that dared to claim our world for the last two hundred thousand years.

On that day, when the destiny of our planet is sealed, when the final choice has been made, we may well witness the Prince of Peace, Christ Michael, return in his glory as the Planetary Prince, ushering in a new dispensation of peace and love. It is to that day, the day of peace, that we are working, and there is no amount of fear or pessimism that can keep that day from becoming a reality.

STUDY GROUP WORKSHOP

On Saturday, July 24th, from 2 - 6 P.M., Jim and Roxanne Andrews will host a Study Group Workshop for anyone interested in starting or improving their study group. The workshop schedule includes techniques for organizing, maintaining, and enhancing the study group format. In addition, the manner in which Jesus and the apostles worked with small groups will be discussed. The Andrews' home is at 13095 West 64th Place in Arvada.

EMMA CHRISTENSEN GRADUATES

A LOVING FRIEND

By Mo Siegel

It was a warm summer day in Chicago, 1971. I stood at the door of The URANTIA Foundation, a 21 year-old product of the late 60's movement. This was my first visit to Diversey Parkway, and after six months of phone calls and letter exchanges, I was

finally getting to meet "Christy".

Christy was waiting for my arrival. She was dressed so neatly, her hair in perfect order, and she radiated a smile of warmth and composure. After thirty minutes of conversation with Christy in the front office, imagine my surprise when she invited me into the back room for a private discussion. Would she relate special messages from the midway commission? Would she reveal a

planetary mission draped in mystery?

Christy led me down the hall and into the back room. After we sat down, she looked me in the eye and asked me some very difficult questions about my life. I twitched, squirmed, and agonized over the painful truth to some of her questions. After I would answer thoughtfully, she would smile and move on to the next question. Christy closed the conversation by assuring me that wholehearted faith in our Heavenly Father would provide the necessary strength to overcome my difficulties. She spoke words of love and confidence while admonishing selfless service as the path to living the revelation's teachings.

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I left The URANTIA Foundation in a quandry. Did my life need changing? For the first week afterward, I resented that Christy had provided the philosophic fulcrum for potentially redirecting my life. After all, who was she to ask these questions? What was her right to act like my mother?

Two weeks later, I realized Christy was a friend of the highest quality. She had shown her care and love for me. She was fair, concerned, and positive in her redirecting. She had understood my needs and suggested applying spiritual strength to solve my problems. She had taken time to care and had ministered as a friend for a spiritual result.

Christy's spiritual qualities did not make her an impractical dreamer. She spent decades working in her office at The URANTIA Foundation, opening mail, answering letters, talking on the phone. serving in almost every leadership position in The URANTIA Brotherhood and Foundation, teaching classes and greeting and spending time with interested new readers. She was a true soldier of the circles, and gave of herself constantly. She never tired of aiding us in our efforts to understand the Fifth Epochal Revelation. Christy's attributes of goodness, loyalty, love, peacemaking and friendship still warm and inspire all who knew her.

I visited Christy on her deathbed. Between the mixed emotions of fears and joy, I realized that when I grew up, "I wanted to be just like her".



An anthology of poetry by URANTIA Book readers for the brotherhood of believers. The first edition will appear in the summer of 1982. For copies or more information, write to: Byron D. Belitsos; Armstrong Cellege; 2222 Harold Way; Berkeley, California 94704.



By Tony DeVore

I was there waiting in my own silence, looking at my life as if I was gazing into a pond, seeing the reflections. Good and bad. Where had everyone gone? Why did they leave my existence? Was it through my negligence? Where was the Father? Just as my eyes opened to where I could see myself, did he leave me? or was he never quite there? Whose fault was it, that I felt so alone? Then finally I realized, I was the one closing the doors. The Father was knocking so hard. But through my own selfishness, I couldn't hear the knock. He had to be answered first, or I couldn't open the doors to others. As I opened the doors to him, a great gentle breeze of loving and understanding mercy went through me. I wasn't alone anymore. The Father was inside me now, for eternity had just begun for me.

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