

June 30, 1960

Mr. Vincent Buranelli
c/o Lowell Thomas
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Dear Mr. Buranelli:

It was very kind and thoughtful of you and Mr. Thomas to send us the manuscript for Chapter 21 of Sir Hubert Wilkin's autobiography.

After carefully reading this Chapter and discussing it with several officers of the Urantia Foundation and the Urantia Brotherhood, I have two suggestions to make which I trust will meet with your approval.

1. On Page 490, I would suggest the omission of my name. There are many reasons for this, not the least of which is that men in my profession are supposed to avoid personal publicity. The text would therefore read, beginning about the third line from the top, "and long conversations with its members and the leaders of the movement."
2. We dislike very much to see the Urantia movement mentioned in connection with telepathy and extra-sensory perception. These psychological matters are utterly foreign to the Urantia Book and the Urantia movement.

I feel certain that Sir Hubert did not himself put the Urantia Book in context with these psychological phenomena. This chapter, it would seem to me, had been arranged from data which he had prepared, but had not arranged in this order. We have no criticism to make of the text as it appeared in this chapter, as regards the Urantia movement, except in this matter of unfortunate contextual arrangement.

We would be pleased and most happy if you could see your way clear to take all reference to the Urantia Book and the Urantia movement out of this chapter dealing wholly with telepathy and find for it a place in some other less objectionable context.

In this way we would feel that the Urantia Book was not being misrepresented. The Book deals entirely with cosmology and religion, and such matters as telepathy and extra-sensory perception find no place in it from cover to cover. I feel sure that you will see what gives rise to our apprehension and why we are so anxious that you should find another place for the Urantia data, where it will not be associated with telepathy or any other psychological phenomenon.

Trusting that you will find it possible to favor us in this matter, I again thank you for your thoughtful consideration, and shall look forward eagerly to getting a copy of the autobiography when it is published.

Sincerely,

William S. Sadler

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