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Rev. Dana McLean Greeley, President
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Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Greeley:

I was just reading the October Register-Leader. Congratulations on your leading the nearly 1000 Unitarian and Universalists in the August 28th civil rights demonstration in Washington, D.C. I was considering going to Washington or finding a local related demonstration to participate in, but decided to spend the day organizing a theoretical paper which may eventually lend further strength to the drive for civil rights. The title of the paper is "Negentropy and the Concepts of Freedom, Democracy and Justice."

I am now glad that I spent the day writing the paper, because it has been accepted for presentation in Cleveland, December 27, at the Society for General Systems Research in conjunction with the annual meeting of American Association for the Advancement of Science. A copy of the advance program is enclosed.

The above mentioned paper is based upon some incomplete notes for Chapter 10 of my proposed book on "Communication Theory in the Cause of Man." More details of my proposed book can be found in the enclosed Socio-Engineering Problems No. 65-E.

I have not actively looked for a publisher for the proposed book. Perhaps, being an active unitarian, I should give the Beacon Press the first opportunity. The enclosed abstract of a research plan for the book is not in the usual format that book publishers are accustomed to. However, if you think this may be of possible interest to the Beacon Press, please pass the material on to them, or let me know with whom I should communicate. If I should find an interested publisher, I could then arrange a few months leave of absence from my engineering work with International Business Machines Corporation to finish the research and the basic writing.

Betty is teaching at Cupertino High School. Our older son, Fred is at Oregon State University, and Pete is a sophomore in high school. Please give my best regards to Mrs. Greeley and to any of your daughters who are still close to home.

Sincerely yours,

Frederick E. Wood

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