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In 1954 when permission was granted for the publication of the Book a letter was sent to about 250 members of this original Chicago group, asking for contributions of \$50,000.00 for the publication of 10,000 copies. Sir Hubert's response to this letter was the first money received in the office of the Urantia Foundation, and it consisted of a contribution of \$1,000.00.

I should explain that my wife, who passed away twenty years ago this month, before her demise, had personally collected \$25,000.00 which covered the cost of making the plates for the Urantia Book, and it was on the presentation of these plates that the Urantia Foundation was organized to publish and foster the Book.

I happened to personally know that Sir Hubert was profoundly interested in the text of this Book and that it represented his personal beliefs for the past twenty-five years.

Before the publication of the Book, no written matter was permitted to be carried away from the address which represented the custodianship of the Papers. The notes which Sir Hubert made, during his annual or biennial periods of study, were sent to him upon publication of the Book.

I do not know how much Mrs. Wilkins knew about her husband's connections with this group, but when I read Dr. Stefansson's article in THE READER'S DIGEST I thought this was a matter of too much importance to be left out of the record of Sir Hubert's life. Knowing how much he valued the Urantia Papers, I thought they ought to be a part of the archives which would commemorate the extraordinary life activities of this unique man.

Sincerely,

(Signed) William S. Sadler