

Dear Dr. Lancaster:

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Just a note to say that after more adventures I'm safely back here, tired but happy. I tried my talk before high powered astronomers at Seattle, Honolulu & Sydney and received very little flak. It seems I'm gradually exhausting all criticism, real and imaginary. Perhaps the "Endless, Boundless, Stable Universe" has more going for it than I originally thought.

I left the two boxes of slides with Dr. Woodruff T. Sullivan III, Dept of Astronomy, 06-8414, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, 98195. He wanted to make copies of particular ones and promised to return both boxes promptly to Peggy Weems. Woody has an NSF grant to write the history of astronomy up to 1960, and is going over all old literature with a fine comb. By now the slides should be back at Charlottesville. You might inquire from Peggy.

During my stay at Socorro I neglected to secure one piece of literature. If convenient, please obtain from local power company a rate schedule on domestic use of electricity including any current surcharges for oil cost plus any local city tax on electricity. I've collected this literature from most places I've been for comparison with domestic electric rates here. The total spread of cost per KWH is a range of 10 to 1. New York City is at top with Honolulu a close second. Seattle is at Bottom. Whatever you can turn up will be of interest to me.

The day at VLA was enlightening. I know a lot of difficult ground work has gone into getting the project this far. From now on, the plant will show rapid development. Someday I will come and make observations with this radio telescope to end all radio telescopes.

Your wife really put herself out organizing two dinner parties on such short notice. I enjoyed the good company and impressive demonstration of her culinary art. Once again, many thanks for your efforts on my behalf.

Best wishes,

Grote Reber