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Dear Professor Clark:

Here finally is Montgomery's chapter! However, I must say that it was worth waiting for. I think he has misunderstood me in some points as badly as he is unaware of certain defects in his Buswellian criticism of you. But as usual, he has written a stimulating, well-documented paper. I have already sent the original along to Mr. Craig. There are several pages where the thermofax machine could not reproduce Montgomery's quotations because he cut them out of some source and simply pasted on them on the page. I don't believe there is any case where the fuzziness of the copy I am sending you will hinder you in deciphering his meaning.

Mr. Craig has expressed or rather implied some concern about the size of the manuscript- it will be about 650 pages typed. For this reason and because of the lateness of the time, you may wish, as you suggested, to forgo a reply to Montgomery. If you wish to do this, I could add a note to the preface that the points raised by Montgomery will be taken up in the text of your work on historiography. In fact, I plan to finish the preface today or tomorrow. I will insert the following sentence somewhere:

" Professor Clark had planned a reply to Dr. Montgomery's chapter. But because of the complexity of the issues and the size of the present volume, he decided to deal with Montgomery's criticisms more fully in his forthcoming book on historiography."

There will be no problem if you wish to reply since Mr. Craig can simply omit the above sentence from the preface.

By the way, I would appreciate it if you could return this copy of Montgomery to me when you're through. Because he will be in Europe, I will have to check the galley proofs for his chapter and will need this copy for that purpose. I plan to send you the galley sheets for the Wheaton Lectures and your replies. In the case of the more complex articles ( especially those with lengthy footnotes), I'll also send galley proofs of those chapters to their respective authors ( e.g., Mavrodes, Holmes, Westphal).

Mr. Craig indicated because of the size of the book that it would probably not be published before the middle of January or later. I was hoping we could get it out before the end of the year, perhaps before the E.T.S. meetings in December. If you have occasion to write Mr. Craig sometime this Summer, you might mention any advantages to getting it out before the end of this year. I gathered from Mr. Craig's last letter that he is concerned about the expense of the volume and I want to do everything I can to insure that his investment issues in a good seller. In spite of some weak articles, I believe the volume is splendid. There is the give and take, the dialogue, that makes for good philosophizing.

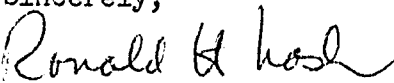
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One other matter. The Eerdmans Publishing Company is thinking about a short anthology of Edward John Carnell's articles and papers. He wrote a number of articles for CHRISTIAN CENTURY, CHRISTIANITY TODAY and other journals. When these are supplemented with a few unpublished papers, etc., it will make a nice little volume. If the volume goes through and it appears it will, I will do whatever editing is necessary and also write a brief introductory chapter containing biographical data, a summary of his thought and a word on each article.

If you care to, I would appreciate any observations you have about Carnell as a student at Wheaton College. I'm not asking for a eulogy; but certainly such things as your recollection of your first impressions of him as a student and a person could add immeasurably to my brief record of his development. To someone like myself, the influence of your own thought is obvious on many pages of his CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS.

If you would rather I not quote you or if you would rather pass, I will understand.

Sincerely,

  
Ronald H. Nash