

In Highland Creek Meeting House, near Salem, Indiana, members of Blue River Quarterly Meeting settled into silence at 2:15 p.m. June 13, 1936, and the clerks go to the table for the business session one-half hour later.

Reports from constituent meetings:

Representatives appointed by Clear Creek,—

Clarence C Mills, Martha R Mills, Ray Bumgarner, Ernest Mills,
Lulu Mills.

Reports

By Blue River,—

Fred Baynes, Oliver Trueblood, Sylvanus Knight

By Chicago, none; the clerk informing the quarterly meeting of the reason for this omission of non-appointment.

Present

Martha Mills and the representatives from Blue River are present. From Clarence Mills a letter of regret is read. It recalls the helpful influence of Blue River

Letter of
Regret and
Encourage
ment

Friends of the past and in turn calls upon Friends of the present to a new zeal for the work of peace, temperance, and social security.

Blue River reports the holding of a live Sunday School, an occasional meeting for worship, and executive meetings as required.

The minutes of the last Quarter are read and others of the year summarized

Clerks and
Assistants

Martha Mills for the Committee on Clerks reports the renomination of the five incumbents: Albert T. Mills, Leafa Baynes, Luella Coale Parker, Kathryn G. Mills, and Alice B. Flitcraft; the first-named for Clerk, the others assistants The Meeting approves and the appointments made.

Treasurer's
Balance

The Treasurer's report was read and referred for audit to Elwood Brooks, Martha Mills and Humphrey Baynes.

The report shows receipts of \$736.28 and expenditures of \$525.00 The full report is attached to these minutes. A note informs the meeting that Salem is in arrears \$210.00 and Clear Creek \$525.00.

Reappointment

The report is signed by Clement B. Flitcraft who, on the nomination of the Auditing Committee, is retained as Treasurer. This committee reports the books correct.

Replies at hand from congressmen who received our February letters were referred to and that of Senator Clark of Missouri read.

W.P.A.
Project to
Gravel
Drive

In behalf of the Cemetery Association at Benjaminville, Illinois, Allen Brown asks that the President of that association, George Mecherle, be permitted without expense to this Meeting, to negotiate for W.P.A. funds to gravel the drive way on the property of Friends in order to make the burying ground more accessible in all weathers. Permission is granted and the clerk is authorized to notify George Mecherle of the Meeting's action.

As representatives to attend the Yearly Meeting dated for August next, we appoint:

Y.M
Representatives

Luella Flitcraft	Elwood Brooks
Clement B. Flitcraft	Helen Brooks
Elizabeth Smith	Luella Coale Parker
Clarence Mills	Turner Mills
Lucretia Franklin	Erma Bumgarner
Charles Baynes	Allen Brown
Leafa Baynes	Edna Wolf
Fred Baynes	Alice B. Flitcraft

The reading of the 12th Query was followed by a time of discussion on several aspects of Peace. And at 5 the Meeting concludes. Albert T. Mills, Clk. Leafa Baynes, Asst.

Notes on the Salem Meetings — June 13–14, 1936

The weather has been find thruout

Because of anticipated trips to Cape May in July, no one from M^cNabb, Illinois, came to the meeting at Salem. And for this reason and the Mid West Conference being near at hand, none came from the Chicago group. The latter had considered a Peace Pilgrimage with Theodore K. Moss of Purdue as spokesman, but plans at Salem interfered. Friends from other neighborhoods were Albert and Martha Mills, of Decatur, Illinois. At our session several “Five Year” Friends were present, one of them functioning as speaker. As to the time, Chicago reports some objection to June, but locally June is more satisfactory than May because the last of May finds many directly or indirectly involved in Salem’s school commencement. The “Minutes” should give the correct hour of the Saturday meeting. This year there is a discrepancy between the “Minutes” and the local committee announcement. It should be 2 p.m. At the business session there was a goodly group, and somewhat remarkable in that two-thirds were men.

Alvin Coates of Indianapolis was guest speaker Sunday p.m. With forceful clearness he urged upon Business a selfsacrifizing type of Christianity.— Evidently a business man himself he seemed to take a chapter from his own life’s experience and generalize its teaching. He would consider the well being of Labor and the rights of Consumers.

The theme at another session was a man-centered universe,— but what man shall be the Pattern, him with a whimsied impulse, him who makes the nation an idol, the earth-born humanitarian, or the man who lost himself in order that others may find the Way?

In the discussion on Peace it was urged that in spite of the failure of the L. of N. to stop war, that organization can do much spade-work for Peace, as for example, thru a committee which has considered a text book of History that may be free from a national bias, i.e. be a presentation of facts agreeable to all peoples equally well. It might also take steps toward the allocation of raw materials so that dangerous rivalries may not arise.

The social was at the new home of Charles and Humphrey Baynes.