

February 5, 1944 at 3 P.M. Blue River Quarterly meeting met in Woolman Hall, 57th St., Chicago, and jointly with the Chicago Quarterly Meeting.

Representatives to both groups were read at the opening so that we might proceed somewhat as one body.

From Clear Creek Monthly Meeting the following names came:

Edna Wolf, Ralph Wilson, Verna Wilson, Martha Mills, Irma Bumgarner, Harriet Smith & Margaret Wolf

Of these, the first, fourth, and seventh were present.

Appointed and present from Oak Park Monthly Meeting were: Robt. M^cGonagle, Lloyd Wright, and Margaret Brown.

Appointed and present from 57th St. Monthly Meeting were: Harold W. Flitcraft, Alice B. Flitcraft, Mary Ruth Jones, Garfield V. Cox, and Jeannette Cox.

Present from Peoria Monthly Meeting were Herbert and Susanna Crow.

From the meeting for Ministry and Counsel which had met in the morning came evidence of a fresh spiritual conservation to relieve a little of the world's misery. The Clear Creek review mentions the group sewing for the A.F.S.C. saying: "When the first shipment of 100 pounds was ready to send, they had a public exhibit, serving tea, to show the work accomplished. Many interested people came and made a nice cash donation to help continue the work"

From the new Preparative Meeting in Kansas City Ruth Decker was present, and from the as yet unattached Milwaukee meeting, D^f and Mrs Knox. The attendance at K.C. was reported 30, of whom 10 are Friends.

Also, from the American Friends' Service office force, these were in attendance: Walter Godfrey, Earl Edwards, Ruth Keaton, Togo Tanaka, and Ruth Dross.

A request was minuted that Oak Park should send two representatives to the coordinating committee of Chicago Friends meetings.

Ruth Keaton reported on a Friends Service Committee meeting in Philadelphia. Also on Summer projects — as work camps and seminars.

Martha Mills, clothing chairman of Central Clothing Com. of A.F.S. and Ruth Dross in charge of the work room reported progress toward the goal of two tons of clothing shipments. 200 pounds were sent the first month and 400 pounds the second month.

Albert Mills reported that payments from funds on hand had been made as follow:— to Chicago ^{Oak Park?} monthly meeting \$25⁰⁰; to Clear Creek, \$25; to 57th St. \$25, and to the Central Clothing Committee \$45⁰⁰. These payments are in accord with the action taken by the last Quarterly

Meeting. Altho offered to them, neither Peoria Monthly Meeting nor Blue River asked for funds to promote the clothing project of the A.F.S.C.

At hand was a letter from W^m Hubben expressing gratitude for the money to make the Quarterly Meeting an Intelligencer Associate, \$10 having been sent the Intelligencer for this membership.

Under consideration was a concern originating in 57th St. meeting that Illinois Yearly Meeting ask membership in the Five Year's Meeting, thus to make a gesture of unity which might betoken a closer union between the General Conference friends and the Five Year Friends.

The subject was left without action other than that the Yearly Meeting shall be asked to explore possibilities. For this purpose a committee report from 57th St. meeting will be forwarded. Meanwhile local meetings may well give consideration to the subject.

The Yearly Meeting will be asked also to consider a change of date for the November sessions of our Quarterly Meeting, this to avoid a coincidence with Miami. Both meetings W^m MacKensen would like to attend.

Illinois Yearly Meeting will be asked also to authorize the discontinuance of a Quarterly Meeting session at Benjaminville.

To suggest names of Clerk and assistant clerks the following committee was named: Lucretia Franklin, Robt. M^cGonagle, and Alice Flitcraft.

With lines like "No education like visitation" and no techniques, just friendly exchange of ideas," W^m MacKensen reported his recent activities. Anderson, Indiana group is promising, but the friendly life at Bloomington is not ready to jell.

Four or five religious schools are in prospect for the coming summer.

Because of a cramp for time, only a part of the minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting were read, and the book of Discipline remained closed on queries and advices.

Good fellowship and seasoned jollity marked the sessions which disclosed common ends.

Albert T. Mills Clerk
Martha Ellyn Chilton Asst. Clk