

Chicago 2-3-'45 3 p.m.

Blue River Quarterly Meeting transacted business between three and four o'clock 2nd Mo. 3rd in the Unitarian Church Chapel at 57th Street Chicago.

To open several lines were read from the Madison Monthly Meeting queries. One of which reads: "Are you dependent on processes which are based on oppression of others?"

Clear Creek Monthly Meeting's list of representatives follows: Lucretia S. Franklin, Martha Mills, Margaret Wolf (present) and absent Harriet Smith, Barbara Whitney, and Mildred Whitney.

Oak Park Monthly Meeting's list: Anna Alexa, Carolyn Wills, Luella Flitcraft, Clement Flitcraft, Lloyd Wright, and Maurice Crew. (Present but the last named)

57th Street Monthly Meeting's list: Robt Sergel, Ruth Sergel, Lawrence Haines, Margaret Haines, Erna Lowenberg, Ruth Keeton, and Ruth Steele.

Madison Monthly Meeting's representative is Lelia Bascom, who is very acceptably present.

From Peoria Monthly Meeting came a letter which set forth in encouraging detail the activities of Friends in that newly organized center. They shall be known by their works.

Representatives to the Chicago Quarterly meeting were next called; this in order that both Quarterly Meetings would feel organized and free to participate when subjects considered were of mutual interest.

Reading of the Peoria Minutes opened the way for reports. Albert Mills reported that \$55 had been distributed from funds held by trustees to promote clothing projects. \$15.00 were given then Madison Meeting and \$10.00 to each of the following: Clear Creek, Oak Park, 57th St. and Central Committee of A.F.S. Unused interest money amounts to \$38.69. The principal draws 4%

To welcome the affiliation of Madison Friends Albert Mills reported that George Watson and William MacKensen Ruth Keeton and himself and wife visited in Madison on the 22-23 of October, attended Monthly Meeting and a meeting for worship, the latter held almost in the shadow of the State University.

For Chicago Quarterly Meeting, Garfield Cox reported a similar visitation which occurred in January and made up by Betty M^cCloud, Jeannette and Garfield Cox.

The subject of a possible affiliation of Illinois Yearly Meeting with the Five Year's Meeting was briefly introduced by the Clerk's reading Minute 24 of the 1944 Illinois Yearly Minute Book. It suggests that the appointment by the Clerk of friends to attend the sessions of the next Five Year's Meeting; to go informally and without power to make any commitment.

It was decided to make our Meeting's relation to the Friend's Intelligencer that of a perennial associate and in that relation to contribute \$10.00 annually.

Madison informs the Quarterly Meeting that their Meeting will contribute \$15⁰⁰ to each of the treasuries, — \$15.00 to Blue River Quarterly Meeting.

Roger Sergel of the A.F.S. challenged men present to be of service by taking with them from a stock he had on hand a pair of shoes in need of repair. Dozens of pairs of worn shoes come in as contributions to the needy yet they are not immediately useful, not until perhaps new half soles are supplied. The shoes were nicely packaged. Many were taken.

To name Clerks for next year, Margaret Wolf, Lucretia Franklin, and Luella Flitcraft were appointed. It was suggested that a name might well be brought forward of a person to be of service during the morning's meeting of Ministry and Oversight. It was at this meeting that the state of society was considered. A half dozen strong and informing papers were read, all showing a devotion to things spiritual.

600 Jamaicans are segregated in a Chicago area, brought here by Industry. Friends expressed a strong desire that something should be done for their spiritual and recreational betterment. To respond to our concern a committee was appointed headed by Erma Nixon. Others are D^r B.F. Andrews, Wilfred Farr, Wilfred Reynolds, Harold Flitcraft, Elizabeth M. Simpson, Mabel Coppock, and Luella Flitcraft.

With greetings from Francis Wright (Penn Valley Meeting) and from Jeannette Stetson, the meeting concluded

Albert T Mills Clerk
Martha Chilton Asst Clk.