

Quarterly Meeting Summary

sent to Louis Fridley

The Quarterly Meeting of November 7-8 at St. Louis opened with a period of silent worship. The worship period was very fruitful at this meeting so that no one was moved to end it as scheduled and it continued longer than is customary.

Blue River Quarter was happy to have as its guests Bernard Walton of Philadelphia and Wilmer Tjossem of Des Moines.

The business of Blue River Quarter was conducted that afternoon as usual bringing to light several important items. Bernard Walton announced a conference on peace to be held in Detroit that will be a preparatory meeting for the meeting of the World Council of Churches which takes place in Evanston, Illinois next year. Friends General Conference has ten places to be filled at the preparatory meeting.

An article of interest to Friends was published in the periodical, Society for Social Responsibility in Science. Its title is "Science and Conscience," written by Henry Cadbury.

Yearly Meeting has received several letters from the Friends Committee on National Legislation because it has received no contribution from Yearly Meeting this year. It was decided at Yearly Meeting to discontinue the annual contribution to F.C.N.L. With the hope that Monthly Meetings will contribute individually to make up this loss.

The Nominating Committee recommended that the present Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer hold office through Quarterly Meeting in May and that new officers be appointed at that time. This recommendation was made so that names of our officers which are found in the Yearly Meeting Minutes are more current.

These paragraphs do not make a complete list of all things discussed at Quarterly Meeting by any means. All other items of business will presumably be reported to the Monthly Meetings by the representatives present at Quarterly Meeting.

After the close of the Meeting for Business, three discussion groups took place simultaneously. Bernard ^{Walton} kindly consented to lead a group in discussing "Vocal Ministry and the Meeting." The two other subjects under discussion were "Advancement and Quaker Practice" and "The Meeting and Community Affairs," both ably led by Wolfgang Thron and Marvin Fridley respectively.

After a baked ham and potluck supper, Wilmer Tjossem, who has recently returned from a two months' trip to Europe, spoke on his experiences there. A question and discussion period followed Wilmer Tjossem's talk. Viktor Hamburger of Washington University's Zoology Department and his daughter, Doris Sloane, who has participated in several Friends' projects, were invited to join us during the program to bring out the point of view of sympathetic non-Friends towards Friends' beliefs and practices.

Saturday evening's program officially ended the November Quarterly Meeting, but St. Louis Friends were pleased to see several visiting Friends at Meeting for Worship on First-Day Morning.

*Hope this is satisfactory. Bruce, & that it reaches you in time to help you —
 am sending original to Doris Peters.*

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Thanks for your promptness in sending address, Gertrude.

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