

Blue River Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Hull House, Chicago. 2nd month 27th 1926.

Reports from Clear Creek and Chicago Monthly Meetings received and read. They show that Marie Fredericksen, Alice Flitcraft; Alice Flitcraft and Nora Fawcett from Chicago meeting and Lula K. Mills, Mary H. Wilson, Chas. A. Whitney, Edna W. Wolf, Josiah J. Tomlinson and Clarence Mills from Clear Creek were appointed as representatives. Six of the ten are present.

No reports received from Highlands or Benjaminville Meetings. Word by letter received indicates that illness prevented the attendance of Elwood Brooks of Salem. The serious illness of J. Warner Coale also prevented representation from the Benjaminville neighborhood.

We are very much gratified to have with us at this time several Friends from other Yearly Meetings than our own, from whom much real help and encouragement has been received. They are Allen Blackburn and wife of Bedford, Pa. – members of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, Mary Whitson of Kokomo, Indiana, – a member of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Lillian Wood of Pendleton, Indiana, – a member of Fall Creek meeting of Indiana Yearly Meeting.

The minutes of the 11th mo. Quarter being read no business is called up therefrom.

A letter from Anna B. Griscom, Chairman of Printing and Publicity Com. of Friends General Conference asks that since our Yearly meeting will not have an opportunity to appoint delegates to the Conference to be held in 7th mo. at Ocean City, N.J. that this Quarterly meeting appoint delegates to the number not to exceed one for every fifteen of its membership. After consideration we unite in appointment at this meeting of a nucleus for such delegation to the General Conference. Thomas A Jenkins, Marian Jenkins, Elizabeth Smith, Stanley Flitcraft, Clement B. Flitcraft, Luella W. Flitcraft, Charles Whitney, Sadie M. Mills, Alice S. Jenkins, Theodore J. Smith, and Marcia Mills. It is understood and recommended that additional appointments are to be made at the Fifth month Quarter as appears advisable at that time.

Thomas A. Jenkins gave an interesting report of the activities of the South Side Group of Friends who have recently been discussing and considering the negro and other race problems. Addresses have been made by those in close touch with the negro situation in education, business, and industrial relations and with social and housing conditions. Interest and attention is thus being attracted to these phases of the race problem. It is said that all people with a dark skin are placed at a disadvantage usually even in the midst of professing Christians. They are often barred from needed service for the obtaining of personal comfort and food supplies.

A letter from the American Friends Service Committee calls our attention to the desirability of bringing over a number of Japanese students to study conditions in the United States. Funds are needed for this work. Any who feel an interest and can contribute toward this special undertaking of the committee are urged to do so.

By arrangement of Jane Adams a very valuable set of pictures were prominently displayed showing the wonderfully prominent place that Friends have occupied in history as identified in Peace movements and for Equality of the Races and Brotherhood of Peoples and Nations. These were explained in a very sympathetic and inspiring way by Miss Jemison of the Hull House.

Having transacted our business and being helped to see more clearly the problems confronting us by having thus come together we conclude to meet in Fifth Month at Highland Meeting House.

Clarence Mills }
Sarah Poulson } Clerks