The 17th annual session of Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends opened its first session at 4 p.m. Wednesday, August 14, 1963, in Melrose Hall of Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon.

The session opened with families gathering by Meeting groups for a brief time of worship, interspersed with cheerful outcries from one of the youngest members. Following the introduction of the clerks, the Reading Clerk called the roll by Monthly Meetings, whose members in attendance stood as their Meeting name was called:

Albuquerque  La Jolla  Sacramento
Argenta  Los Angeles  Salem
Berkeley  Mar Loma (San Pedro)  San Fernando
Calgary  Mexico City  San Francisco
Claremont  Monterey Peninsula  Santa Barbara
College Park  Multnomah  Santa Cruz
Corvallis  Orange Grove  Santa Fe
Delta  Palo Alto  Santa Monica
Eastside  Phoenix  Tacoma
Eugene  Pima  University
Fresno  Reno  Vancouver
Honolulu  Riverside-Redlands  Whitleaf

The following additional groups were acknowledged and members present stood as their group name was announced:

Pacific Ackworth Preparative Meeting  Davis Worship Group
Harbor Worship Group  Grass Valley Worship Group
Bozeman Allowed Meeting  San Luis Obispo Meeting

Visiting Friends from other Yearly Meetings were introduced:

Dong Suk Cho, Seoul Friends Group, Korea, member of Japan Yearly Meeting
Toyoo Naraia, Tokyo, Japan Yearly Meeting
Vally Weigl, Morningside Heights Preparative Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting

Other visitors from afar were present and welcomed:

Renato Bernhoeft, Brazil
Tim Te Heuheu, New Zealand
By the midpoint of the first session, the main floor of the auditorium was full, with approximately 400 in attendance.

After a period of silent worship, the Recording Clerk led the Meeting in singing, followed by announcements and quiet closing moments.

The Meeting adjourned at 4:50, to reconvene at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday following a songfest led by Young Friends.

Wednesday, August 14, 1963, 7:30 p.m.

The second session of Yearly Meeting convened promptly at 7:30 p.m. with nearly a full house again, including over 100 Young Friends.

The Meeting opened with a short period of silence.

The Clerk called for the State of the Society reports from the regional meetings, which were given as follows:

- Willamette Quarterly Meeting, Clifford Maser, Clerk
- Northwest Quarterly Meeting, Ward Miles read the report of Ethel Miller, Clerk
- College Park Quarterly Meeting, Betty McInnes, Clerk
- Southern California Half-Yearly Meeting, Ferner Nuhn, Clerk

The reports evidenced signs of growth by the addition of new Meetings, new Meetinghouses and increased activities. In the words of one report, "there is a continuing and, we trust, creative tension between our outward activities and our inward search." Another report pointed that search toward unity as "a quality which pervades, not an event to be recorded", that is "to be nourished but not regimented", that is "as inevitable as tender shoots where roots are well nourished, and impossible where the root is cut away."

Announcement was made and a warm welcome extended to three new Monthly Meetings that have been established since last Yearly Meeting: Mar Loma (San Pedro area, Southern California), Santa Cruz (Northern California), and Reno-Sparks (Nevada).

1963-1 On the basis of the report given by Walt Raitt, chairman of the Committee of Oversight, that Mar Loma had been granted Monthly Meeting status at the November, 1962 session of Southern California Half-Yearly Meeting, the Meeting approved recognition of Mar Loma Monthly Meeting, Lewis Unnewehr, Clerk.

1963-2 On the basis of the report given by Madge Seaver, for the Committee of Oversight, that Santa Cruz Meeting had been granted Monthly Meeting status at the January, 1963 session of College Park Quarterly Meeting, the Meeting approved recognition of Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting, Charles Atlee, Clerk.
1963-3 Based on the same report by Madge Seaver, above, that Reno-Sparks Meeting had been granted Monthly Meeting status at the April, 1963 session of College Park Quarterly Meeting, the Meeting approved recognition of Reno-Sparks Monthly Meeting, William Scott, Clerk. (The name has subsequently been simplified to Reno Monthly Meeting.)

From among named Meeting representatives who were sitting on the platform the meeting was invited to listen to "conversations" concerning such queries as: "the most moving experience in our Meeting last year was..." and "what our Meeting really needs is..."

Many of the most significant experiences were related to celebration for and support of members involved with births, marriages and deaths, especially when the latter have been sudden and unexpected. Other memorable experiences revolved around the search for personal identity through increased shared knowledge of one another in depth.

Announcement was made of the schedule for the Worship-Fellowship Groups, which convene for the first time tomorrow morning at 8:30. Reference was made to the central meaningful experience these groups have provided for so many in the past, and Friends were invited to prepare themselves in readiness for such experience again this year.

At 8:50 p.m., Young Friends joined in leading the meeting in singing "We Shall Overcome" as they retired for their own programs.

A report from Honolulu Meeting was given by Shafer Stubbart, which stressed the enriching impact on the Meeting of the several protest sailing groups: "Golden Rule", the Reynolds family, and the "Everyman." We do best what we have to do, from an authentic inner moving.

Dong Suk Cho from the Seoul, Korea, Friends group presented a thoughtful summary of the growth and development of this Quaker outpost in the frontier of tension between East and West. They have been meeting regularly for three years now, with attendance rising to 30 or so, there being about 11 "nuclear" members. They have been grateful for the shared leadership of British and American Friends, including several from Pacific Yearly Meeting.

The report from Mexico City Meeting was presented by Ignacio Gonzalez, who spoke of the problems of smallness of number of members and varying attendance, yet the high hopes for achievement in projects and outreach. A high point of the year was the Fourth General Reunion of Friends in Mexico, held during Easter Week, which brings together Friends from Pacific Yearly Meeting and Five Years Meeting. It is hoped to include in the May, 1964 reunion Friends from Cuba, Central America and the Caribbean in addition to those from Mexico, the United States and Canada.
Following announcements by the Reading Clerk, the Meeting gathered for a sustained period of worship. Friends were reminded that many, many words will be spoken at Yearly Meeting, but unless we draw near to the Word, they will soon be forgotten; that we will have much fellowship, but unless we gather around our Elder Brother, even the Lord, it will be shallow; that the unity for which we so earnestly seek will be but expedient accommodation unless it be centered in that Truth which we have seen and experienced, experimentally, which shows us our error and is the source of our healing.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m., to reconvene at 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

Thursday, August 15, 1963, 10:30 a.m.

The third session of Pacific Yearly Meeting opened with a period of worship.

The Reading Clerk read from Epistles of the following Yearly Meetings:

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting:

"Our spiritual resources are sapped by...tendencies toward secularization but there are ways open to us to prevent this if we so will. 'Simplicity which is identical with purity of intention' can be demonstrated in ways which are appropriate to our present culture...Friends are called to a discipline of time and energy, with more devotion to meditation, prayer, and the inward life. Such a discipline is in no sense incompatible with the vigorous witnessing to one's faith in action; in fact, it nurtures that faith..."

London Yearly Meeting:

"To seek an encounter with the living God--this is the need that we share with all who desire to serve Him. In His light we may see light; we must not be paralysed by fear arising from continuous awareness of the great dangers and needs of our time. We are united by our shared experience of working for a new world in His power and in His time."

The Clerk read a covering letter from the Clerk of Meeting for Sufferings, London Yearly Meeting, responding to the 1962 Epistle of Pacific Yearly Meeting, which reaffirmed the concern that Yearly Meeting Epistles are meant to be meaningful communication between Friends, as individuals, all over the world. It is a rich and unique heritage in Quaker practice that is much cherished.
Introductions of visitors included Joseph Vlaskamp, a member of Rancocas Monthly Meeting, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and Assistant Secretary of Friends General Conference; Marie Potts of the California League of Indians and the National Indian Congress. Both of these are serving as resource persons for workshops at this session of Yearly Meeting. Cecil and Mary Pennington Pearson of South Glen Falls Monthly Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting, were introduced.

Young Friends are again this year providing a page to assist the clerks for each session. At the desk this morning was David Strittmatter, Eastside Meeting.

Minutes of the first and second sessions, August 14, were read and approved as amended.

Mildred Burck, Yearly Meeting Secretary, gave the Secretary's annual report, which will be duplicated and circulated (Attachment #1). Excerpts will appear in the Friends Bulletin. All 37 Monthly Meetings have happily reported, showing a total membership of 1409, a net increase of 144 over last year. Appreciation was again expressed for the diligent work of the Secretary.

Harold Carson commented on the circulated report of the special Committee to Study the Functions of the Interim Committee, which is brought forward with the recommendation of the Interim Committee. This proposal calls for a reorganization of the Interim Committee into a Representative Committee to meet once a year at the time of Yearly Meeting and an Executive Committee to meet in the Spring. The Executive Committee will be composed of the Yearly Meeting officers, the standing committee chairmen and regional representatives. The larger Representative Committee will include members of the Executive Committee plus one representative from each Monthly Meeting.

1963-4 The Meeting approved this report (Attachment #2).

Phillip Wells presented the report of a special committee appointed by Interim Committee to propose an equitable travel allowance plan. This report was brought forward from the Interim Committee with its recommendation. Copies were distributed. The plan involves increasing travel allowances for Meeting representatives coming from longer distances and for members of the newly-formed Executive Committee.

1963-5 The Meeting approved this report (Attachment #3).

Following announcements, the session adjourned at noon, to reconvene at 7:30 Thursday evening.
Thursday, August 15, 1963, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting opened with a period of quiet worship.

The Reading Clerk read the Epistle from the Fourth Reunion of Friends in Mexico, held in April, 1963:

"Faith is the knowledge of the Truth and the Love of God that guides us in the way and gives us confidence as we follow it... If we truly believe in the reality of the Inward Guide we must maintain an open attitude, free from prejudices and inflexible ideas, for we firmly believe that God continues to reveal Himself to our generation as He has done in each past one."

Introductions:

Young Friends page for this session--Rebecca Van Dyke, Corvallis Monthly Meeting

Barbara Shade, Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting of Lake Erie Association, currently on the staff of John Woolman School

Gordon and Ellen Lewis, Gate, Okla., Monthly Meeting of Kansas Yearly Meeting, who brought with them--

Lucy Sandoval of Hermosillo, Mexico

Memorials, forwarded from Monthly Meetings, were read for the following Friends:

Harry Burks, Eastside Meeting, Executive Secretary of the Pacific Northwest Office of the AFSC

Nellie Foster, Berkeley Meeting

Marietta Korn, Albuquerque Meeting

Chester Garfield Pearce, Claremont Meeting

Elsa Rothschild, Los Angeles Meeting

Ada Wardlaw, Palo Alto Meeting

Hazel Davis, Fresno Meeting's Clerk

Friends meditated on the reminder that life and death have a continuity within God's perspective; that we are all sojourners in a new land for a brief time; that death is another great adventure of life.
The annual report from the AFSC was presented by Margaret Jump, representing the Northwest Regional Office. Lois Bailey, of San Fernando Meeting, reported on the new VISA program in which she and her family have recently participated in Tanganyika. This program provides opportunities for individual service and learning for some 60 college-graduate-age students in five different countries. Mary Lou Turner, committee member of the Seattle AFSC Office, summarized the program of School Affiliation Service by which children and teachers participate in exchanges of school program materials and visitation. The first conference of S.A.S. in Mexico this past year was a significantly unique experience for Mexican teachers involved.

Virginia Barnett, from the Seattle Office, is attending these sessions of Yearly Meeting on behalf of the Personnel Department of the whole AFSC and invites inquiries concerning staff service opportunities.

The Clerk reported that tentative figures for attendance of Young Friends set a new record: some 32 college-age and 114 junior and senior high school age. Meeting has especially appreciated their leadership in the songfests preceding each evening session.

Esther Richards, returning a Yearly Meeting travel minute from her service in Mexico, brought personal greetings from the following, all of whom within the recent past have attended sessions of Yearly Meeting:

- Ed and Jean Duckles
- Ellen Gonzalez
- Esther Gally
- Mildred Harrigan
- Jorge Hernandez
- Heberto and Suzanne Sein
- Darryl Davis, Fresno Meeting

She spoke of the developing service work of the Youth Group that centers at Casa de los Amigos (Friends House) in Mexico City.

The Recording Clerk read the following minutes of the Interim Committee for information of the Yearly Meeting to be included in its record:

Ralph Pinney, Southern California Half-Yearly Meeting chairman for the Site Committee for the 1964 Pacific Yearly Meeting session, reported difficulty in finding suitable facilities either because of dates available or camping arrangements. The tentative location is set for California Western University, San Diego, for August 15 to 20. Betty McInnes, Clerk of College Park Quarterly Meeting, indicated a committee of three has been appointed to search for a site for the 1965 session of Pacific Yearly Meeting.


* INTERIM COMMITTEE REFERRED this statement to Monthly Meetings for consideration. Comments and suggestions are invited to be sent to the Discipline Committee chairman: Ferner Nuhn, 420 West 8th Street, Claremont, Calif.
The Reading Clerk read a communication to Yearly Meeting from the Seoul Friends Meeting in which they express their desire for closer ties with other Friends groups and eventual association with a Yearly Meeting in order that they may become a full-fledged Monthly Meeting. This was interpreted by Catherine Bruner as only an exploratory effort at this time. A similar communication is being sent by them to Japan Yearly Meeting. We were reminded that the F.W.C.C. has a tender concern to support this pioneer Meeting. Friends were asked to give thought to ways by which we might helpfully respond to this inquiry.

The Clerk read a moving letter from Tokyo Monthly Meeting over their concern for conditions in Korea and relationships between that country and their own. They warmly support the efforts and aspirations of Dong Suk Cho, one of their members.

After a brief time of settling, the Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m., to reconvene at 10:30 Friday morning.

**Friday, August 16, 1963, 10:30 a.m.**

The fifth session began before the scheduled time as Friends arrived early for worship. At the appointed hour, the college chimes rang out the tune: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation", lifting our hearts in praise. We were challenged: "Let your lives speak, for there are those who are listening."

Young Friends were in attendance to hear the report from Catherine Bruner, "Friend in the Orient."

The Epistle of Japan Yearly Meeting was read by the Reading Clerk:

"...we realize how difficult it is to be faithful to truth... but we as 'the salt of the earth' in this generation, become aware of our duty, as individuals and groups, on the testimony of God... 'The strong is the strongest alone, but being united the weak become strong' (Schiller)."

Introductions:

George Jarvi, Corvallis Meeting, serving as Young Friends page

Elma Marshall, Whittier Monthly Meeting of California Yearly Meeting

Catherine Bruner was asked to report for David and herself as Friends in the Orient this past year. David has not as yet returned to the States as he is giving a lecture on "Facing Social Change" at a YMCA conference held at the International Christian University in Tokyo.
Catherine presented a group of paper-crane leis which are presented to visitors at Hiroshima who come with a commitment to peace-making. They are made by a Japanese youth association. Also exhibited was an "enlightenment striking stick" presented to the Bruners on visiting a Buddhist monastery which was honoring its late Zen master by the abbot, who had inscribed on the stick in Japanese "mountain cloud opening", meaning "peace". Catherine Bruner presented to the Clerk a letter from Tokyo Monthly Meeting expressing its concern over the sending of American nuclear submarines to Japanese harbors. (A copy is attached to the file minutes.) Visits to Seoul Meeting, Hong Kong Meeting and projects in Nagasaki, Taiwan (Formosa) and Hiroshima were recounted and heard with deep interest by the Meeting. A former member of the Shanghai Friends Meeting has leased an island in outer Hong Kong harbor as a rehabilitation project for refugee farmers. The "Houses for Nagasaki" built under the direction of Floyd Schmoe are being well kept and used under city government auspices. The mayor cited Floyd Schmoe for his contribution to the city as part of a ceremony this past April. The most moving aspect of this mission in the Orient was reported as being the love received from the people, especially the young people, who in face-to-face encounter spoke freely and honestly, and through whom, whether Buddhist or non-believer, one saw God.

1963-6 Meeting united in expressing to Catherine and David Bruner heartfelt gratitude for their dedicated service, faithfully and sensitively carried out under appointment by Pacific Yearly Meeting.

At the request of the Clerk, Meeting approved extending the evening schedule to 10 p.m.

The Clerk brought forward a minuted recommendation from the Interim Committee:

INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS continued PYM endorsement of the Friend in the Orient by designating Russell and Ann MacArthur of Calgary Meeting for 1963-64, while they are stationed in Singapore under a Colombo Plan project appointment, on leave from the University of Alberta. For 1964-65, it is hoped they may be able to serve under appointment from PYM for a year in mainland China, if arrangements can be made and "way opens." It is understood that no financial consideration will be necessary for the first year. Considerable assistance may be necessary if the second year program materializes.

Floyd Schmoe spoke of the competence and genuineness of the concern of Russell and Ann MacArthur and of the possibility of financial support from the Canadian and American Service Committees for their second year. It was suggested that some incidental travel funds may need to be budgeted for next year and therefore the authorization to the Treasurer to receive funds should include possible use for 1963-65. Final consideration of this matter was put over to the evening session.

Following announcements and a moment of silence, the Meeting adjourned, to reconvene at 8:30 this evening after the "Family Hour."
The Education Committee arranged for a panel of representatives of Friends-related educational ventures including: June Manners, Pacific-Ackworth Friends School (Temple City, Calif.); Asenath Young, Pacific Oaks School (Pasadena, Calif.); John and Helen Stevenson, Argenta Friends School (Argenta, British Columbia); Ken Stevens, Friends Secondary Summer School (Northern California); Foy Van Dolsen, The Farm (Cazadero, Sonoma County, Calif.); Delbert Reynolds, John Woolman School (Grass Valley, Calif.). The panel discussed such questions as academic standards and creativity, the place of simplicity as a setting for a genuine person-to-person encounter and discovery, the small, private school as an enlarged family, the exploration and use of silence as a privileged educational adventure. It was announced that exhibits and available literature of the various schools may be found in the dining hall.

The matter of the Friend in the Orient project was again taken up with the rereading of the Interim Committee's recommendation (see Page 9). This report was amended to provide for incidental travel expenses in the Orient for 1963-64 and the Treasurer is authorized to receive designated funds for this project for possible use for 1963-65.

1963-7 The Meeting warmly approved the recommendation as amended.

The Clerk read the Interim Committee's recommendation that Pacific Yearly Meeting continue its endorsement of the Friend in Washington project. Consideration of this matter was put over until Saturday.

A preliminary report of the Nominating Committee was circulated for study and comment. The chairman, Shirley Hilfinger, announced that a chairman for the Peace Committee has not as yet been selected, partly because that committee's structure is being reconsidered.

It was announced that a film on voter registration in Mississippi, produced by the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, will be shown following this session.

After moments of quiet, the Meeting adjourned at 10:05, to reconvene at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow.
Saturday, August 17, 1963, 10:30 a.m.

The seventh session of Yearly Meeting opened with a period of worship in which aspirations were voiced for our being free of the fear that listening in depth may change our lives; of overcoming such fear by the experience of love which is full-faced, inviting acceptance, yet piercing and stern in its demands.

The Reading Clerk read from the following Epistles:

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church (Indiana):

"We sense an awareness and a conviction that Friends have a definite mission to fulfill in the world...must do their work in the world (to) meet the problems of our economic and social order...Yet devotion, enthusiasm and zeal are not enough. We must ever work for understanding of God's purposes through learning His essential nature—love."

Australia General Meeting:

"We have felt again the need of a strong faith to live by; an awareness of God's presence to guide and direct; joy in the beauty of the universe; and a sense of holy enquiry to lead us into truth."

The Clerk commented that this would be the last communication from the "General Meeting", for Australia Yearly Meeting, as distinct from London Yearly Meeting, is being established this coming year. Interim Committee recommended that Helen Scheiber, a former member of University Meeting now residing in Melbourne, be asked to represent Pacific Yearly Meeting as a fraternal delegate to bring greetings to their first session.

1963-8 The Meeting approved this appointment.

It was reported that Anna James hopes to be able to attend their 1965 Yearly Meeting session.

The Young Friends' page at the desk this morning was Bonnie Pinney of Orange Grove Meeting.

The minutes of the sixth session were read and approved as corrected.

The Social Order Committee report was read by the chairman, Herbert Foster. Activities stressed through Monthly Meeting reports included alcoholic rehabilitation; civil liberties, particularly loyalty oaths, equal opportunities in housing and employment; service to offenders and their families; and Indian affairs. The last two, of special concern this year, have been topics for workshops held during the Yearly
Meeting. Rosemary Goodenough of Palo Alto Meeting and Mara Moser of Orange Grove Meeting have shared their part in projects with offenders; Marie Potts of the California League of Indians and the National Indian Congress has been present to help Friends renew their concern for her people and their problems. A member of Pima Meeting with the concern of Arizona Friends over the teacher test-oath case in their state will be in the San Francisco Bay Area this coming year in hopes of obtaining additional support for taking the case to the Supreme Court.

Caroline Estes, as Pacific Yearly Meeting delegate to the national Race Relations Conference under Friends World Committee auspices, reported that this fourth gathering of Friends met in June at Oakwood School, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. With one exception, she was the only delegate from Friends groups in the United States west of Indiana. Although the conference dealt with current problems of housing, employment and civil rights and decided to continue for another two-year period, it seemed to her to lack a "soul"—a deep commitment. In a moving statement, Caroline Estes asked whether Friends realized that race relations is no longer in a reform stage but is now a revolution. How much are Friends really involved?

The Bulletin Committee's report was presented by Virginia Harris, Editor. She summarized the type of publication which the committee tries to provide, adding the new features this past year of a monthly letter from our Friends in the Orient, and a "history corner." Friends were invited to contribute materials for publication. It was reported that Meetings are increasingly subscribing through their budgets for their members and their attenders as well. There are now approximately 1,200 subscriptions, of which some 100 are sent abroad. Concern was voiced that too much of the Editor's time is required for circulation and solicitation tasks, which Meetings can remedy by taking on more responsibility for adequate interpretation and group subscriptions.

1963-9 Meeting approved the report with special thanks and commendation to the Editor for her first year of service.

The Meeting then took upon itself the problem of the heavy schedule of the agenda. This grew out of Friends being moved by the remarks of Caroline Estes over the revolutionary nature of the equal rights movement. With some frustration, Friends seemed to resolve themselves into a "committee of the whole" over both procedural questions and feelings of concern, to share more generally in the kind of reporting that moved them to deeper searching and sharing.

The hour for adjournment having already passed, the Clerk proposed a special, adjourned meeting of this session to reconvene at 3:15 this afternoon, making the necessary adjustments in other scheduled meetings for the early part of the afternoon. The Meeting approved.

After a moment of unifying silence, the Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.
Saturday, August 17, 1963, 3:15 p.m.

The adjourned meeting of the seventh session reconvened at 3:15 p.m. with an opening period of gathered worship. The Clerk shared a meditation thought which had come to him since the morning session:

"Make us an instrument of Thy will. Teach us to be humble... Help us to understand the meaning of our explosiveness and impatience with ourselves... Can we come to terms with our problems of freedom and control; authority and individuality; large numbers and a longing for intimacy; patience and urgency...? We pray that there may be a 'vivid gathering of the group into a double relatedness, at once vertical and horizontal'."

Minutes of the morning meeting of the seventh session were read and approved as corrected.

Friends were invited to feel free to respond to the report of the Social Order Committee given this morning.

The Recording Clerk drew up a summary minute, which, as amended, was approved:

The Meeting engaged in a searching exercise to understand the sources of Friends' uneasiness over our seeming lack of effective coming to terms with the explosive issue of race relations. We feel a need to identify with and give support to the non-violent movement for equal rights. We rejoice in the flowering of the spirit of reconciliation evidenced by its courageous leaders. But we also feel deeply the need to understand and love those who oppose the struggle for human dignity. There is more we can do in our own communities. We hope channels of communication within Yearly Meeting may be found to continue this search and to share those creative activities which may lead us to a deeper commitment and more dedicated involvement in this struggle.

The Meeting united in its acceptance of Caroline Estes' report at the morning session and expressed gratitude for her faithfulness to the leading of her conscience.

Attention was called to the Visitation Committee's report, which has been published in the Friends Bulletin and is available for circulation at Yearly Meeting. John Ullman, chairman, expressed satisfaction that the committee has a reappearing item in the budget.
Beatrice Crouse, chairman, invited Friends to study the report of the Ministry and Oversight Committee, which has been circulated (Attachment #4). Meetings are reminded that the committee welcomes invitations to visit and provide counsel when this may be felt to be helpful. The Meeting thanked the committee for a full and comprehensive report.

The following recommendation of the Interim Committee was brought up at this time for action:

INTERIM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS continued PYM endorsement of the Friend in Washington project. The Peace Committee is instructed to ascertain from Monthly Meetings what their interest is financially in supporting this project and to forward the total pledged by Meetings as a goal figure to the FCNL in Washington.

1963-10 The Meeting approved this recommendation.

These additional Memorials were read and received for recording along with those given Thursday evening at the fourth session:

Mark Auf der Heide, Orange Grove Meeting

Mary Yeo Thornton, Orange Grove Meeting

The Clerks, subsequent to this session, learned that the following members of Everett (Washington) Monthly Meeting of Oregon Yearly Meeting had been present and, although not introduced, had been welcomed by Harold Carson:

Clara Frazer

Alma Kines

Raymond Ricketts

The session closed with moments of silence at 5:05 p.m., to reconvene this evening at 7:30.

Saturday, August 17, 1963, 7:30 p.m.

The eighth session of Yearly Meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

The Reading Clerk read from the South Central Yearly Meeting (held near Dallas, Texas):

"As we meet on the first anniversary of the formation of our Yearly Meeting, we send greetings to all other Yearly Meetings whose goodly company we have recently joined... We weep over the turbulence in Mississippi, since Mississippi and other Southern states are in our Yearly Meeting area... We ask ourselves how we can help to change our social climate, which resists integration and denies human dignity...
We have felt the 'the rising leaven of an uneasy conscience.' As we face the year ahead, we ask that you join us in praying that we may be open to follow Divine Guidance."

The minutes of the adjourned meeting of the seventh session were read and approved as corrected.

The report of the special committee set up by Interim Committee to consider the invitation of Mexico Friends to participate in a Quaker Seminar was given in Spanish by Ignacio Gonzalez and translated by Esther Richards.

The purpose of the seminar, expressed in the words of the Fourth Reunion of Friends in Mexico: "Friends in Mexico feel intensely our spiritual solidarity with our brothers who in Cuba continue to maintain firmly the ideals of our Society, and with this in mind we recommend the organization of a Quaker Seminar which would include (Friends) from Canada, the United States, Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Cuba and Jamaica."

Interim Committee has recommended Yearly Meeting participation in this seminar through financial support and appointment of delegates. The special committee recommends the appointment by the Clerk of a small committee to: 1) consult with the Friends World Committee and with Friends in Mexico and assist them in any way possible, 2) choose one or more delegates to officially represent Pacific Yearly Meeting at the seminar.

1963-11 The Meeting approved these recommendations with enthusiasm.

Herbert Jones reported the first legal action by the Yearly Meeting Holding Corporation of taking title to property for the Los Angeles Meeting this past month.

He recommends that in the future the Corporation be instructed to provide for protection against deficiency liability in such cases and to see that public liability insurance be arranged for the protection of the Corporation.

1963-12 The Meeting approved these recommendations with appreciation to Herbert Jones for his assistance in the forming of the Corporation and in the initial development.

The Meeting took up the matter of an appropriate response to the inquiry from Seoul Friends concerning closer relations (see Page 8). The suggestion was made to form a committee for correspondence with the Seoul Meeting, consulting also with Japan Yearly Meeting and the Friends World Committee.

1963-13 The Meeting approved the Clerk's naming the following to serve as the committee: Reginald Price, chairman; Sang dal Cha, Catherine and David Bruner, Ruth and Floyd Schmoe.
Catherine Bruner read a proposed letter for the Clerk to send to Ger-
trude and Herbert Bowles of Honolulu Meeting, encouraging their pos-
sible service in Korea and expressing our hope that they might serve
as a link between Pacific Yearly Meeting and Seoul Friends.

1963-14 The Meeting heartily approved having such a letter sent in
its name.

Shirley Hilfinger presented an amended version of the report of the
Nominating Committee for officers and committees for the coming year,
copies of which had been circulated (Attachment #5).

1963-15 The Meeting approved the report, expressing thanks to the com-
mittee for much work persistently undertaken.

All new positions were filled with the exception of the Peace Committee
chairmanship.

The Nominating Committee in considering the appointment of a chairman
of the Yearly Meeting Peace Committee has been made aware of a need to
reconsider the present organization and function of this committee.
There have been various suggestions for this change but no sense of
unity. The Nominating Committee therefore suggests that the Clerk set
up a committee to study this matter and to bring its recommendations to
the Executive Committee meeting in March, 1964 for final action by the
Yearly Meeting in August, 1964.

1963-16 The Meeting approved this suggestion, asking the Clerk to name
such a committee.

Since there is no Peace Committee chairman and yet the Meeting has
asked such a person to poll the Monthly Meetings as to their financial
interest in the Friend in Washington project, it was suggested that the
Clerk name a Friend to carry out this function along with forwarding
funds received for this purpose.

1963-17 The Meeting approved this suggestion.

The Treasurer’s report was circulated and briefly spoken to by the
chairman of the Finance Committee and the Treasurer, indicating a sol-
vent condition with only minor deviations from the budget for the past
year.

1963-18 The Meeting accepted the report with thanks (Attachment #6).

Paton Crouse, Finance Committee chairman, presented the proposed budget
for 1963-64, copies of which were circulated. Following a period of
discussion for clarification of issues, in which confidence was ex-
pressed in the committee to make minor adjustments as needed,

1963-19 The Meeting adopted the budget (Attachment #7).
The Peace Committee report (Attachment #8) was presented for circulation by the chairman, Harriett Schaffran, who commented briefly on the problem of a workable organization for this committee. She introduced one of our recent Friends in Washington. Ben Seaver reported on his six-week stay in Washington after six weeks with the Quaker Team at United Nations headquarters in New York. He spoke of the welcomed reception and confidence evidenced by Congressmen in representatives of the Friends Committee on National Legislation; of their appreciation for the morale uplift by visits of Friends; of the critical need for more articulation to Congressmen and Senators by those who have peace and social concerns. Ben Seaver felt that perhaps the most effective political action Friends might take is to personally visit their Congressional representatives when they return home from Congress. He urged the Meeting to send to the President the letter concerning the test-ban treaty proposed in the Peace Committee's report.

1963-20 The Meeting warmly approved sending this letter in its name. (The letter is also part of Attachment #8.)

The Finance Committee asked for approval for the Treasurer to disburse to the Bruners, up to the amount of their needs, funds designated for the Friend in the Orient project received by September 30, 1963.

1963-21 The Meeting approved this request.

Esther Richards read the first draft of the Yearly Meeting Epistle, copies of which were circulated as Friends left the session. Comments and suggestions to members of the Epistle Committee were invited.

Following a brief period of quiet, the Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m., to reconvene tomorrow morning at 9:45.

Sunday, August 18, 1963, 9:45 a.m.

The ninth session of Yearly Meeting convened at 9:45 a.m. with a brief period of silence.

The minutes of the eighth session, held Saturday evening, were read and approved.

Present with the Clerks at the desk were the following Young Friends: Connie Juut, Multnomah Meeting; Clerk of Young Friends; Joyce Victor, University Meeting; and Karen Scott, Tacoma Meeting. Joyce Victor gave a summary report of the activities of the Young Friends, which this year numbered 114 junior and senior high students. With this larger number they found it more difficult to feel a sense of oneness and unity for the first part of the Yearly Meeting. As they became aware of this they sought in their meetings and activities to find it. Happily, they felt the group did weld together in their feeling a part of something beyond themselves.
Young Friends officers for 1963-64 have been selected, as follows:

Clerk, Sue Hogenauer, University Meeting
Assistant Clerk, Mark Jorgensen, Berkeley Meeting
Junior High Clerk, Paul Dart, Eugene Meeting
Recording Clerk, Tissa Eddy, Monterey Peninsula Meeting
Treasurer, Evan Meyer, Sacramento Meeting
Arrangements Chairman, 1964 Yearly Meeting, Judy Bruff, Whitleaf Mtg.
Peace and Social Action Chairman, Mickey Graham, Palo Alto Meeting
Communications Chairman, Ellen Thatcher, Eugene Meeting
Junior High Advisers, Foy Van Dolsen and Mary Jorgensen
Senior High Advisers, Phillip Wells and Dorothy Proctor

Karen Scott reported for the college-age group of 32 Young Friends, which for this second year developed a program. Their lively discussions ranged over questions of problems of conscience in relation to conscription, Indian affairs, Quakerism, science and religion. They have enjoyed their fellowship and recreation and in all felt that "unity in the fellowship of our beings rather than the interchange of our words."

The Young Friends Epistle was read by Mitch Dodd, University Meeting (Attachment #10).

Expressions were general of much satisfaction and joy over the growth and sensitiveness of Young Friends. Adult Friends have much to learn, if they will, from the honesty and simplicity expressed by our younger Friends.

The Clerk announced that the Chairman of the Nominating Committee had not as yet been named and brought forward the suggestion of Polly Straka, Palo Alto Meeting.

1963-22 The Meeting accepted this suggestion.

The Meeting united in endorsing travel minutes of Dong Suk Cho from the Seoul Friends Meeting, and Vally Weigl from Morningside Heights (New York) Preparative Meeting.

1963-23 The following were approved to serve on the special committee to consult with Friends in Mexico concerning the Quaker Seminar (see Page 16): Esther Richards, chairman; Charles Atlee, Ignacio Gonzalez, Howard Richards, Edwin Sanders, Ken Stevens.

The Meeting instructed the Clerk to issue travel minutes for two Young Friends who will be attending the Young Friends Committee of North America later this month: Karen Scott, Tacoma Meeting, and Chris Stevens, Delta Meeting.

The Clerk announced that the report of the registrars indicated a new attendance record for Pacific Yearly Meeting: a total of 614 registrants. This includes: 299 adults, 166 Young Friends (junior high, senior high and college); 116 children 5 years and over; and 33 children under 5 years.
The Clerk announced that the special committee to study the organization and function of the Peace Committee (see Page 17) will be named by him at a later date and published in the Friends Bulletin.

The Yearly Meeting Epistle was read by Leonard Dart.

There was uneasiness among some that an emphasis on our worship and religious aspirations was lacking. After some searching exercise of spirit, the Epistle Committee was asked to retire to write an amended version to be read at the conclusion of our Meeting for Worship.

The session adjourned at 10:50 a.m., to reconvene at 11 for the closing Meeting for Worship.

1963-24 The 17th annual session of Pacific Yearly Meeting concluded with approval of the Epistle as revised and read (Attachment #9) and the reading by the Clerk of the Closing Minute:

1963-25 Yearly Meeting is always a "loving struggle" for the truth. In our search together here during these past few days we have discovered anew how deep our love is for each other and how much we need each other. Because we love one another we have achieved a challenging and meaningful sense of unity in spite of (or perhaps because of) our differences in age, experience, insight and convictions.

Pope John XXIII in his remarkable encyclical Peace on Earth has said:

"Every believer in this world of ours must be a spark of light, a center of love, a vivifying leaven amidst his fellowmen. And he will be this all the more perfectly the more closely he lives in communion with God in the intimacy of his soul."

We adjourn to meet August 16, 1964 on the campus of California Western University, Point Loma, San Diego, California.

Edwin C. Morgenroth, Clerk

Walt A. Raitt, Recording Clerk
On the 1st of June we had 37 Meetings. They reported a total of 1,409 adult members. Actually, this is only 1,407 Friends--one couple has dual membership in two meetings. Last year's total was 1,365--a difference of 144.

We lost 67 members this year--27 by death, 13 by transfer and 31 by withdrawal. Our gains were 117. Eight of these were juniors who chose to become adult members. There were 39 transfers and 70 new members by convincement and application.

There are 151 other Friends in our Meetings and 24 of these carry sojourning minutes. There are approximately 760 attenders--a little over one-half the number of members.

There are 1,194 children under the care of the Meetings--this is about the same as last year. 684 of these are Junior Members.

The regular use of the queries was reported by 27 Meetings and 25 Meetings have had a 1st day school.

The Meetings listed a variety of subjects which they have studied. Bible study, Quaker history and Pacific Yearly Meeting's Discipline and others were most frequent. Others were: the religious education of our children; mysticism; our relationship with California Yearly Meeting; and social concerns. They also mention the Beyond Deterrence series, Transforming Power for Peace by Apsey, Rufus Jones Speaks to our Time by Fosdick, Prayer, the Cornerstone by Hole, Friends for 300 Years and Guide to Quaker Practice by Brinton, On Listening to Another by Steere, Quakerism, a Spiritual Movement by Jones, Conquest of Violence by Bondurant, Testament of Devotion by Kelly, The Art of Loving by Fromm, Children and Solitude by Boulding, Human Destiny by deNouy and Jesus as Teacher by Sharman.

Public meetings, many in cooperation with other groups, featured Norman and Mildred Whitney, Ray and Ruth Hartsough, Charles Hornig, Stuart Innerst, Albert Bigelow, Clarence Pickett, Levinus Painter, Canon Collins, Heberto Sein, David Reynolds, A.J. Muste, Steve Cary, Gurdial Malik of India, and Joyce Stewart from Bulawayo Meeting in Southern Rhodesia. Other public meetings were a peace vigil during peace week, a non-violence seminar, a peace walk and vigil, a leadership peace conference, and a sacrificial meal to raise money for relief of Friends in the Cuba Yearly Meeting.

The projects and activities of the Meetings were many and varied. There was particular emphasis on peace with three Meetings reporting support of the local peace center and six mentioning other activities such as peace walks and vigils. One Meeting circularized all the ministers of the town, urging them to sign and send to the government
a statement opposing nuclear arms. One Meeting sponsored a
to a detention home, collection
foster children. Five
of jails and prisons and vigils at the time of execu-
have worked at property development or meetinghouse construction.
The interest of six meetings in prisons and prisoners has resulted
in lay visitation, weekly cookies, collection of magazines for jails and prisons and vigils.
meetings mentioned Dialogues. There has been the col-
local relief as well as for those
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more distant. There has been relief sewing and soapmaking and three
reported UNICEF collections. There have been conferences with Friends
of four other Yearly Meetings. One Meeting has started a college
group.

Other projects and activities include a school for retarded children,
the promotion of civil rights, an Indian center, tutoring for col-
ored children in the local schools, information about draft alterna-
tives to high school seniors, a Friends school, organization of a
Meeting library, monthly meetings in the home of a Friend so that
members might get to know each other better, maintenance of a litera-
ture box at a busy street corner, visitation program to other Friends
Meetings---announcing the visit at the previous Meeting and inviting
any to go who wish to do so, a statement on capital punishment sent
to newspapers and legislators, the production of two half-hour TV
programs shown on a local channel, a work camp for John Woolman
School and two work camps for Sam Tyson.

In addition, many projects were mentioned which were undertaken by
individuals with the support of their Meetings.

MILDRED BURCK, Secretary
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING  
13 August 1963

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY  
THE FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERIM COMMITTEE

The committee appointed to study the functions of the Interim Committee submitted its recommendations to the Spring Session of that committee which endorsed them. They were then published in the Bulletin and submitted to all Monthly Meetings which were asked to send their suggestions to the committee.

Eleven Monthly Meetings reported and all of these gave general approval of the suggested changes.

Our committee wishes to submit these changes for Yearly Meeting consideration.

Representative Committee. Change of name from Interim to Representative Committee, to meet once a year, just before Yearly Meeting, to do the work now done by Interim Committee at its summer session.

Representative Committee would consist of 59 members, as follows: Officers of Yearly Meeting (6), Regional Meeting Clerks, plus representatives from Arizona and New Mexico (6), Chairman (or alternate) of Yearly Meeting Arrangements Committee (1), Chairmen of Yearly Meeting Standing Committees (10), one representative from each Monthly Meeting (37), plus representatives of special committees when necessary.

Monthly Meeting representatives would be appointed for two-year terms, with one-half being replaced or reappointed each year.

In addition, each Monthly Meeting would appoint one Friend, (observer) to attend and observe Representative Committee, so that he will be prepared to become an appointed representative in due time. This would train additional members for Representative Committee and provide some continuity, while keeping its size small enough so that it will function effectively.

Executive Committee. The work of the present spring session of Interim Committee (planning Y.M. agenda, aiding committees in their work, acting on items which cannot wait until Yearly Meeting time, etc.) would be done by an Executive Committee. This committee would have 23 members, consisting of the Yearly Meeting Officers, Regional Clerks and representatives, and Chairman of Standing and special Committees mentioned above, but without representatives from each Monthly Meeting. Committees which now meet at the time of spring Interim Committee would continue to do so. Although probably only a few committee members, other than chairmen, would be on the Executive Committee, the Yearly Meeting could assist with travel expenses of these committee members, since the travel costs of the Executive Committee would be considerably less than for the present spring sessions of Interim Committee.

HAROLD CARSON, Chairman  
Committee to Evaluate the Functions of Interim Committee
The committee wishes to make the following suggestions regarding the new changes:

1. Minutes of the Executive Committee should be sent to the Monthly Meeting Representatives so that all actions of the Executive Committee can be known to each Monthly Meeting.

2. The Representative Committee should meet near the close of each Yearly Meeting to evaluate the sessions and to make suggestions to the Executive Committee for the next year's sessions. At the beginning of Yearly Meeting a few members of the Representative Committee might be asked to be responsible for certain areas in the evaluation session.

3. It now seems reasonable to consolidate all of the material about the functions of the various officers, committee chairmen and committees. It seems that there is a need to expand the instructions and suggestions to these officers. This added detailed material would probably be too much for the main body of the Discipline, but could be added in an Appendix or put in a separate Handbook.

Harold Carson, Chairman
Margaret Jump
Ruth Schmoe
A PROPOSAL FOR EQUITABLE TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

Report of a Special Committee
to the Interim Committee
August 14, 1963

The travel fund was set up originally to insure full representation of the Yearly Meeting at its sessions. It was especially important that travel costs not keep distant meetings from being represented. The travel allowance for representatives from each Monthly Meeting is intended as an aid and not to cover full expenses. Everyone coming to Yearly Meeting gets a good deal from the sessions and it is not intended that the Friends at home should fully subsidize a representative to the Yearly Meeting.

We will continue to pay 2 cents a mile round trip for one representative to Representative Committee (at Yearly Meeting) from each Monthly Meeting. This will not include meetings within 200 miles of the site of the Yearly Meeting. We will pay 3 cents a mile round trip for meetings more than 1000 miles from the site of the Yearly Meeting because of the additional burden of the unmet expense and the problem of time of travel for those representatives.

The members of the Executive Committee (Officers, Chairmen of Standing Committees, Clerks or Representatives of regional meetings and Chairman of Arrangements) are required to attend the Spring Executive Meeting and the Yearly Meeting to carry out the business of the Yearly Meeting. They shall be allowed 4 cents a mile round trip to each of these meetings. This shall apply only to members coming more than 100 miles to the meeting.

The standing committees may need to meet at times other than at Yearly Meeting. If they meet at the time of the spring Executive Committee Meeting they must clear with the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting. Travel funds for attendance at any such meetings need to be provided for by a budget request by the committee. Unless specified as less at a certain occasion, payment will be at the rate of 4 cents per mile for members coming from over 100 miles.

The Finance Committee will be responsible for developing a uniform procedure concerning travel budgets among the committees. There are limited funds available for this purpose and the Finance Committee in consultation with the Clerk is to apportion them equitably.

Although we have decreased the membership of the Representative Meeting and have eliminated the attendance of representatives at the spring meeting, this modification of the travel fund procedure, because of the addition of Committee Chairmen and Committees, does increase the potential expense to the Yearly Meeting slightly.

If a committee wishes to provide expense money, including travel, for a resource person in connection with its program at Yearly Meeting it should provide for this in its budget request. There are no other funds for this purpose. In special cases, a committee may raise its own money to provide for such expenses if this is approved by the Clerk in consultation with the Finance Committee chairman.
ANNUAL REPORT TO PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING - 1963

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT

We of the Yearly Meeting Committee on Ministry and Oversight have had an interesting year, visiting meetings, conferring with committees on ministry and oversight, corresponding with one another across great distances, and planning some of the gatherings to take place at Yearly Meeting. In all of this we try with our inner eye to see the invisible within the visible acts of devotion to Friends' meetings.

We are encouraged by the growing self-reliance of many meetings and the development of regional committees on ministry and oversight. We find in most meetings a recognition of the importance of the work of ministry and oversight, often with a concern that a greater amount of work be done. We hope the activities of our committee strengthen those already serving on ministry and oversight committees; we also realise it is important that more Friends prepare to carry on some of the many phases of this work. We are reminded that our Book of Discipline describes a double task for committees on ministry and oversight, the important responsibility of a committee on worship and ministry, a responsibility which the Discipline can help us understand, and the work of the overseers. These are not easy tasks in a day when it is not unusual for adventurous and troubled persons to seek peace and guidance in a Friends' meeting. We find Friends longing not only for more time to give to their committee work, but wisdom and understanding as to what to do in situations of deep personal need. We are happy to report we find many sensitive and gifted Friends helping in this respect.

This committee's responsibility for visiting monthly meetings and consulting with them about the work of ministry and oversight is an inspiring task but not a light or easy one. Unaided, we of this committee would find it difficult. However, Southern California Half Yearly Meeting has an excellently organized committee on ministry and oversight which has taken almost the entire responsibility this year for visiting the member meetings of that region and reporting to the Yearly Meeting committee. It was the Half Yearly Meeting committee which kept in close touch with San Luis Obispo Friends as the decision to lay the meeting down temporarily was being made. College Park Quarterly Meeting also has a Committee on Ministry and Oversight set up to do similar work. Pacific Northwest Quarterly Meeting has given much thought during the year to a similar committee, weighing pros and cons of possible functions, and has established a Committee on Ministry and Counsel, composed of one person appointed by each monthly meeting. A limited but useful visiting program has already been carried out by this committee.
These regional committees not only relieve the busy Yearly Meeting committee of considerable work and expense; they provide a group which can know intimately the situations in the meetings of an area, they can meet or confer frequently, and there can be continuity in their work from year to year. If the recommendation of the March Interim Committee is followed, that members of the Yearly Meeting committee in a given region should also be members of the regional committee on ministry and oversight, then these regional committees can be a vital link between a monthly meeting group and the Yearly Meeting. We do not forget the values for a small or discouraged local committee on ministry and oversight when a pair of visiting Friends have come quite a distance as an expression of the interest of the Yearly Meeting as a whole in their work. And the reverse is important: if we of the Yearly Meeting committee are to garner the insights and new ways of working produced in a local meeting and make them known to the rest of the meetings, to help them, then our own first-hand contacts with Friends in their own meetings are still important.

Several monthly meetings naturally do not have representation on regional committees on ministry and oversight: the meetings in Arizona, New Mexico, and Oregon, as well as Mexico City and Honolulu meetings.

In addition to some of us visiting many of the more centrally located meetings, Anna James visited the Honolulu Meeting; Clara Hurn and Elisha Kirk assisted by Baxter Hurn and Alice Kirk visited Friends in Gallup, Santa Fe, and Albuquerque during Easter weekend (the Kirks traveled over 1500 miles during the time from Thursday afternoon through Monday evening); Esther Richards on behalf of our committee conferred with the Consejeros (Overseers) of Mexico City Meeting; and Howard Scott, a member of the Pacific Northwest Quarterly Meeting Committee on Ministry and Counsel, assisted by Ruane Scott, spent several days among Argenta Friends.

When we speak of visiting meetings we should report that in several cases our visits have been brief, sometimes because our own schedule did not allow us to be present for a regular meeting for worship or monthly business meeting, sometimes because the meeting visited did not arrange for us to meet with its committee on ministry and oversight. It often seems, though, that the person-to-person visiting takes us deeper into the real life of a meeting than attendance at meetings.
To its own members the same meeting may seem different to different people and the visitor may not know whose picture of the meeting is most true. Some meetings seem not to consider as a problem some situation which the visitor feels needs attention. In some meetings Friends earnestly working to solve problems seem confident that the methods best for their meeting will develop within that meeting. Some meetings emphasize more than others the values of contacts with Friends from other meetings or the values of a knowledge of past experience of Friends. The tasks of members of ministry and oversight committees are varied and change as a meeting and the people in it change, yet long experience in the work of such a committee often results in a person's having special qualifications to be helpful in difficult situations. It has been inspiring to us to observe the work of the local committees.

This year, as in past years, this committee has arranged for the Worship-Fellowship groups held during Yearly Meeting and for what the Discipline calls the Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, a session to be held Saturday afternoon for all members of committees on ministry and oversight and similar committees, to consider pastoral care in our meetings. And in view of last year's valuable workshop, we planned the Workshop for Thursday and Friday afternoons on "What is the source of our power?", a subject evidently of interest to a large number of people but, we felt, best considered in a comparatively small group. We hope that these activities during Yearly Meeting time will help us all to make the sessions here more worshipful and that they will prepare Friends to carry on tasks of ministry and oversight more effectively in their home meetings.

Members of this committee have carried on correspondence and/or conversations about Quaker Dialogues, about the relation between the work of the Yearly Meeting Visitation Committee and this committee, and even about the relation of the work of adult education committees to the work of committees on ministry and oversight. Ruth Schmoe for this committee has correlated the comments sent her on last year's statement on the duties of a clerk. The chairman has sent letters with enclosures to all monthly meeting clerks but has done only a modest amount of visiting and has received almost no requests from meetings for help or advice from the committee. We have held meetings of the committee in March and just prior to Yearly Meeting, but at no time has the entire committee met together. We are grateful to Friends generally for the cordiality greeting our efforts.

Beatrice S. Crouse, chairman
Pacific Yearly Meeting Committee on Ministry and Oversight
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING APPOINTMENTS

August, 1963

Presiding Clerk
Assistant Clerk
Recording Clerk
Reading Clerk
Statistical Secretary
Treasurer

Edwin Morgenroth (Orange Grove)
Gretchen Tuthill (La Jolla)
Walt Raitt (Orange Grove)
Robert Barns (Berkeley)
Mildred Burck (Corvallis)
Robert Young (Orange Grove)

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Ferner Nuhn, Chairman (Claremont)
Margaret Jump (Multnomah)
Edwin Sanders (Orange Grove)
Dorothy Bruff (Whitleaf)
Ruth Schmoe (University)
Margaret Brooks (Davis)
James Wendell (San Francisco)
Marguerite Wells (Orange Grove)
Harriet Schaffran (Berkeley)
Richard Manners (Orange Grove)
Clifford Maser (Corvallis)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paton Crouse, Chairman (Eastside)
William Bruff (Whitleaf)
Clarence (Ted) Cunningham (Berkeley)
Robert McInnes (Davis)
Olin Byerly (Eugene)
Otto Heck (Berkeley)

HISTORY COMMITTEE

Caroline Estes, Chairman (San Francisco)
Margaret Lorenz (Vancouver)
Ed Thatcher (Eugene)
Herbert Jones (College Park)
Phillip Wells (Orange Grove)

Local Committee:
Peter Gulbrandsen (Berkeley)
Sara Conrow (Palo Alto)
Anna James (Monterey Peninsula)

VISITATION COMMITTEE

Dorothy and Kenneth Stevens, Chairmen (Delta)
Clara and Stanley Shaw (Tacoma)
Clara and Baxter Hurn (Phoenix)
George Clauss (Multnomah)
John and Nan Dorland (Orange Grove)
Beach and Catherine Langston (Orange Grove)
Pacific Yearly Meeting Appointments

**COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT**

Catherine Bruner, Chairman (Delta) 1965
Beatrice Crouse (Eastside) 1964
Monette Thatcher (Eugene) 1964
Phillip Wells (Orange Grove) 1964
Hugh Campbell Brown (Vancouver) 1964
Reginald Price (Sacramento) 1965
Jane Webster (Pima) 1965
Margaret Simkin (Los Angeles) 1965
Walt Lohans (Fresno) 1965

**BULLETIN COMMITTEE**

Madge Seaver, Chairman (San Francisco) 1963
Gretchen Rudnick (La Jolla) 1963
Jim Estes (San Francisco) 1963
Brent Howell (Orange Grove) 1963
Clara Lack (Palo Alto) 1963
Jackie Dunham (Eastside) 1963
Esther Richards (Multnomah) 1963
Elizabeth Estrada (Pima) 1963
Betsy Huling (Albuquerque) 1963
Grace Lawrence (Corvallis) 1963
Virginia Harris, Editor (Ex officio) (San Francisco) 1963
Helen Bruner (Sacramento) 1963
Dorothy Shepherd (Vancouver) 1963

**SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE**

Ralph Pinney, Chairman (Orange Grove) 1963
Local Committee:
Lisl Auf der Heide (Orange Grove) 1963
Ian Thiermann (Santa Monica) 1963
Albert Kramer (San Fernando) 1963
Mary Gutkin (Orange Grove) 1963
Corresponding Members:
Herb Foster (Santa Cruz) 1963
Lisa Selker (University) 1963
Jean Prideaux (Eugene) 1963
Vernon Elfbrandt (Pima) 1963

**FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION REPRESENTATIVES**

Barbara Elfbrandt (Pima) 1963
Carol Urner (Multnomah) 1963

**AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE**

Virginia Barnett (University) 1964
Vern James (Palo Alto) 1964
John Ullman (La Jolla) 1965
Jane Baumann (Santa Fe) 1965
Pacific Yearly Meeting Appointments

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

Floyd Schmoe (University) 1964
Francis Dart (Eugene) 1965
Virginia Heck (Berkeley) 1966
Melody James (Eastside) 1965
Rega Engelsberg (Orange Grove) 1965

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Crystalle Davis, Chairman (Salem)

Members at Large:
Shirley Hicks (Albuquerque)
Marjorie Wells (Orange Grove)

Chairmen of Education committees of Half Yearly and Quarterly Meetings

YOUNG FRIENDS ADVISORS

Senior High:
Phillip Wells (Orange Grove)
Dorothy Proctor (Palo Alto)

Junior High:
Foy Van Dolsen (Claremont)
Mary Jorgensen (Berkeley)

Nominating Committee

Polly Straka
Virginia Heck
John Etter
Leonard Dart
Ben Seaver
Ralph Pinney
John Stevenson
Shirley Hilfinger, Chairman
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR, August 12, 1962 to August 14, 1963

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*Attachment #7*
Since last Yearly Meeting Friends in the Monthly Meetings seem to have moved to more accord on ways to witness for peace. In our committee we found, this year, not the same sense of urgency to persuade anyone to any particular method. It is as if our belief in peace had been tempered into a lasting effort in which we are becoming comfortable.

You have heard, in the Interim Committee report, of the projects we proposed for this year. Other concerns forwarded from Monthly Meetings were:

1) Establishment of some type of training center in non-violent behavior to meet the stress of our times. The Peace Committee has no detailed suggestions for implementing this concern. Rather, we have prepared a query:

In these times when movements for racial equality are creating critical and explosive situations, when movements for peace are subjected to skepticism, scorn and occasional violence, Friends may well look to the depth and courage of their spiritual resources. Individuals and groups may expect to face a variety of situations testing the courage and strength of their faith. Have we the will, the fortitude, the purity of purpose to testify to the social and religious concerns of our time in the spirit of humility and brotherhood so amply exemplified by Friends of other times?

2) Peace Centers. Several Monthly Meetings have minuted the strengthening of Meeting peace programs that came from joining with other groups and individuals in the community. For some Meetings, joint efforts seem to mitigate the uneasiness we all feel at times that we may just be talking to ourselves. Since Sacramento Meeting sent a detailed description of the mechanics of their center, we are giving it to you to use if it is helpful.

3) Roberta Walen of Orange Grove Monthly Meeting Peace Committee is coordinating a program for Letters for Peace. Copies of an outline for this program are available on the literature table in Dillin Hall. Further information can be obtained by writing to Roberta Walen, 530 East Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena, California, 91104.

Finally, we are asking the Yearly Meeting to request the clerk to send the following letter to the President:

Dear President Kennedy:

The Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, in session at McMinnville, Oregon, wishes to commend your efforts toward maintaining peaceful relations between nations which bore fruit in the initialing of the test ban treaty in Moscow, and to convey to you our sincere hope and prayers that the United States Senate will confirm it by an overwhelming majority. Although the early, practical effect may be primarily the limitation of radioactive fallout, popular support of this treaty may open the way toward its principal aim as stated in the preamble, the achievement of an agreement on general and complete disarmament under strict international control in accordance with the United Nations.
We subscribe to your appeal to peoples everywhere in your address at American University on June 10th, and approve of your concept of peace as "the right to live our lives without fear of devastation, the right to breathe air as nature provided it, the right of future generations to a healthy existence."

On behalf of Pacific Yearly Meeting,
TO FRIENDS EVERYWHERE:

This year as never before we are aware that we are truly an international Yearly Meeting. With members present from Canada, Mexico and the United States, including Hawaii, and with business requiring us to act as an international body, we rejoice that the Spirit knows no boundaries. We read with gratitude messages from Friends everywhere, including special Epistles from London Yearly Meeting, from Japan Yearly Meeting, from the Reunion of Friends in Mexico, and from the Friends Group in Seoul, Korea. We welcomed back one of our two representatives in the Orient, travelers, and American Friends Service Workers from Mexico and Tanganyika. Our life together was enriched by the presence of Friends from Korea, Japan and New Zealand.

In action, too, we showed our new realization of our international character. We have continued to support the idea of "Friends in the Orient," appointing two Canadian Friends to represent us while they are living in Singapore and later, as way may open, in other parts of Asia. We unite in spirit with the struggles of the Seoul group of Friends to find its identity in an area isolated from other Friends. We unite also with the concern of Friends in Mexico for a seminar on non-violence in conflict areas of Latin America.

In many ways we have been forced to assess our internal growth. With children comprising fully half of our membership, we are concerned for their education and for the Friendly background we should provide them. With the increase in our membership and of member Meetings, we wish to maintain and deepen acquaintance with one another; and we have been severely tried in the effort to come to terms with problems of freedom and discipline, authority and individuality, patience and urgency, busy-ness and growth in depth.

Moved by the increasing racial strife in the United States, we have realized that this struggle has grown into a major civil conflict. Although non-violence is an important force, existing violence and hatred will leave a bitter harvest. We can rejoice in the social revolution and in the leadership it is producing. Yet we are troubled about its tragedy and violence; we are concerned about the nature of our own involvement. Are Friends becoming so partisan that they can no longer find love for those who hate as for those who suffer? Shall we be able lovingly to help those who will lose the struggle? Are we in real danger of finding ourselves victors over men rather than over injustice? We are concerned that our peace testimony be rightly related to this conflict. We earnestly desire that in our own acts, wherever we are, we may truly practice peace.

In our sessions, as in our lives, we cannot and should not separate the secular from the divine. We have joined together in worship and found God in our midst. We have been aware of God among us no less in our business discussions, in the joy of our fellowship together, or in the play of small children about us. In all we do and share, God is among us and in us, asking no outward acknowledgement, yet moving us to inward recognition of His divine presence.

Signed on behalf of Pacific Yearly Meeting in its 17th session at Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon, August 14-18, 1963.
Dear Friends,

This Yearly Meeting the Young Friends found that expected unity and deep fellowship that always came spontaneously before had to be worked for rather than be taken for granted. We all went to our meetings and followed our schedules, but there was no feeling of unity or depth to the group.

When the Young Friends finally realized this lack and shared their concern, the silent spirit of Yearly Meeting began to emerge, gaining momentum with every new group experience and climaxing in a gathered meeting at our final campfire. This spirit was all the more precious because we had been so close to losing it.

Though we felt this fellowship within our group and though other groups experienced similar fellowship, we found it missing in the Yearly Meeting as a whole.

Small groups are a part of Yearly Meeting, but the oneness of the entire meeting is more important and harder to achieve. . .

On behalf of the Epistle Committee,

Connie Jump, Clerk
EPISTLES RECEIVED BY PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

August, 1963

Baltimore Yearly Meeting, Stony Run and Homewood
California Yearly Meeting of Friends Church
Canadian Yearly Meeting
Fritchley General Meeting
Germany Yearly Meeting
Illinois Yearly Meeting of Friends General Conference
Indiana Yearly Meeting (General Conference)
Iowa Yearly Meeting
Iowa Yearly Meeting (Conservative)
Ireland Yearly Meeting
Jamaica Yearly Meeting
London Yearly Meeting
Mid India Yearly Meeting
Near East Yearly Meeting
Nebraska Yearly Meeting
New England Yearly Meeting
New Zealand General Meeting
North Carolina Yearly Meeting (Conservative)
North Carolina Yearly Meeting
Norway Yearly Meeting
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