YEARLY MEETING SESSION I: Tuesday, August 10, 1976, 2 p.m.

In stillness we gathered ourselves physically and spiritually for the thirtieth annual meeting of Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends.

The Clerk, Peggemae Lacey, after a word of welcome, introduced
Eric Moon, Reading Clerk
Virginia Heck, Assistant Clerk
Anne Friend (in absentia) and
Russell Jorgensen, Co-Recording Clerks
Caroline Cox, Clerk of Young Friends
Elizabeth Perry, Clerk, Junior High Friends
Karla Brune, Clerk, Junior Yearly Meeting

Eric Moon is responsible for bringing us "gleanings" or excerpts from Epistles received from other Yearly Meetings. Ohio Yearly Meeting describes yearly meeting as a "venture in faith and to see how truth has prospered."

Virginia Heck read the roll call of Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups and all answered or responded by rising. The joy of gathering together again was evident in the applause of smiles and occasional laughter. Even though attendance was broad, thus far we missed the presence of Friends from Hayward Area Meeting and Salt Lake City, Malibu, West Marin, Palo Alto/College Age, Gualala and San Luis Obispo Worship Groups.

Visitors were warmly welcomed by the Clerk and introduced:
Mary Esther McWhirter, Friends World Committee representative
Amy Kurkjian, Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting
and Wider Quaker Fellowship
Chin Yung Sang, Clerk, Seoul Meeting, Korea
Moses Wambalaba, East Africa Yearly Meeting and attending
Marin Monthly Meeting
Mildred Burke, Corvallis Meeting
Reginald Price, Florida Avenue Meeting and Friend in Washington

Peggemae Lacey shared two special letters to Pacific Yearly Meeting: London Yearly Meeting reminded us of the positive correlation between good order and outward action. "Yearly Meeting is a welcome opportunity to think about our imperfections as well as our achievements."

Louis Schneider, National Executive Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, is heartened by the increased dialogue and communication between the Society and the AFSC and called attention to California AFSC staff and board members to be present at Pacific Yearly Meeting. The Clerk introduced Robert Eaton, Executive Secretary of the San Francisco office of AFSC.
The Clerk announced that the Representative Committee has appointed Van Ernst to chair the Epistle Committee.

Brother Martin Ash welcomed us on behalf of President Anderson to St. Mary's College. Our eighth year at St. Mary's sees the physical appearance still in rapid change. Brother Martin shared with obvious satisfaction and much humor the lighter side of a 25 per cent increase in enrollment, and credited the goodwill created by visitors, such as PYM, for some of this gain.

We heard from the persons principally (but not solely) responsible for the "smooth ease" of arrangements and were reminded that success is based on dual responsibility: theirs and ours. They were Clifford Cole of the Children's Program; Gretchen Rudnick for Worship-Fellowship Groups; Micki Graham of Arrangements; Louise Aldrich, Communications Center; and Asenath Young on worship arrangements.

The Clerk informed us of two innovations: On Friday there will be a mid-morning coffee hour to meet informally representatives of Friends organizations. On Saturday at the final business session and following the adoption of our Epistle we will have a time to examine what we expect of Pacific Yearly Meeting and what we want it to be. A sheet of quotations has been prepared and is available on the "right holding" of yearly meetings; it is hoped that we will all informally find time to think about and discuss with others this matter before Saturday.

The session closed in a period of silent worship.

YEARLY MEETING SESSION II: Meeting for Worship, 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10

The rearrangement of the chairs by Ministry and Oversight Committee into two closed curves symbolized what we hoped to achieve in our opportunity of worshiping together: our joining in the Spirit.

Out of the silence there was spoken ministry.

It seems that no matter what this year's Epistle says it will probably have a short life. We, as living epistles, need not be short-lived but, in countless ways, vital and shaking and thereby everlasting.

The pursuit of the Kingdom of God is forwarded by seeking, by asking, by knocking. To know God, however, stillness is required.

From the joy and ecstasy of being in pursuit of the Kingdom, of knowing God, of being in the Light, of living this year in the Light, let us use this time we have, this opportunity we have, to shed the Light on the dark sides of life.

The joyful, childlike qualities of love, of innocence and of trust help achieve the Kingdom. These qualities will support us if we are not afraid - a rebirth, not bounded by age, as living Epistles.
YEARNLY MEETING SESSION III: Tuesday, August 10, 1976, 7:30 p.m.

The third session opened with a period of silent worship.

The Reading Clerk read from the epistles of neighboring yearly meetings; North Pacific Yearly Meeting spoke of community shared with others as they did their cooking with the staff of Cesar Chavez College and explored their common commitment to non-violence; as a yearly meeting, their work produced minutes supporting positive actions for peace and for changes in the social order. Intermountain Yearly Meeting shares the joy of those Friends coming together for their second yearly meeting, and their willingness to accept the challenge brought to them in the messages of Dorothy and Douglas Steere. It conveys a sense that they are going forward in faith and hope.

The minutes of the first session were read, corrected and approved, and those of the second session were read, discussed and approved.

The Presiding Clerk announced that Aimee Elsbree of Claremont Meeting and Ben Norris of Honolulu Meeting will serve on the Epistle Committee.

State of the Society

Asenath Young, clerk of the Committee on Ministry and Oversight, did not introduce the individual members of the committee, reminding Friends that the committee worked as a whole to prepare for the meeting; it is important to be aware of their unity in action. In preparing for the Yearly Meeting session, the committee tried to see each state of the society report as a whole, while focusing on specific topics occurring in many of them. The reports were prepared in various ways, using questionnaires or retreats, or written by a single person, by committees, or by the meeting as a whole, but their contents fell into three general categories: worship, life of the meeting, and outreach.

Worship

Friends are "often surprised by the strength and spirit" as many meetings write of worship as the center and most meaningful aspect of their life. They affirm the value of meetings' abilities to accept Friends and visitors where they are; one meeting tells of the struggle to accept disruptive visitors as persons without accepting their disturbance by learning to focus and intensify the corporate worship.

Generally we give thanks for the variety of ministry, of belief, and of persons to be found among us. A meeting writes of prayer as the answer to need and the reasons people hesitate to use it in worship. Another Friend says, "Prayer is too precious to discard for such a reason." One meeting joins hands in a circle to break meeting, a custom which arose spontaneously, but another Friend is uneasy when asked to do that which seems to exchange symbol for substance. The section ends as an older Friend expresses childlike wonder, looking toward the changes in our ideas of God which may come when his grandchildren have colonized space and "have direct experience of the eternal", and, last, "I listen to epistles and reports, and I listen to our listening....I hear all of us, after everything, begin to speak to each other and to our common source."
Life of the Meeting

The report from Monterey Peninsula Meeting was read almost in full. We listened to their concern about their need for a meeting house grow from unease through the decision to sell and found the concerns of our own meetings mirrored in their progress, as they shared the difficulties and disappointments, the means used to overcome some of them, and the satisfaction they are finding in a deeper, broader, and ever growing community.

On getting the work of the meeting done, some are "pitifully small, but lively" and "play musical chairs" with the roles of clerks and committee clerks. One meeting finds its business meetings "strained and confined" at times, perhaps because business is not threshed or seasoned enough; others tell us that they have found threshing meetings and meetings for clearness a great help. A set of quotations centers on the involvement of people ranging from "We have let efficient people hold office too long" to "the difficulty of maintaining a sense of unity with distant members." From those gathered here, "The responsibility of a large meeting is not to make everyone feel welcome, but to make them feel that no one is superfluous." "If you know what your meeting needs, supply it." One called us as individuals to keep a balance, saying that we tend to assume that all objections are conscientious, to describe the expression of anger as constructive criticism. She echoes a meeting, "Friends...should not have a double standard and expect the meeting to close the gap."

Meetings wrote of how the deaths of beloved Friends have affected their corporate lives, of how they attempt to meet the needs of their children, and how working with either often led to a new view of the other so they have a richer awareness of the continuity of life and lives. A meeting concerned because of their small first day school found themselves dealing with "a welcome problem" when a family with four children started attending. Their discovery that children are individuals and that all ages have much to learn from each other was repeated in the words of Friends from other small meetings. We heard of an experiment in relating the meeting for worship to the first day school program so successful that we were urged not to just send the children out after their time in meeting but "sometimes go with them."

We ended the section in close agreement with the closing comment from one report, "We have met our meeting, and good Lord, it is us!"

Outreach

We heard many ways with which Friends are reaching out to the larger society and attempting to speak to its condition. Frequent mention of the problems monthly meetings found in attempting to respond to the needs of Vietnamese refugees in the United States led one Friend to confess to quite different feelings about refugees from Chile and those from Vietnam because, in one case, the "right" side won. This Friend asks, "Do our biases obscure the needs of people as people?"

"Our social action is the tireless work of a few....", the statement from one meeting, and the condition of many. We were told of one meeting challenged by early applications for membership from people who are involved in their action programs; they are now re-examining the relationship of membership in a meeting to Friends' testimonies and asking, "Do we have
the same expectations for all, old and new?", "What difference does membership make?", "How do we define the testimonies?", "What does membership mean?". We are concerned that often social action is not the work of meetings as a whole but is carried on by members active outside the meeting. However, most of us can join in some degree with the meeting which wrote, "...our strength in worship is translated into social action."

Concluding the third session, the Presiding Clerk thanked the committee for planning a meeting which gave her a greater sense of the reality of our life together, and she introduced two visitors, Heng Kuan, Secretary-General of the Sino-American Buddhist Association, and Kuo Ire, a lay brother, both from Golden Mountain monastery.

YEARY MEETING SESSION IV: Wednesday, August 14, 1976, 10:00 a.m.

The session opened with a time of silent worship.

The Reading Clerk read from the epistle of the Reunion General de los Amigos en Mexico who send on a renewed call to live Friends' convictions. "We must say 'yes' to God and say 'no' to evil." Their young people challenge them to act non-violently against the evils of society, if they are going to criticize those who accept the use of violence. In its 296th session, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting felt an increasing awareness of the relationship of the Society of Friends to our nation and its future; new movements in the yearly meeting have brought the spirit to address a wide range of concerns.

The minutes of Session III were read and approved.

Rose Lewis brought greetings from the fourth gathering of North Pacific Yearly Meeting. They chose to meet at Colegio Cesar Chavez in order to give the college support as it becomes established in an unfriendly climate. Doing their own cooking with the cooperation of the college folk was a great success, and overcoming the difficulties of meeting in a rather unequipped place proved a source of satisfaction.

The group known as "Spontaneous Combustion" returned the letter of introduction authorized at the interim Representative Committee meeting in March. Tom and Sandra Farley, Lauralyn Barns, Sarah Cole, Paul Mackinney and Mike Turner were welcomed by Friends at the Young Friends of North America gathering, Ogden Worship Group, Boulder Monthly Meeting, Campus Friends of Wilmington, Ohio, St. Louis, Canada Yearly Meeting, 57th Street Meeting, Iowa Conservative Yearly Meeting and Laramie, Wyoming.

Ed Morgenroth reported on the results of the travel plans which moved him to request a letter of introduction from the Yearly Meeting. He was eager to report on both the outer and inward journeys and to bring us greetings from Ed and Marian Sanders. He was excited about the meetings in Wichita, where he represents the (now officially) 'independent' yearly meetings on the planning committee for the 1977 Conferencia de los Amigos. Honolulu filled him with enthusiasm; the Utah meetings were exhilarating; North Pacific Yearly Meeting enjoyable. He has accepted an appointment to the governing body of Pendle Hill and plans to be there several weeks for four times a year, spending the rest of the time at home.
One of the first stops on the inward journeys of the past year is the realization that he feels at home anywhere in the world, a gift that fulfills an early ambition. Other stops: "Community is not geographic." "Reality is in the life of the spirit; there is no time or distance in that world." "I have forever because I have today." "All endings are beginnings." He spoke of a new call to be involved with a study center for the West, now a 'sometime place', and of a need first to prepare himself for that commitment.

He offered a symbolic letter in place of the mislaid original, explaining that the substitute comes from New Zealand and contains a real concern. However, the Clerk questioned whether enough of the journey had been completed to justify acceptance of even the original.

**Representative Committee report**

Ellie Foster, Representative Committee Recording Clerk, read the action minutes passed by the committee.

For information, the Presiding Clerk explained that two Friends, Anne Friend and Larry Perry, were sent to visit the City of 10,000 Buddhas to supplement the report of the Site Committee. The two Buddhist monks introduced yesterday are visiting from the community so we can get to know each other.

1976-1 Representative Committee recommends laying down the Directory Committee. The meeting approved.

**Nominating Committee, preliminary report**

Dorene Barns presented the preliminary report of the Nominating Committee and distributed copies, reminding Friends that this is incomplete and has limitations.

**Friends General Conference report**

Carmen Broz reported on her experience at Friends General Conference on the theme "Discussion of Quaker Ways of Life." The intensity of her experience and her enthusiasm were fully communicated as she spoke, telling us she had taken no notes so she could "bring back only those things with unforgettable impact." She described the different kinds of programs, evenings that seemed provincial until she realized what Pacific Yearly Meeting might look like to Easterners, afternoons for discussion of current issues, a special dramatic presentation of women's issues, but she returned again and again to the morning workshops as the high point of the whole. Not all the workshop ideas were new, but they were so well presented that they fell into place, giving a new vision of the whole.

She strongly recommends that we send as many people as possible, send different people every time, including a young Friend, and try to have their kind of workshops at Pacific Yearly Meeting.

The meeting drew to a close after a period of silence.
YEARNLY MEETING SESSION V: Memorial Meeting, Wednesday, August 11, 1976, 3:30 p.m.

We met in worship to remember and gratefully celebrate the lives of those who have passed over the horizon called death since last Yearly Meeting:

Ralph Powell, Berkeley Meeting
Jeannette Griggs and Esther Riner, Claremont Meeting
Helene Thorpe, Davis Meeting
Harold Walker, Fresno Meeting
Evelyn Burcham, Grass Valley Meeting
Marie Eaton and
Stuart Innerst, La Jolla Meeting
Donald Montrose, Marlösa Meeting
Alex Price, Orange County Meeting
Gordon Hurtel and
Jim Silver, Palo Alto Meeting
Charles Standing, Redlands Meeting
Edith Vernon, San Francisco Meeting
Ruth Krainkamp, San Jose Meeting
Dorothy Collins,
Edwin Rockwell and
Katherine Tyson, Santa Barbara Meeting
Donald Beach, University Meeting
Wilford Webster, Westbury Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting and attender, Redwood Forest Meeting
Grace Lawrence,
Elizabeth Lantz,
Stanley Shaw and
Ruth Jones, North Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Some of our essence has been shaped by these Friends. We recalled specific benefits given to us by their "devotion to being," helping us to live lives not habitually but truly aware of things eternal.

Our mourning may be in the realization that we on this side of the horizon do not fully comprehend that we are all unique. Celebrate these lives. Celebrate our life together. Be glad for your life.

YEARNLY MEETING SESSION VI: Wednesday, August 11, 7:30 p.m.

The session gathered in silent worship.

The Reading Clerk read from the Epistle of New Zealand Yearly Meeting, May, 1976. We understood the challenge given to New Zealand Friends by their Young Friends to look anew at the state of their Society by asking:

"Do Friends sincerely and steadfastly follow the leadings of the inner light or do they rather conform to the conventions of wider Society?

Do Friends trust the inner leadings of others, particularly those serving on our committees?
Is vocal ministry in our Meetings for Worship primarily inspired or inspirational?

Are Friends conducting themselves in business meetings in a manner that encourages the development of corporate concerns?

What unites us as Friends today?

The Epistle from Japan Yearly Meeting, gathered last November, spoke of the need for Japanese Friends to unite in their work for peace rather than working as small groups.

On our behalf the Clerk welcomed two new visitors, Vernon and Margaret Reynolds of Atington Monthly Meeting, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, now resident hosts at Quaker Center, Ben Lomond.

The minutes of Session IV were read, corrected and approved.

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Social Order Committee Report

Jim Brune, Clerk, reminded us that the precipitous increase in knowledge could result either in our enrichment and preservation or in our destruction. Through the Spirit we shall overcome.

Appreciative acknowledgement was made of the help given to the Social Order Committee through comments and dialogue which followed the distribution yesterday of the action minutes being brought to the session.

Harvey House read a minute concerning Guatemalan relief, which was approved with changes:

1976-2 We recognize the valuable work being done by the small Worship Group known as the Guatemala Friends Meeting, and encourage that continuing support be given to them in carrying out their relief activities.

It was announced that detailed printed information on the Guatemala work is available.

Jim Brune introduced a minute supporting the new American Indian Policy Review Commission, which was approved:

1976-3 We welcome the special congressional legislation establishing the American Indian Policy Review Commission, and its task forces, and urge Monthly Meetings to acquaint themselves with its functioning and to support its efforts to bring about improved conditions for American Indians.

In response to a question we were reminded that our Monthly Meetings often originate and season concerns for all of us and PYM committees have a responsibility to do so.
Minutes to public officials have the additional value of encouraging our own education.

Another minute was read urging the Friends Committee on National Legislation continue the Friend in Washington for Native American Affairs and offering financial assistance of $600. We learned that the Native American Affairs effort had been funded for one year and that the support of other religious bodies had faltered and FCNL was not in a position to carry the burden alone.

After an interim, while other agenda items were attended to, Harry Bailey, Clerk of the Finance Committee, entered the Meeting to answer questions concerning the financial condition of Pacific Yearly Meeting. $2000 of a $13,000 reserve will be used this year to cover a deficit of that size in this coming year's budget. Other benevolences to Friends organizations now total $1600. (It later developed that the correct figure was $2300.)

Madeleine Stephenson said the FCNL participation at this time in Indian Affairs could help significantly in a major breakthrough. A contribution of $1 from each attender would raise the necessary money, she suggested.

Walt Damon-Ruth's large black hat was well on the way around the room before the Clerk could attempt to know our wishes about a collection. At her suggestion we agreed to assure the $600 support by taking any uncontributed balance from PYM reserves. The revised minute, as follows, was then approved:

1976-4 Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, meeting in Moraga, California, August 1976, expresses its concern at the prospect of ending of the Friend in Washington for Native American Affairs at this critical time in the history of North American Indians. We urge FCNL to continue this, or equivalent, program as a major priority for 1976-78. To this end we shall take a collection during Yearly Meeting to raise $600 for one month's salary support. Should there not be sufficient funds at the close of PYM, the Treasurer is authorized to take the difference from reserves.

Walter Damon-Ruth reported on the activity following last year’s outbreak of violence in Taft, California, occasioned by the recruiting of black athletes by Taft College. A march being organized last year to protest the expulsion from Taft of 13 black students did not materialize. A committee of concerned citizens did not continue. The Damon-Ruths, Walter and Sali, have made four or five visits this year and will be moving to Taft soon.

1976-5 We minutéd our loving concern for Walter and Sali Damon-Ruth and hope they feel our support and will be comfortable in coming to PYM and keeping us informed.

In response to question we learned that the Damon-Ruths are in contact with Friends in Fresno and Visalia and feel that they can turn to them for advice and support.
Laura Magnani, Legislative Advocate of the Friends Committee on Legislation of California, spoke of criminal justice legislation. Despite two years of effort, SB42, while cutting down on some of the discretionary power of judges which is the basis of indeterminate sentencing, which the FOL feels is a major cause of violence in the prisons and tears at the fabric of the families of offenders, has certain features that can allow judges to increase the length of sentences.

Friends were urged to support SB 627, which will give workmen's compensation to prisoners. AB3121, which adversely affects the age liability of juvenile offenders, should be opposed.

Laura concluded that the most important thing now, a time of harsh, punitive public attitude, is the dialogue which the FOL helps maintain.

Mel Marshall read a minute of Farm Workers' support which, after modification, was approved:

1976-6 Pacific Yearly Meeting affirms continued support for the United Farm Workers in their struggle for fair elections and decent working conditions. We strongly urge Friends to support Proposition 14 on the California ballot for November, 1976, which will insure the right of farm workers to bargain collectively by setting up and adequately funding a permanent farm labor board.

Peace Committee Report

Elizabeth Jones, Clerk of the Peace Committee, followed the same procedure used by the Social Order Committee of having committee members give reports and introduce minutes for consideration.

Carolyn Bradshaw reported on A Vigil for Justice which grew out of Friends' attendance at the trial of the San Quentin Six and their witnessing unusual repressive practices associated with the trial. The 16 vigil-ers from the Meetings--Berkeley, Marin and San Francisco--believe there has been value in their efforts to convey to defendants, jury and court that they deplore the loss of justice that has occurred under such inhuman conditions.

An invitation was extended to all Friends to participate in the silent vigil on the following morning, Thursday. Willie Tate, the only one of the Six out on bail, is in extreme financial stress and contributions are needed.

Elizabeth Jones expressed the appreciation of the Peace Committee for the good response from Meetings to the request for summaries of their peace activities.

Ferner Nuhn brought us up to date on A New Call to Peace Making. This originated in the Annual Conference of Superintendents and Secretaries of Yearly Meetings and is being implemented by the Faith and Life movement, with FWCC as facilitator. This ambitious effort seeks "a peacemaking approach which is biblically based, and so comprehensive, positive, new, contemporary, creative, practical and sound spiritually that it will attract the widest possible support." It proposes "a two-year period of study, discussion and conferences beginning in the fall of 1976,
centering in our New Call to Peacemaking (study booklet) and culminating in a continental conference in October 1978." Each yearly meeting is invited: "to appoint one or two persons as its representative(s) in the development of a peacemaking program both within and among yearly meetings." PYM's nominees are Van Ernst and David Tappan and Anne Friend, alternate. A mini-conference of the four West Coast yearly meetings is being planned for September 1977. There is considerable interest in making the 1978 National Conference on Peacemaking one of the historic peace churches - including the Mennonites and Brethren. The basic resource will be the study booklet "New Call to Peacemaking", and monthly meetings are urged to obtain copies from Friends bookstores.

Clark Dixon-Moses called our attention to the interest group that will present the pros and cons of non-payment of taxes. The Dellums bill, which will set up a World Peace Tax Fund as an alternative for those conscientiously opposed to the payment of war taxes, will be discussed. The interest group, it is hoped, might also be the opportunity to arrange a way for tax objecting Friends to keep in touch with each other.

Isobel Cerney described the appalling increase in ROTC activity reaching steadily into lower school grade levels. She advised Friends with children in public schools to ask their youngsters to bring ROTC materials home and through visitation of guidance personnel in the schools to learn for themselves of the increasing efforts to militarize our youth. We need to mount an energetic program offering peace studies, teacher workshop resources and information on alternatives to military training and education.

Unfortunately the peace program related to this concern of the Pasadena office of the AFSC has been reduced because of funding problems and the Northern California office has not been actively involved for several years.

The Peace Committee proposes that Meetings contribute funds for both AFSC offices to implement Peace Studies programs in the public schools, as an alternative to ROTC; that Monthly Meetings request AFSC to develop these programs effectively, assigning to them the extra staff time which our contributions will make possible; and that local Meetings and Quarters investigate exactly what is being done with ROTC in public schools in their areas, and that Meetings support teachers who want to introduce peace studies, utilizing AFSC staff, resources and materials for this.

Colleen Wells introduced the proposed minute supporting the concern of New Zealand Friends on nuclear vessels. The minute will be sent to our President and appropriate U.S. officials, the Quaker U.N. Program office and the New Zealand Ambassador, Prime Minister, opposition party leaders, newspapers and churches, as known. In the long discussion over the minute we were reminded that we were responding to an initiative and concern of New Zealand Friends and that New Zealand has almost no military defense of its own and depends on the United States and that the recent change in political party dominance in New Zealand resulted in the shift from not allowing nuclear warships in their waters to one of welcome. The minute as approved is as follows:
1976 - 7 Pacific Yearly Meeting shares the concern of New Zealand Friends over the proposed presence of U.S. nuclear warships in their waters and ports. We join in the request of New Zealand for a nuclear weapon-free South Pacific and urge our government to refrain from operating its nuclear warships in that region, as one step toward a nuclear weapon-free world.

We approved the minute introduced by Mary Lou Moses on amnesty, with one change:

1976 - 8 The Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends is concerned that there are still thousands of Americans in exile abroad or suffering from involvement in the U.S. war in Vietnam. Surely now, years after the end of that divisive war, it should be possible for Americans to unite in recognition of the need of an act of national reconciliation. We therefore urge all Representatives and Senators, candidates for national office as well as incumbents, and all candidates for the presidency, to support unconditional amnesty for all who have suffered for refusing compliance with Selective Service or military orders.

An Appeal for Reconciliation was recommended by the Peace Committee to individuals and Monthly Meetings for signature and circulation. The Appeal is supported by several peace organizations and coordinated by the American Friends Service Committee. Essentially the Appeal urges on newly elected administration and congress help in Southeast Asia; a normalization of relations with the nations of Indochina; an amnesty for all American resisters to that war, and adequate assistance to all physically or psychologically wounded veterans.

Gladis Innerst read a proposed minute to be sent to meetings, to federal legislators and the press. It was approved with changes:

1976-9 Now that the focal point of our government's participation in the Indochina War is not daily before us, Friends are asked to remember the need of vigilance and rededication to our historic Peace Testimony.

The proliferation and refinement of nuclear weapons continue both on land and now on sea, with the wider global base of nuclear warships.

We should remind our government that through the expansion of its program of military aid to other nations and technical nuclear assistance to them, it is only serving short-term economic goals while in reality bringing the world closer to a thermonuclear holocaust.

Bob Burnett guided us in a consideration of proposals by the Peace Committee related to government surveillance. After considerable thoughtful discussion three minutes were returned to the Peace Committee for reworking. A threshing session will be held Thursday noon to include, thereby, the assistance of other concerned Friends. A minute encouraging education for action was, however, approved:
1976 - 10 The AFSC will soon publish a pamphlet, "Handbook for Citizens Action on Police Surveillance" which will contain concrete suggestions for local action against surveillance by police agencies. PYM Peace Committee commends this publication to the attention of member meetings.

A suggestion of the Peace Committee, that copies of a letter to Jimmy Carter from Allen Hunter concerning nuclear weapons be sent to each of the other presidential candidates, was not acceptable to the session. Instead the Peace Committee was encouraged to try and develop a letter for and from PYM to presidential candidates giving our views, even if similar, but in our own language.

We closed the worship after a full evening, and from the quiet were soberly reminded to be "living epistles, not dying archivists".

YEARLY MEETING SESSION VII: Thursday, August 11, 1976, 10:00 a.m.

The meeting opened with a time of silent worship.

From the epistle of Canadian Yearly Meeting we learn that they are grateful for their searching: "We move together when we appreciate the light in each other..."

**Friend in the Orient**

Martha Dart, Clerk, introduced the speakers. Chiu Young Sang, clerk of Seoul Monthly Meeting in South Korea, read a letter to Friends around the world. Seoul Friends tell us that they are not isolated, not spiritually, because the more difficult the situation gets, "the more we feel close to you, Friends, and to Him." After a time of intensive work in a leper village, they are taking time for "inreach", and continue in an ever more difficult situation to testify that Light can overcome darkness.

Raymond Price, the Friend in Washington, reported on his efforts to help bring about restoration of basic freedoms in Korea and changes in the United States policies which now support the present regime. The trial of our Friend, Chun Sok-Hee, and others arrested after they issued the declaration for democracy in Korea, drags on without even the relief of definite sentences.

1976 - 11 The Yearly Meeting approved sending a letter expressing support from Pacific Yearly Meeting of Friends for these people and their cause. It will be sent to Park Chung Hee, president of the Republic of Korea, and to the government and Congress of the United States.

Martha told us that the opportunity for a Friends family to live in Korea as a supportive Friends presence is still open; they are now looking as far as London.

Floyd Schmoe announced that Leonard and Martha Dart are going to India for a year and will act as Friends in the Orient during their stay. The Yearly Meeting minutes its support for Leonard and Martha, and will hold them in loving fellowship during their absence.
Floyd also announced that Margaret Simpkin has written a book entitled China Letters. The committee sees this as in the tradition leading earlier Friends to publish journals, and recommended that Friends assist in the publication through special funds set up through yearly and regional meetings.

1976 - 12 The meeting approved asking the Yearly Meeting treasurer to set up a special fund to receive earmarked contributions to this project.

Martha informed us of a letter from New York Yearly Meeting encouraging Friends who have recent experience in China to write about it and noted that Friends Journal will be publishing a special issue with China as the theme.

Ben Seaver spoke about the recent earthquakes in China and their need to deal with the disaster in their own way without outside help.

1976 - 13 The meeting approved sending a cable: Pacific Yearly Meeting of Friends meeting in California are saddened by the suffering of the people of China occasioned by the recent earthquakes and send sincere sympathy and love.

It will be sent to the People's Republic of China in Peking. Friends, moved by love, were not entirely happy about sending such a brief, formal message, but we recognize that we best express respect for their independence by restraining our impulse to offer aid. The suggestion was made that we send a copy to the U.S. China Friendship Association; the suggestion and consideration of informing other groups were referred to the committee for appropriate action.

Statistical Report

John Draper, "second assistant statistical clerk", reported in the absence of the Statistical Clerk. He has brought enough copies of all the vital statistics forms so the representative of each meeting can take back an adequate supply, explaining that these records are literally vital to the Yearly Meeting. Their vitality came through the numbers in his report as he told us how we have grown, and where. Fewer Junior Friends have become members than in previous years; we grow, slowly, through conviction. The percentage of inactive Friends is rising, and too many meetings have over half inactive. But there are the others with more active attenders than members, meeting with 90 per cent of the members active, and even one with 100 per cent activity. All together, we are 1,657 people who call ourselves Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Friends Committee on National Legislation and William Penn House Board

Robert Leidigh reported on his visit to Washington in January to attend the board meetings of both organizations. He spoke of his own experiences, giving Friends the flavor of the FCNL meeting and the special quality of the William Penn House, and the value of such a place to Friends visiting in Washington. FCNL asks if we think it would be useful to have
someone from the East visit yearly meetings in the West. The topic is interesting to Friends, but no recommendation was made.

1976 - 14 The meeting did approve asking Robert Leidigh to draft a letter which the clerk will send to FCNL reminding them that we have a strong position in support of the Farm Workers and hope they will observe the boycotts on produce, especially when planning for conferences.

Faith and Life

Ed Morgenroth gave us a brief history of the Faith and Life movement before going on to tell us of the 1977 conference for Friends in the Americas. The planning committee felt that it was important to have an open conference, but departed from the original idea of having it bi-lingual in English and Spanish. The larger gathering will be conducted in English and a smaller roundtable with representatives to be designated by meetings will be entirely in Spanish. It will be a unique opportunity for Friends from many countries and congregations to meet and will take the place of Friends General Conference interim meeting. We ask the Nominating Committee to appoint someone who speaks Spanish and is empathetic with a diversity of Friends' beliefs.

The minutes of Session VI were read, corrected, and approved; Russell Jorgenson was commended by the meeting for the quality of the minutes.

YEARELY MEETING SESSION VIII: Meeting for Worship, Thursday, August 12, 3:30 p.m.

A carpenter's hands; no heroic's hands.

Yearly Meeting: An enabling process. Every gathering and encounter has the seeds of enablement in them.

Yearly Meeting: A time of self-examination. One's self and one's meeting. Like little children shed some of our inhibitions -- love more, be free.

Meeting for worship: An art form we create anew each time.

Silent Meeting: The best description of the inner condition which prepares us for guidance from within. It is essential we learn to obey. Obedience is probably the basic force in developing sensitivity to that still small voice. Not only for worship but in all the rest of our lives.

Lord, I know you care. Help me help myself.

God is in the life of every person. The urge to be part of the whole works in each of us.

A man in shackles convicted of murder kisses the acquitted man next to him.

God of living; God of life.

We closed.
YEARLY MEETING SESSION IX: Thursday, August 12, 1976, 7:30 p.m.

The session opened with silent worship.

From the Young Friends of North America, tell Friends everywhere the life of their first truly international gathering, the joy they found in their own diversity. Enriched by sharing, they experimented with a variety of forms for worship and business meetings. The epistle ends with an affirmation of wholeness.

The minutes of the Sixth Session were read and approved, those of Session VII read, corrected and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Frank Burnham presented his report and explained it; the meeting accepted it with thanks.

Finance

Harry Bailey presented two minutes for approval before giving the Finance Committee Report.

1976 - 15 The Yearly Meeting approved revising the formula for reimbursement for travel to Representative Committee at Yearly Meeting as follows:

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1976 - 16 Noting that there is considerable disparity in the way payments for committee travel are now disbursed, the Yearly Meeting approved reimbursements for travel of committee members to PYM committees on the same basis that is used for officers of PYM attending Representative Committee, provided that allowances for such travel are included in the committee budget.

Harry then explained the proposed budget. A number of items have been moved to other categories so it will be easier to understand how we spend our money. This led to some discussion and the Young Friends prefer that their appropriation remain uncategorized. The budget was approved with minor changes.

Report on Peace Action

Carolyn Bradshaw reported that the vigillers who had felt a special leading to go that day, for the San Quentin six were able to see the
prisoners enter the courthouse, and they were in court when the verdicts were handed down. The verdicts were much as expected, therefore disappointing. Support will continue with love, prayer, and action as way opens.

Friends World Committee

The presiding clerk read a letter from William Barton, Chairman of the European and Near Eastern Section of Friends World Committee on Consultation, and introduced Robert Vogel, who introduced Van Ernst and Akie Reynolds who attended the 1976 Triennial Conference in Ontario for PYM, Mary Esther McWhirter (a volunteer from F.W.C.C. in Philadelphia), Madge Seaver (a former PYM representative) and Amy Kurkjian who is visiting from the Wider Quaker Fellowship.

Van Ernst shared with us two of the pre-triennial gatherings of Friends. It was clearly as true of these gatherings as of the triennial that they were people and that they were concerns; Van made them almost visions as she described a traditional meetinghouse in Illinois where they explored "The Nature and Nurture of Ministry". She gave us thoughts to contrast, and to remember, quoting from the study papers explored at Canton, "Obedience, not silence is at the heart of the meeting." "Salvation is not our calling; we are called to service." The triennial theme was "Working Toward the Kingdom of God". As we heard about the variety and intensity of the workshops, we saw that much of the work accomplished there was in the people of God from all over the world discovering new ways to appreciate each other.

Akie Reynolds took us for a walk early in the morning of the last day, sharing a sense of accomplishment which dispersed under the impact of the problems of everyday living like the small peaceable kingdom of animals she found on the lawn. But the answer to the problem is simple, "...be there in joy of God and Joy of one another." Her report focused on Quaker work with the United Nations, beginning with a description of the programs and their history. In the last three years the work has become much harder, possibly because third world nations see the U.N. as a creation of the West. But the U.N. is the only place where there is constant awareness of the future and of global problems. Quaker work there emphasizes building a new economic order, disarmament and human rights with some work on the law of the sea. Akie strongly recommends that monthly meetings study the working papers and the minutes approved by the triennial.

Mary Esther McWhirter described three other Friends World Committee programs, giving an example of the work of each. International Quaker aid can be seen at work in Ireland where Belfast Friends' efforts toward reconciliation could not continue without money and people coming in from outside. Right Sharing came up at Greensboro, and the concern manifests itself in many ways. Here people are studying the problems, sharing, changing and simplifying their life styles; then, in other parts of the world, Friends use some of the liberated resources to seed self-help programs. We grow together. The Quaker Youth Pilgrimage is a familiar project to us, but the one in 1977 will be a new departure when Young Friends come to examine Quakerism in the United States.
Robert Vogel told us how the sense of wonder generated by constant encounters with Friends from everywhere enriched every activity, especially the worship-fellowship groups. He spoke of the joy of hearing greetings from China, the first in 25 years, of the excitement generated in the subgroup on liberation movements, and of the painful struggle, most difficult for the Africans at this time, to reconcile non-violent living with political realities. Friends are still trying to ease the tension between missions and service; we need to remember that all the yearly meetings outside the U.S.-British axis grew from missionary work.

Questions were directed mainly to ways Friends can reach others in China and Africa. Richard Ernst, who attended as a visitor, told us the meeting in Brussels wants to see a quaker presence there which would reach the diplomats and others who are there in increasing numbers as the common market develops. All five of the Friends who make up the Brussels meeting strongly support the project.

Friends heard the first reading of the epistle as they entered into the closing silence.
YEARNLE MEETING SESSION X: Friday, August 13, 3:30 p.m.

We gathered in silent worship.

Eric Moon read from the New York Yearly Meeting Epistle: "Action nourishes faith, as well as the reverse. As we leave this place, let us determine to let the wind of the Spirit carry us further than we can now see. If we fear the tempests, we shall remain tacitly and unprofitably at home. Rather, let us dare to widen the horizons of our caring and our courage."

We extended good wishes to Paul Brink on the occasion of his birthday.

Pacific Yearly Meeting Holding Corporation Report

Richard Ernst, clerk, reported that one meeting, Davis, was having difficulty because the county wished to collect property taxes on their meeting house. Other meetings and members of meetings are also experiencing tax difficulties. The present articles of the Pacific Yearly Meeting Holding Corporation need some amendment to provide the language that satisfies these government entities. The Holding Corporation, therefore, recommends to Pacific Yearly Meeting the approval of changes to Article VIII to state that "the purpose of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes", and other language to Articles II and VIII to assure exemption from taxation of gifts to Pacific Yearly Meeting, the monthly meeting or any subordinate organization.

Article II would read:

The specific purpose in which this corporation is primarily to engage is the receiving, holding, administering, managing, investing, reinvesting, and disposing of property, real and personal, for and for certain religious societies and associations, to wit: The Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, any of its subordinate meetings, any association organized in sympathy with, and in aid of, its members or their religious objects under the control of said yearly meeting or any of its subordinate meetings.

Article VIII would read:

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to religious purposes, and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to any member, private shareholder or individual and no substantial part of its activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. Upon the dissolution or winding up of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for its debts and obligations, the directors, trustees or those in charge of its liquidation shall, in consultation with Pacific Yearly Meeting, distribute or apply all remaining assets, in such manner as they shall determine, for the benefit of one or more religious, educational or charitable institutions to be selected by
then, provided, however, that at the time of such distribution
the institution or institutions to which such distribution is made
shall be an organization or organizations except from California
income tax under the California Revenue and Taxation Code and from
federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code of the United
States of America.

1976-17 The amendments to the Holding Corporation articles were approved
by the Yearly Meeting.

The Holding Corporation is appointing a subcommittee to assist all meetings
with tax questions and to see if there is need for a ruling from IRS on
Pacific Yearly Meeting to assist individuals to obtain their deserved tax
allowances on gifts to Meetings under its care and to consult with the
monthly meetings on the action to be taken if this need appears to exist.

Report of Peace Committee

Elizabeth Israel, clerk of the Peace Committee presented two re-worded
minutes that were returned earlier in our sessions to the Peace Committee.
Copies of both minutes will go to national and PYM-regional AFSC offices,
FCNL, FCY, ACLU, CIA Director, FBI Director, President Ford, Representatives
and Senators from California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah. With one slight
clarification both minutes were approved:

1976 - 18 The United States Government through agencies such as the CIA
continues to interfere in the affairs of other countries by
immoral means including assassination, bribery and sabotage.
Pacific Yearly Meeting disavows the conduct of U.S. Foreign Policy by these
means. We call for a cessation of these activities.

1976 - 19 Pacific Yearly Meeting reaffirms
our conviction that the right to privacy and the right to
pursue religious, political, and social concerns free from
government harassment are essential to the continuation of a
free society.

Discussion about the first, or "agency" minute included a suggestion that
the minutes include specific or general reference to similar abuses
practiced by other countries. It is hoped that the Peace Committee will
give consideration to this in the future.

As to the Peace Committee's reconsideration of the Hunter-to-Carter letter
the Peace Committee intends to communicate with Meetings concerning the
need to let presidential candidates know their views on nuclear weapons.

Report of the Nominating Committee

Doreen Barns presented the report of that committee. Nominating work, she
said, is an on-going process and even the printed report circulated
among us will need some updating soon. The report was then approved with
gratitude. (See attachment 1).
Report of Representative Committee

Pegge Lacey reminded us of the composition and function of Representative Committee which works to facilitate the purposes of Yearly Meeting. Eleanor Foster, recording clerk of Representative Committee, brought a number of minutes approved by Representative Committee to Yearly Meeting for consideration and action.

1976 - 20 Representative Committee approved the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee to name the Nominating Committee. These recommendations are Marie Schutz, 1 year term; Jean Flores, 2 year term; Helen Currier, Walter Damon-Ruth, and Nancy Springer, 3 year terms; Marie Schutz to serve as clerk. Yearly Meeting approved.

1976 - 21 At the request of Young Friends, Pacific Yearly Meeting urges FCNL to adopt a policy opposing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and urges FCNL to implement the policy by supporting legislation such as the House Resolution sponsored by Representative Bella Abzug which will protect people from this form of discrimination. Yearly Meeting approved.

1975 - 22 The treasurer of Pacific Yearly Meeting is authorized to receive and disburse funds earmarked for travel to organizations and gatherings of Young Friends. These funds shall be disbursed at the discretion of a clerk or representative of Pacific Yearly Meeting Young Friends. Yearly Meeting approved.

1975 - 23 Recommendations of the Discipline Committee are adopted to change the term of office for Representatives and to alter the wording in Faith and Practice (1973 Edition) as follows (Page 46, 4th paragraph, first sentence):

"Representatives and observers shall be appointed for at least a full term of one year. The observer is not expected to speak to the business. Because the Yearly Meeting needs continuity of service, the representative may be reappointed. As a result of the observer's experience, the observer may find that the observer is the most obvious person to become the next representative." Paragraph 5 to be deleted.

The Yearly Meeting approved after a change, making clear that appointment prerogatives rest entirely with the Meeting. That John Fitz, while not wishing to stand in the way, was "uneasy" with the revision, especially since this Session was the first opportunity to learn of the proposed modification.

1976 - 24 Considered by the Yearly Meeting towards the close of the session, this minute was approved: Representative Committee approved meeting the request of Baltimore Yearly Meeting to include in their Faith and Practice excerpts from Pacific Yearly Meeting's Book of Discipline on suggestion for counseling.

1976 - 25 Representative Committee approved the establishment of a sub-committee of Ministry and Oversight to be in charge of an occasional Brinton Memorial visit. This committee will make arrangements for the sojourn of a chosen visitor among meetings and special sessions. They will bring their recommendations for the choice of visitors to Pacific Yearly Meeting for approval. Yearly Meeting approved.
1976 - 25 Representative Committee approved $1000 to be added as "seed money" to the fund earmarked for the Brinton visitor, this money to be transferred from the Ministry and Oversight "sharing Fund Reserve". Yearly Meeting approved after making a small change in the wording.

1976 - 27 Representative Committee accepted the suggestion of Ed Morgenroth as the first Brinton Visitor and recommends to Pacific Yearly Meeting the extension of this invitation to him. Yearly Meeting approved.

In a response to questions the Clerk read, in part, Minute 16 of PYM 1975 about the purpose of the Brinton Memorial Fund which finances the Brinton Memorial Visits. "This is a plan to invite a Friend(s) to travel amongst us in the ministry and to help us grow the new dimensions required to live more fully in the life of the Spirit." Rose Lewis reported that North Pacific Yearly Meeting had appointed Mildred Burk to represent them on Visit matters. The Clerk felt this would be taken into account by the nominating committee. This generated the following minute:

1976 - 28 Noting that North Pacific and Intermountain Yearly Meetings continue to express interest in the Brinton Memorial Visit, Pacific Yearly Meeting minutes its intention to make the Visit a cooperative effort of the three yearly meetings as financing and scheduling are worked out.

1976 - 29 Representative Committee approved the expenditure of $150 by John Draper for the purchase of audio-equipment to be used at Pacific Yearly Meetings. Yearly Meeting approved.

Representative Committee forwarded the recommendation concerning a new site for Yearly Meeting to the Session. The Minute was approved after being presented and followed by considerable supporting information and discussion.

1976 - 30 Representative Committee recommends as the site for Pacific Yearly Meeting of 1977 the City of 10,000 Buddhas (under the care of the Golden Monastery, San Francisco), 2 miles east of Ukiah, California. The Committee asks the Site Committee and Arrangements Committee to proceed with negotiation and arrangement with this organization.

It is the intention of the Site Committee to remain open to the exploration of a permanent site at John Woolman School, and to continue seeking a site in Southern California so that alternation between a northern and southern site could be resumed.

Larry Perry and Anne Friend visited the site on Tuesday and reported adequate camping, meeting rooms, living accommodations, dining facilities, gymnasium-auditorium and swimming pool. The building construction and shade trees will modify the heat. The additional distance north from the Bay Area will add approximately 2-1/2 hours driving time. Site costs will be $5 per person/per day, or $9 including vegetarian meals. Greyhound bus serves Ukiah. Busses may be available to the Buddhists to shuttle from the airport or bus station. Arrangement Committee could undertake to develop alternative plans of transportation such as chartered planes or busses. Furnishings are not yet complete but would be completed by the Buddhists before
Yearly Meeting to meet needs defined by the Arrangements Committee. Since for some Friends the longer transportation time might require an overnight stop, it was suggested the opportunity of visiting in College Park. Quarterly might be an added bonus.

Gerry House, clerk of the Site Committee, said that 21 sites had been considered this year and much seasoning has gone into this proposal to go to the Buddhist site. Confidence has been developed in the Buddhists.

Pegge Lacey reported on her visit accompanied by Robert Young and Frank Burnham with Brother Martin Ish of St. Mary's College. They learned that the Graduate Program will expand rapidly next summer; that the College is seeking to have a professional football team quartered and in training here next summer; that we therefore cannot enter into a contract with St. Mary's for 1977 before March, if then; and that Brother Martin hopes we are looking.

The costs noted are, comparatively, about the same, but negotiations will continue. Non-vegetarian meals will be possible. More work will be required of us; especially from College Park Quarterly. On the other hand, we will have to give more time to travelling.

In our discussion we came to know that especially for the Site Committee and others coming to know the Buddhists, this effort to find a new physical home has also been a spiritual journey.

We closed the Session in a moving silence "humbled taking on a task not yet prepared for --we can only come indeed as empty vessels to the Lord."
YEARLY MEETING SESSION XI: Saturday August 14, 9:30 a.m.

The meeting opened with worship. Friends spoke of the joy they find in this occasion.

The Reading Clerk read from the epistle from Australia Yearly Meeting. They are challenged by the movement of liberation to a new awareness of need and potential good in the world around them.

The minutes of Sessions IX and X were read, corrected, and approved. As we leave St. Mary's, we noted appreciation for Bob Barns' part in finding it for us.

With that reflection, we came to the time set aside for asking ourselves "What do we expect from Yearly Meeting?"

- We are moving, but moving in too many directions keeps us from centering.
- Yearly Meeting is an opportunity to grow in relationship to life and truth, to Friends and love.
- Yearly Meeting has filled me to overflowing with a sense of our and preciousness to God and to ourselves. "...The sea came up, till it could come no more".
- First purpose is to gather in worship and seeking; second purpose is business; third purpose is fellowship. All contribute to growth.
- Business is getting too large -- interfering with the quality of worship and fellowship.
- Many bring personal problems to Yearly Meeting instead of dealing with them at home in monthly meetings. Is this compatible with our corporate search and business of the meeting?
- There was something in my cup when I came. Now it is larger and overflowing.
- Yearly Meeting is a spiritual community. We all try to live more lovingly here. Horizons are expanded, new regions of spirit and testimony open.
- We can spend a whole week with people who are all searching for God's power.
- Business is getting burdensome because we are surprised to find our disagreements in full sessions. We must learn how to discover and share our doubts while the committees are still working.
- Yearly Meeting is a time to gather with a larger body of Friends; the central fact is to be with other, not specific business. We must learn to be better at the job of being Friends and take it back to monthly meetings, especially small ones.
- We are apt to fall into the trap of expecting Friends to be better than people. We think of concerns, not things like prices going up. If all the problems aren't settled in one week, there will be another year.

- I am not going home discouraged. Every aspect has been rewarding. I expected to hear about God, but not about all the other things that came up.

- "Our diversity opens many windows to the spiritual life that unites us". (Quoted from Palo Alto State of the Meeting report).

- If one is really concerned with the business of the meeting, there is not time to know what is going on. Is it time to plan conferences without business.

- So long as we are aware of the center, we are not threatened by diversity of activities.

- The caring, especially of young for old, is truly enriching for all.

- We must change, but in our changes keep a balance between matters of business and matters of the spirit.

- I come to Yearly Meeting to be strengthened and nurtured, to find what kind of work God has for me to do. I come to experience the actual presence of God -- it happens anywhere and unexpected -- in business, in friendship -- but most in worship which is the root of all.

1976 - The meeting enthusiastically minuted its appreciation to Peggema Lacey for her work as clerk. The clerk reminded us of her duty to reprove applause.

Elizabeth Perry, clerk of the Junior High Friends, read their epistle to the Yearly Meeting.

The Junior Friends' epistle was read by Karla Brune.

Caroline Cox reported that Young Friends have not written a separate epistle, but join in the one to be sent by Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Van Ernst read the epistle from the Yearly Meeting to Friends everywhere. The meeting approved the epistle and prepared for the worship of the last session.

YEARLY MEETING SESSION XII: Meeting for Worship, Saturday, Aug. 14, 11:00

The Clerk's closing Minutes read as follows:

Friends gathered in joy for the closing session of Pacific Yearly Meeting, 1976.

Overflowing with love, the vocal ministry was almost continuous, developing themes of our intensified awareness of the meaning of our relationships with God and with each other. We heard testimonies of personal experiences, singing, and some upwelling of new ideals from the depths. Peggema Lacey, retiring clerk, read the closing minute.
"To make an end is to make a beginning."

Under all our concern for the injustices and cruelties of the world, under our strivings to find the right words of care, and love, and outrage, we have been increasingly aware that this "home" at St. Mary's College was no longer an assured fact of our corporate life. We have loved this place, been inspired by its beauty and grateful for the care and comfort it has provided. Our long sojourn here seems at an end.

We look now to a new place to meet, with trembling at so sharp a change from the easiness in which we have been meeting. We sense a rightness in the move, a joyous opportunity, a way to grow. New beginnings take courage, require faith, and a willingness to take risks.

It may be that God is tired of listening to our words, spawned in the still comfort here and calls us to action in facing the challenge of an un-trod path. Thus, we may gain strength, meet new travelers, be open to new vistas.

We return home now, refreshed and renewed, praying to know God's guidance and love in the coming year. We shall meet again, if He is willing, at the City of 10,000 Buddhas, Talmadge, California, August 8-13, 1977.
PYM NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
August 1976

Presiding Clerk ............... Lowell Tozer (San Diego)
Assistant Clerk ............... Asenath Young (Pacific Ackworth)
Co-Recording Clerks ........... Russell Jorgensen (Redwood Forest) 1978
                                Anne Friend (Santa Monica) 1977

Representative Committee
  Recording Clerk ............... Eric Moon (Logan)
  Reading Clerk ............... Sam Cox (Honolulu)
  Statistical Clerk ........... Elizabeth Draper (Davis)
  Assistants to Statistical Clerk . Grace Noda (Davis) 
                                  John Draper (Davis)
  Treasurer .................. Frank Burnham (Reno)
  Assistant Treasurer .......... Stephanie Burnham (Reno)
  Registrar .................. Lonnie Harvey (Santa Cruz)
  Yearly Meeting Arrangements Clerk . Micki Graham (Berkeley)
  Assistant Arrangements Clerk ...... Robert Jolly (Berkeley)
  Historian-Archivist ........... Etta Vogel (Orange Grove)
  Young Friends Clerk .......... (to be named by Young Friends)

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

1977 Leonard Dart (Claremont)
1977 Mary Lou Garman (Fresno)
1977 Ernest Von Seggern (San Fernando)
1977 Ann Scott (Reno)
1978 Walt Lohans (Fresno)
1978 Pat Niska (La Jolla)
1978 Jim Balderston (Davis)
1979 Ellie Foster (Santa Cruz), Clerk
1979 Jan Tappan (Orange Grove)

M&O Subcommittee on Visitation

Ernest Von Seggern (San Fernando), Clerk
Walt Kersey (Sacramento)
Larry Perry (Berkeley)
Ann Scott (Reno)
David Tappan (Orange Grove)
Gene Hoffman (Santa Barbara)
Willow Burnett (Palo Alto)
Bulletin Editor, ex officio: Robert Schutz (Palo Alto)
Clerks of Quarterly Meeting Visitation Committees:
, College Park
, Southern California

Correspondents from unaffiliated meetings:
M&O Subcommittee on Groups for Worship-Fellowship

1977 Helen Currier (Palo Alto)
1977 Eugenia Sorenson (Palo Alto)
1978 Barbara Loy (Claremont)
1978 Margaret Edwards (Claremont)

M&O Subcommittee on Sharing Groups

Jeanette Norton (La Jolla)
Joe Magruder (Marin)

BULLETIN COMMITTEE

1977 Robert Burnett (Palo Alto)
1977 Margaret Brooks (Redwood Forest)
1977 Marjorie Stout (Whitleaf)
1978 Edwin Morgenroth (Orange Grove)
1978 David Munro (Orange County)
1978 Sam Cox (Honolulu)
1979 Robin Standish (Palo Alto)
1979 Rose Lewis (North Pacific Yearly Meeting)
1979 Ron Steelman (Orange County), Convenor

Ex Officio: Robert Schutz, Bulletin Editor; Myra Keen, Asst. Ed.

COMMITTEE ON CREATIVE AGING

1977 Ed Borgers (Marloma), Co-Clerk
1977 John Ullman (Berkeley)
1978 Elizabeth Gustafson (Davis), Co-Clerk
1978 Myra Keen (Palo Alto)
1979 Edwin Morgenroth (Orange Grove)
1979 Wilma Gurney (Westwood)

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

1977 John Mackinney (San Fernando)
1977 Pegge Lacey (San Francisco)
1977 Carolyn Stevens Bradshaw (La Jolla), Correspondent
1978 Brent Howell (Orange Grove), Clerk
1978 Lisa Wells (North Pacific Yearly Meeting)
1978 Madge Seaver (San Francisco)
1979 Mildred Burck (North Pacific Yearly Meeting)
1979 Harold Loy (Claremont)

Historian-Archivist, ex officio: Etta Vogel (Orange Grove)

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1977 Beth Mills (Berkeley)
1978 Bill Lovelady (Claremont), Clerk
1978 Robert Jolly (Berkeley)
1979 Lowell Barnett (Fresno)
1979 Marjorie Thompson (Claremont)
1979 Bob Gray (Claremont)

Immediate past coordinator of PYM Children's Program, ex officio: Clifford Cole (Cont.)
EDUCATION COMMITTEE (continued)

Quarterly Meeting Committee Clerks or Representatives:
  College Park
  Southern California

Correspondents from unaffiliated meetings:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

1977 Clifford Cole (Claremont)
1977 Sandy Turner (Berkeley)
1978 Richard Dale (San Jose), Clerk
1978 Polly Victor (Fresno)
1979 Shirley Ruth (Grass Valley)
1979 Sue Brune (La Jolla)
Statistical Clerk, ex officio: Elizabeth Draper (Davis)
Treasurer, ex officio: Frank Burnham (Reno)

THE FRIEND-IN-THE-ORIENT COMMITTEE

Martha Dart (Claremont), Co-Clerk
Richard Lewis (University)
Leonard Dart (Claremont)
Catherine Bruner (Delta), Co-Clerk
Sang Dal Cha (Los Angeles)
Margaret Simkin (Claremont)
Floyd Schmoe (University)
Osmyn Stout (Whitleaf)
Gretchen Tuthill (Palomar)
Ben Seaver (San Francisco)
Akie Reynolds (Santa Cruz)
Rose Lewis (University)
Harriet Schaffran (Berkeley)
Robert Vogel (Orange Grove)

FRIENDS SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

1977 Mio Polifroni (Orange Grove)
1977 Lee Steelman (Orange County)
1977 George Turner (Berkeley), Convenor
1978 Ted Memmuir (Grass Valley)
1978 Pratt Spelman (La Jolla)
1978 Anna Spelman (La Jolla)
1979 Connie Jolly (Berkeley)
1979 Joan Schneider (Palo Alto)
1979 Phillip Cleveland (Claremont)

COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING

1977 Catherine Baker (San Francisco)
1977 Russell Vogel (Santa Cruz)
1978 Susanna Calderon (Redwood Forest), Clerk
1978 Jo Beck (Santa Barbara)
1979 Robert Eaton (Annapolis)
1979 Richard Sanders (Orange Grove)

(Cont.)
COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING (Continued)

JYM Clerk and Arrangements Clerk, ex officio

JYM Advisors, ex officio:
  Willow Burnett (Palo Alto)
  Robert Burnett (Palo Alto)
  Junior High Clerk, ex officio:

Junior High Advisor, ex officio:

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING HOLDING CORPORATION

1977 Calvin Cope (Santa Cruz)
1977 William Taylor (Orange Grove)
1978 Richard Ernst (Redwood Forest), Clerk
1978 Robert Young (Pacific Ackworth)
1978 Jean Tozer (La Jolla)
1979 Ron Steelman (Orange County)
1979 Stratton Jaquette (Palo Alto)
Presiding Clerk, ex officio - Lowell Tozer
Treasurer, ex officio - Frank Burnham

PEACE COMMITTEE

1977 Tom Greacen (Berkeley)
1977 Earle Reynolds (Santa Cruz)
1977 Roselynd Largman (Berkeley)
1978 Jeannie Bell (Sacramento)
1978 Isobel Cerney (Palo Alto)
1978 Mary Harmon (Orange Grove)
1979 Ellen Lyon (Delta)
1979 Gladis Innerst (La Jolla), Co-Clerk
1979 Colleen Wells (La Jolla), Co-Clerk
Quarterly Meeting Committee Clerks and Representatives:
  College Park
  Southern California

Correspondents from unaffiliated meetings:

SITES COMMITTEE

1977 Gerri House (Orange Grove), Clerk
1977 Jack Schultz (La Jolla)
1978 Jane Mills (La Jolla)
1978 Osmyn Stout (Whitleaf)
1979 Earle Reynolds (Santa Cruz)
1979 Micki Graham (Berkeley)
Immediate Past Arrangements Clerk, ex officio: John Fitz
  (Berkeley)
SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE

1977 Elka Herz (San Diego)
1977 Sali Damon-Ruth (Orange Grove), Clerk
1977 Walt Damon-Ruth (Orange Grove)
1978 Sheila Davis (Berkeley)
1978 Lore David (San Jose)
1978 Melissa Lovett (Visalia)
1979 James Sakauye (Sacramento)
1979 Herb Foster (Santa Cruz)
1979 John Fitz (Berkeley)

Quarterly Meeting Committee Clerks or Representatives, ex officio:

College Park
Southern California

Correspondents from unaffiliated meetings:

REPRESENTATIVES TO FRIENDS ORGANIZATIONS

AFSC CORPORATION

1977 Dave Neptune (La Jolla)
1978 Joanne Strain (Palo Alto)

FRIENDS COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC RESPONSIBILITY

1977 Robert Schutz (Palo Alto)

FRIENDS GENERAL CONFERENCE

1978 Ronald Steelman (Orange County)

CONFERENCE OF FRIENDS IN THE AMERICAS

Jamie Newton (Palo Alto)
Edwin Morgenroth (Orange Grove), serving on planning committee

FRIENDS UNITED MEETING

1978 Barbara Perry (Berkeley)

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

1977 Madge Seaver (San Francisco)
1978 Van Ernst (Redwood Forest), Convenor
1979 Roland Schinzinger (Orange County)
1980 Akie Reynolds (Santa Cruz)
1981
Nominating Committee Report

NEW CALL TO PEACEMAKING

Van Ernst (Redwood Forest)
David Tappan (Orange Grove)
Anne Friend (Santa Monica), Alternate

PENN HOUSE CONSULTATIVE BOARD

1977 Herb Zimmerman (Marloma)

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION

1977 Herb Zimmerman (Marloma)

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION - JOINT NORTH-SOUTH COMM.

1977 Patricia Ender (Berkeley)

YOUNG FRIENDS OF NORTH AMERICA

1976 Laurelyn Barns (Davis)
1977 (To be named by Young Friends)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1977 Marie Schutz (Palo Alto) Clerk for 1977
1977 Dorene Barns (Davis) Clerk for 1976
1977 Jonathan Vogel (Santa Cruz)
1978 Vernon Niska (La Jolla)
1978 Robert Young (Pacific Ackworth)
1978 Jean Flores (Marloma)
1979 Helen Currier (Palo Alto)
1979 Walt Damon-Ruth (Orange Grove)
1979 Nancy Springer (Berkeley)
TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1975 Through September 30, 1976
(All Amounts In U.S. Dollars)

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# PYM Treasurer's Report

## July 1, 1975 through September 30, 1975

### Assets

Bank, Prepayment and Obligation Balances, September 30, 1975

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### Liabilities

Fund Balances, September 30, 1975

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TREASURER'S REPORT  
For The Partial Fiscal Year  
October 1, 1975 Through July 31, 1976  
(All Amounts in U. S. Dollars)

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Total of All Budgeted Items

* $346.95 from reserve for Friends' World Committee Travel to Triennial

Non-Budgeted Transactions

**Revenue**

Friend-In-The-Orient Project $647.25
Faith & Life Conference, Travel Fund 50.00
Friends' World Committee Special Appeal 878.50
Young Friends of North America 25.00
Friends' Committee on Nat'l Legislation 25.00
Friends' Committee on Legislation 25.00
Quaker Program at the United Nations 25.00

Total $1,675.75

**Expense**

Friend-In-The-Orient Project 1,360.00
Friends' World Committee Special Appeal 723.00

Decrease in Non-Budgeted Reserves 407.25
## Assets

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## Liabilities

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## CONFERENCE TRAVEL - PYM REPS

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To Friends Everywhere:

Once again we have gathered here in Moraga, California, at St. Mary's College for what we feel has been an enjoyable Pacific Yearly Meeting.

We the Junior High Friends met every morning for Worship-Fellowship.

We discussed such things as our Quaker values. We also talked about using a Zen Buddhist monks' college in Ukiah, California for a meeting place for Pacific Yearly Meeting.

We saw slides illustrating the pros and cons of Communism in the People's Republic of China. We also saw slides of the John Way trips of recent years. The John Way trips consist of young teen-agers experiencing simple living and community.

We did improvisations and mime one night and contact improvisations the next.

We are in the process of making an applique quilt with each person creating a square.

Some Japanese instructors visited Pacific Yearly Meeting and taught us the meanings and movements of Shintaido, a new Japanese body art based on Christianity and non-violence. One afternoon a Sikh woman came and taught us Kundalini Yoga.

As Friends we feel privileged and fortunate to have been able to have gathered here in loving care for one another.

Junior High Friends
Elizabeth Perry, Clerk
August 14, 1975
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Corrections

Page 2: Remove Jeanette Norton from M&O Subcommittee on Sharing Groups

Page 3: Correct spelling of Alma Spelman's name in the Friends Schools Committee listing

Page 1: Young Friends Clerks: 1977, Carolyn Cox (Berkeley) 1978, Chris Barns (Davis)

Page 4: add to Committee on Junior Yearly Meeting:
- Junior Yearly Meeting Clerk, ex officio: Kerri Hamilton (Sacramento)
- JYM Arrangements Clerk, ex officio: Don Beck (Redwood Forest)
- Junior High Clerk, ex officio: Brian Heilman (Sacramento)
- Jr. High Advisor, ex officio: Brian Heilman and/or John Pizzo (San Francisco)

Page 6: Young Friends of North America, add:
1977 Jean Christopherson (Missoula)

Younger Friends appointments

Young Friends Clerks: 1977 Carolyn Cox (Berkeley)
1978 Chris Barns (Davis)

Representatives to Young Friends of North America:
1976 Laurelyn Barns (Davis)
1977 Jean Christopherson (Missoula)

Junior Yearly Meeting:
- Clerk: Kerri Hamilton (Sacramento)
- Assistant Clerk: Lauri Mackenzie (Claremont)
- Arrangements Clerk: Dan Beck (Redwood Forest)
- Recording Clerk Treasurer: Kate Connell

Junior High Yearly Meeting:
- Clerk: Catherine Jolly (Berkeley)
- Assistant Clerks: Charles Eubanks, Kim Burnett
- Recording Clerk: Robin Beck
- Arrangements Clerk: Allison Barns
EPISTLE
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
St. Mary's College, Moraga, California
August 10-14, 1976

To Friends Everywhere,

We gather this year with wonder and thanks for the living Spirit that flows within and among us. From worship gatherings centered in the deeps, we feel it sensitizing our listening, tendering our deliberations, guiding our search, and fortifying our commitment to act as one. It refreshes us in body, mind, and soul.

Responding to this life-giving Source, some discover that words once threadbare take on a new meaning and the richness of a Christ-centered experience is re-discovered; for others, Eastern revelation unfolds the oneness at the core of us while deepening understanding of our Quaker tradition. Dependent on the Living Presence, we affirm our varying life styles, acknowledge our diversity rather than suspect it, honor the gifts unique to each of us, and the ways in which we bring them into the family of Friends.

We are listening to the concern of Junior Friends that age need not separate us. We feel closer to them and welcome their participation in all our activities. We have been brought nearer to the world-wide family of Friends through reports from our delegates to the FWCC Triennium in Canada, to FGC from the clerk of the Seoul Meeting in South Korea, and from our Friend in Washington assigned to Korean affairs. We join hands with North Pacific and Intermountain Yearly Meetings by naming our first Brinton memorial visitor to travel among us in the Ministry.

Our peace and social concerns came to us this year in simpler, more precise minutes—a welcome boon when time is always short.

The human dimensions of one of these concerns were dramatized before us by members returning from a vigil at the court session which ended the long and significant trial of the San Quentin Six. Friends were able to feel that those vigils had been of value, and also to sense the travail of the six defendants.

We agreed upon minutes to advance such long-standing concerns as support for resistance to repressive government in South Korea, collective bargaining rights for farm workers, and a greater voice for American Indians in determining their own welfare.

We urge Monthly Meetings to inform themselves about the proliferation of ROTC units in their local high schools and junior high schools and to work to introduce peace studies programs as an alternative.

We sent messages to our government urging support of New Zealand Yearly Meeting's concern for a nuclear weapons-free South Pacific, for nuclear disarmament, for amnesty in the aftermath of the Vietnam War, and for a re-evaluation of government surveillance in its many forms. We heard of Friends' share in the Continental Walk for Disarmament and Social Justice, a message in a different form.
A telegram of love and sympathy was sent to the Chinese in their suffering caused by recent earthquakes, and a letter of support for the relief and social reconstruction activities undertaken by Friends in Guatemala.

The time has come for us to leave St. Mary's College which we have felt to be a home for the past eight years. As yet, unable to find alternate sites to accommodate us in both the North and the South, we approved that final negotiations be made with the Buddhist monks at the City of 10,000 Buddhas located in Northern California. Although we anticipate adjustments to new living arrangements and transportation needs, we see these as opportunity for growth.

As living epistles we greet our Friends everywhere in Joy.

Peggema Lacey, Clerk
Friends,

We are dancing with each other - a circle within the more structured, but constantly changing, dance of other friends. We are thankful for the freedom that allows us to dance so.

Although there is no single rhythm, here is unity in our concern and our willingness to listen. The differences between us are more a source of creating interaction than a problem. We must realize that we can grow from these differences and change together.

Junior Friends

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