YEARLY MEETING SESSION I: Monday, July 29, 1985, 2:00 PM

We began in prayerful silence.

OPENING MINUTE

P Y M - M I N 85-1

Dear Friends, the community of Friends known as Pacific Yearly Meeting gathers here today at La Verne University, La Verne, California, this 29th day of July 1985 for its 39th annual session. We come together for spiritual refreshment and fellowship as we seek once again, as a corporate body, God's guidance in those things which are eternal. In our periods of worship, in our deliberations, in our breaking of bread together, and in our play, may we find "that principle which is pure and proceeds from God," as John Woolman put it, and "where the heart stands in perfect sincerity." And then, let our lives witness to that Light.

The 39th annual gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting is now in session.

Presiding Clerk, Bob Vogel, shared the agenda for the session: begin with introductions, roll call of meetings, visitors names recorded, presentation of orientation for the children's program, introductions for Young Friends and Junior Friends, minutes, and will end with worship to hear the Epistle from London Yearly Meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS

The Presiding Clerk introduced the officers seated at the front table: himself; Phyllis Jones, Reading Clerk; Jeanette Norton, Assistant Clerk; and Maureen Jaquette, Recording Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Jeanette Norton, Assistant Clerk, called the roll. Friends were present from the following meetings: Berkeley, Claremont, Davis, Delta, Fresno, Grass Valley, Hayward Area, Honolulu, Inland Valley, La Jolla, Los Angeles, Marin, Marlo, Mexico City, Orange County, Orange Grove, Pacific Ackworth, Palo Alto, Redwood Forest, Reno, Sacramento, San Diego, San Fernando, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Santa Monica, Strawberry Creek, Visalia, Westwood, and Whitleaf. No Friends were present from our Preparative Meetings. Friends were present from the following worship groups: Conejo Valley, Friends House, Hermosilla, Morongo Basin, and Taft.
The Presiding Clerk read a travel minute for Michael Booth from Ratcliff and Barking, Essex, England. Clerk also read an introductory letter from Valley Mills Friends Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana to introduce Lynn and Jane (Baxendale) Finkel.

The following visitors were introduced: Tim Chu, Hong Kong; Jane and Larry Scott, Intermountain Yearly Meeting; Mildred Burck, Corvallis, North Pacific Yearly Meeting; Richard and Rose Lewis and their two daughters from Salem Monthly Meeting, North Pacific Yearly Meeting; Johanna Sibbett from Swarthmore, Pennsylvania; and Orlando Salvato, Claremont Area, attender from Our Lady of the Assumption Church.

The coordinators, clerks, and advisors for children’s program and Junior Yearly Meeting were introduced. An advisor pointed out that the parents have the primary responsibility for their children’s behavior during Yearly Meeting. The Clerk then introduced Kashi Negatani who will coordinate our intergenerational doll-making program. She explained that these dolls and stuffed animals that Yearly Meeting will be making together will be distributed primarily in Central America.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

CLOSING
Out of the silence, Reading Clerk, Phyllis Jones, read the Epistle and cover letter to Pacific Yearly Meeting from London Yearly Meeting.

Maureen Jaquette
Co-Recording Clerk

YEARLY MEETING SESSION II: Monday, July 29, 1985

We met for worship at 4:00 PM in the tent-like sloping little theatre of La Verne University. As shadows enfolded us, we were led deep into the silence. The meeting closed at 5:00 PM.

Margaret Mossman
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARLY MEETING SESSION III: Monday, July 29, 1985, 7:00 PM

We gathered in silent worship at 7:05 PM. Reading Clerk, Phyllis Jones, read from the 1984 Epistle of North Pacific Yearly Meeting and the 1985 Epistle of Intermountain Yearly Meeting.

EPISTLE COMMITTEE
Presiding Clerk, Robert Vogel, called on Robert Young, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight, who presented the committee's recommendation for persons to serve on the Epistle Committee.

PYM-MIN 85-2
The Meeting approved the names of Stewart Mulford, Convener, Helen Currier and Elizabeth Jones to serve on the Epistle Committee for PYM 1985.

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE
The Clerk noted the historic occasion of the receiving of a new edition of the Discipline and introduced Pegge Lacey, Clerk of Discipline Committee which has worked on this revision for the past five years. PYM, she said, might be described as an everchanging waterfall and the book but a snapshot of it in time.

After introducing and giving credit to the members of the Discipline Committee, she went on to explain some of the changes to be found in the new Faith and Practice. These include a concern for non-sexist language, larger type size, a clearer format, chronological arrangement of quotations, a glossary of Quaker terms, a longer section on marriage and families, new sections on Quaker testimonies and on Cleanliness Committees, an explanation of our structure and committees, the Quaker organizations to which we send representatives, PYM special funds and publications, and an appendix of forms and suggestions for recordkeeping.

Some of the more significant changes include the marriage section being more inclusive of a variety of loving relationships, more forceful language on membership reflecting only one membership category, and the raising of questions as to sexism, sexual preference, and racism.

The Committee, we were told, focused on the centrality of the Meeting for Worship in our lives. Thus, because all of our Meetings are for the purpose of worship, the use of the term "Meeting for Business" has been dropped. The importance of Quaker process has not changed, however, and is reflected in the book's section on that topic.

She reminded us of the extensive seasoning that has occurred in the preparation of this Discipline. Reflecting the title, Faith and Practice, a Guide to Christian Discipline, the Committee has sought to compile a guide and not a how-to book. The committee recommends that PYM accept the revised Faith and Practice.

PYM-MIN 85-3
The Meeting approved accepting the revised version of Faith and Practice.
MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE PANEL
Members of the Ministry and Oversight Committee led us in an examination of various parts of the new discipline, specifically addressing the question, "What part does Faith and Practice play in our lives?" in preparation for study groups at this Yearly Meeting.

The minutes of this session were read and approved.

The Meeting closed at 9:00 PM in worship during which a Friend shared her letter to Lucretia Mott reflecting gratitude that this Yearly Meeting has taken steps to address the issue of sexual equality.

YEARLY MEETING SESSION IV: Tuesday, July 30, 1985

OPENING
We gathered in worship at 1:40 pm. The Reading Clerk shared a letter from Friends World Committee for Consultation and the Epistle from Ireland Yearly Meeting. A number of visitors were introduced, and the presence of Los Angeles Monthly Meeting, which had not been represented at roll call, was brought to our attention.

REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
Susanna Matthay, Representative Committee Recording Clerk, summarized the Minutes of that body for us. We reviewed the report with thanks.

COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Laura Magnani reported for the ad hoc committee to name the Nominating Committee. Eleanor Engstrand, Santa Cruz; Arden Pierce, Palo Alto; and Mary Warren, Whitleaf, were each nominated to serve a 3-year term. Stratton Jaquette was nominated to serve as Clerk for the coming year. As is our usual practice, we held over the matter for decision at a later session.

SITES COMMITTEE
Marie Schutz, Clerk, reported for the Sites Committee. She told us of the extensive effort that has been undertaken by that committee to find a location for PYM 1986, and the many factors that the Committee has needed to consider in its search.

Evaluations by attenders at PYM 1984 indicated a strong preference for returning to La Honda if some changes and modifications were made. Most of the problems at La Honda appeared, to the Sites Committee, to be remediable. Responses to questionnaires sent to those who have not attended and to those who have ceased attending do not lead to clear conclusions. Some of the more-often mentioned factors are: camping, accessibility, vegetarian meals, child care and moderate cost.

Having labored with these considerations for many, many hours, the Committee recommends that PYM be held at Craig Hall, Chico, in 1986; the San Francisco YMCA Camp, La Honda, California, in 1987; and possibly at La Verne University, La Verne, California, in 1988. La Verne and La Honda are both available in 1986, as well. We were told that a building will be constructed this coming year on half of the area used this year at La Verne for camping; and that La Honda is available only the second week of July and not in August.
Some Friends felt we should return to La Verne in 1986 in order to deepen our presence in Southern California where we have met infrequently and because holding successive sessions at the same place eases the burden of making arrangements for both committees and PYM attenders. Other variations of sequence of 2 or 3 of the possible sites were also suggested. Some hoped that needed changes at La Honda could be completed before we finalize a decision to return there. At the same time, concern was expressed about deciding to return to La Verne until we have experienced more time here. La Honda presents a rural experience while La Verne and Chico are compact, accessible and close to transportation.

After a period of discussion, the meeting asked Sites Committee to bring back to us, at a later session, a firm recommendation which takes our comments into consideration.

Marie then spoke briefly of the Committee's explorations into a permanent site for PYM and encouraged Friends with an interest in this to meet with members of the committee.

FWCC REPORT
Virginia Heck reported to us as one of our representatives to Friends World Committee for Consultation. The FWCC Triennial Gathering will be held in Oaxtepec, Morelos, Mexico, this year. Kate Buckner, Strawberry Creek; David Tappan, Orange Grove; and Virginia Heck, Redwood Forest, are our representatives. Shirley Ruth, Friends Bulletin editor, and Jonathan Vogel, of the World Gathering of Young Friends, will also attend.

Jean Finkel, Valley Mills Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Western Yearly Meeting representative to FWCC, shared with us some of her perceptions of that body. She reminded us that it is the only body encompassing all Friends' groupings.

MEXICO CITY MONTHLY MEETING REPORT
Eduardo Ortega and Robert Noble are Mexico City Monthly Meeting's representatives to PYM. (See Attachment A for Mexico City's State of the Society Report.) The Meeting meets weekly and has 33 members, 16 of whom live outside the Mexico City area. About 10 members are currently active. The Meeting has been busy preparing for the Triennial, while Casa de los Amigos continues to be a focus of the Meeting, serving as a base for visitors, refugee work and the Meeting in general. The Meeting has been providing aid to refugees from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, as well as from Nicaragua. Mexico City Meeting participated in the General Reunions of Friends from all over Mexico.

Two Worship Groups, Guatemala and Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico, are under the care of the Meeting. The Guatemala Worship Group continues its 13-year scholarship program which has provided assistance to more than 140 students and expects to do so for another 50 this year. Hermosillo Worship Group has been occupied with building its new home.

The Minutes of the session were read and approved.

We closed in quiet worship at 5:00 pm.

Margaret Mossman
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARLY MEETING SESSION V: Tuesday, July 30, 1985, 8:00 PM

WORSHIP
During a period of worship, the Reading Clerk, Phyllis Jones, read the Epistle from last August 1984 from Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends (Conservative) and the Epistle from Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting.

INTRODUCTION

Marshall began by detailing the present state of the global ecosystem. He believes the crucial issues facing our planet are the crises of: carrying capacity destruction; extinctions and gene pool destruction; oxygen factory destruction; carbon dioxide build-up; and destruction of the ozone layer. He then supported his concern with many facts and figures to convince Friends that all the signs are here for global ecosystem collapse: poisoning of the land and water; reduction of land to deserts; loss of species; loss of genetic resources as modern crops become highly inbred miracle strains; forest clear cutting, and pollution of oceans. He pointed out that not only do we depend on one another but also we depend on all things of the earth.

We were reminded that this is a living planet and it is being destroyed. Marshall believes that the Religious Society of Friends needs to get involved with this issue and it is not enough for individual Friends to enroll in environmental movements. The movement is incapable of succeeding without the help of religion and we can not depend on governmental bodies to save us. Marshall believes that all religious bodies need to join together to save our living planet.

The destruction of the planet is a moral issue. When we all feel that preserving the planet is a moral issue, it is then that we will see preservation taking place.

Marshall ended his talk with the following three suggestions for action:

1. Agree to a press release emphasizing our environmental concerns, and hold a press conference;
2. Publish a handbook that would have a spiritual description of the crisis, and;
3. Form a Friends Committee on Unity with Nature as an informational clearing-house for spiritual and religious understandings of the environmental issues.

The Clerk asked for comments from the floor.

One friend said that he believed that God had spoken to us tonight through Marshall. One friend reminded us that we should remember that a nuclear explosion could also end the living planet. (Marshall Massey's full speech, Attachment B, is on file with the PYM Historian/Archivist and Friends Bulletin Editor.)

Maureen Jaquette
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARYL MEETING SESSION VI:  Wednesday, July 31, 1985

We gathered in silent worship at 9:50 AM. The Reading Clerk read from the Epistles of Friends United Meeting Triennial and Australia Yearly Meeting.

JWS REPORT
Bill Moon, Principal of John Woolman School, spoke to us. Only 7 of its 50 students are Friends. He urged us to increase that number.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
James Sanetel, Clerk, reported for the Nominating Committee.

The committee recommended the representative to Friends Committee on Legislation be nominated from among the members of Social Order Committee because the duties of that person are to participate in one meeting a year and report on it to Social Order Committee.

James noted that the nomination of Tad Kershner represents a departure from the letter of the new Faith and Practice in that he is not a member of the Religious Society of Friends, but the Committee feels comfortable with his ability to serve. Now that the revised Discipline has been completed, the Nominating Committee recommends the size of Discipline Committee be decreased from 9 members, of whom 1 is from NPYM, to 6, all of them from PYM.

As is our usual practice, these nominations were held over for final determination at a later session.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FUM/FGC
Lowell Tozer reported for the ad hoc committee to consider membership in Friends United Meeting and Friends General Conference. The committee has met twice this year. A copy of its report is attached. (See Attachment C.)

The committee senses that we hunger for contact with other Friends while at the same time we may find it easier to reach out to that of God in the world's most notorious tyrants than in other varieties of Friends. It seems, however, we are more afraid of formal affiliation than of simple interaction. Moreover, formal affiliation would involve heavy human and monetary burdens. Specifically for this latter reason, the committee recommends we not consider affiliation with either body at this time.

Friends wanted to clarify the role of our present representatives to FGC and FUM, and how we can increase our understanding of other Friends. A concern was expressed that we do not contribute our fair share to FGC for the use we make of their resources. PYM Friends contribute 31 cents per person per year as against an average of 39 cents per person per year by all unaffiliated Yearly Meetings. Others felt that, rather than being a drain of human energy, FGC would be a stimulus. We were reminded that, regardless of our affiliation status, we would be welcome at FGC, the next one of which is to be held "way out West" at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Not only are PYM, NPYM, and IYM themselves a community; but there is a sense of hope in that we are not unaffiliated, but independent.
The Meeting approved the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on FUM/FGC, contained in Attachment C, with the exception of the monetary amounts which were referred to Finance Committee for further seasoning in light of our expression of strong support for the ad hoc committee's recommendations, and to bring a recommendation to a later Plenary.

The ad hoc committee to consider membership in Friends United Meeting and Friends General Conference was laid down, with gratitude for their work. Nominating Committee was asked to determine the name and function of the standing committee and to suggest names of persons to serve on it.

FRIENDS BULLETIN COMMITTEE REPORT
Elsa Glines, Clerk, reported for the Friends Bulletin Committee. The committee is acutely aware of the role the Bulletin serves in drawing together Friends from PYM, NPYM, and IYM. The committee has met with Finance Committee to discuss a request for an increase in its budget and its recommendation that last year's operating expense deficit be covered by PYM reserves. The subscription price will be increased from $10.50 to $14 per year for group subscriptions and $12.50 to $16.00 for individuals. Part of the deficit resulted from a reluctance to raise prices earlier.

Shirley Ruth, editor, urged us to reach out to other Friends, not only by subscribing and reading the Friends Bulletin, but by contributing written materials as well. She has participated in QUIP, Quakers United in Publishing, where valuable cross-fertilization has occurred.

The preceding Minutes of the Meeting were read and approved.

TREASURERS REPORT
Walter Klein, Co-Treasurer, gave the treasurer's report. A copy of the Interim Financial Statement is attached. (See Attachment D.) Some things of note are:

- There was a surplus of $9,450 from 1984. New line items have been established for the Secretariat and Student Conscience Fund.
- Invested capital has been decreased by advances for publications by Discipline and Social Order Committees, a decrease offset by a corresponding increase in inventories.

He regaled us with the tale of the Treasurers' long tragic comedy with the Internal Revenue Service over the latter's demand for varying amounts of supposedly-owed money. We won.

The Meeting accepted the Treasurers' report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Walter Jones, Clerk, reported for the Finance Committee. Liability insurance has become difficult to obtain, and we are insured only for the current PYM session. The committee will be contacting all Monthly Meetings and some other Yearly Meetings about any insurance problems they may have, and any solutions found.

PYM Reserves are being used to fund publication costs and other activities in which it is anticipated funds will eventually be returned to the reserve fund. It is the opinion of the Finance Committee that such use of reserve funds should at no time exceed a total of $10,000. The Treasurers will be responsible for monitoring the use of reserve funds according to this guideline.
Because of the devaluation of the peso, the Mexico City Meeting's assumption of the burden of refugee work, and its small number of active members, the Finance Committee recommended that the annual assessment for Mexico City Monthly Meeting be made a symbolic $1.00 per member per year, to be reviewed annually.

PYM-MINTThe Meeting approved the annual assessment for the Mexico City Monthly Meeting be made a symbolic $1.00 per member per year, to be reviewed annually.

The Finance Committee recommended that the 1984-85 PYM subsidy for the Bulletin Committee be increased from $5,600 to $8,000.

PYM-MINTThe Meeting approved that the 1984-85 PYM subsidy for the Bulletin Committee be increased from $5,600 to $8,000.

STATISTICAL CLERK'S REPORT
John Draper and Betty Hall, Statistical Clerks made their report, a copy of which is attached. (See Attachments E, F, and G.) Of particular note is that Palomar Monthly Meeting was laid down this year. We were reminded that some meetings carry large numbers of inactive members, almost half of whom live in the local area of their Monthly Meeting and would be able to attend.

John noted the functions served by the keeping of accurate records. These include: history, research, being a mirror we can hold up to ourselves, and, least important, allowing the determination of PYM budget assessment.

Friends expressed their gratitude for the caring and humane way in which John Draper has served the Meeting as Statistical Clerk for many years.

In nineteen hundred and eighty-five
A man named John Draper stepped aside
From the job he held for many years,
As the Official Counter of Friendly Ears

Thus following after his wife Liz
John has kept us informed on this statistical biz;
Names and faces so he reminds us
Are more than just numbers of pluses and minus.

Name-changes are checked, and checked once more,
John takes note, of what came before.
Each "j" is dotted, each "x" is crossed,
Never shall a Friend be lost.

And so to determine where each membership goes
John counts the ears, then divides by the nose.
In doing so Meetings are able to trace us,
And total the number of Monthly Meeting faces.

Thank-you John, for work well done,
You have made statistics fun.

Friends were moved to speak of the rich contributions Palomar Meeting had made. The presence at PYM of three former Palomar members was warmly noted: Gretchen Tuthill, Arthur Vale, and John Randall.

We closed in silent worship at 12:21 PM. Margaret Mossman
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARLY MEETING SESSION VII: Wednesday, July 31, 1985, 4:00 PM.

We gathered in silence waiting on the spirit of the Lord, others joined us at quarter past the hour.

From the waiting came:

Peace with God passes all understanding. The heart of the athlete beats slowest, work hard and you will rest well. I feel so peaceful here.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

One Friend spoke of her friend, who is fasting for peace and defense of life. She has been trying to write about his act, but remembers he thinks there are enough documents in the world; what we need is people to act and do things. Why are we unable to act when we hear a call? Is it because we are not brave, perhaps a lack of space for expectance in our lives. We fail to make space that God might come and fill any moment and leave a void.

I want not to ask how I am to respond, yet feel the call and go, yes, I will go, yes, I will do, yes, I will act.

We do much on faith and good will, not knowing what might come of it. We do things because we are led to do them and don't know what good will come of them.

When I think of my good friends that are kind and good that have felt the passion of religion, I hope we will go beyond our goodness to radical intensities.

One Friend shared a song:

Those who wait upon the Lord,  
Shall be renewed in Strength.  
They shall rise up on wings  
Like an Eagle,  
They shall run and not be weary,  
They shall walk and not be faint,  
Teach me, Teach me Lord to wait.  
(Isaiah 40:30)

Faithfulness to spirit of God came through individuals in small groups, who felt the leading of the spirit. If we wait for the whole meeting to move, sometimes our wait is frustrating. God's way is through a small faithful group. Love and faithfulness lead us to what the Lord wants us to do. Some have not waited for the whole society or ad hocery, Jesus wasn't supported by the main body of Israelites, yet supported by simple people ready to give all and go ahead and start moving.

The Meeting closed at 5:00 PM.

Maureen Jaquette  
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARN MEETING SESSION VIII:  Wednesday, July 31, 1985

We gathered quietly at 6:45 PM. In the silence we heard the Reading Clerk read from the Epistle of the 1984 Japan Yearly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of the German Democratic Republic.

Frances McAllister, recent clerk of Intermountain Yearly Meeting was introduced, as was Donald Clague, Executive Vice President of La Verne University, who told us something of the institution at which we have been meeting.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Laura Magnani, Clerk, reported for the Religious Education Committee. For the past year the Religious Education Committee has been exploring in-depth study programs for adults in the Yearly Meeting. It has come to a number of assumptions:

Religious experience needs soil in which to take root.
Education clarifies commitment and deepens ministry.
Quakerism is more than a do-it-yourself religion; there is a religious base and a history from which we can learn.
The core of a Friends study program should be religious experience.

The Committee believes that Monthly Meetings would welcome an in-depth program to deepen our spiritual and historical roots. It proposes that PYM begin a study program involving study, retreats, and shared spiritual direction. The first year would be spent experimenting with pilot projects, training, and organizing. By 1986-87 it would expect to sponsor nine months of programs in key locations in Southern and Northern California. By the end of a five-year period, the program would have been made available within reasonable distances to all areas of the Yearly Meeting with the possible exception of Mexico City. To implement the program the Religious Education Committee recommended establishing two regional sub-committees. It has been seasoned and passed on to PYM by Representative Committee.

Friends expressed delight in the possibility of the course and a sense that it has long been needed. The Meeting approved the proposal in principle, but had questions concerning financial implications.

A figure of $2,000 would be needed to initiate the program. Thereafter, a fee of about $150 per year per individual would be asked and this figure is expected to cover expenses. An increase in the Religious Education budget to cover the expenses of the subcommittee would be needed as well.

The seed money would be returned if and when the program becomes self-sustaining. Friends hoped some scholarship assistance might be forthcoming. After further discussion, the Meeting approved the proposal as recommended by the Committee.

PYM-MIN
85-7  PYM authorizes the Religious Education Committee to establish a study program, called Quaker Spiritual Quest: A Program of Spiritual Growth and Study for Friends, involving study, retreats and shared spiritual direction, to be organized by two subcommittees, one in Northern, and one in Southern, California.

PYM PEACE TAX FUND
Betsy Eberhardt reported for the PYM Peace Tax Fund. As of July 1985, 9 individuals have deposited money in the fund, the balance of which is now $6,479.62, $850.64 of which is interest which is available, under the Fund's guidelines,
for designated uses. The subcommittee has decided to spend the initial interest to support legislation establishing what has been called the Peace Tax Fund.

**CONSCIENCE FUND FOR STUDENTS**

Brad McAllister reported on the status of the Conscience Fund for Students, established to assist those who have difficulty obtaining student loans as a result of the Solomon Amendment, which requires proof of registration for the military draft. At present there is $1130.53 in the Fund. He urged us to publicize it in our Monthly Meetings.

**FUND FOR CONCERNS**

Aimee Elsbee reported for the Fund for Concerns. The subcommittee reminded us that Monthly Meetings are asked to carefully clear all requests to the Fund. At the same time, she urged us to be mindful of our "holy nudges." At present the Fund contains $4,282.00.

**SHARING FUND**

A report on the Sharing Fund was deferred to a later time.

**FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON WAR TAX CONCERNS:**

The Presiding Clerk told us he had earlier this year received a letter from the Friends Committee on War Tax Concerns, inviting PYM, North Pacific Yearly Meeting and Intermountain Yearly Meeting to jointly send one representative to its gathering. After consultation with these other Yearly Meetings, he asked Anne Friend to serve as representative. Friends World Committee on Consultation provided one-half of the travel costs and the three Yearly Meetings shared the other half. IYM and NPYM have approved membership in the organization. The Peace Committee recommended PYM endorse the FCWTC and requested $200 be budgeted to cover PYM's share of the representative's expenses.

**PYM-MIN 85-8**

PYM approves becoming a member of the Friends Committee on War Tax Concerns and recommends the name of Anne Friend to serve as representative, an appointment to be made in consultation with North Pacific and Intermountain Yearly Meetings. Finance Committee was asked to season the budgetary considerations.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

James Sanetel, reporting for the Nominating Committee, presented additional names for our consideration. As is our usual practice, we deferred final approval of these nominations until a later session.

As to the committee proposed by the ad hoc committee on FUM and FGC and approved at an earlier session, the Nominating Committee made several recommendations:

1. **PROPOSED DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES OF THE NEW UN-NAMED COMMITTEE**

   a. To report regularly, in Friends Bulletin or in a newsletter to Monthly Meetings, on upcoming activities or interests of Friends' groups in which PYM Friends might participate.

   b. To encourage the release of Friends for visitation to other Friends' groups.
c. To explore means of bringing together Friends of many groups in activities such as peace work, support of refugees, support of Friends' schools, and the like; in conferences, including a West Coast Gathering of Friends; in other ways that may be found.

d. To encourage PYM Friends to work with other yearly meetings and the Friends World Committee for Consultation in such efforts as the above.

2. The committee recommended appointment of a representative to Evangelical Friends Alliance, with the same funding and functions as those representatives currently representing PYM at Friends General Conference and Friends United Meeting.

3. The Nominating Committee recommended the new standing committee on outreach to other Friends bodies consist of three appointed members with overlapping terms, plus ex-officio membership by the Friends General Conference, Friends United Meeting, and General Reunion of Friends representatives; and New Call to Peacemaking representative, should that group continue to meet; and Evangelical Friends Alliance representative, should one be appointed.

These three recommendations were deferred for seasoning and consideration at a later session.

AD HOC COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Meeting approved the names of Eleanor Engstrand, Arden Pierce and Mary Warner to serve three year terms on the Nominating Committee. The earlier nomination of Stratten Jaquette to serve as Clerk of Nominating Committee was withdrawn.

EAST-WEST COMMITTEE

Stephen Birdlebough, Clerk, reported that the East-West Committee has spent almost a year exploring existing citizen diplomacy programs and that it has undertaken 3 projects:


2) A visit of Friends from the German Democratic Republic, the only Yearly Meeting in a Warsaw Pact country.

3) Sponsoring, after careful consideration, the visit of two PYM Friends to the International Youth Festival in Moscow--Christopher Hognes and Meredith Mercer.

FRIEND IN THE ORIENT COMMITTEE

The Presiding Clerk introduced Rose Lewis, Clerk of Friend in the Orient Committee and expressed our gratitude for her long and faithful service to the committee. She reported extensively on recent developments in Asia and on the committee's projects this last year. These include:

Responsibility for the book, Letters from Szechwan, have been transferred to Claremont Monthly Meeting.

Proceeds from the sale of the book, China Gray, China Green, will be available to the Friend in the Orient project fund.
Small contributions were made to help publish *Korea, Queen of Suffering*, and an AFSC book on Korean reunification; and to help Floyd Schmoe travel to Korea.

The Committee, through its most recent Friends in the Orient, Lloyd and Mary Margaret Bailey, maintains communication with Seoul Meeting. Sok Hon Hahn, Korean Friend, has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize by the AFSC. The Meeting approved the following Minute:

**PYM-MIN**

85-9 PYM warmly supports the nomination of Sok Hon Hahn for the Nobel Peace Prize and requests the Presiding Clerk to send a letter communicating this support to the Nobel Peace Prize Committee.

Minutes of this session were read and approved.

The Meeting closed in a period of quiet worship.

Margaret Mossman
Co-recording Clerk

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**YEARLY MEETING SESSION IX: Thursday, August 1, 1985, 3:30 PM**

We gathered to celebrate, affirm, and validate twenty-eight Friends who have died in the last year. We never know how many years our Friends will be with us. Friends were presented in alphabetical order.

"Death is not an end, but a beginning. It is but an incident in the 'life of the ages', which is God's gift to us now. It is the escape of the spirit from its old limitations and its freeing for a larger and more glorious career. We stand around the grave, and as we take our last, lingering look, too often our thoughts are there; and we return to the desolate home feeling that all that made life lovely has been left behind on the bleak hillside... Yet the spirit now is free, and the unseen angel at our side points upwards from the grave and whispers, 'He is not here, but is risen'.”

William Littleboy (1853-1936).

Walter Eugene Barnett  
Betty Barnhart  
Gertrude Bowles  
Harper Brown  
Lore David  
Mirion Dubin  
San Francisco Monthly Meeting  
Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting  
Honolulu Monthly Meeting  
Monterey Peninsula Monthly Meeting  
San Jose Monthly Meeting  
Berkeley Monthly Meeting
"Death is no more than a turning of us over from time to eternity," William Penn (1644-1718), Some Fruits of Solitude.

Lewis Alden Estes, Jr. Orange County Monthly Meeting
Marion Field Berkeley Monthly Meeting
Linda Freudenthal Berkeley Monthly Meeting
Walter Friedlander Berkeley Monthly Meeting
Geraldine Kickbusch Palo Alto Monthly Meeting
Phil Jacobs Honolulu Monthly Meeting

"She met everybody in human sympathy, but of sin seemed to take no cognizance except in compassion," Chevalier Bunson of Elizabeth Fry

Vera Carlson Loomis Davis Monthly Meeting
Henry Lohmann San Francisco Monthly Meeting
Bud Maynor Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting
Grace Myers Santa Monica Monthly Meeting
Stewart Meacham Honolulu Monthly Meeting

"I feel that love is victorious, there is no dark it cannot light, no depth it cannot reach," John Greenleaf Whittier.

Harlow Mills Claremont Monthly Meeting
Marshall Palley Grass Valley Monthly Meeting
Grace Powers La Jolla Monthly Meeting
Dexter Pattison Redwood Forest Monthly Meeting
Dora Purchard Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting

"All hearts grow warmer in the presence of one who seeking not her own gave freely for the love of giving -- Nor reaped for self the harvest sown." (Author unknown)

Dorothy Roberts Palo Alto Monthly Meeting
Helen Switzer Berkeley Monthly Meeting
William Torrance Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting
Ethel Wright Orange Grove Monthly Meeting
Ruth Wendt Orange Grove Monthly Meeting
Esther Wright Honolulu Monthly Meeting

"Death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight." Rossiter Raymond.

Worship closed at 5:15 PM.

Maureen Jaquette
Co-Recording Clerk
YEARNLY MEETING SESSION X: Thursday, August 1, 1985

We gathered in song, then settled into quiet worship at 6:47 PM. The Reading Clerk read from the epistles of the Yearly Meetings of New Zealand and France.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Jack Leshefka reported for the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications. The Committee recommended:

1. That the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications begin the task of presenting by next Representative Committee Meeting a set of guidelines for PYM committees that wish to publish.

2. That the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications find at least 12 people knowledgeable in the general field of publishing to serve as an editorial pool subject to approval by the Representative Committee. A committee that wishes to publish would choose four people from this pool to be their editorial committee. None of the people on any editorial committee would be members of the committee that wishes to publish.

That when these two tasks are completed and approved, the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications be laid down.

3. That each committee that wishes to publish would approach Representative Committee Meeting for seed money. They would then set up a revolving fund using the funds raised from the sale of their publication to fund future publications.

4. That any committee when publishing, unless otherwise authorized by PYM, will be required to print a disclaimer, "That statements made in this publication do not necessarily represent the views of Pacific Yearly Meeting."

PYM-MIN

85-10 The Meeting approved asking the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications to prepare a set of guidelines for PYM committees that wish to publish, to be brought to Representative Committee in March 1986.

No unity being found on the other three recommendations, the Ad Hoc Committee on Publications was asked to season them further, particularly in light of concerns expressed regarding censorship.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

James Sanetel, Clerk, brought a further report from the Nominating Committee. He noted that names of persons to serve in several positions must await a determination of the location and date of Pacific Yearly Meeting 1986.
STEWARDSHIP OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Robert Schutz reported for the Social Order Committee in the absence of its Clerk. The Committee recommended a Minute on stewardship of the environment, a Minute that has been seasoned by both the Committee and by working groups that met twice this week. The Minute, entitled "A Lion Roars in the Temple," is as follows:

The question of the existence of life on this planet is a religious concern. Life is threatened by destruction of the carrying capacity of the Earth, by destruction of the gene pool, by destruction of the oxygen factories as well as by the possibility of nuclear holocaust. The Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends is now ready to act on this concern. We collaborate with the leading of Marshall Massey, whom we support, and to whom we say: "Go forth into all the world, lecturing, teaching, writing, publishing, and walking humbly with God."

The Social Order Committee of PYM recommends that a standing committee of the Yearly Meeting be set up to develop a job description, define the tasks, steward the funds, and oversee and support Marshall's work. We recommend that its activities include, and not be limited to: creation of a Testimony to which all can subscribe, for the purpose of which Marshall's words are offered as building blocks; development of a handbook on environmental crises as these are related to organized religion; setting up an ecumenical clearing house to further spiritual awareness of the ecological crises; dealing with the media; and other projects as the way opens. We invite Monthly Meetings and individuals to participate in these endeavors at every level.

This will require an initial fund in the amount of $30,000, which is repayable out of lecture fees, royalties, and designated contributions.

General enthusiastic support for the proposal was expressed, but uneasiness with the financial aspects of such a undertaking, the implications of entering what looks somewhat like an employer-employee relationship and the depth of commitment the proposal would require, was expressed. At the same time, a strong sense of urgency was evident among Friends that we must start to act now on this problem. The Meeting approved the following:

PYM-MIN
85-11 PYM approves setting up an earmarked Fund for the Environment to which individuals and Monthly Meetings could contribute and for which the Treasurers would be responsible.

Unable to reach unity on the remaining portions of the recommendation, the Meeting referred the report back to Social Order Committee for further seasoning with the understanding that Social Order Committee may bring it to a later plenary session.

GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC VISITORS

Mary Miehe introduced three visitors, young Friends from the German Democratic Republic, who have been attending the World Gathering of Young Friends. They are Christian Pinkert, Sabine Brückner and Lutz Haubold. The German Democratic Republic Yearly Meeting has about fifty members. It is one of only two Yearly Meetings in socialist countries, the other being Cuba.
WORLD GATHERING OF YOUNG FRIENDS REPORT

Elizabeth Perry, David Mackenzie and Lauren Mart-Mararrro were PYM delegates to the World Gathering of Young Friends this year at Guilford College, Greensboro, North Carolina. Seth-Daniel Hunter attended as an alternate, as did Mark Beckham, Jonathan Vogel, Kirsten Crutcher, Nicola Geiger, and Clarence (Ted) Cunningham. Young Friends spoke movingly of coming to know and of praying with others speaking many languages and proceeding from widely different expressions of the Quaker experience.

Seth, Elizabeth, David, and Michael Booth, a Young Friend from Great Britain, reported on the gathering and, along with our visitors from GDR, led us in song.

The Minutes of this session were read and approved.

We closed in worship at 9:15 P.M., during which we heard the Epistle of the World Gathering of Young Friends. (See attachment H.)

Margaret Mossman
Co-Recording Clerk

YEARELY MEETING SESSION XI: Friday, August 2 1985

We gathered in silence at 9:49 A.M. The Reading Clerk read the Epistle of Illinois Yearly Meeting.

REGISTRARS REPORT:

Joseph Magruder reported for the Registrars.

Four hundred and eighteen people attended PYM for at least one day this year. Arthur Vale was the oldest attender; three 1-year-olds were the youngest. Four hundred and ninety-seven attended last year at La Honda. On Wednesday, there were 360 in attendance at La Verne; 431 at La Honda in 1984; and 364 at Chico in 1983. One-half of us have been in dorms, one quarter have camped, and one-quarter have been day attenders. Forty percent of us are male and sixty percent, female. Thirty-seven are under 10 years of age; forty-five, between 10 and 17 years of age; and thirty-seven percent are adults over 60. Seventeen percent were attending PYM for the first time.

BUDGET REPORT

Walter Jones, Clerk, reported for the Finance Committee, bringing us their budgetary recommendations.

The committee struggled with the question of outreach, particularly to the Friends Committee on Legislation, and concluded that information on Monthly and Quarterly Meeting contributions is necessary to get an accurate picture of our support, overall, for Friends' organizations. The committee recommended, and the Meeting approved, the following Minute:

PYM-MIN 85-12

Monthly and Quarterly Meetings are requested to furnish a copy of their budgets, particularly as they relate to outreach, to the PYM Finance Committee which will compile a summary and report to PYM on Friends' overall outreach.
The Finance Committee recommended that the new committee, which was recommended by the ad hoc committee on Friends General Conference and Friends United Meeting and approved at an earlier session, be budgetted at the level of $500 for operating expenses and $1,000 to be used to further interaction with other Friends groups, which may, but need not, be by contribution to the work of the Friends World Committee on Consultation.

PYM-MIN 85-13 The ad hoc committee on membership in FUM/FGC is asked to propose a name for the standing committee which was approved at an earlier session and charged with outreach to other Friends' groups.

The budget item for the General Reunion of Friends in Mexico was not spent this year. Thus reserves are sufficient at this time to cover the expenses of the representative and none need be budgetted.

It was the committee's perception that PYM has not been active in the New Call to Peacemaking in recent years so budgeted no amount for this item.

AFSC Honolulu was added to our outreach since we have supported AFSC offices in northern and southern California for some time, and Honolulu is one of the Monthly Meetings within PYM.

The Committee has labored with the Friends Bulletin Committee regarding balancing the need for budgeting an amount adequate to build up its reserves against a pragmatic evaluation of the PYM budget.

Friends then spoke to the following concerns:

We should support FCL because it is a Friends organization, which has been experiencing a cash flow problem and serves a function beyond California's borders.

We should support New Call to Peacemaking because Lois Vincent has indeed been active as our representative even though there were no travel expenses this year.

The Meeting then approved the following Minute:

PYM-MIN 85-14 The Peace Committee is responsible for maintaining contact with the New Call to Peacemaking and for coming to the March 1986 Representative Committee with a recommendation for outreach or for travel expenses for a representative to that body, if need be.

Friends then spoke at length to the question of contributing to Friends Committee on Legislation. We were reminded that the historical reason for not making such a contribution is that PYM includes Monthly Meetings outside California, although PYM, by a Minute (PYM-MIN 84-18), has given recognition of the value of FCL even to those outside the state. The following Minute was approved:

PYM-MIN 85-15 The Social Order Committee is asked to consult with PYM Meetings outside the geographical boundaries of California in order to determine whether they perceive sufficient benefit from FCL to justify a contribution to that organization.
MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT
Jane Peers reported on the State of the Society for the Ministry and Oversight Committee. A copy of her report is attached. (See Attachment J). Copies of the State of the Society Reports are also attached to the archival copy of these Minutes.

Robert Young announced upcoming weekend conferences on Clerking to be sponsored by Ministry and Oversight. He encouraged us to freely consult with Ministry and Oversight and expressed the hope we can transcend our differences as gracefully as have young Friends meeting for the World Gathering of Young Friends.

We settled into a silence out of which Friends expressed tenderness for each other, particularly those Friends who may not feel part of the family mentioned in the new Discipline.

PERMANENT SITE
Marie Schutz, Clerk of Sites Committee, reported on its recommendations regarding a permanent PYM site. The Committee recommended an ad hoc committee be established for that purpose. Those suggested to serve on the ad hoc committee are:

- Trudy Mulford, Grass Valley
- Steward Mulford, Grass Valley
- David Noble, Santa Barbara
- Alan Strain, Palo Alto
- Charles Eubanks, Orange County
- Bob Barnes, Grass Valley
- Marie Schutz, Redwood Forest

The proposed budget for the ad hoc committee would be $650, primarily for transportation. It is anticipated the committee would meet twice prior to the March 1986 Representative Committee.

PYM-MIN
85-16 An ad hoc committee on a permanent site for PYM is established and asked to bring to Representative Committee in March 1986 a recommendation on whether or how to establish a permanent PYM site.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE ENVIRONMENT
Robert Schutz reported a group had met for further seasoning of the proposed Minute on stewardship of the environment.

The Social Order Committee wished to make clear that its intent in proposing the Minute is to act as though it were releasing a Friend, Marshall Massey, for this work; however, it acknowledges such an action could only be done by his own Monthly or Yearly Meeting. Friends have already contributed $5,720 to undertake this project; 1,559 hours of labor have been promised, valued at $50,500; and at least six Friends have expressed a willingness to serve on such a committee if asked.

We were cautioned that PYM must take responsibility for accomplishing this work ourselves, however much of a resource Marshall Massey may be. With a sense of the Spirit moving in us the Meeting approved the following Minute.
The care and preservation of the environment, which sustains all life (including all future generations of plants, animals and humankind), is a religious concern. Life is threatened by destruction of the carrying capacity of the earth, by destruction of the gene pool, by destruction of the oxygen factories as well as by the possibility of nuclear holocaust. Thus, we are called upon to fulfill God's covenant with all creation. (Genesis 9:8-17.) We, the Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends intend to pursue our leading on this question, of which Marshall Massey has so forcefully reminded us. We say to him as we say to ourselves, "Go forth into the world, lecturing, teaching, writing, publishing, and walking humbly with God."

The Social Order Committee of Pacific Yearly Meeting recommends that a standing committee of the Yearly Meeting be set up to oversee, participate in, and support this work. We recommend that part of the charge of this committee be to work with Marshall Massey and other persons, some or all of whom may be volunteers, to define its own specific tasks and develop its charge as way opens; that part of its charge be to seek, find, and oversee its own funding, including authorizing disbursement of the funds for its purposes which shall be in the custody of the Pacific Yearly Meeting Committee on Unity with Nature; that it consist of six Friends who are approved for three-year, overlapping terms; and that it be given a grant from PYM in the amount of $500 to cover initial committee expenses.

We recommend further that the committee be charged with developing a budget for its work, that the budget reflect hours of work, which may be volunteer, as well as money, that the committee organize and oversee the work of volunteers, and that it concern itself with outreach and publication. We further recommend that this committee consider as part of its and Marshall's charge the recording of a Testimony to which all can subscribe, development of a Handbook on environmental crises as these are related to organized religion, the gathering and dissemination of information and materials on these concerns in monthly meetings of Friends and in other religious groups, and other projects as way opens.

The Social Order Committee has inquired of Marshall Massey, who is pleased to accept this charge as he may be involved in it.

The Meeting approved inviting North Pacific Yearly Meeting and Intermountain Yearly Meeting joining this project as the way opens.

Meeting closed in prayerful silence at 12:10 PM. Margaret Mossman, Recording Clerk
YEARN MEETING SESSION XII: Friday, 2 August 1985, 1:34 PM.

We gathered in silence at 1:34 P.M. The Reading Clerk read from the Epistle of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. Day visitors were noted as was the presence of Edith Haynes, from California Yearly Meeting, and Fred Royce, technical advisor to the School of Agricultural Mechanization at Matagalpa, Nicaragua.

EPISTLE COMMITTEE

Stewart Mulford, for the PYM Epistle Committee, gave us the first reading of our Epistle.

EQUITY OF THE SEXES

Kitty Barragato reported to us that a working group met this week and produced a list of possible projects in the area of equality of the sexes. Their recommendations were approved as follows:

PYM-MIN 1985-19

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends meeting at La Verne, California, on August 1, 1985, urges Monthly Meetings to consider the list of projects recommended by the Social Order Committee's working group on Equality of the Sexes, and to choose among these and other projects to implement.

1. Encourage Friends to submit articles to Friends Bulletin on:
   a. non-sexist prayers, hymns, and inspirational writings,
   b. women and spirituality, and
   c. use of traditional texts in non-sexist ways.
2. Develop a list of readings and study groups on:
   a. women's contributions to religious heritage, and
   b. reaching beyond Christ-centered theology for expanded religious imagery.
3. Reach out to other churches to share content/results of the reading lists and study groups.
4. Review nominations to committees with an eye to encouraging people to take on non-traditional roles in Meetings.
5. In Meetings with unbalanced sex composition, review possible reasons why and suggest ways to change.

Language and Communications

1. Suggest that Pacific Yearly Meeting adopt a policy of using non-sexist language in all communication and explore ways to implement such a policy. This may include developing a new, third person singular, non-gender pronoun for all written and oral communications. Suggest that constituent Monthly and Quarterly Meetings and that all English speaking Friends do the same.
2. Place blank cards in books in Meeting libraries for readers to note instances of sexism and racism. Contact public libraries to do the same.
3. Provide women with workshop on "Empowering Women through Language."
4. Encourage libraries to increase feminist materials.
Legislation, Politics, Economics

1. Arrange a specific time to study the Equality of the Sexes queries in the new Faith and Practice.
2. Publicize and participate in community events on women's issues.
3. With money and/or time, support community efforts to provide low-cost, quality child care.
4. Publicize list of companies in area with enlightened personnel policies.
5. Implement FCL's recommendations regarding women-related issues.

Violence

1. Meet together to examine all queries in the new Faith and Practice relating to violence against women and children.
2. Survey other meetings regarding projects they have undertaken, and that they will undertake, to end violence against women and children.

There was a strong expression in the Meeting that we be mindful that both men and women are equally victims of sexism.

DEATH PENALTY

Roberta Hogan brought us a recommendation of the Social Order Committee regarding the Death Penalty. The Meeting approved the following Minute:

PYM-MIN
85-20 Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) reaffirms its opposition to the death penalty and opposes legislation and any efforts to bring about executions by the state or federal government for the following reasons:

1. Friends believe that every person has value in the eyes of God and that killing under any name is immoral and unethical.
2. There is no evidence that the death penalty deters crime. Execution is the act of ultimate violence and violence tends to provoke violence.
3. The death penalty is irreversible. There have been and will continue to be innocent people executed.
4. The death penalty is used in a large majority of cases against minorities, the poor and the powerless.
5. The death penalty misleads the public into thinking that something is being done about crime, instead of focusing on the roots of crime.
6. The death penalty is cruel and unusual punishment. While the trend among Western European nations is toward abolition of capital punishment, and the Council of Europe has abolished it; the United States continued to use it.
7. The death penalty is brutalizing to all involved in the process. When a person is executed, he or she is killed in the name of the people. Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting do not endorse any killing in our names.

THEREFORE, Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting oppose the passage of all Federal and State Legislation mandating or permitting capital punishment and urge the repeal of capital punishment laws.

PEACE COMMITTEE REPORT: WEAPONS LABORATORIES

Bard McAllister, Clerk, reported for the Peace Committee. He reminded us that we had, two years ago, instructed our Clerk to meet with the President of the University of California regarding its operation of Livermore and Los Alamos Weapons Laboratories, which he, along with Paul Niebank, has done.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, the Meeting approved the following minute:

PYM-MIN 85-21

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends urges President Gardner and the Regents of the University of California to sever the connections of the University of California with the Livermore and Los Alamos Laboratories.

We believe that the research and development of weapons should be stopped. All energies of the University should be directed toward life-sustaining and life-enriching goals. Our position is based on our conviction of the sanctity of life, our opposition to violence, and our belief in a spiritual and moral imperative to love our neighbors on this Earth.

University management of weapons research lends support to policies which could destroy all life in the false hope of security. The Labs have designed, and then lobbied the U.S. government for, new weapons. They have lobbied against test ban proposals, arms control agreements and the nuclear freeze.

If the severing of ties with the Laboratories is not recommended at the September 6, 1985, meeting of the Oversight Committee, then the Regents' decision on contract renewal should be postponed for two months. This would allow full and careful consideration of the issues by the University community and California citizens. The full Board of Regents should then schedule adequate time for public hearings.

The Peace Committee will send copies of the Minutes to each California state legislator and also hopes to present it publicly at the meeting of the Regents, committee to oversee the Laboratories, which will meet September 16, 1985, in San Francisco, regarding renewing the contract to operate the Labs. Monthly Meetings and individuals were encouraged to also testify at that hearing.
STAR WARS

Stephen Jones brought us a proposed Minute on "Star Wars" from the Peace Committee, which was approved as follows:

PYM-MIN
1985-22 Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, meeting at La Verne, California, July 28 to August 3, 1985, requests the United States Congress to stop all funding for research and development work on Strategic Defense Initiative weapons.

Similarly, we request that the Soviet Union cease development of this type of weaponry. We also request that the United States and the Soviet Union take positive action to complete the following treaty steps:

1. Reaffirm the ABM treaty between the two countries.

2. Work out an agreement that prohibits weapons in space. (The Soviets have already requested their version of this action.)

The United States is at a point where a critical choice must be made in its political, industrial and military program towards nuclear war. Those of us in the United States are faced with two very different courses of action.

1. A recognition that the Soviet Union and United States share a large responsibility for the fate of the earth. It is only by mutual agreement to work together on the two most important problems facing our world, namely nuclear weapons and environmental protection, that we can hope to avoid world destruction.

2. An entirely different approach demanded by President Reagan is the development of the Strategic Defense Initiative (Star Wars) proposed by President Reagan as a means of preventing the Soviet Union from defeating the United States in a nuclear war.

These two directions are the antithesis of one another. Direction 1 involves making peacemaking effective so as to overcome the dangerous paranoia towards the Soviet Union with faith in the power of God's love and respect for Soviet people as children of God; thereby allowing negotiation in good faith with the Soviet Union, a Nuclear Weapons Freeze, and no weapons in space already suggested by Soviet Union. It would also lead naturally to cooperative work with USSR on the critical environmental problems facing our world.
Direction 2 on the other hand involves just the opposite approach. It starts out beginning a whole new weapons race with an ever increasing danger of a nuclear holocaust. The peaceful aspect of Star Wars suggested by President Reagan becomes more and more elusive as Star Wars develops. The whole concept of Star Wars at an estimated cost of over 1 trillion dollars with its war-time economy, suppression of public dissent, and practically assured nuclear war is an anathema to our Quaker Society.

SANCTUARY

Michael Dunn reported to us on the working group on Sanctuary for Central American refugees that had met this week. The Peace Committee recommended PYM reaffirm its 1983 Minutes on refugees.

PYM-MIN 1985-23

In view of the worsening war conditions in Central America, the recent indictments of Sanctuary Workers in Arizona and convictions in Texas, and the refusal of the United States Government to grant political asylum or EVD (extended voluntary departure) status to Central American Refugees, the Pacific Yearly Meeting reaffirms its 1983 - 6 MINUTE ON SANCTUARY which states:

Pacific Yearly Meeting is deeply concerned by the devastation of civil war in Central America. We protest the current deportations of Central Americans seeking asylum in the United States. Moreover, we urge our government to honor the 1967 Protocol (originally proposed in 1951) on Refugees that protects the right of refugees not to be sent to their country of origin. The United States government's military and economic policies and actions contribute to suffering in Central America, causing hundreds of thousands to flee their homes. As long as the United States government, in violation of both spiritual and international law, refuses to grant them either political asylum or extended voluntary departure status, we affirm that civil disobedience such as aiding Central American refugees in avoiding capture and deportation is appropriate and imperative.

Providing support, assistance, and sanctuary are courses of action that accord with our religious conviction. We join with Friends, congregations, and other groups in this movement both to alleviate the suffering of the refugees and to alert the American people to the human cost of policies in Central America.

Pacific Yearly Meeting strongly encourages Monthly Meetings to take actions within the capacity of the Meeting.
Moreover, we, meeting at PYM 1985, urge the United States to respect the 1951 United Nations Protocol and honor the intent of Congress as expressed in the 1980 Refugee Act, both of which define refugees as persons who have a "well founded fear" of persecution.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

In considering ways in which to respond to this minute, Friends are encouraged to undertake such actions as the following:

1. Provide Sanctuary for Central American Refugees.
2. Arrange short/long term housing for refugees.
3. Arrange employment for refugees.
4. Provide bail funds to bond out refugees held in Immigration and Naturalization (INS) detention centers.
5. Attend INS hearings.
6. Send funds for legal fees to the indicted Sanctuary Workers.
7. Send funds and other material aid to help support the activities of meetings engaged in Sanctuary projects.
8. Continue to support AFSC special projects dealing with refugee needs.
9. Provide support directly to such bodies as the Central American Refugee Center in Los Angeles. The Mexico City Meeting is particularly in need of financial assistance to support their refugee work.
10. Form coalitions with churches, synagogues, and other religious organizations, schools, universities, and civic groups to aid Central American Refugees, and to educate the U.S. public.
11. Initiate petitions for ballot initiatives asking for city-wide sanctuary declarations.
12. Write to local, state, and federal officials, and especially to the INS to express your concerns about the physical and psychological conditions under which refugees and others are held in INS detention centers.
13. Appeal to President Duarte in El Salvador and to General Vitores in Guatemala to petition President Reagan to grant EVD status for the Salvadorans and Guatemalans who have fled to this country because of civil strife (when writing these letters, Friends should describe the refugees as undocumented persons).

Friends are reminded that this minute and these suggested actions are the same things we would want done for us if we were fleeing violence.

UNITED NATIONS

Isobel Cerney, strongly reminded us of the accomplishments and potential of the United Nations and urged us to work to support its work.

AN URGENT MESSAGE TO ALL FRIENDS FROM PYM PEACE COMMITTEE

Mindful that this is the 40th Anniversary of the United Nations, PYM Peace Committee brings you a message from Redwood Forest Friends Meeting to lay upon each Monthly Meeting the necessity of strengthening support for the United Nations. We need to acquaint our communities with the achievements of the UN, emphasizing:
1. For the first time in human history, we have a world parliament that is universal.

2. The work of the UN Disarmament Committee in NY and Geneva is continuous and closely observed by the UN Quaker missions. The UN Disarmament Committee not only meets regularly each year, but is the only multilateral forum for disarmament negotiating treaties. It is not a debating forum. We can get records of how each member nation votes and comments on the proceedings from the Quaker UN Office. (These voting records often show the USA voting against the entire world.)

3. UN Under-Secretary General Robert Muller, announced in San Francisco at the June 1985 40th Anniversary Celebration, that a complete UN computer program and a satellite to direct disarmament, country by country, are ready for use. They can be put into action as soon as we get our governments to sign the treaties being negotiated by the UN Disarmament Committee.

4. For forty years the UN has prevented a Third World War and 70 local wars.

5. There was a U.N. vote against the U.S. invasion of Grenada and against the mining of Nicaragua's harbors.

6. Work by the UN World Health Organization has rid the world of smallpox. Now it is working on cancer research world-wide. By 1990 WHO expects to eliminate polio as well.

7. In March, 85, 21 nations signed the UN Global Convention on the protection of the ozone layer. This is the first international agreement to address an environmental problem, truly international in scope.

8. Because of Brazil's destruction of rain forest, the U.N. World Bank in April 1985 stopped payment on a $443,4 million investment loan for an Amazon development program.

These are a very few examples of things Friends can affirm about the United Nations, thus inspiring hope for global solutions for global problems.

"Everything Quakers stand for, is being done on some level by our world-body, containing almost all nations - the United Nations," Stephen Thiermann, former director of Quaker UN Mission and Friends Conference for Diplomats.

Recently the Reagan Administration cut $20 million from our already low per-capita share of the meager UN budget. What shall Friends and the US Peace Movement do to compel Congress to restore these cuts? How can we counter the well-funded, highly organized drive: "the US out of the UN and UN out of the US." Let us get the people off Star Wars and onto envisioning a peaceful UN satellite in space directing disarmament.
Some Sources:

1) Does your library carry the UN Charter? (Do you know that the US signed this as a treaty in 1948?)

2) Does your meeting have a UN Declaration of Human Rights?

3) The "Final Documents of the 1978 Special Session on Disarmament" and "The 1982 Special Session on Disarmament" were viewed by Friend Lord Boyd Orr as "Bibles" for Disarmament.

Write to Quaker UN Mission or to the UN Information Service.

HIROSHIMA DAY

David Hartsough spoke of events in remembrance of the upcoming 40th Anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

MIGUEL D'ESCOTO FAST

Ellie Foster spoke to us of the prayerful fast undertaken by Miguel D'Escoto, Foreign Minister of Nicaragua and a Maryknoll priest, a fast which challenges us to a nonviolent response.

A letter from PYM Friends will be taken personally to Father D'Escoto by our Clerk, Robert Vogel.

NEW COMMITTEE ON OUTREACH TO FRIENDS

Neil Fullagery, for the the Ad Hoc Committee on Membership in Friends United Meeting and Friends General Conference brought us the ad hoc committee's recommendation for a name for the standing committee previously approved.

PYM-MIN 1985-24

The Meeting approves, for the standing committee previously approved to encourage outreach to other Friends' groups, the name, Committee for Wider Fellowship Among Friends.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

PYM-MIN 1985-25

The budget, as recommended by the Finance Committee, is approved. See Attachment 1

The Finance Committee recommended an increase in the annual assessment to cover increased expenses. The Meeting approved.

PYM-MIN 1985-26

The annual assessment per member is increased to $20 per member per year, from $17, for all Monthly Meetings except Honolulu, which in set at $15, and Mexico City Monthly Meeting, which has already been set at $1.
The Finance Committee recommended that any additional expenditures be funded from reserves. The Meeting approved.

PYM-MIN
1985-27 Any additional expenditures approved by PYM for fiscal year 1985-86 shall be funded by a transfer from reserves.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

James Sanetel, Clerk, reported for the Nominating Committee. Upon recommendation of the Committee, the Meeting approved the following Minute.

PYM-MIN
1985-28 In order to ensure the two-way communication desired from the appointment of a PYM Representative to the Friends Committee for Legislation, the Social Order Committee shall, from among its members, recommend name(s) to the Nominating Committee for Nomination as PYM's FCL Representative.

Upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee, the Meeting approved the following structure and function for the Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee.

PYM-MIN
1985-29 PYM establishes a Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee to consist of three appointed members serving overlapping three-year terms and the following ex-officio members: representatives to the Evangelical Friends Alliance (if such a representative is approved by the Yearly Meeting), Friends General Conference, Friends United Meeting, and Reunion General de las Amigos en Mexico; one member from the Yearly Meeting's representatives to the Friends World Committee for Consultation, to be chosen by those representatives; and the representative to Young Friends of North America (designated by Young Friends).

The function of the committee is to report regularly, in the Friends Bulletin or in a newsletter to Monthly Meetings, on upcoming activities of Friends' groups in which PYM Friends might participate;

To encourage the release of Friends for visitation to other Friends' groups;

To explore and implement means of bringing together Friends of many groups in activities such as peace work, support of refugees, support of Friends' schools, and the like; in conferences, including a West Coast Gathering of Friends; and in other ways that may be found.

To encourage PYM Friends to work with other Yearly Meetings and the Friends World Committee for Consultation in undertaking such efforts as the above.
The Nominating Committee proposed that for the full implementation of the charge to the Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee to occur, PYM appoint a representative to the Evangelical Friends Alliance, in the same manner and funded on the same basis as our present representatives to FGC and FUM, in anticipation of such a representative being found welcome by EFA.

PYM-MIN 1985-30 PYM minutes its intention to appoint a representative to the Evangelical Friends Alliance, to be appointed in the same manner and funded on the same basis as our present representatives to FGC and FUM, in anticipation of such a representative being found welcome by EFA.

The Meeting closed in silent worship.

Margaret Mossman
Recording Clerk

YEARLY MEETING SESSION XIII: Friday, 2 August 1985, 4:00 PM.

We gathered in silence at Dailey Auditorium at 4:00 PM. We gathered together for an intergenerational worship. Young Friends expressed disappointment that the youngest Young Friends were not attending the Worship meeting.

From the silence, one friend shared a song:

"Of my hand I give to you oh Lord, 
I give to you as you gave to me.
You led me out of darkness
when I knew not where to go,
of my life I give to you.
You ask me to follow
and I said 'yes'."

Young Friends read their Epistle from the World Gathering of Young Friends.

In the center of us all there is a living God.

Is it my turn to speak or is it my turn to be silent?

I formally dedicate my life to the Lord. In front of Young Friends and the meeting. It wasn't through my grace, but the Lord that help me through my troubled times.

The years of youth are difficult. I remember in high school, I didn't know how to look for the good in others, but they turned out to be such marvelous people...and all those years were wasted.

From my Mark Twain readings, I remember "Faith is, believe which you know ain't so," yet it seems to me it should be "Faith is, believing what you know is so and staying true to that."

I remember her saying to me "Never worry about the way to heaven, dear, always remember it's a personally conducted tour."

A Young Friend began a song. We closed with a song.

Maureen Jaquette
Co-Recording Clerk

We gathered in silent worship at 9:20 AM. The Reading Clerk read the Epistle of Ohio Yearly Meeting of Friends (Conservative).

COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Robert Schutz brought us the recommendation of the Committee to name the Nominating Committee.

George Gastil, San Diego Monthly Meeting, was nominated to serve a term ending 1987.

Jim Sanetel was nominated to serve as Clerk of Nominating Committee.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
James Sanetel, Clerk of the Nominating Committee, brought us the names of additional nominees.

SITES COMMITTEE
Marie Schutz reported for the Sites Committee, that PYM will be held from August 4th through 9th, 1986, at La Verne University, La Verne, California.

AD HOC COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PYM-MIN 85-31 George Gastil was approved to serve on the Nominating Committee for a term ending in 1987.

PYM-MIN 85-32 James Sanetel was approved as Clerk of Nominating Committee.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
The final report of the Nominating Committee was approved as submitted with the understanding that some positions have alternate nominees because some may be unable to serve dependent on the date and place of PYM 1986.

Outgoing Clerk, Robert Vogel, spoke fondly of his service as Clerk as he passed the Clerk's files to incoming Clerk, Stratton Jaquette.

It was reported that Arthur Vale, age 92, is our most senior member present at La Verne 1985 and Jamie Buell, age 2-1/2 weeks, is our youngest attender present at La Verne 1985.

The Minutes of this session were read and approved.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING FRIENDS REPORT
Hannah Vogel reported for the Junior Yearly Meeting. Corita Warner and Heidi Hartsough were chosen as Co-Clerks and Russell Norton, as Assistant Clerk.

Hannah read the Epistle of Junior Yearly Meeting Friends, a copy of which is attached. (See Attachment M.)
JUNIOR HIGH REPORT
Jacole Norton reported for Junior High Friends. Anita Hores has been chosen Clerk and Molly McLaughlin as Assistant Clerk. Jacole read the Junior High Epistle, a copy of which is attached. (See Attachment N.)

YOUNG FRIENDS
Maura Hogan reported that Young Friends have enjoyed PYM, but decided not to write an Epistle this year. Maura has been chosen as Young Friends Clerk.

PYM EPISTLE
Steward Mulford read the Epistle of PYM 1985, which was accepted. A copy is attached. (See Attachment O.)

YEARLY MEETING SESSION XV: Saturday, August 3, 1985, 11:00 AM
We gathered in silence for the closing Plenary of PYM, La Verne, California, August 3, 1985.

From the silence we heard:

There is a spirit that I feel that delights to do no evil.

There is a time to grieve and a time to rejoice. There are plenty of reasons for pain in the world.

There is a remedy -- God and his infinite love for us, and we are the seed of his spirit. A time to rejoice, that spirit is working mightily in the world.

As we move in our daily lives to increasing wholeness, more intertwined in the body of the Lord, let us remember that all things are possible in God. All things are possible through us. May we be his hands, his eyes, his breath, may our lives lie in his will.

A Friend shared a song from her childhood when she was called Sun Beam, "Come into my heart Lord Jesus."
Closing the meeting, Presiding Clerk Robert Vogel offered a final minute on our behalf.

PYM-MIN
85-33
We come to the close of this Yearly Meeting with mixed feelings. On the one hand, we are saddened to have to leave this idyllic setting and part with friends, old and new. On the other, we are filled with joy to have found new insights and guidance for our lives.

We have plowed new ground, and planted some new seeds. It is not for us to know the kinds of plants they will produce. But we do know that, with God's help, each of those seeds will need tender loving care. To provide this care is our task.

I can think of no more appropriate closing to our Yearly Meeting than the benediction of Sister Theresa:

Christ hath no earth now but yours
No hands but yours, no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which He is to look out with compassion on the world;
Yours are the feet with which He is to go about the world doing good;
And yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.

The 39th Session of Pacific Yearly Meeting is now adjourned to gather once more at the University of La Verne, La Verne, California, August 4 to August 9, 1986.

Maureen Jaquette
Co-Recording Clerk
The Mexico City Monthly Meeting meets every Sunday at 11 AM in the Casa de los Amigos in the center of one of the world's largest cities. We are 33 members, 16 of whom live outside the city and the country. Only ten of us are in any way active in the concerns of the Monthly Meeting.

At the present moment we are awaiting the arrival of the 240 delegates to the 16th Triennial Conference of Friends World Committee on Consultation, to be held in nearby Oaxtepec, Morelos. Already Friends are beginning to arrive, and by July 27th we will be hard at work in preparation for the inauguration on the evening of August 1st.

Under the care of our meeting are the programs of the Casa de los Amigos, A.C. The Casa itself has been fortunate to have as new directors, Marcia and Victor McLane from Fresno, CA., and as an assistant for a few months, Kate Buckner from Strawberry Creek Meeting. The Casa continues to provide bed and breakfast for Friends and recommended guests, and it is a strategic meeting place for orientation and evaluation of groups such as Witness for Peace, International Peace, International Peace Brigades and other concerned organizations and individuals as they come and go in Central America.

Donald Campbell coordinates our refugee program which has given emergency aid to refugees. We also provide aid with used clothing, eyeglasses, shoes, suitcases and information as well as help in making their applications for emigration to Canada and Australia. We not only help refugees from El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras, but we are the only place that also receives refugees from Nicaragua.

On Wednesday afternoons 50 to 60 refugees come to the Casa to meet and learn from other refugees and support each other in their adaptation to the new country.

The student exchange program, Amistad Inter-Escolar, initiated by Suzanne Scin, continues under the care of her daughter, Magali Zepeda, and Adela Chavez of the Meeting. This year 30 students from the Los Angeles area visited Mexico City in the Spring, and 30 students from Mexico City returned the visit to the same families during the first two weeks of July.

The Worship Groups in Guatemala and Hermosillo, Sonora, are under our care. The Guatemala group now meets regularly the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in the homes of members. The Hermosillo group meets every Sunday in the homes of their members.
The Guatemalan Friends, Tom and Trudie Hunt, actively and steadily work with their scholarship fund to provide unique assistance to Indian students preparing themselves to be useful to their communities. The Hunts are supported by Helen Perkins from Redwood Forest Meeting and Meg Goetz from Santa Rosa, as well as by the treasurers in the meetings that receive tax free donations for the program. Their 1985 budget will help more than 50 individual students, adult education classes and other programs. This fund is in its 13th year and has helped 140 students finish their education.

The Hermosillo group, recently formed under the joint care of Pima Monthly Meeting and ours, is busy remodeling and furnishing the house they bought, the Heberto Sein Casa de los Amigos. They continue to set-up and support a summer work camp as well as a year-long unit.

We feel proud to be associated with these two groups and their work.

The 20th General Reunion of Friends in Mexico was held in Mexico City on February 2-4 with a host of Friends coming from different groups in Mexico. Domingo Ricart was the main speaker. We have been working closely with all of them in preparation for the Triennial.

We are a small group moved to support the Casa and the refugee program as concerned volunteers. Our experience in caring for refugees has made us more aware of the fragility of social structures, of how much we depend upon each other, and of the sheer necessity of love. With real humility, we experience the need for more strength and guidance to achieve a forceful and powerful Love within our work to give effective testimony to our Quaker beliefs.

Eduardo Ortega
in behalf of the Clerk

07/31/85
mexico
PYM MINUTE 84-3

The meeting approved the appointment of an ad hoc committee to consider PYM membership in both Friends General Conference (FGC) and Friends United Meeting (FUM), and to bring specific recommendations to the Yearly Meeting at its 1985 Session. The Presiding Clerk shall nominate persons to serve on the committee.

Interim Report to PYM Representative Committee from the Ad Hoc Committee on FUM/FGC Affiliation, March 2, 1985

The FUM/FGC Committee met in San Francisco on September 29, 1984, for a day-long time of worship and exploration. In the end, it was agreed that in the time before our next meeting each member would work to gain clarity on his or her own leading regarding possible affiliation with FUM/FGC by reading materials from both groups, attending gatherings (such as monthly meetings, half-yearly meetings, yearly meetings and conferences), and talking to Friends of all affiliations.

Our second meeting will be two weeks from today, March 16. Various circumstances prevented us from meeting before today, including opportunities to meet with other Friends' groups. We will probably meet again at Yearly Meeting, and we do expect to comply with the Yearly Meeting Minute above, which asks for specific recommendations at our gathering next summer.

The convener of the committee feels it would help us in our work if this body would remove the ambiguity from our assignment: Do Friends intend the phrase "specific recommendations" to include the possibility of a recommendation that, for example, the decision be postponed for another year or more? Or are we asked to make specific recommendations at Yearly Meeting 1985 that PYM affiliate, or not affiliate, with FUM and/or FGC?

The convener's interpretation, and preference, is the latter, but the committee is not clear on that. May we have it specified, in writing?

Lowell Tozer, Convener
Ad Hoc Committee on FUM/FGC Affiliation
July 7, 1985

Memo to Ministry and Oversight from Lowell Tozer, Clerk of ad hoc Committee on FUM/FGC Affiliation, regarding the "demands of participation" referred to in our letter to Friends dated April 24, 1985:

* * *

Our committee assumed that PYM would not consider affiliation that was less than fully committed and responsible. The following data are based on that assumption.

Affiliation dues for Friends United Meeting are $5.00 per member, so the initial cost to PYM would be $7400. (Approx. 1480 members: John Draper)

FUM has an Executive Council, to which each YM sends 2 representatives; two boards to which we would send 2 each; five to which we would send one each. The full complement of our representation to FUM would be eleven. Using round trip air fares from Los Angeles to Chicago, and assuming full participation, the transportation costs to us per year would be $8866.

The total cost to PYM for FUM affiliation would thus be $16,266 per year, requiring an increase in the per-member contribution to PYM from each monthly meeting of approximately $11.00.

There is no precise way to compute the drain on our human resources from such participation, but it would clearly be substantial—perhaps insupportable. One need only recall the present difficulties of our Nominating Committee.

The story is similar for Friends General Conference. FGC has no fixed per-member affiliation dues; they range from $3.77 (New York) to $31 (Central Alaska). The average is $11.65. If PYM used that last figure, it would add $2442 to our budget.

PYM would have six representatives to FGC's Central Committee, with two meetings each year—a total of twelve trips. Using the average round-trip air fare of Chicago and New York, the total for those representatives would be $10,464. Our one representative to the Executive Council would add $872, for a total air travel cost per year of $11,336.

The total annual cost to PYM for FGC affiliation and travel: $13,736, or $9.28 per member—a sizeable addition to our present per-member contribution.

There is no need to repeat the comment about the drain on our human resources, nor to belabor it. It is simply beyond us at present. George Webb, immediate past Clerk of FGC, visited Friends in California, and talked to many of us about possible affiliation of PYM with FGC. He came as a kind of enthusiastic missionary, but his official report to FGC in December, 1984—a month after his visit—contains these words, with which our committee concurs: "I do not think that either FGC or PYM are ready now for proposing a closer formal association." His complete report is available, if you wish to see it.
# PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING 1985 MINUTES -- ATTACHMENT "D"

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

TREASURER'S REPORT for FISCAL YEAR 1985

PERIOD: October 1, 1984 through July 11, 1985

## INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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# PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

**TREASURER'S REPORT for FISCAL YEAR 1985**  
**PERIOD:** October 1, 1984 through July 11, 1985

## BALANCE SHEET

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EXPLANATORY NOTES - SEE REVERSE SIDE
NOTES:

1. Under control of PYM Ministry and Oversight Committee; not available for general PYM use.

2. Specifically contributed funds for use of the Friend in the Orient Committee; includes funds for "Windows" ($41); "Project" ($295) does not belong to PYM.

3. Represents printing costs, etc., that should be recovered by sale of the publications. No sales of Death in the Meeting have been reported in two years. Negative beginning balance in Faith and Practice represents excess of receipts over costs of reprinted Faith and Practice. Heavy activity continues.

4. For use of the Clerk, not available for general PMY use.

5. Friends Bulletin monies; not available for general PYM use.

6. These are money market funds.

7. Travel reserves are funds set aside for future travel costs that PYM has already agreed to pay; most of these meet every 2 to 3 years, but we budget a portion of the cost each year.

8. These are the only funds available for general PYM use.

9. Specifically contributed funds for use of the Committee on East-West Relations. Does not belong to PYM.

10. Represents printing costs, etc., that should be recovered by sale of the publications. Includes Social Order Series ($1,217) and Bulletin publication ($840).

Virginia Croninger and Walter E. Klein
Treasurers, Pacific Yearly Meeting.
This has been an eleven-month reporting period, from June 1, 1984 thru April 30, 1985.

About 100 people were in attendance this spring to mark the one-hundredth year of the College Park Meetinghouse of San Jose Friends Meeting, and more than 130 years of Friends in San Jose. At the San Jose celebration, we learned that the Hobson Family were the founding Friends. Several years later, Hannah and Joel Bean arrived and became the leaders of the College Park Meeting. We rejoice with San Jose Friends as we recognize their heritage as part of our own.

We have change. And we have growth. This year Palomar Meeting was laid down. Of Palomar's five remaining members, three transferred to other Southern California Quarterly Meetings, and two were released from membership. In balance, there were 12 members added to Inland Valley Monthly Meeting. Why? Because, under the care of Inland Valley Monthly Meeting is Hemet Preparative Meeting. Inland Valley Meeting will be reporting to Southern California Quarterly Meeting in the fall; its recommendation is that Hemet Preparative be granted Monthly Meeting status. It is the responsibility of the Quarterly Meeting, not the Yearly Meeting, to approve Monthly Meetings. Since worship groups and preparative Meetings do not have members of their own, we delight in this large increase for Inland Valley which in part, represents the development of Hemet Preparative Friends.

We cherish the young lives in our Meetings: those who are the children of members, those who are the children of attenders, and those children in our Meetings whose parents are not participants, on any level, in our community. Currently, there are 524 children; last year that number was 475. This is an increase of 49 young lives.

Our Meetings are enriched by both the member and the non-member. Attenders out-number members in six of our 33 Meetings. If we look at only active members, attenders out-number members in 12 of our 33 Meetings. Attenders are active, vital people in our Meetings. We nurture their lives and encourage their continued seeking. Currently there are 791 attenders; last year that number was 807. This is a decrease of 16 individuals who do not hold formal membership. Currently in PYM there are 139 attenders in one Meeting with membership in another Meeting, with or without being a sojourner. Last year that number was 95. This is an increase of 45 active attenders who have not transferred to their local Meeting.

Friends moving their membership to the Meeting in which they are active was a gain of 32 and a corresponding loss of 27. This includes transfers within PYM, into PYM, and out of PYM to other Yearly Meetings. Attenders formalizing their relationship with a Meeting this year are 55. Last year 48 were added as convinced Friends. In contrast, 28 people were removed by the Monthly Meeting or released upon their own request from membership. Last year 72 people were terminated from formal membership.

Of special note is the addition of members we have considered to be the young lives which we have nurtured in our Meeting community. This year two youth became convinced members. Last year there were four such memberships. In contrast, we cherish the memories of those Friends who have died: this year 22, last year 20.

The Yearly Meeting gained a total of 89 members from convincement and from transferring in. These gains were partially offset by a loss of 82 members from transferring out, from withdrawal or release, or from death. This net increase of 7 members brings our total membership on April 30, 1985, to 1493.
Active and Inactive Members of the Meeting

In 1978 and again in 1985, we asked Meetings about members who no longer attended Meeting, or no longer contributed money, or no longer corresponded. We asked: How many inactive members do you consider you have, using your own definition of "inactive". Of these, how many still live in your local area, and how many have moved to distant areas?

We would expect that most of the inactives were that way because they had moved to distant places. Not so, for this report at least. In 1985, distant inactives were 53% of all inactives, and local inactives were 47%. So almost half of your inactives are still your neighbors and able to travel to Meeting (if you are an average Meeting). And, by the way, these are "soft" figures because we specifically asked the Meetings to use their own definition of "inactive".

But there is good news: Whereas in 1978 the adult membership was 38% inactive, now the inactives are down to 33%, showing that Meetings have been pruning members who no longer maintain contact with their Meeting. It is unfortunate when we lose even one member, but if those be the facts, it benefits neither the estranged member, nor the Meeting, to perpetuate a fiction.

I hope you will indulge me a few last moments on a philosophical plain. I must have a queer mental quirk, but I enjoyed this statistics assignment. Now here's the scary part: I have enjoyed it, even if it has meant (in order to get that last statistic) badgering some of the meeting recorders, with many letters and phone calls - some before 8 AM!

I'm sure many frazzled recorders have questioned the necessity of this yearly report. Why must we keep records if it entails this much pain? Let me try to answer that.

1. History. Friends have a history worth preserving, as San Jose Meeting is particularly aware of. Look on page 30 of the new Faith and Practice to see how numerous and varied are the records which the Meeting should be keeping. Again, I like to think that back in the 40's, some young Friends were able to substantiate their claims of conscientious objection by consulting Meeting records.

2. Research. Statistical and other types of records provide researchers with material that could benefit the Society. Since I started this job, PYM has lost almost 400 members, many of whom removed themselves from membership. Searching the records and minutes, and interviewing former members might tell us why.

Holding up a mirror. Our Monthly Meeting takes a look at itself once a year in the State of the Society report. The statistical records are a part of that state the Society exercise in retrospection. Why does my Meeting have more attenders than members? Or why do we not have more young families in the Meeting?

Last, and perhaps least, assessment. An equitable way to raise money for the PYM budget.

John Draper & Betty Hall
Statistical Clerks


The table shows statistical information about meetings and attendees in different areas.

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EPISTLE TO ALL FRIENDS

Over 300 Young Friends from 34 countries, 57 Yearly Meetings, and 8 Monthly Meetings under the care of Friends World Committee for Consultation, met at Guilford College, Greensboro, North Carolina, 19-26 Seventh Month 1985, to envisage the future of the Religious Society of Friends and to see how our lives should speak within that vision.

We have come together from every continent, separated by language, race, culture, ways we worship God, and beliefs about Christ and God. By visiting local Friends Meetings, we tasted the diversity of North Carolina Quakerism, and this led us into exploring our worldwide diversity. We have been challenged, shaken up, at times even enraged, intimidated, and offended by these differences in each other. We have grown from this struggle and have felt the Holy Spirit in programmed worship, singing, Bible study, open times of worship and sharing, and silent waiting upon God.

Our differences are our richness, but also our problem. One of our key differences is the different names we give our Inward Teacher. Some of us name that teacher Lord; others of us use the names Spirit, Inner Light, Inward Christ, or Jesus Christ. It is important to acknowledge that these names involve more than language; they involve basic differences in our understanding of who God is, and how God enters our lives. We urge Friends to wrestle, as many of us have here, with the conviction and experience of many Friends throughout history that this Inward Teacher is in fact Christ himself. We have been struck this week, however, with the experience of being forced to recognize this same God at work in others who call that Voice by different names, or who understand differently who that Voice is.

We have often wondered whether there is anything Quakers today can say as one. After much struggle we have discovered that we can proclaim this: there is a living God at the centre of all, who is available to each of us as a Present Teacher at the very heart of our lives. We seek as people of God to be worthy vessels to deliver the Lord's transforming word, to be prophets of joy who know from experience and can testify to the world, as George Fox did, "that the Lord God is at work in this thick night." Our priority is to be receptive and responsive to the life-giving Word of God, whether it comes through the written word -- the Scriptures, the Incarnate Word -- Jesus Christ, the Corporate Word -- as discerned by the gathered meeting, or the Inward Word of God in our hearts which is available to each of us who seek the Truth.

This can be made easier if we face the truth within ourselves, embrace the pain, and lay down our differences before God for the Holy Spirit to forgive, thus transforming us into instruments of healing. This priority is not merely an abstract idea, but something we have experienced powerfully at work among us this week.

Our five invited speakers presented vivid pictures of economic, ecological, and military crises in this world today. We acknowledge that these crises are in fact only a reflection of the great spiritual crisis which underlies them all. Our peace testimony inspires us, yet we move beyond it to challenge our world with the call for justice. We are called to be peacemakers, not protestors.

It is our desire to work cooperatively on unifying these points. The challenges of this time are almost too great to be faced, but we must let our lives mirror what is written on our hearts -- to be so full of God's love that we can do no other than to live out our corporate testimonies to the world of honesty, simplicity, equality, and peace, whatever the consequence.
We pray for both the personal and inner strength as well as the corporate strength of a shared calling/struggle that will empower us to face all the trials that we will necessarily encounter. We have no illusions about the fact that to truly live a Christian life in these cataclysmic times means to live a life of great risk.

We call on Friends to rediscover our own roots in the vision and lives of early Friends whose own transformed lives shook the unjust social and economic structures of their day. They treasured the records of God's encounters with humanity found in the Bible, and above all, in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. And we call upon Friends across the earth to heed the voice of God and let it send us out in truth and power to rise to the immense challenges of our world today.
### PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1986 - ATTACHMENT: I

**Period:** October 1, 1984 through July 31, 1985

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Top Topic 1: Maturity

Several Meetings have been working with their physical plants this year. Meetings, by their continuity, create an opening in time and space for growth, both together and for individuals.

Many have been studying Quaker history, spiritual studies, material related to our world community, personal growth and family relationships - serious, usually several weeks long discussions and study.

A sense of stewardship is mentioned. It is as if Meetings, in maturing, are accepting responsibility for the future as well as for the present. Some mention financial stewardship as more significant to them; for many it has been a year of moving, building, remodeling, and envisioning their Meeting in years to come. Stewardship of the earth and its resources has been a topic in many Meetings.

Attendance at Business Meetings seems to be generally below the numbers hoped for. With very few exceptions, most Meetings report strong, deep, well-attended Meetings for Worship. Many recognize that Meetings for Worship provide a variety of helps for those who come, and that people will come and go according to their personal needs. Many of the Meetings mention a sense of their own stability - that they are willing to be a presence, dependable and continuing, welcoming visitors and attenders. Whether people come to us in despair and exhaustion and we are a respite for them, or whether they come seeking Light and guidance and we become a mentor or helper for them, the Meetings accept them, try to nurture them and when it seems appropriate, let them go with grace. Several Meetings rejoice that long-term attenders have felt ready to request membership during this past year.

However, the concern over the Business Meetings is real and deep. Friends as a whole may want to address the matter of how to be sure that our precious way of conducting business is able to continue. Two important questions arise: 1) Are enough Friends in attendance at Business Meetings so that the decisions made are truly reflective of the Light perceived in unity among the members? and 2) Are new and younger members in frequent enough attendance so that, when the work of the Meeting falls upon them, they will be at home with the manner of Friends?

Top Topic 2: Commitment to the Future

Throughout the reports there is a strong sense of commitment to the future. We have mentioned the time and thought given to the physical plants. There is also the continuing and deep concern for the children. First Day Schools seem to be difficult for us, yet, facing the responsibility, we continue to try new methods and materials. Some Meetings have changed their times of Worship in an attempt to facilitate First Day School attendance. Many mention the frustration related to the irregular
attendance. However, some Meetings have had successful programs in teaching the Children's Creative Response to Conflict material. The active process of envisioning peace was also reported. These and other activities and attitudes reflect the underlying sense of confidence in the future, and this feeling helps all who attend; it offsets our own fears and those of the people who come to us seeking wisdom and strength.

TOPIC 3: Continuity

The State of Society letters reflect strong currents of continuity, sweeping from our past into the future. The passion for justice, which found expression in the 18th and 19th centuries in social and legal reforms, is finding its expression today in the many activities for alleviating the pain in the world. Our Meetings report varied and frequent efforts toward support of individual Friends, sometimes with personal situations, sometimes in enabling them to carry out concerns. The traditional concept of the travelling ministry among Friends continues, in the new ways which are fruitful for our times.

The plight of people in Central America continues to be of demanding concern to the consciences and hearts of Friends. Very many of the Meetings report activities relating to the Sanctuary movement. Friends also act upon their spiritual calling to respond to the plight of these refugees in many other ways. As in earlier times, when Friends became aware of abuses and injustices and responded, so today, reports from across the Yearly Meeting show that Friends are involved with the local problems, in some areas with the homeless wanderers of modern society, in others in prison visitation - where there are people in need, Friends try to be present to them. Although the letters from the Meetings reveal our aching awareness that what we do is never enough, reading through the reports also gives a sense of the varied responses of the many individual Friends as well as the Meetings.

TOPIC 4: Peace

Our testimony on Peace is revealed in our many witnesses for peace. Many of the Meetings mention the uses they make of our two committees on legislation. Both the FCL and the FCNL seem to be familiar and appreciated among us. There is a sense of urgency among many for the fate of the United Nations. The threats to the U.N. - tragically, many of them from our own nation - are real and immediate. The U.N. is now universal, with 159 member countries. It may well be the major hope for our planet. The responses among the Meetings to this awareness have been varied, and perhaps a more unified direction will emerge from this Yearly Meeting. Many Meetings have participated in the Peace Ribbon and report their own joy in the activity. One Meeting reports their focus on actively imagining a world at peace, based on the conviction that "Peace is attainable." Friends have travelled across the country and abroad following their concerns for peace and understanding among peoples. There are several instances of Friends who have undertaken to "speak Truth to Power", in the tradition of our past, but with the immediacy of our own times. Friends also report their efforts to understand the agonies of the Middle East, through studies, visits, and attendance at seminars. The list of Friends' activities for Peace is long and exciting. Although, in this area, too, there is a constant awareness that what is done is never enough, and although the fears are real and deep, it seems that, throughout PYM, Friends do not yield to discouragement, but keep trying to have an effect for the good.

TOPIC 5: What is new in the Meetings?

A change in emphasis on the travels of Friends may be found in several Meetings. Individuals or groups have gone, following their concerns, and then returned and given slide show presentations to their Meetings. This is a new way of broader sharing which seems to have gained popularity this past year. Friends have been able to
share experiences of Russia, China, the Near East, and other trips of interest to Friends. Also, more of the Meetings report that they have established regular recognition of births among Friends, usually with "celebrations". The sharing of oral autobiographies is a new trend, too. Some Meetings had done this in the past, and it seems more widespread now. Our concern for Meeting members who live at distances from their Meetings has led at least one Meeting to hold regular Meetings for Worship at these outlying homes.

As Meetings are accepting their maturity and the probable continuity of their existences into the future, they are grasping the painful problems of contemporary existence increasingly dealing with such issues as inflation, high rents, investments, providing for the future education of the Meeting's children, our positions on taxation and ownership, and the many other difficulties which are part of living in our society. Some Friends have been removing the bushel from our Light and seeking new ways of letting our presence be known.

Meetings seem to be struggling with proper use of Committees and of Meetings for Business. Thoughtful and responsible appointment to committees must be followed up with trust in the actions and recommendations of those committees. Meetings mention that they are reminding themselves to help the Business Meetings move forward by interacting with their committees early and believing that the committees have done their work, so that Business Meetings are becoming more free of the pitfall of having the whole Meeting re-do the work of the reporting committee.

Overall there is a sense that the Society of Friends in Pacific Yearly Meeting is healthy and moving forward on the many concerns shared among us. Also, repeatedly, in the State of Society letters, there is a deep awareness and conviction that the Meeting for Worship is truly the center of our existence as a body and, for many Friends, the center of our lives. As this awareness is expressed, the Meetings report that their Meetings for Worship seem increasingly nourishing and full. Problems that have arisen often opened the way to growth in understanding and love among Friends. During this past year, Friends have been particularly aware of the great work to be done. The reports make clear how deeply we do rely on our faith that light and strength will come as we labor together for the good.
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August 1, 1985

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JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

La Verne University, California
August 3, 1985

The Junior Friends from Pacific Yearly Meeting gathered together again in the summer of 1985 for a yearly meeting which was somehow different from previous years.

The age we are at now is a time filled with confusion. Many questions slip by unanswered leaving an empty void of uncertainty. We brought each other close with an attempt to also fill the void through daily Quaker dialogue. In one evening of discussion friends of all ages gathered to share their thoughts and feelings on the topic of sexuality.

A certain amount of tension was felt between the high school and junior high friends and parents. Recognized as what might become a serious problem a meeting was held in which expectations, disappointments and trapped anger were dealt with. Several other activities were planned to bring people of all ages together. A picnic to Lake Pudding Stone and a meeting for worship which was less traditional with mats on the floor and singing. This outreach was appreciated and beneficial to all.

On Tuesday the 30th three vans and four cars were filled with Junior Friends to visit the Comite, an El Salvadorian refugee center. We spoke with them, saw pictures and ate lunch there. It was an incredible experience to witness and come in close contact with such courageous, brave people.

Some of us attended plenary sessions when Marshall Massey gave his presentation on Stewardship of the Earth. We learned that the earth is in danger of an environmental holocaust even within our life time. The ecological care of the earth is not something that can be ignored any longer.

This year we come away from Pacific Yearly Meeting with a heightened sense of awareness of the rest of humanity and all the other living things with whom we share this earth. Once again Pacific Yearly Meeting has functioned as a re-energizer to give us new hope and understanding to guide us through the coming year. We leave with fond memories and look forward to returning again next year.

Russell Norton, Clerk
To Friends Everywhere:
When we arrived here, we were all anxious, looking forward to renewing our old relationships and meeting new friends. We were ushered to our Junior High group excited to meet our new leaders Benji Cole and Rusi Gustafson. We were all surprised to see the group, all girls. Most of us didn't know each other, so our first Worship Fellowship was chaos. none of us willing to open up. But by the end of the week we had all become intimate friends and friends forever.

This week we concentrated on learning what it is to be a Quaker, to preserve our world for the people of tomorrow.

To sum up our epistle, this week was a great learning experience for all.

Jacole Norton, Clerk
Dear Friends,

This has been a momentous gathering. In this fortieth year since Hiroshima there is a sense of crisis in international affairs, in our interaction with the environment, and in deeply ingrained attitudes about interpersonal violence of all kinds. On the other hand, in this fortieth year of the United Nations Charter there is a powerful feeling that we at this gathering have been lifted and guided, both individually and as a group, to a degree rarely experienced. The vital theme which emerged is the recognition that spiritual guidance is the base for any action which opens to us.

Friends in Pacific Yearly Meeting are, thankfully, of diverse origins, and have a wide variety of perspectives on spiritual matters. Some are not comfortable with words which are important to others. Although words are often inadequate or misleading, we need words, and they can be powerful when inspired.

We are deeply moved by communications from Miguel D'Escoto, Foreign Minister of Nicaragua, setting forth the spiritual basis for his efforts to persuade the United States to cease its intervention in his country. A letter of support from people of Pacific Yearly Meeting will be delivered to Father D'Escoto by our Presiding Clerk following the Triennial Conference in Mexico City.

We were reminded forcefully that, in our efforts to promote peace and to correct social ills, it is the evil itself which we are trying to overcome, and not the people who perpetrate it. When we call attention to violence, we must remember that a violent act is violent, no matter by whom or in what country it is performed. Difficult as it may be, we must try to hold in love the violator as well as the violated.

In his moving address, Friend Marshall Massey of Intermountain Yearly Meeting charged us to understand that this is God's world, and that it runs according to God's laws. The sacred nature of our relationship to the Earth and all of life was revealed to us with startling clarity. If we in greed or ignorance violate God's covenant with us, we cannot expect God to come to our rescue when the world breaks down. And the world is breaking down; the carrying capacity of the earth has been surpassed; declining gene pools are no longer sufficient for needed evolutionary adaptations; and Nature's oxygen factories are being destroyed. The Meeting's response was deliberate but swift. We return to our homes determined to spread this message and to find ways to take effective action. To get us started, volunteers came forward; the Meeting established a standing committee on Unity with Nature and a seed fund; and individuals contributed over $5000. We see vividly that efforts to preserve our environment will be useless without religious commitment guiding our actions.
Our previous Faith and Practice was published twelve years ago; since then the world
and our perceptions have changed. A five-year process of the Discipline Committee
interacting closely with the Yearly Meeting and the constituent monthly meetings has
produced a new edition. It was enthusiastically accepted at this gathering. Rapidly
changing conditions and some dissatisfactions are already assuring that there will some
day be another revision.

Our delegates to the World Gathering of Young Friends encountered every variety of
Quaker custom. Though startled at first by differences, they struggled, and found
that they could respect the differences and develop a feeling of love for the
individuals. Young Friends from Great Britain, New Zealand, and the German
Democratic Republic who visited us captured our affections. The liveliness of
Quakerism in socialist countries is heartening.

It has been a good time. We leave refreshed, expanded, challenged, renewed, tired,
and filled with hope for a future.

Robert S. Vogel, Presiding Clerk
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