The fourteenth annual session of the Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends opened its first session Monday evening, August 15, 1960, at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium of Willamette University, Salem, Oregon.

Our first meeting was a happy experience in which we sat together as families. As the roll call of meetings was called, and returning minutes and Epistles from other Yearly Meetings were read, we knew that we were a part of a worldwide family. We were encouraged to "open our hearts to the spirit of almighty God, who will lead us if we but listen."

We were reminded that last year we met in the outdoor amphitheater under the redwoods at La Honda, California, in a most informal setting. This year in our more formal environment we shall strive for a sense of closeness and will not allow the "elevation of the clerks" to interfere with our communication.

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

New York Yearly Meeting:

"Friends need to put love into action: love which is the only reason for giving; love by whose power the people of the world may carry forward a peaceful development of their political and social revolution; love which we are challenged to accept in our lives. Love transforms fear unto courage, and rises like an irresistible tide, lifting us from our beginnings to new levels of expectancy and endeavor."

Denmark Yearly Meeting:

"We have been confronted with the question what is, at its deepest, the nature and purpose of our religious fellowship?.... We have prayed, 'Thy Kingdom come' - in the individual, as well as in the wider world."
Yearly Meeting of the Friends Malagasy Church:

"We send you greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, and we pray that we may all receive much blessing and peace in each of our Yearly Meetings. Although we still have great difficulty in finding a sufficient number of workers with qualities of heart and mind needed, we are also conscious of God's power working among us. And we hope we may, in the not too distant future, see more clearly where He is leading us. May the glory in all we do be His alone!"

Portions of returning minutes for Ruth Wendt from Friends groups abroad were read.

Stuart and Marion Innerst, of Whittier Monthly Meeting of California Yearly Meeting, were introduced and Friends were reminded that we were to hear a report from Stuart Innerst, our "Friend in Washington", at a later session of the Yearly Meeting.

James and Isabella Frorer and their grandson, David Durham, of Wilmington, Delaware, Monthly Meeting, were introduced, after presenting a travel minute from their Monthly Meeting. They brought us greetings from the Friends General Conference and particularly from Howard and Anna Brinton.

A travel minute from Canadian Yearly Meeting for Helen Lawson, Toronto Monthly Meeting, and Elaine Horst, Hamilton Monthly Meeting, was read and they were warmly welcomed to our sessions.

The Clerk called the roll by Monthly Meetings. Members were present from the following Meetings:

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Subordinate Meetings: Eastside (University, Seattle), Skagit (University, Seattle).

The following recommendations from the Interim Committee were considered and action taken as recorded:

1960-1. The March 1960 Interim Committee heard satisfactory reports of the Committee of Oversight for the San Luis Obispo Meeting, and recommended that it be accepted as an established Monthly Meeting. The Yearly Meeting approved and recognized San Luis Obispo Monthly Meeting.
1960-2. The March 1960 Interim Committee heard a request from Santa Barbara Meeting that they become an established Monthly Meeting in the Pacific Yearly Meeting. The Interim Committee, aware of the long history of the Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting, welcomed their letter of application and recommended that the 1960 Yearly Meeting accept it. The Yearly Meeting approved of this action.

1960-3. The August 1960 Interim Committee heard a minute from College Park Quarterly Meeting that Sacramento Meeting has been visited and found to be adequately prepared to be accepted as an established Monthly Meeting in Pacific Yearly Meeting. Interim Committee approved sending this matter to the Yearly Meeting, where the action was approved.

1960-4. The August 1960 Interim Committee heard a minute from Vancouver Monthly Meeting recommending that Calgary Meeting, a Preparative Meeting, be established as a Monthly Meeting in the Pacific Yearly Meeting. The Interim Committee recommended sending this matter to the Yearly Meeting for approval. The Yearly Meeting approved this action.

After announcements regarding the schedule for the remainder of the week, the Reading Clerk became a Singing Clerk and the evening session was brought to a close as we sang together under his direction. Here we returned full cycle to the awareness of our participation in this Yearly Meeting as many families in one.

We adjourned to meet at 10:15 Tuesday morning, August 16, 1960.

Tuesday, August 16, 1960, 10:15 a.m.

The Meeting was opened with a period of worship. "Be still and know that I am God." We are reminded that we have often emphasized the aspect of being still and that we need also to center on knowing. William James was a Friend who through his buoyancy, deep faith, and loving action taught us how to know God. When we do the tasks our Father requires of us we know He is. When we put first things first, we find in our relationship to God a deepening and clarification of our relationship to man.

Excerpts from a letter from London Yearly Meeting to Pacific Yearly Meeting were read:

"... the living harmony is found by stating and facing differences and seeking to transcend them rather than pretending that they do not exist. In the words of Edward Grubb, a well-loved member of this Yearly Meeting writing nearly fifty years ago, 'We do not want the invertebrate good-fellowship that has no grasp of essential principles, no sense
of the difference between truth and error; we need to be built up together on the strong foundation of the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ. May you know that love as you gather once again for your Yearly Meeting."

Excerpts from the Epistle from London Yearly Meeting were read:

"The spirit of Christ is not changeable; it is universal . . . and it is personal, laying commands on each one of us. It is only if we habitually dwell with that which is eternal and unchanging that we shall learn what are the commands Christ lays on us in the actual situation in which we are. (Our Meetings should be) places where we experience the depth and richness of worship in all its aspects, praise and prayer, penitence and intercession."

Excerpts from the Epistle from the Second General Reunion of Friends in Mexico were read:

"We have dwelt on the importance of achieving peace within one's self, peace in the heart of our family, peace in our community and of radiating peace as far as our contacts reach . . . We consider as essential to the capacity to love life, beginning with love and forgiveness for one's self in order to love and forgive all men."

The minutes of the Monday evening opening session were approved as read.

Ron Raitt from the Young Friends' Meeting was introduced as page for the day.

The Meeting heard the following reports on the State of the Society:

1. David Bruner reported for College Park Quarterly Meeting.
2. Alice Dart reported for Oregon Quarterly Meeting.
3. Clara Shaw reported for Northwest Half Yearly Meeting.
4. Walt Raitt reported for Southern California Half Yearly Meeting.
5. James Dewees reported for Meetings in New Mexico and Arizona.
6. A letter from Honolulu Meeting was read by the Reading Clerk.
7. Emily Burns reported for Salt Lake City Monthly Meeting.
8. Ellen Lauch de Gonzalez reported for Mexico City Monthly Meeting.

Copies of each report are on file with the original minutes in the files of the Yearly Meeting.
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1960-5. The Epistle Committee for the 1960 Yearly Meeting was announced as follows:

Grace Lawrence
Phillip Wells
Margaret Brooks (to replace Stephen Thiermann, named by the Interim Committee but unable to serve.)

Memorials were read and Friends spoke to the memory of our Friends William James, Lyra Dann, and Edith Sperry Morgan.

The Meeting adjourned to reconvene Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Tuesday, August 16, 1960, 7:30 p.m.

The Meeting was opened with a period of worship. "When one hears references to the leaven and the mustard seed we are aware that they have two things in common: (1) both are involved in growth and (2) both are used in significant ways. How are we to be used to nourish the hungry?"

Excerpts from the Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting were read:

"We sometimes found it easier to urge the cooperation among nations than find unity among ourselves. It was easier to condemn the missile race, the bombs, the germ warfare, the unjust laws than to work sacrificially toward their abolishment. We have commended the actions of our members and other workers whose beliefs have found expression in such fields, we have endeavored to support them in their actions. We have also been challenged to accept ourselves and all others as we are, and achieve unity with each other at our deepest levels."

Excerpts from the Epistle from The Illinois Yearly Meeting of Friends were read:

"Throughout the entire session..... there has been one grave central concern: the imperative of a non-violent, non-military approach to world problems..... The Illinois Yearly Meeting... recognizing the supreme worth of each human personality, unalterably opposes the development, testing and use of nuclear, chemical or biological warfare. We call upon all persons of good will to join us in seeking more practical ways of resolving international differences."

Excerpts from a statement issued by the Annual Conference of the Friends Peace Committee of London Yearly Meeting, March 25-27, 1960, were read:
"This conference ... desires to communicate to Friends throughout the world our deeply felt concern that all members of our Society should maintain, strengthen and uphold our Peace Testimony as an integral part of their Christian witness... We pray that God may rekindle the light and life of our Society in order that we all may work more effectively for Peace and Disarmament at this time."

Delbert and Julia Reynolds, formerly of Friendsville Academy and Ramallah School, were welcomed to the Yearly Meeting sessions.

Representatives were recognized from Honolulu, San Fernando and Fresno Meetings.

The Minutes of the Tuesday morning session were approved as read.

1960-6. The following minute with supplementary explanatory notes and recommendation for action, was received from the Interim Committee and read:

The Interim Committee considered the request of Tucson Monthly Meeting to withdraw from Pacific Yearly Meeting. Olivia Davis, Chairman of Ministry and Oversight, read the following background statement to the meeting:

For a number of years, Pacific Yearly Meeting has been aware of strain and divergent views about Friends' beliefs and ways in Tucson Monthly Meeting. These difficulties came more sharply into focus about two years ago. Members of Pacific Yearly Meeting have visited Tucson on request; at the request of the Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting and members of Phoenix and Tucson Meetings, the Chairman of the Pacific Yearly Meeting Executive Committee of Ministry and Oversight spent one week in Tucson in the spring of 1959, and, in the spring of 1960, several days. Two members spent two or three weeks in Tucson at the request of the Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting and the Chairman of Ministry and Oversight and of the Tucson Meeting, trying to help work out these problems. Individual Friends from Pacific Yearly Meeting and Pendle Hill and Friends World Committee and other Eastern Friends visiting in the area have been consulted. At least 16 experienced Friends have made serious and loving efforts to help. Meetings have been held at Southwest Half Yearly Fellowship meetings, at Yearly Meeting, Interim Committee and recently at California Yearly Meeting, when representatives of Tucson and of Pacific Yearly Meeting met together to seek for a way out of these difficulties. Phoenix Meeting has worked in deep and loving concern with Tucson Friends for many years. Tucson Friends themselves have striven earnestly to resolve difficulties. All these efforts have not succeeded; differences have continued. There have been two separate Meetings for Worship in Tucson over the past two years.
In May of 1960, the Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting received a letter from the Clerk of Tucson Monthly Meeting expressing for the Meeting, dissatisfaction with Pacific Yearly Meeting, citing especially "disappointment in the lack of acknowledgement of the Divinity and Headship of Jesus Christ in the writings and meetings of Pacific Yearly Meeting," indicating they might be more comfortable in the beliefs, practices, and forms of a pastoral Meeting, and inquiring about the possibility of withdrawing from Pacific Yearly Meeting. The Clerk responded with loving understanding but asked that the Meeting take no action until after a committee for consultation had been appointed and understanding on the part of Pacific Yearly Meeting had been reached. In June came a telephone call, followed by a letter, stating that at the business meeting of June 5, 1960 (7 members and 9 attenders of Tucson Meeting present, as we learned later), the sense of the Meeting was that Tucson Monthly Meeting was rejecting the advice of its own Committee on Ministry and Counsel to wait, and was withdrawing from Pacific Yearly Meeting as of that day. The Clerk of Yearly Meeting answered that such an action seemed too hasty to be according to the good order of Friends and the matter would still have to be considered at Pacific Yearly Meeting. Meanwhile the view of the dissatisfied Tucson Friends is that Tucson Monthly Meeting as such has withdrawn and is now an independent Monthly Meeting. Those Friends who wish to remain in Pacific Yearly Meeting have met regularly for business as well as worship beginning this June.

On July 17, 1960, at a meeting of the Clerk, the Chairman of the Discipline Committee, and four members of the Pacific Yearly Meeting Ministry and Oversight Executive Committee, a minute was prepared which was modified at later meetings of the committee and by the Interim Committee. This minute will be presented to the Yearly Meeting for its approval after a report from the Friends in Tucson who wish to remain in Yearly Meeting and from Phoenix Friends who have visited that group.

Elisha T. Kirk of Tucson Monthly Meeting reported as follows:

The Tucson Friends who wish to retain their affiliation with Pacific Yearly Meeting (namely Jane Webster, and Alice and Elisha Kirk) have repeatedly told Tucson Monthly Meeting that we are happy in Pacific Yearly Meeting and that we wished to remain in that Meeting. We formally notified them of our intentions at their regular Monthly Business Meeting July 3, 1960. Since that time we have been holding regular weekly meetings for worship and have held two monthly business meetings. Copies of the minutes of these meetings have been sent to Catherine Bruner, Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting, and to Olivia Davis, Chairman of Ministry and Counsel. Attendance at our Meetings for Worship has been between twelve and seventeen.
Present members:
- Elisha T. Kirk
- Alice Kirk
- Eliza (Jane) Webster
- Tom Webster
- Fred Webster

Participating, uncertain membership:
- John A. Salyer
- Ann H. Salyer
- Carolyn Ann Salyer

Probable transfers from other Meetings:
- Isabelle Hibbs
- Pierre Fischer
- Connie Fischer
- Frank Koch
- Hilda Koch
- David Perkins
- Paul Smith

Interested in becoming members:
- Gretchen Daly
- Vernon Elfbrandt
- Barbara Elfbrandt
- Winifred Hubbard
- Annette Parent
- Jay Turner

We believe that we have the potential for a live Monthly Meeting and we hope that the Yearly Meeting will see fit to continue for us the status of a Monthly Meeting under Pacific Yearly Meeting.

/s/ ELISHA T. KIRK, Clerk for the group.

James Dewees, Phoenix Monthly Meeting, reported a sense of satisfaction in the request presented by Elisha Kirk and recommended that the Yearly Meeting recognize this request.

There followed a lengthy and useful discussion of what constitutes good order in the conduct of Friends business affairs; the relationship of a Monthly Meeting to the Yearly Meeting; the responsibilities assumed when a Monthly Meeting agrees to accept the Discipline of the Yearly Meeting.

The following minute was approved by the Interim Committee for presentation to the 1960 Yearly Meeting:

The Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting has received a letter from Julia Jenks, Clerk of Tucson Meeting, dated June 7, 1960, announcing withdrawal of that Meeting from affiliation with Pacific Yearly Meeting. We have prayerfully considered this information and express our deep regret for the situation as it exists, and affirm our continuing love for all of those concerned.
We want to facilitate the withdrawal of those members of Tucson Meeting who are dissatisfied with their association with us and we wish for them a congenial spiritual home. Pacific Yearly Meeting feels that it cannot accept the withdrawal of a Monthly Meeting as a unit so long as there are members who wish to remain with us. There are some members of Tucson Meeting who desire to continue their affiliation with Pacific Yearly Meeting. We want to continue our care over those who wish it.

As a matter of clarification of our records, we ask Julia Jenks to supply the Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting with a list of the members of the Tucson Meeting who wish to withdraw. Upon receipt of this information, the removal of these Friends from membership in Pacific Yearly Meeting will be considered to be completed. We have heard a report from those Friends who do not wish to withdraw from Pacific Yearly Meeting, and recommend that they continue as a Monthly Meeting of Pacific Yearly Meeting.

We appreciate the fellowship we have had with Friends in Tucson and the contribution they have made to the life of our Yearly Meeting. Our love goes with those who leave us at this time and we hope for continued friendship with them in whatever new relationships they may make.

Friends expressed their appreciation to the Committee on Ministry and Oversight and to those officers of the Yearly Meeting and individual Friends who have labored with love, patience, care and understanding in working on this problem.

It was agreed that the Yearly Meeting Committee on Ministry and Oversight would carry out any further visitations with those Friends from Tucson who wish to remain in the Yearly Meeting.

The Yearly Meeting approved the Minute as forwarded from the Interim Committee.

The Meeting then heard a report from Stuart Innerst of California Yearly Meeting, who has just returned from an assignment as a Friend in Washington. This project was financed by members of Pacific Yearly Meeting and other Yearly Meetings, and interested individuals. Stuart Innerst gave us a vital and moving picture of his work in Washington as well as the activities of the staff of the Friends Committee on National Legislation. We were advised to go humbly to present our viewpoint to persons in government who are faced with many pressures but who are open to ideas and suggestions if we will avoid cynicism and discouragement. We need to be hopeful and persistent even though the work appears to go slowly. (Attachment No. 1.)
Ben Seaver, Chairman, reported for the Peace Committee and action by the Yearly Meeting on Committee recommendations was as follows:

1960-7. The Yearly Meeting approved the solicitation of funds to the extent of $8000 from individuals in their Monthly Meetings in the United States to support a continuing program for a Friend in Washington.

1960-8. The Yearly Meeting approved the Peace Committee's recommendation that the Yearly Meeting encourage its members to follow the lead of the Urbana-Champaign Meeting in voluntarily taxing themselves 1% of their gross income and turning the sum over to the United Nations as a token of their obligation as world citizens and their "willingness to be taxed for and governed by a system of world law." In order that our action have as united an impact as possible, it is suggested that Monthly Meetings use the procedure outlined below wherever conditions allow:

1. Friends should contribute their 1 per cent tax before October 15 by checks made out to their Monthly Meetings and marked "U.N. Tax."

2. Meetings should combine all these contributions in one check made out to the United Nations and airmailed to the Quaker Team at the U.N., 345 East 45th Street, New York, N.Y., by October 17.

3. A covering letter should be sent endorsing the Urbana-Champaign minute of October 24, 1959.

4. The Committee for Quaker Peace Witness, 245 Second Street N.E., Washington 2, D.C., should be informed of this action. In this letter any contributions from non-Friends or non-pacifists might be omitted.

(Friends who want to interest the general community in the U.N. Tax should get in touch with "Citizens for the United Nations", 3959-15th Avenue N.E., Seattle 5, Washington.)

1960-9. The Yearly Meeting recommends that:

1. Each of its members sign the "Peace Affirmation" either at Yearly Meeting or in his Monthly Meeting.

2. Members make the pilgrimage to Washington.

3. Each Monthly Meeting should be sensitive to its responsibility to provide opportunities for Friends to rededicate themselves and to witness to our testimony for peace, especially considering the dates of October 15-17 and October 23-24, 1960.
1960-10. Friends indicated a desire to explore further (via the Peace Committee and the Interim Committee) Floyd Schmoe's concern for developing a peace center and peace center program around the Guest House built for Houses for Hiroshima.

1960-11. A letter to Vice President Richard Nixon, reaffirming our Peace Testimony, was read. It was decided to continue consideration of a revised letter at a later session. (See Minute No. 1960-18)

Albert Kramer presented a concern from San Fernando Meeting to urge the Yearly Meeting to take some action in an attempt to draw out candidates for political office in the coming elections relative to their positions regarding a peace agency within our national government, and to urge Monthly Meetings to explore the possibility of meeting with local candidates on the subject of peace.

Because of the lateness of the hour, it was agreed to adjourn to reconvene at 10:15 Wednesday morning and continue the consideration of the Quaker Peace Witness at that time. This necessitated changes in the agenda, which were arranged.

After a brief silence the meeting adjourned.

Wednesday, August 17, 1960 10:15 A.M.

The Meeting opened with a period of worship, during which time a Memorial from Claremont Meeting for Ruth Suckow Nuhn was read. Her poem Great Days was read:

"Great days should mean great happiness, but they have never been what they promised to be . . . . There is this about them - to great days I look forward but seldom look back upon them.

What I look back to are sudden, haphazard days as unexpected as the shining flight of a gold finch across the road.

Days when I came upon fields, or little queer houses, exquisite outlines of trees, and flowers - or only days when suddenly out of the air around me a glory came upon me stronger than sunlight.

That glory comes of itself, like beauty and loving, and no great day can win it by great preparation.

So perhaps I will be very wise, and give up all striving for the great days - but will only go on quietly, letting myself come upon a day that is sweet as a wild flower, or let a day come upon me, like meadow lark music.

Perhaps the great days have been great too long; and perhaps it is time to take a new path, or cut across country, so I may find the freshness and the glory."
Excerpts from the Epistle from the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends were read:

"The presence among us of so many young people and the hopeful panorama of education unrolled before us in the reports from our schools, emphasized our concern in the world emergency and quickened our resolve to work for peace, that climate of peace in which, only, can our children survive and grow to full stature in God's love."

Excerpts from the Epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Friends in Ireland were read:

"As our meeting developed, an underlying theme which ran through our sessions was our awareness of the need for 'withdrawal' to the deep center of our spiritual life, so that we may make the 'return' to meet the ever-increasing demands for service, which, in these days of world-tension and political upheavals, have become so urgent. The wider becomes the scope of our service, the deeper must be the life of the spirit - since only the gift of the Spirit can produce real power."

Helen Dart, who was to be page for the Yearly Meeting on behalf of the Young Friends Yearly Meeting, was introduced.

The Yearly Meeting was opened to further discussions of the Peace Testimony. Many Friends spoke, with differing emphases, to the concern presented by Ross Flenagan that the Pacific Yearly Meeting has not demonstrated a united and forceful expression of our peace testimony of many years standing in the face of new problems in the modern world. We must speak for our own day, but before we can do that we must find ourselves, find out who we are. It is within our hearts where the problem really lies. We have been reluctant to come to grips with that which is evil in our society.

Other Friends pointed out that there is wide acceptance of the Peace Testimony in our Yearly Meeting, but there are differences in the way it is expressed. The moral sin of war and violence is independent of the enormity of the present crisis. Materialism, pride, and selfishness are the roots of war, and the means of extermination is an academic question. The problem is that men wish to kill each other. How do we express what like we have? How do we overcome the darkness in ourselves? Those who wish to control others by fear are not changed so much by our outward protests as by our ability to express love and understanding every day to those people with whom we live and whom we touch in our daily lives.

We recognized that some of us have compromised with life in order to survive and rear families. One Friend felt that it was appropriate to indicate that Friends were searching for solutions which would come in different ways to different persons. We are aware of our imperfections, but we must continue single-mindedly, seeking no refuge in age or station in life.
We must strive to discover what God intends for us. What is the meaning for our times in the discovery of nuclear energy?

If there are those among us who will not compromise, we must lift them up in love and understanding, aware, as they must be, that their decisions, springing from deep spiritual necessity, require that they travel a lonely road.

Each of us, however, no matter which particular way we go toward bearing our testimony, can become aware of the need to take another step in the direction that God, wants us to go - as Ruth Suckow Nuhn has said in another context - "perhaps it is time to take a new path, or cut across country, so that I may find the freshness and the glory."

The Meeting adjourned to reconvene this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

**Wednesday, August 17, 1960 - 2:15 P.M.**

The Meeting opened with a period of worship.

The Meeting heard a report from Franklin Zahn, chairman of the Social Order Committee:

1. The 1959 Yearly Meeting had instructed the Social Order Committee to encourage our government to become a signatory to the convention on worldwide abolition of slavery. The Committee reported that a letter had been written to the State Department.

2. The 1959 Yearly Meeting had instructed Franklin Zahn to attend the Conference on Crime and the Offender called by the Friends World Committee at Germantown, Ohio, November, 1959. This was done, and the Meeting heard, a well-prepared report, portions of which have appeared in the Bulletin.

3. The Chairman summarized reports from Monthly Meetings on activities reported in the field of Social Action.

1960-12. The following minute was presented by the Social Order Committee for consideration of the Yearly Meeting:

Many Friends are deeply concerned over the activities of the House Un-American Activities Committee and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in their efforts to discredit legitimate protest movements and to intimidate free thought and discussion. Some of us who have observed the tactics of the Committee in San Francisco recently and the subsequent devious efforts of the FBI to vindicate the Committee, are convinced that the power of these agencies is being used to subvert fundamental civil liberties.
In view of this concern, the Social Order Committee recommends that a letter be sent by Pacific Yearly Meeting to the Speaker of the House, the Chairman of the Un-American Activities Committee, and Congressman Roosevelt of California; and that copies be provided our members so that they may send them to their own Congressmen, requesting abolition of the Committee.

The above Minute of the Social Order Committee was approved by the Yearly Meeting with the understanding that the letter would be composed and used in such a manner as to indicate that representatives in the Yearly Meeting from Canada and Mexico abstained, since this problem is an internal problem of the United States. The following were named to a committee to compose the letter:

Stephen Thiermann
Henry Lohmann
Cecil Thomas
Madeleine Stevenson

1960-13. The Social Order Committee reported on a proposed work camp in Kenya in the summer of 1961. The proposed sponsors for this are the Berkeley Kenya Committee, the Berkeley Monthly Meeting Social Order Committee, the Northern California AFSC. It was proposed to add the Pacific Yearly Meeting to the sponsoring group, and the Yearly Meeting approved this proposal.

Harold Carson had been appointed as our Fraternal Representative to the Five Years Meeting, 1960. The Meeting heard a lively and instructive report from him on his visit. We were reminded that we must not only keep our Yearly Meeting doors open to Friends from all other Yearly Meetings, but we must invite them in and make them feel welcome. This requires the practice of love and understanding so that a "living harmony" can be found among Friends of differing backgrounds.

Margaret Lorenz gave us her impressions of the Friends General Conference, which she attended. Beth Sanders has been invited to report at a later Meeting.

Charles Gauld (Florida Avenue Meeting), visiting from Puerto Rico, was introduced to the Yearly Meeting and welcomed to our sessions.

The Meeting adjourned to convene Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Wednesday, August 17, 1960 - 7:30 P.M.

The Meeting opened with a period of worship. "The Father and I are one." Positive and negative forces, when brought into a proper relationship, are a source of power and can unite us with the Divine Spirit.
Excerpts from the Epistle of Wilmington Yearly Meeting were read:

"During our sessions, we remembered Jesus, teaching by word and example that constant and intimate relationship with God necessitates frequent withdrawal from our worldly routines; that this withdrawal becomes more essential as such routines increase in pace and complexity; that we must take care lest the desert of sand of our secular and material interests choke the stream of our faith - faith founded and focused on God."

Excerpts from the Epistle from the French Yearly Meeting were read:

"We can easily imagine that George Fox speaking today, faced with this situation or that problem, would say: 'What matters, is not what George Fox or John Woolman said, but 'Thou, what sayest Thou?'"

Excerpts from the Epistle of the Near East Yearly Meeting were read:

"Confronted as we are with conflicts which cut across every kind of relationship, and with social, political, national, and religious tensions only to be resolved through dedicated individual effort, we are deeply aware of a need to turn inward, to live in the quiet and steadfast Inner Light. Only then, as we are re-created, can we effectively witness what we believe."

A letter from Héberto Sein, Mexico City Monthly Meeting, was read:

"... We are aware of the process of transformation in which the world finds itself today as it grows out of the old into a new and different world. We seek to understand this process better and to serve steadfastly the cause of Truth, of Justice, and of Brotherhood among men... We realize that only through the growth of the inner man in His spirit can we approach a fulfillment of our part as Friends in today's world with its growing pains as it builds itself into a world community. He has not abandoned His world and His Spirit is at work in it."

A letter from Honolulu Monthly Meeting (Ben Norris, Clerk) was read by the Reading Clerk. Two matters were brought to our attention."

1960-14. Since 1958 a group of Friends and friends of Friends have been meeting in Seoul, Korea. The two Korean leaders are Yun Gu and Shin Ai Lee. (Yun Gu Lee is currently at Pendle Hill.) Other details of the activities in Korea were
presented in the letter. The Yearly Meeting heard this report with interest and we rejoice in the revival of the dream of the Pacific Rim. We congratulate Honolulu Meeting on its efforts to help the new Meeting group in Korea. The Yearly Meeting agreed that a letter should be written to Yun Gu Lee at Pendle Hill inviting him to visit us if his return journey takes him through our Yearly Meeting.

1960-15. Honolulu Meeting has been in correspondence with Dr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Ortigas, Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, and recommends that any Friends traveling in this area are invited to visit these friends, who are hungering for personal contact with the Society of Friends. The Yearly Meeting referred this information to the Visitation Committee.

The Minutes of the Wednesday morning session were read and approved.

Virginia Barnett, University Meeting (Seattle), was introduced. Friends were reminded that she is traveling in the interest of the Personnel Committee for the Philadelphia Office of the American Friends Service Committee, and that anyone interested in working with the Committee at some future time should consult with her.

The Yearly Meeting heard a report from the Discipline Committee, Ferner Nuhn, Chairman. The session was given over to a discussion of Good Order Among Friends.

1. Ruth Schmoe, Harold Carson and Ferner Nuhn gave us a loving and critical analysis of our strengths and weaknesses. Major emphasis was given to the question: How can we come to the maturity which is both order and freedom?

Ruth Schmoe spoke to the topic "Inward and Outward Order." God's love is guiding our lives. We must continually practice turning to Him to examine ourselves. This involves patience and trust in God. No one can prove that God is - this knowledge arises from the personal experience of His love and compassion. God doesn't require great achievements - only obedience.

His unlimited strength, love and wisdom is given to each of us in proper measure.

"Order" and "discipline" should not be fearful words. Discipline must come from within. Inward order makes possible outward order. When inward order is achieved our business meetings will come nearer to that goal which we are seeking and there will be no question about Pacific Yearly Meeting staying alive or not!

2. Harold Carson spoke to the subject! Good Order in the Monthly Meeting:
We must find ways in which the Monthly Meeting can increase members' faith in God. A monthly Meeting should be considered as a home where we share the message and material goods. In a Meeting and a family it is wise to "pull over and wait" when conflict, tension and indecision arise. The Meeting for Worship should be attended by all Friends. If someone doesn't come to meeting we should care enough to find out why. The time schedule and the type of meeting should meet the needs of those who attend. Children in the Meeting should be helped to fix their hearts and minds on those things that are eternal.

A Meeting for Business should be a Meeting for Worship centered on specific problems. We should train those who will serve the Meeting.

Three booklets should be in the hands of each officer of a Monthly Meeting and of each member as well:

a. The Discipline of Pacific Yearly Meeting.


3. Ferner Nuhn spoke to the subject: Good Order in the Yearly Meeting:

What is the genius of Pacific Yearly Meeting? What are the ingredients that went into it?

a. The awareness of the concept that Friends might gather anywhere and the presence of God would be there and the essence of a Meeting would be discovered was emphasized by Howard and Anna Brinton, who lived among us in the 1930s.

b. The intellectual and social climate of the 20th Century is not incompatible with religious worship and experience.

c. There was a growing feeling that the expression of religious experience was possible in all of life.

d. World War II and the experience of conscientious objectors and others who increasingly wished to express the Peace Testimony undergirded this emphasis in Pacific Yearly Meeting.
e. The American frontier and the pioneering spirit which encouraged us to look out across the Pacific Rim and reach out for ties that would culminate in an international, intercultural, interracial Yearly Meeting.

f. The sense of informality which permeates our life on the West Coast found expression in the spontaneity of our Yearly Meeting - our ability to allow transcendence of the spirit over the letter.

g. We were and are imbued with a strong feeling for religious democracy where all participate, all make decisions and individual concerns are known and examined by all.

The above elements are all strong, creative forces that have become apart of our Yearly Meeting. There have also been some difficulties and weaknesses:

a. Practical problems of communication because of the distances spanned by our Yearly Meeting have at times seemed insurmountable.

b. Our spontaneity, informality and democracy have sometimes made us over-permissive and less ordered than we might be.

c. Our lack of knowledge of Friends experience has sometimes troubled us as individuals and as Meetings.

d. As the number of Monthly Meetings has steadily increased, there has been an increasing gap between the Yearly Meeting and the Monthly Meetings which has more recently helped us see the relevance of regional meetings.

How can we find maturity? How can we become increasingly creative in our growing Yearly Meeting?

We are somewhat like the pioneers who have had the joy of rich topsoil and now we must begin to use good farming practices if we continue to reap an abundant harvest.

Cities in their growth have often left an inner core that has become blighted, and the problem is to keep the whole city fresh and green.

Since revising a Discipline is a continuing process if the Meeting is alive, the areas for our future consideration are these:
a. A study of Queries has resulted in a new printed leaflet now available for consideration by the Monthly Meetings.

b. We should examine the function of the regional Meetings. Do the Quarterly and Half-Yearly Meetings have life? Do we report to one another?

c. Monthly Meetings are encouraged to study the Advices in the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Book of Faith and Practice.

d. The major committees of the Yearly Meeting might well develop advices in their particular area for our consideration.

d. We should examine the question: When is a concern ripe for presentation? How does an individual concern become that of a Meeting?

In the discussion following this report from the Discipline Committee we were reminded to be faithful in small things such as arriving at a meeting at the time previously agreed upon.

Another Friend pointed out that each member carries a burden: There are those who find it easy to speak and those for whom it is difficult, and the burden each carries is to grow into a fuller experience. The answer is found in the inescapable need to grow. Growth is almost always cyclical. We must become aware that speaking is not a higher order of growth or that dramatic witness to a testimony is not of a higher order. Each must discover where he is and move in the other direction so that the full cycle of maturity can be achieved. Growth is often painful but it is exciting and will ultimately draw us together. The environment of a Meeting can be exciting enough to draw non-attenders and tardy ones to us. Those actions and ideas of individual Friends that offend us define the area in which each of us must grow.

Eubanks Carsner presented the following suggestion as a substitute first paragraph of the introduction to the proposed Pacific Yearly Meeting Queries. It was presented for consideration as the Monthly Meetings give their attention the Queries this year:

Very early in the evolution of the Friends fellowship, the leaders sensed the need to balance the freedom which they strongly emphasized with order based on approved principles and rules of procedure. The first recorded effort to meet this need was made at a General Meeting of Elders in the North of England at Belby in Yorkshire, in November 1656. The beautiful and cherished postscript to the long letter of advices and rules (discipline) they approved is printed as the frontispiece of our Pacific Yearly Meeting Discipline. The use of Queries...
began to evolve later. Formerly these forcefully served the individual members and Meetings of all levels as guides and controls in following the Advices. Now they continue to lead in this same direction and have taken on some of the functions of catechisms, creeds and confessional in other religious organizations, but to overshadow the Advices out of which they arose.

1960-16. The Meeting approved the following Minute regarding the recognition of regional meetings:

Pacific Yearly Meeting welcomes the growth in its regions of Half-Yearly and Quarterly Meetings. At the present time it recognizes four such Meetings with the designated Monthly Meetings indicated:

**College Park Quarterly Meeting**

Berkeley  
College Park (San Jose)  
Delta  
Monterey Peninsula  
Palo Alto  
Sacramento  
San Francisco  
- Marin (allowed)

**Oregon Quarterly Meeting**

Eugene  
Multnomah (Portland)  
Willamette Valley  
- Corvallis (preparative)  
- Salem (worship group)

**Pacific Northwest Half-Yearly Meeting**

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Southern California Half Yearly Meeting

At Large
Honolulu
Mexico City
Salt Lake

Claremont
La Jolla
Los Angeles
Orange Grove (Pasadena)
Riverside-Redlands
Santa Barbara
San Fernando
San Luis Obispo
Santa Monica
Whitleaf (Whittier)

1960-17. James Riddles was named to serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the year ending at the close of the 1961 Yearly Meeting to replace Monette Thatcher, who could not serve.

1960-18. The Meeting approved the following letter to be sent to Richard Nixon with the understanding it was to be marked "Personal and Confidential" and therefore is not to be used by Monthly Meetings or individuals for publicity or publication:

Richard M. Nixon
Office of the Vice President
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Friend:

The Pacific Yearly Meeting of Friends, gathered at Willamette University in Salem, Oregon, has studied again the Quaker Peace Witness. We have felt a special responsibility in 1960 as it is the 300th anniversary of the statement of George Fox and others to King Charles II. We find that we have fallen far short of our professions.

Our thoughts have turned to you because you face important decisions affecting the peace of the world. We encourage you again to explore basic testimonies of Friends as the way of relieving tensions.

May you have a sense of divine leading and guidance.

On Behalf of the Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends

Catherine Bruner, Clerk
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1960-19. The Yearly Meeting approved the following Minute from the March Interim Committee:

The Nominating Committee shall consist of nine persons, each of whom shall serve for three years and three of whom shall be appointed each year by the Interim Committee at its spring meeting. It is desirable to have regional representation on the Nominating Committee.

At the time of Yearly Meeting the Interim Committee shall appoint, from the three members who are serving their second year, a chairman, whose term shall be from the close of the Yearly Meeting in which he is appointed to the close of the following Yearly Meeting.

1960-20. The Yearly Meeting approved the following Minute from the August Interim Committee:

The Yearly Meeting is to establish a Committee on History with representation from the various regions of the Yearly Meeting. This is to be an ad hoc committee to gather and record in written form information relative to the history of the Pacific Coast Association of Friends and Pacific Yearly Meeting. The Committee is to seek out older Friends active in the establishment of these two groups and record information of historical nature, including photographs, from these sources.

The Nominating Committee was asked to name the members of the Committee on History.

1960-21. The Yearly Meeting approved the following Minute from the August Interim Committee:

A Meeting can function as a Monthly Meeting if it has been recognized by a Quarterly or Half-Yearly Meeting before Yearly Meeting recognition is established.

An isolated Meeting may apply directly to the Yearly Meeting for recognition where Quarterly or Half-Yearly Meetings do not yet exist.

1960-22. The Yearly Meeting approved the following Minute from the August Interim Committee:

The Yearly Meeting is to appoint a working committee with a budget to secure legal counsel and to prepare a draft of Articles of Incorporation.

This draft is to be submitted to various Monthly Meetings for review and should include statements indicating the benefits each Monthly Meeting would hope to secure from Yearly Meeting Incorporation.
The Meeting House Fund Committee, with the addition of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer, is to serve as the Incorporation Study Committee, co-opting additional members as they may need them.

The Finance Committee is to determine the sum to be budgeted for the legal inquiry which will be required.

The Meeting adjourned until Thursday, August 18, 1960 at 10:15 o'clock.

Thursday, August 18, 1960 - 10:15 A.M.

In the opening period of worship we were asked to think again about the relationship between humility and humiliation. It is true that "Love never faileth" if we are aware that God is love. We must be able to confront our failures and not cover them over. We should not be ashamed to be humiliated if we have failed, but know that "there is One who can speak" to our condition. One Friend advised us to be tender with words, for words are symbols of what we think reality is.

Excerpts from the Epistle from Canadian Yearly Meeting were read:

"Success in working for peace depends on new methods arising from spiritual concern . . . With the awareness of our Quaker traditions and history should go the realization that they need to be expressed in language that speaks to the condition of men and women of our time. "Let us sing unto the Lord a new song."

Excerpts from the Epistle from Friends were read:

"Beyond all that is being done to endeavor to increase peace and happiness in the world, it is our deep concern, so often expressed by Friends, that the spiritual life of our Society should become deeper and stronger, that our Meetings for worship should become more truly centers where the gathered worshippers would feel the touch of the living Christ and something of the power of forgiving Love."

Terry Dodd, University Meeting, serving as page for this session, was introduced.

The following were introduced and welcomed to our sessions:
   Ralph and Polly Victor, University Meeting (Seattle)
   Henry and Irene Wade, San Luis Obispo Meeting
   John Standing, Urbana-Champaign Meeting
   Frank and Hilda Koch, Chestnut Hill Meeting, Philadelphia (Now residing in Tucson)
Walt Raitt announced the program for Young Friends for Thursday evening and spoke with satisfaction of their growth as a Junior Yearly Meeting in good order.

The Minutes of the Wednesday afternoon session were approved as corrected.

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Beth Sanders reported on her experiences in a caravan of Young Friends to Friends' Meetings and conferences in the Mid-West and East. Included in her journey were visits to the Friends' General Conference (Cape May) and the Five Years Meeting (Richmond). She gave us a vivid and colorful picture of her sense of challenge, encouragement, and disappointment in the invisible lines which divide Friends in the United States. She pointed out that the Young Friends Committee of North America is the only body of Friends on this continent in which these differences are not recognized.

Helen Lawson read the report from the Canadian Friends Service Committee. Many interests have concerned the Committee, including World Refugee Year, cooperative undertakings with the Friends Service Council (London), capital punishment, etc. The newly formed Indian-Eskimo Association of Canada has received the enthusiastic support of the Canadian Friends Service Committee.

Clifford Maser, in prefatory remarks to Virginia Barnett's report on the AFSC Personnel Committee, called our attention to two aspects of the committee's work:

1. The roots of the AFSC are embedded in the Monthly Meetings and the Yearly Meetings of the Society of Friends.

2. There is increasing concern among Regional AFSC offices and some Monthly Meetings that we query ourselves as to the case or manner in which concerns which occupy the Committee come from its roots. With emphasis on highly trained and technically competent personnel, how can we find a place for our young Friends who wish to serve and have not yet completed their training? Are we providing opportunities for a plain, dedicated, deeply motivated Friend without high technical skills to serve?

Virginia Barnett, Personnel Representative of the AFSC, Philadelphia, spoke of the informative and interpretive role her work involves in answering numerous inquiries from interested persons on the West Coast. She pointed out that the basic testimony of the AFSC (Service and Love) is not incompatible with high technical skills. Members of the Society of Friends in our time are, by and large, professionally trained in ways that earlier Friends were not.
Clifford Maser gave a report for the Friends World Committee for Consultation. He pointed out two responsibilities for Pacific Yearly Meeting:

1. That we send at least one delegate to the meeting in Kenya, a delegate who would be willing to prepare early for the work of the committee.

2. That we consider and express our thinking, in due time, on the question of whether another Friends World Conference should be held in 1967.

After a short period of silence, the Meeting adjourned to reconvene Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Thursday, August 18, 1960 - 8:45 P.M.

Friends were late in gathering and after intermittent interruptions of the opening worship session, the meeting proceeded to business matters. We are aware that fellowship and family activities are a vital part of our annual gathering and we expect to grow in ability to do both business and fellowship in good order.

Minutes of the Thursday morning session were approved as read.

Elinor Ashkenazy reported on progress, problems, and procedures involved in sponsoring Dutch-Indonesian and European refugees, based on new legislation.

Henry Lohmann, Secretary of the Northern California Friends Committee on Legislation, reported on the work of this committee. He called our attention to its publications, personnel needs and its activities.

Mildred Burck, Statistical Secretary of the Yearly Meeting, gave a brief report, which will appear in the Bulletin. According to present records Pacific Yearly Meeting has 1207 adult members and 1102 children.

Monthly Meetings were reminded of the importance of sending an accurate record of names and addresses of members of each Monthly Meeting to the Statistical Secretary in June of each year.

Mike Yarrow, Executive Secretary of the AFSC Des Moines, Iowa, office, and his son Douglas, were introduced.

Robert Richter of Salem, Oregon, was introduced.

The Meeting heard the Treasurer's report by Robert Young. A copy is attached. The clerk expressed the appreciation of the Meeting for this excellent report. (Attachment No. 2)
Ellis Jump, chairman, reported for the Finance Committee. A copy of his report is attached. (Attachment No. 3)

1960-23. Friends discussed the proposal of the Finance Committee to add a "facilities fee" for the 1961 Yearly Meeting. This is to be a fee of $1.00 for adults who attend "on-campus" full time and a 50% fee for those adults who attend the sessions only. This action was approved and the report as a whole was approved after shifting $25.00 from reserves to the Social Order Committee. (Attachment No. 4)

It was announced that attendance to date at this Yearly Meeting was:

- 303 adults
- 70 children from 4 to 11 years
- 13 children under 4 years
- Total: 386

The Meeting adjourned to reconvene Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Friday, August 19, 1960 - 8:30 A.M.

In the worship period our Clerk read a passage from The Firmament of Time by Loren Eiseley:

"They did not value life compared to what they saw in themselves - that strange inner light which has come from no man knows where, and which was not made by us... the way of love... is of the whole journey and may lead us at last to the end... man may grow until he towers to the skies, but without this light he is nothing, and his place is nothing. Even as we try to deny this light, we know that it has made us, and what we are without it remains meaningless."

Excerpts from the Epistle from Indiana Yearly Meeting were read:

"... we have felt the obligation laid upon us for change, transformation and renewal. We must have changed meetings, and above all transformed persons, for the point of renewal must always be an individual who has a continuing personal experience of Christ's power. This will come only as we surrender to Him unconditionally all the areas of our lives; He in return will give us the strength which will kindle our love for each other, brace our wills to work and undertake suffering in His service, and give us a fresh and joyous sense of the urgency and power of the Gospel message."
The Minutes of the Thursday evening session were approved as corrected.

A Friend spoke the mind of many when she said that we owe our lives to this Yearly Meeting through which we have felt the overwhelming, startling abundance of God's love. Through the prayer of those who love us the Spirit that sustains us and unites us, «gives us a touch of the power of creation.

The Nominating Committee report was represented by Asenath Young, Chairman. The list of names (over one hundred, who will serve the Yearly Meeting) is not an awards list. The names of the members of the 1961 Yearly Meeting arrangements Committee (appointed by Southern California Half-Yearly Meeting) will appear in a future issue of the Bulletin.

1960-24. The Yearly Meeting approved the appointment of five sub-committee chairmen for the Peace Committee to correspond to the following regions:

- College Park Quarterly Meeting
- Oregon Quarterly Meeting
- Northwest Half-Yearly Meeting
- Southwest Half-Yearly Meeting
- Arizona-New Mexico Meetings

1960-25. The Meeting approved the change of the title Alternate Clerk to Assistant Clerk, thus to describe the function of this office more accurately.

1960-26. The nominating Committee report was approved after the changes noted above were made. The work of this Committee is deeply appreciated. A copy of the Pacific Yearly Meeting Appointments for 1960 is attached. (Attachment No. 5)

Friends were alerted to the importance of the work of the Arrangements Committee as it faces increasing problems related to the choice of a suitable site for holding Yearly Meeting. One Friend spoke of our need to give some thought to long range plans to acquire a permanent home for the Yearly Meeting.

1960-27. The following Minute on the Peace Testimony was approved by the Yearly Meeting:

Pacific Yearly Meeting, in view of the Tercentenary of the Peace testimony, has reconsidered its summarizing minute of 1959, which said in part:
"There are those who feel that we must seek inward peace first as self-purification; those who are moved to radical personal and group action and need the support of Meetings; those who feel that as citizens of governments we still have opportunities to influence events. We support Friends who are led to walk in any of these ways to peace"

and we hope we will all continue to search for new ways and combinations of old ways.

We ask the Yearly Meeting Peace Committee and especially the regional meetings to be sensitive to activities for peace by Monthly Meetings and individuals in connection with and as a follow-up to the Washington Tercentenary witness, and to keep Monthly Meetings informed.

We encourage communication with and individual support of Friends who have undertaken civil disobedience. We urge that Meetings arrange intervisitation of Friends with a peace message.

1960-28. Hannah and Andrew Erskine sent their greetings to the Yearly Meeting through Berkeley Friends and the Clerk was asked to send them a letter expressing our love for them.

1960-29. The Meeting agreed to send a letter to Catherine Cox of the Honolulu Meeting congratulating her upon reaching her 95th birthday and sending our love to her.

The Meeting approved the Minutes read to this point in our session.

Members of the Junior Yearly Meeting joined us for a session in which Jean Prideaux, Clerk, presided. Paula Hurn, Recording Clerk of the Young Friends Yearly Meeting read the minutes of their sessions. (Attachment No. 6)

The combined Yearly Meetings then heard a Minute of Concern from the Young Friends Yearly Meeting:

1960-30. The Young Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting want to express their deep concern on the problems of peace through this minute. The meeting feels that something needs to be done immediately. The World in this missile age is speeding faster and faster towards possible destruction. The Young Friends feel if they are to have families and a future, now is the time to stand up and be counted.
As a first step towards working for peace we are establishing a peace committee which will try to channel our ideas into direct action and will help by gathering materials to support the action.

Many of the Young Friends feel that their consciences will not allow them to participate in air-raid drills. They feel that fire, earthquake, and other natural disaster drills are essential, but that air-raid drills instill fear and prejudice minds against our country's alleged enemies.

We feel our energy should be used in the prevention of war rather than making attempts for survival after war. We also feel the drills would be insignificant if there were war.

The Young Friends feel that we should be able to obtain information for ourselves and others on these issues of concern. We have appointed two people to be in charge of assembling this material and we are including in our budget funds to purchase this literature.

Young Friends also feel concerned about incomplete and inadequate newspaper coverage. The best suggested remedy to this situation was writing letters to the editor.

These concerns occupied our immediate attention. We feel an urgent need to act also on the growing military power in our nation and racial discrimination which is jeopardizing our foreign relations.

With the feeling that we have accomplished a great deal in this time we have had together, we hope, with guidance and understanding, our deep and vigorous concern will continue as we adjourn.

This Minute of Concern from our Young Friends, with its note of urgency and its directness, led to a profoundly moving time of worship and speaking in which members of both Yearly Meetings shared their deepest feelings on how to express our peace testimony. We feel our love and need for each other and we are becoming increasingly aware of our common ground in all the areas of our lives. We shall not forget this time together.

1960-31. The Meeting heard the Epistle from the Young Friends Yearly Meeting and it was approved as read. (Attachment No. 7)

The clerk of the adult Yearly Meeting resumed the chair.

1960-32. The Epistle of Pacific Yearly Meeting for 1960 was read and approved. (Attachment No. 8.)
1960-33. After the final period of worship the Clerk read the Closing Minute:

We have met for more than four days, which, for both old and young, have proved to be not long enough for all the concerns we had in our hearts and minds. Taught by failures, we have begun to know what humility is. Yet our meeting and worshiping together carries us forward and gives us unity and hope.

We have been shaken by the minute on the peace testimony presented by our Young Friends. It has made us face the darkness not only in the world, but in ourselves; yet it gives us joy.

We love our Young Friends and want them to have a future; yet older Friends have not struck the note of urgency Young Friends have struck. To the Young Friends adults say, "What you do and what you say we shall listen to very carefully. We seek your leadership."

There is something deeper that we all must reach to, which is life lived in the Light. We have felt an inexpressible covering in our final meeting. The spirit of Christ by which we are guided comes and speaks; we know this from experience.

We adjourn to meet on the campus of Westmont College, Santa Barbara, California, in the week of August 6, 1961.

Catherine Bruner, Clerk

Edwin C. Morgenroth, Recording Clerk
Our work in Washington covered the period from the middle of February to the early part of July. We were located at the Friends Committee on National Legislation, 245 Second Street, N.E., and participated as a member of the staff. Everything possible was done by the staff to assist in getting started and in carrying on the work for which we had come to Washington. For this we feel deeply grateful to FCNL.

The aim of the "Friend in Washington" project was to have a full time person working on disarmament. This aim we tried to fulfill in spirit although, as things turned out, we could not do it strictly in the letter. Other concerns, not wholly unrelated to disarmament, pressed for attention, and we took them on to relieve Raymond Wilson and Edward Snyder. At times, also, some of their responsibilities were assumed in order to release them for service on the peace front which they could do better and to better advantage than we could.

Central in our program was the interviewing of members of Congress. We spoke to more than seventy Senators and Representatives, most of them from the states covered by the Pacific Yearly Meeting. In speaking with these men and women on the Hill, we raised questions bearing on various aspects of the disarmament problem, and bore our Quaker witness as we interpret it. Issues that we dealt with were the sharing of nuclear weapons, the test ban treaty, the Ten Nations Disarmament Conference, understanding the Russians, involving the Chinese in disarmament negotiations, seeking alternatives to the arms race, etc., etc.

The chief difficulty encountered was the unfavorable attitudes toward the Communist world, ranging from mild distrust and fear at the one end to intense hostility at the other. "You can't trust the Russians", or "You can't negotiate with the Russians" are stock statements constantly thrown at you. Your task became one of creating trust and urging the need of continued efforts at negotiation. This we tried to do by showing how distrust has been replaced by trust in our relations with other nations, or by pointing out how tensions can be relaxed by constructive efforts at peacemaking. We raised questions about the ultimate outcome of continuing distrust and hostility. We asked whether the risks of the arms race are not greater than the risks of disarmament, etc., etc.

Encouragement was supplied by the growing number of men on the Hill who recognize the peril of the present situation, and who want something done about it. We found a greater readiness to take a fresh look at our foreign policy in relation to Russia and China.
It appears that a new Administration, of whichever party, will take more aggressive measures in finding solutions to problems of disarmament and peace.

The dismissal of William Martin from his position as assistant to the Secretary of the Senate Minority led to the interviewing of twenty Senators. This provided an opportunity to challenge the power of the military in our national life, and to remind Senators of the constitutional rights of freedom of conscience and speech.

The Caryl Chessman case brought the issue of capital punishment to the fore, and we were called upon for a variety of services in this area of concern. We testified before a committee of the Virginia Legislature, the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives, and filed a statement with the Senate District of Columbia Committee when bills abolishing the death penalty were being considered. We also supplied information and literature to individuals, the press, and organizations far and wide on capital punishment.

Our work required attendance at many meetings in order to keep informed. We visited the State Department on various occasions, talked with Secretaries of Embassies, listened to debate in Congress, corresponded with members of Congress and people back home, spoke to seminars held in Washington, addressed or presided at meetings outside Washington, conferred with individuals who came to Washington for various purposes, wrote articles and reports for periodicals, and engaged in a multitude of other activities too numerous to list here. For all these opportunities of meaningful service we are deeply grateful to the Pacific Yearly Meeting, which conceived and made possible the "Friend in Washington" project.

J. Stuart Innerst
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
Fiscal Year, August, 1959 to August, 1960 (8/13/59 - 8/10/60)

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| Travel to Interim and Yearly Meetings                                     | 1,630.36             | 1,980.00           |
| Committees:                                                                |                      |                    |
| Discipline                                                                 | 48.84                | 50.00              |
| Ministry and Oversight                                                     | 346.36               | 300.00             |
| Visitation                                                                 | 100.00               | 100.00             |
| Peace - General Expenses                                                   | 23.45                | 100.00             |
| Education                                                                  | 125.71               | 100.00             |
| Indian Affairs                                                             | 80.00                | 100.00             |
| Young Friends                                                             | - - (2)              | 200.00             |
| Contributions:                                                             |                      |                    |
| Young Friends Committee of No. America                                     | 25.00                | 25.00              |
| Friends' World Committee                                                   | 300.00               | 300.00             |
| Friends' World Committee-U.N. Program                                     | 200.00 (3)           | 100.00             |
| Travel to Conferences - This Year                                         | 135.38               | 350.00             |
| Travel Reserve, Future Years                                              | - - (4)              | 300.00             |
| New Project - "Friend in Washington"                                      | 6,376.13             | - -                |
| Miscellaneous Expenses                                                    | 823.23               | 50.00              |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS                                                        | $13,245.27           | $7,980.00          |

Ending Cash Balances                                                        | $4,132.31 (5)        |
Notes:

(1) Exp. includes $277.28 carry-over from 1959, off-set by $234.55 receipts from 1959.

(2) No requests received by treasurer (for Young Friends.)

(3) $100.00 additional disbursement above 1960 budget, to cover 1959 authorized by 1959 Y.M.

(4) Adequate Funds received to cover this future travel reserve.

Report of Finance Committee, Pacific Yearly Meeting, Salem
August 18, 1960

All the reports of our program committees at this session of the Yearly Meeting indicate continued and accelerated growth of the Meeting and of its activity. The Treasurer's Report supports this impression with the record of the largest financial outlay in the short history of this Yearly Meeting. Next year without any question will be better, or worse, depending on whether you believe that financial statements in this sort of organization accurately reflect real program activity.

The Finance Committee recommends that the Yearly Meeting reaffirm as its basic policy that the annual budget intentionally be kept as small as possible and limited to operating costs of the Yearly Meeting in order to preserve the resources of local meetings for the support of concerns. It seems to us a wise policy to have a concern of common interest to all of us supported specifically by five regional meetings and monthly meetings in preference to one, centralized Yearly Meeting contribution. We therefore urge that program concerns on whatever social testimony when approved by the Yearly Meeting, be forwarded to local meetings for consideration and support. This procedure has worked very well this past year in the case of the concern for "A Friend in Washington" and we are recommending that this method be used in the future for this and other concerns brought to the Yearly Meeting.

The Finance Committee further suggests, in order to keep the record as clear as possible that all contributions, whether from individuals or from Meetings, to the "Friend in Washington" project be channelled through the Treasurer or Yearly Meeting.

At the request of the Treasurer the Finance Committee will notify each committee chairman receiving an appropriation our understanding of the general scope of activity covered by the appropriation and some general accounting procedures.

Three items in the budget show marked increases. The expenses of the annual sessions, supervised by the Asst. Clerk, have been budgeted at $675 instead of the $500 last year. For a number of years these expenses have regularly exceeded the budgetary allowance, for which reason we recommend with concurrence from the combined Arrangement Committees that part of these costs be covered by a "facilities fee" of $1. per adult (12 and over) living "on campus" and 50 cents per adult who attends the sessions only. We urge each adult in attendance at this session of Yearly Meeting to make a similar gift contribution toward the operating deficit of this 1960 session. The larger item provided for the 1961 Session results, in part, from transferring funds from other committee accounts to the Asst. Clerk's account. Henceforth each committee can plan to use its entire amount for costs during the year.
The young friends (highschool and junior high age) have enthusiastically organized a Young Friends Yearly Meeting with a well-planned budget of $425. The members of the Finance Committee are honored to be appointed to serve as the Finance Committee for this energetic new organization.

The third item of additional cost is the Travel Reserve fund to cover the heavy expenses for sending a representative to the World Committee in Kenya in the fall of 1961. This has required $300 last year, $550, in this budget, and a final $550 payable almost at once after the beginning of the fiscal year '61-'62.

1959 - 300
1960  550
1961  550
     1400
PROPOSED BUDGET, P.Y.M. - 1960-1961

INCOME

Contributions from Meetings (1200 members @5) $6,000.
Interest and personal contributions 150.
BULLETIN subscriptions 1,650.
From reserves 360.
Facilities fee, Annual Session 300.
Designated contributions for special concern "A Friend in Washington" 6,000.
Total income $14,460.

EXPENDITURES

BULLETIN 2,950.
1961 Yearly Meeting Session 675.
Travel for Interim Comm.-delegates and officers 2,000.
Expenses of Clerk and Secretary 400.
Young Friends Yearly Meeting 425.

COMMITTEES:
- Discipline 100.
- Ministry and Oversight 300.
- Visitation 100.
- Peace 100.
- Education 40.
- Indian Affairs 100.
- Social Order 25.

Conference Travel 250.
Conference Travel reserve Kenya 550.

CONTRIBUTIONS
- Young Friends of North America 25.
- Friends' World Committee 300.
- United Nations Program of FWG 100.
- Special Concern - "Friend in Washington" 6,000.
- Miscellany 20.

Total Expenditures $14,460.

E.B. JUMP for
FINANCE COMMITTEE
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING APPOINTMENTS
August 1960

Presiding Clerk: Harold Carson (University)
Assistant Clerk: James Dewees (Phoenix)
Recording Clerk: Edwin Morgenroth (Orange Grove)
Reading Clerk: David Bruner (Delta)
Statistical Secretary: Mildred Burck (Willamette Valley)
Treasurer: Robert Young (Orange Grove)

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT

Olivia Davis, Chairman (La Jolla) 1961
Jane Bauman (Santa Fe) 1961
Phillip Wells (Palo Alto) 1961
Ruth Schmoe (University) 1962
Clara Shaw (Tacoma) 1962
R. Kenneth Newton (Phoenix) 1962

VISITATION COMMITTEE

Anna James, Chairman (Berkeley)
Leonard Dart (Claremont)
Ben and Madge Seaver (San Francisco)
Paul and Crystal Davis (Willamette Valley)
Elizabeth Gray (University)
Mary Etter (Berkeley)
Elisha and Alice Kirk (Pima)

BULLETIN COMMITTEE

Stephanie Ullman, Chairman (La Jolla)
Grace Lawrence (Willamette Valley)
James Estes (San Francisco)
Betty Peckham (Orange Grove)
Jane Webster (Pima)
Margaret Coe (University)
Madeleine Stephenson (Berkeley)
Esther Richards, Editor (Ex-officio) (Multnomah)

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Catherine Bruner, Chairman (Delta) 1962
Edith Dewess (Phoenix) 1961
Beatrice Crouse (San Francisco) 1961
John Ullman (La Jolla) 1961
Margaret Jump (Multnomah) 1961
Virginia Harris (San Francisco) 1962
Edwin Sanders (Orange Grove) 1962
Lois Barton (Eugene) 1962
Fern Nuhn (Claremont) 1962
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Alura Dodd, Chairman (University)
Elisabeth Elkinton (Tacoma)
Donald Dodd (University)
Howard Scott (University)
Helen Stevenson (Argenta)
Winifred Clark (Victoria)
Alice Spurrier (College Park)
Gretchen Rudnick (La Jolla)
Anna Alexander (San Luis Obispo)
Marjory Wells (Orange Grove)

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Ellis Jump, Chairman (Multnomah) 1962
Virgil Moore (Multnomah) 1962
Hilda Seligman (University) 1961
Georges Weber (Palo Alto) 1961
Ross Miles (Willamette) 1963
Vern James (Palo Alto) 1963
Treasurer (ex-officio)
Secretary (ex-officio)

MEETING HOUSE FUND COMMITTEE
William Taylor (chairman) (Orange Grove)
Stephen Thiermann (Palo Alto)
Walter Dennis (Multnomah)
Frank du Bois (University)
Herbert Jones (College Park)

SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE
Franklin Zahn, Chairman (Claremont)
Herbert Foster (College Park)
Floyd Schmoe (University)
Stanley Shaw (Tacoma)
Cecil Thomas (Berkeley)

PEACE COMMITTEE
Harriet Schaffran, Chairman (Berkeley)
Ward Miles (University)
Hazel Johnson (Vancouver)
Olin Byerly (Eugene)
*Leonard Holden (Tacoma)
Esther de Gally (Mexico City)
Virginia Brink (Palo Alto)
Harold Stallings (Orange Grove)
Don Elton Smith (Monterey)
*Margaret Riddles (Delta)
Joan Oeser (Berkeley)
Ben Seaver (San Francisco)
*Kay Newton (Phoenix)
Robert Montgomery (Whitleaf)
*Gladis Voorhees (La Jolla)
Egbert Hayes (Claremont)
Margaret Simkin (Los Angeles)
Ben Norris (Honolulu)
Russell McArthur (Calgary)
Bob Boyd (Argenta)
*Jack Urner (Multnomah)
Bruce Ergood (Willamette Valley)
Mildred McAllister (Salt Lake)
David Hanson (Sacramento)
PEACE COMMITTEE - continued

Ken Morgan (San Fernando) Ann Plettenberg (Santa Fe)
Ruth Brown (Santa Monica Chester Spurrier (College Park)
Alma F. Brown (Riverside-Redlands) Martha Vallance (Victoria)
John Salyer (Pima) Henry Wade (San Luis Obispo)
Bainbridge Bunting (Albuquerque) Virginia Leinau (Santa Barbara)

*Area Sub-Chairmen

INDIAN AFFAIRS:

Francis Dart, Chairman (Eugene)
Charles Davis (Orange Grove)
Mary Isley (University)
Russell Thornburg (Willamette Valley)
Al Kramer (San Fernando)
Ann Salyer (Pima)
Patience MacLean (Victoria)
Rath Jansen (Claremont)

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Russell Thornburg (Willamette Valley)
Vern James (Palo Alto)

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION REPRESENTATIVES

Alice Plympton (Willamette Valley)
Georges Weber (Palo Alto)
Bruce Brown (Berkeley)
Sylvia Loomis (Santa Fe)
Elisha Kirk (Pima)
Gladis Voorhees (La Jolla)
Irwin Hogenauer (University)

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Floyd Schmoe (University) 1963*
Ferner Nuhn (Claremont) 1962*
Gretchen Tuthill (La Jolla) 1963*
Frank du Bois (University) 1961
Dorothy Lash (Victoria) 1961

*Nomination to represent Pacific Yearly Meeting at Kenya Committee Meeting in order of listing.

FRATERNAL REPRESENTATIVE TO FIVE YEARS MEETING

Harold Carson (University)

REPRESENTATIVE TO YOUNG FRIENDS COMMITTEE OF NORTH AMERICA

Jon Taylor (Orange Grove) 1961

COMMITTEE ON HISTORY

Caroline Estes, Chairman (San Francisco) John Dorland (Orange Grove)
Ed Thatcher (Eugene) Eubanks Carsner (Riverside-Redlands)
CLERK: Bill Bruff (Whitleaf)
   (Alternate: Terry Dewees, Phoenix)

HIGH SCHOOL ASSISTANT CLERK: Paul Hurn (Phoenix)
   (Alternate: Karen Scott, Phoenix)

HIGH SCHOOL RECORDING CLERK: Kristina Etter (Eugene)
   (Alternate: Connie Jump, Multnomah)

JUNIOR HIGH ASSISTANT CLERK: David Thomas (Berkeley)
   (Alternate: Richard Sanders, Orange Grove)

JUNIOR HIGH RECORDING CLERK: Ellen Thatcher (Eugene)
   (Alternate: Kayleen Scott)

ADVISERS: To serve through March Interim Committee, 1961
High School - Beth Prideaux (Willamette Valley)
   Junior High - Lois Barton (Eugene)

To serve through March Interim Committee, 1962
High School - Hal Stallings (Orange Grove)
   (Alternate: Bruce Ergood, Willamette Valley)

Junior High - Bill Bruff, Sr., (Whitleaf)
   (Alternate: Crystalle Davis, Willamette Valley)
Minutes of Young Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting
August 15-19, 1960 Salem, Oregon

Opening Session of Yearly Meeting, August 15, 1960, six-thirty p.m.

The meeting was opened with a few moments of silence. The Young Friends' agenda for this Yearly Meeting was read, slightly revised, and finally approved. Bill Bruff was asked to explain further the matter of curfew, which worked on a slightly different basis this year from previous years. Instead of having a set time for each night, the hour would fluctuate according to the activity planned for that certain night. This was also approved by the meeting.

Next, the clerk, Jean Prideaux, introduced Kit Carson, who was representing the adult Meeting in asking for members of the Young Friends group to act as pages in the adult meetings. Ron Raitt, Helen Dart, Terry Dodd, and Tom Palley volunteered for one day apiece and the remaining members approved of the action.

Last on the agenda, the following committees were formed and approved:

**Epistle Committee:**
- Connie Jump
- Ron Raitt
- David Prideaux
- Glen Clark

**Finance Committee:**
- Bill Bruff
- Adea Polifroni
- Nancy Pinney
- Carl Thatcher
- Alice Newton

**Nominating Committee:**
- Nina Dodd
- Tom Palley
- Terry Dewees
- Beth Sanders

The minutes were read and approved and the meeting adjourned.

August 16, 1960 9 a.m.

After a half-hour worship period, beginning at 8:30 a.m., the clerk opened the meeting. The business of the day was first taken care of. Terry Dewees, transportation chairman, explained the transportation methods for the afternoon work session, and the clerk asked for volunteers for the recreation committee, who are as follows:

- Ellie Barton
- Nina Dodd
- Karen Scott
- Bill Bruff
- Paula Bunn
- Chris Nelson
- Barbara Bryant
- Terry Dewees
- Jean Prideaux

Next, we divided up into three smaller groups, which held very interesting and excellent discussions, led by Paul Davis, Helen Stevenson, and Cecil Thomas, in the remaining hour. At the end of this time, the groups rejoined and reports were made from each. The topics varied from "What is Faith?" or "The Diversities of Christian Religion" to "How Communists Feel about Religion," as well as many others. But the general feeling of the meeting was that this time was well spent. The meeting was adjourned.
August 16, 1960 6:30 p.m.

The meeting opened with group singing led by Bill Bruff.

The clerk then introduced our speaker for the evening, Stuart Innerst, who presented a very impressive talk on "My Time In Washington." Many of us were very surprised to learn the number of Congressmen who do sympathize with our Peace Testimony and the amount of prestige that the name Quaker holds in other peoples' minds, as well as many other facts about our government and its members. During the question and answer period, our speaker was asked to tell about his experiences in China. He gave a very informative account of the history of Communism in China. This was interrupted because of lack of time and the meeting adjourned.

August 17, 1960 9 a.m.

After our worship period, the clerk opened a short meeting for business. The first duty was to collect meal tickets for our afternoon outing. After this was taken care of, Bill Bruff reported for the finance committee on the expenses of last year and they were approved. The clerk explained the budget plans and procedures for the coming year.

It was then suggested that C.O. pamphlets be circulated within the Monthly Meetings. Since time was running short, it was decided to have people who were interested meet in the upstairs lounge of Lausanne Hall to write a proposed minute of this action, to be presented to the Adult Meeting upon approval of our Young Friends' Meeting.

The clerk explained the stunt night on Thursday evening and the meeting was adjourned for a movie, "Alternatives."

A discussion was led by Walt Raitt, who covered procedures in applying to the draft board, opportunities for alternative service, and how to explain the C.O. position.

August 18, 1960 9 a.m.

The meeting opened with silence. The clerk introduced our speaker, Cecil Thomas, who gave a very informative talk on "Quaker Social Protests" supplemented by news clippings and other pamphlets. He pointed out very realistically the trials and hardships of any worker for peace, which, instead of discouraging us, may have given us more initiative.

After the talk, there was a short break for the Nominating Committee report, which was presented by Terry Dewees. The following people were nominated and approved by the Meeting for officers next year:

High School Group
Presiding Clerk: Bill Bruff (Alternate - Terry Dewees)
Assistant Clerk: Paula Hurn (alternate - Karen Scott)
Recording Clerk: Kristina Etter (alternate - Connie Jump)
Junior High Group

Assistant Clerk: David Thomas (alternate - Richard Sanders)
Recording Clerk: Ellen Thatcher (alternate - Kayleen Scott)

Advisers
High School: Walt Raitt - 1 year
Hal Stallings - 2 years
alternate - Bruce Ergood

Junior High: Lois Barton - 1 year
Bill Bruff, Sr. - 2 years
alternate - Crys Davis

The representatives will be chosen by their Monthly Meetings.

After the report by the Nominating Committee, Cecil Thomas introduced Ross Flanagan, who spoke further on the same subject of Social Protest. He not only gave an excellent account of his experiences, but also went on to explain the motivations behind the action of people both for and against disarmament, etc. He painted a very real picture of the dangers of "push button bombs" and other such weapons to the survival of the human race, and made us even more aware of our vast responsibilities to others to prevent such action.

After a fairly short question and answer period, the Meeting again took another short break for the Finance Report, read by Bill Bruff. The proposed budget is as follows:

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The plans for the evening were discussed, after which the clerk led the group in calisthenics. A discussion with Cecil Thomas and Ross Flanagan was resumed and we decided to write up a peace testimony minute and to form a Peace Committee. Those interested were asked to meet at 1 p.m. At this meeting a minute was written on these concerns. David Prideaux and Connie Jump were chosen to take charge of material to be sent to the Monthly Meetings.

During the meeting, Bill Bruff gave the revised Financial Report which is as follows:

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The meeting adjourned to reconvene as a business meeting outside on the lawn. The Minutes and budget were read and approved.

August 19, 1960 8:30 a.m.

The last session of the Young Friends Meeting opened with silence.

The first business at hand was concerned with sending a Young Friend to the October Quaker Peace Witness in Washington, D.C. We decided the persons interested should write to Bill Bruff, next year's clerk, and the Interim Committee would make the final decision. Also, letters would be sent to Young Friends explaining the procedure and ideas on how to raise money to finance our representative's trip. These actions were approved.

Next, the Young Friends Epistle was read by Kris Etter. Minor changes were made and then it, too was approved.

During the next few minutes, the pages for the adult meeting, Ron Raitt, Helen Dart, and Terry Dodd, gave short reports on their duties, and all agreed that it was a very good experience. Then Beth Sanders told a little about her trip this summer, and her report to the adult meeting.

Jean Prideaux was made co-ordinator of the Peace Committees and the Peace Minute was read and approved.

In case of absences of any officers, we decided we would leave it up to the clerk to appoint alternates. Also, if any officer is unable to attend, he should contact the clerk, who will notify the alternate. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Hurn, recording clerk

Jean Prideaux, clerk
Dear Young Friends Everywhere,

The Young Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting extend their greetings from the beautiful campus of Willamette University at Salem, Oregon.

Our discussions this year centered chiefly around the aspects of peace. The ideas presented by Stuart Innerst, our "Friend in Washington", Cecil Thomas, Ross Flanagan, and Walt Raitt greatly stimulated our thinking in the fields of conscientious objection, disarmament, and social protest.

Feeling a deep concern about the arms race and its implications, we were moved to write a minute expressing our views and outline of action. This minute is enclosed.

We began each day with a short period of worship which drew us together in spirit. We found time in the afternoons and evenings for recreation and spontaneous discussion.

We hope that Young Friends around the world will join us in spirit and action as we work for a more peaceful and settled world.

In fellowship, on behalf of the Junior Yearly Meeting of

Pacific Yearly Meeting
Jean Prideaux, Clerk

Epistle Committee:
Kristina Etter
Ron Raitt
Connie Jump
Dave Prideaux
Glenn Clark
Pacific Yearly Meeting of Friends
August 15-19, 1960

To Friends everywhere:

We are gathered for our fourteenth annual Meeting in the beauty and quietness of the campus of Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. Even in these peaceful surroundings we are conscious of the cold war and the threat of nuclear accident. We do not remove ourselves from responsibility for these problems and their solution. In worship and fellowship we have examined our values and deepened our dedication to bringing order to our disordered world.

We have been reminded that it is not enough to believe in God with our minds only. We must know Him in our hearts if we are to face the difficulties of life with courage and love, instead of fear, anger and denial. We must recognize that of God in every man: in those whom we admire, in the men of power who rule nations and command armies, in those in our Meetings and families with whom we disagree, and even in ourselves. This awareness of God in all His children is essential if we are to cope with the problems of humanity.

The issues which we have faced this year make us appreciate the wisdom contained in a letter from London Yearly Meeting to us: "The living harmony is found by stating and facing differences and seeking to transcend them rather than pretending that they do not exist."

We long to provide a spiritual home where each one may find love, sympathy, and freedom to grow and learn according to his ability. In our eagerness to do this, we sometimes neglect standards and procedures. We are inclined to feel that the garden of the spirit will grow without tender care and cultivation. At this Yearly Meeting it has been made clear to us that the weeds in our spiritual garden will not disappear by ignoring them. It is painful to face the fear, self-centeredness, frustration and violence which often exist in our own lives and Meetings. Only by acknowledging them can we open our hearts to the love of God which alone can overcome the world.

Our Young Friends showed us with prophetic clarity how hard it is to be a teen-ager in the Atomic Age. They felt that our love for them and theirs for us gave them courage to face life and its problems. We were lifted by this expression of love to a fresh awareness of the Divine Love and left our Meeting with renewed courage and determination to act for peace.

On behalf of Pacific Yearly Meeting,

Catherine Bruner, Clerk
Epistles Received

Australia General Meeting
Baltimore Yearly Meeting
California Yearly Meeting of Friends Church
Canadian Yearly Meeting
Denmark Yearly Meeting
France Yearly Meeting
Fritchley General Meeting
Germany Yearly Meeting
Illinois Yearly Meeting
Indiana, Five Years Meeting
Indiana General Conference
Ireland Yearly Meeting
Japan Yearly Meeting
London Yearly Meeting
London letter to Pacific Yearly Meeting
Malagasy Friends Church Yearly Meeting
Mexico - Second All-Friends Reunion
Near East Yearly Meeting, Brummana, Lebanon
New England Yearly Meeting
New York Yearly Meeting
New Zealand General Meeting
North Carolina (Conservative) Yearly Meeting
Norway Yearly Meeting
Ohio Yearly Meeting, Conservative
Oregon Yearly Meeting
Philadelphia Yearly Meeting
Sweden Yearly Meeting
Western Yearly Meeting
Wilmington Yearly Meeting

EPISTLES RECEIVED FROM YOUNG FRIENDS

Baltimore Yearly Meeting
Illinois Junior Yearly Meeting (General Conference)
Indiana Junior Yearly Meeting, Five Years Meeting
New England Yearly Meeting
New York Yearly Meeting
Wilmington Junior Yearly Meeting
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