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REPORT OF THE 17TH ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
LAKE ERIE ASSOCIATION  
HELD AT  
FRIENDS BOARDING SCHOOL  
August 25-27, 1961

BUSINESS MEETINGS

I

The first meeting for business opened with a period of quiet meditation at 10:45 Saturday morning, August 26, 1961.

1. The presiding clerk, Richard B. Angell, reported that many epistles had been received from Yearly Meetings all over the world. Truly the Lake Erie Association is a member of the World Family of Friends.
2. Visiting Friends were presented. Francis D. Hole from the Meeting at Madison, Wisconsin was also representing the Friends General Conference. Stephen Angell from the New York Yearly Meeting was a welcome guest.
3. Reports from Committees and Delegates
  - A. Treasurer's Report - Copy attached.
  - B. Friends World Committee Delegates Our representatives Winifred Grosman and Margaret Utterback are now present at the meeting of the F.W.C.C. at Kenya in Africa. Both Margaret and Winifred will be willing and eager to share their experiences with Friends Meetings who will invite them to do so.
  - C. Young Friends Barbara Hepp made the report which included a report from Joan Burgess, the other delegate. The Young Friends Committee of North America is a fellowship of college age and older young friends, bringing together people from all branches of Quakerism who work, worship and have fun together, without conflict, promoting understanding and unity in a way unique. The Young Friends Conference, in early fall, will have for resource persons, Elfrida Vipont Foulds, Dorothy Hutchinson, Tom Brown and Ed Snyder. The report of Fran Warren's year of travel among Young Friends is now being printed and will be distributed. The East-West Committee made a study of Cuba, promoted Russian and Red Chinese pen-pals.
  - D. F.C.N.L. representative Lila Cornell expressed her appreciation of being a delegate to the Washington Conference.

II

7. Meeting reconvened at 2 P.M.
8. The following message was read from Indiana Yearly Meeting: "Indiana Yearly meeting feels that a concurrent session with L.E.A. would be fine if a suitable location may be secured. We hope to meet next year with Waynesville Friends, August 23-26 and if your group might be able to meet at Wilmington or Germantown at the same time, thereby we would be near enough to hold one day's joint business session and also have joint programs for the Young Friends of both groups. The Advancement Committee will be most willing to cooperate to formulate an interesting program as the way opens." Clerk for next year, Louis Newman, Foster, Ohio, Advancement Chairman-Elizabeth Chandler, Friend's Home, Waynesville, Ohio.

These plans were acceptable to Lake Erie Association and the clerk was instructed to send the names of appropriate persons to Louis Newman and Elizabeth Chandler so that further arrangements could be worked out for next year's meeting.

9. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Function of the Lake Erie Association.

Since all members present had read the report, it was agreed that only the recommendations of the Committee should be read at this time. The recommendations were read by the Clerk. (Copy attached)

Discussion seemed to center on two points. (1) Structure of Lake Erie Association (2) Relations with Ohio Yearly meeting.

Comments on the first point. 1. Lake Erie is a loose organization. It is not in a position to sit with an organized Yearly Meeting and discuss organization. 2. There is a felt need for constituent meetings to belong to a Yearly Meeting. 3. We need the efficiency of a structured organization to pool our manpower and resources. 4. L.E.A. could not take its constituent meetings into any Yearly Meeting. It would have to be in decisions of individual meetings. 5. It will take several years to work out relationships with any established Yearly Meeting. Why wait? The goal of unity need not be lost. It can be better implemented if we have a structure to work from. 6. The appeal of the Association is the simplicity of its organization. It should not be complicated by forming a Yearly Meeting. 7. A Lake Erie Yearly Meeting can be used as a catalyst in the continuing of the uniting spirit which has been developing in this area with all Friends Groups. 8. We do not have the membership in our Meetings to support necessary committee work and support of a Yearly Meeting.

Comments on the second point. 1. Cleveland is actively exploring affiliation with Salem Quarterly of Ohio Yearly Meeting. Nothing should be done to hurt this. 2. The concern is that we accept each other. 3. Many expressions were made of the common bonds that draw L.E.A. and Ohio Yearly Meeting together. It was the sense of the meeting that nothing be done to weaken those bonds. Both the Association and the Yearly Meeting feel and need the strength of this fellowship.

The following minute was approved: The Lake Erie Association received the report of the Ad Hoc Committee with various expressions of approval and of reservations. Without reaching

general agreement on the conclusions of the report, it was the sense of the meeting that the recommendations for exploration in section III be adopted with the following changes:

Paragraph 2: That disciplines of various Yearly Meetings be studied and discussed as a possible pattern for L.E. Yearly Meeting.

Paragraph 9: Change the wording in the last sentence to "and if so it should apply for affiliation with other Friends Bodies along such lines as may be recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee.

It was also agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee should be expanded.

10. Meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

### III

11. Meeting for business reconvened at 1:30 P.M. on Sunday.

12. The following communication was read: "To the Lake Erie Association of Friends, Dear Friends: In its opening session this morning, Ohio Yearly Meeting directed us to send you a message of our love. We want you to know that we are glad to have you with us, having our Meeting House and Boarding School. We trust that, as we mingle together in fellowship and in worship, each of our meetings may be fully faithful to the Light which is given us. We trust that our mingling this weekend is a promise of fruitful cooperation and fellowship among Quakers in our region. On behalf of Ohio Yearly Meeting, James H. Cooper, Clerk, Rachel K. Livezey, Assistant Clerk, Dortha B. Patterson, Reading Clerk.

In turn, the following message was approved: To Ohio Yearly Meeting of Friends: The members of the Lake Erie Association of Friends Meetings have felt with sincere gratitude the warmth of the friendliness extended to us by the Ohio Yearly Meeting and its Boarding School. The growing contacts with you that we have been privileged to enjoy have added greatly to our deliberations and to the pleasure of our sessions. May we all continue to live in a sense of fellowship of Christ, encouraging each other to carry the strength of His love into our daily lives.

13. John and Varley Crist and Elise Boulding were appointed to represent L.E.A. at the Friends National Conference on World Order to be held at Earlham College, October 23-25, 1961.

14. Elise Boulding read excerpts from the epistles that were received from other Yearly Meetings. (Copy attached) She also proposed that Lake Erie Association send an Epistle from its Annual Meeting each year. This was approved and the Epistle for this meeting was read and adopted. (Copy attached)

15. The budget for 1961-62 was presented (copy attached) It was recommended that the budget be sent to each meeting with an analysis of Meeting responsibilities in regard to it. It was agreed that two dollars per active family would cover the budget needs. It was recommended that the contribution to Friends Boarding School be increased to \$100. IT was agreed that the increase would be made if funds were available. The hope was expressed that contributions to F.B.S. will be increased in each year's budget.

The budget was approved.

16. The report of the Nominating Committee was given as follows:

Presiding Clerk -	Howard Harris, Ann Arbor
Recording Clerk -	Esther Ewald, Columbus
Treasurer -	Varley Crist, Granville
Budget & Finance Committee -	Varley Crist, Willard Mead, Victor Ewald
C.C.G.U Committee -	Isabel Bliss, Robert Blood, William Johnson, Edgar Shaudys, John Weaver
F.C.N.L. Representatives -	Lila Cornell, Sally DeWees
A.F.S.C. Representatives -	William and Mayo Johnson, Marvin Van Wormer
Young Friends of North America -	Barbara Hepp, David Fankhauser
F.W.C.C. -	Winifred Crossman, Margaret Utterback, Florence Shute
Ad Hoc Committee on Function of L.E.A. -	Brad Angell, Convener, Ogden Ashley, William Bliss, Robert Blood, Elise Boulding, Rosemary Harris, Edwin Moon, Robert Morgan.

Report presented by Nominating Committee: Sally Dewees, Varley Grist, Florence Shute, Lorena Blackburn.

It was also proposed that monthly meeting clerks be ex-officio members of the Ad Hoc Committee. Approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was approved.

Howard Harris took the chair for the rest of the Meeting.

17. It was recommended and approved that a Lake Erie Committee be appointed with a special concern for our interest in Friends Boarding School. It should explore ways in which L.E.A could be helpful to the school and implement them as way opens. Sheldon Clark, Lorena Blackburn and James Ball were asked to serve.

18. It was proposed that a news bulletin be issued as a channel of communication between Lake Erie meetings. Elise Boulding volunteered to be editor. Ada Diltz volunteered to assume mailing responsibility. Each Meeting is asked to contribute material through its corresponding clerk. The mailing list will include the membership list of each Meeting. Approved.

19. Reports from individual Meetings were not received at this annual meeting. It was recommended that these reports be included in the next Annual Meeting. Approved.

20. Recommendation was made that the epistles received from other Yearly Meetings be read at the beginning of our sessions in order to set the tone of our Meetings. Approved.

21. Elise Boulding reported on the Lake Community of eighty acres on a Michigan lake. It is being developed as a retreat area and a recreation area for Friends.

22. After a period of quiet meditation the 1961 annual session of the Lake Erie Association concluded to meet again in concurrent session with Indiana Yearly Meeting in 1962. Meeting concluded at 4 P.M.

Esther Ewald, Recording Clerk

## TREASURER'S REPORT

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Balance 8/28/60	\$ 182.60	F.W.C.C.	\$ 75.00
Receipts 1960 Mtg.	401.38	A.F.S.C.	25.00
From Local Mtgs	258.13	F.C.N.L.	25.00
Kenya Delegate Fund	1505.50	Young Friends	25.00
Goft-W.W.Wildman	<u>100.00</u>	F.B.S.	50.00
	\$ 2447.61	Wilmington College	50.00
		UN Disarmament Conf.	10.00
		Operating Expenses	180.43
	<u>2388.50</u>	Delegates	162.57
Balance 8/21/61	\$ 59.11	Kenya Delegates	<u>1785.50</u>
			\$ 2388.50

Contributions to Kenya Fund

Ann Arbor	\$ 453.00
Cleveland	244.00
Columbus	188.50
Delaware	50.00
Detroit	10.00
Granville	50.00
Indianapolis	10.00
Kalamazoo	80.00
Kent	10.00
Meadville	10.00
Morgantown	20.00
Oberlin	100.00
Painesville	55.00
Pittsburgh	150.00
Toledo	25.00
West Lafayette	10.00
Wooster	35.00
Yellow Springs	<u>25.00</u>
	\$ 1595.50

Contributions to L.E.A.

Ann Arbor	\$ 80.00
Delaware	25.00
Granville	32.88
East Lansing	20.00
Columbus	50.00
Kalamazoo	15.00
Pittsburgh	50.00
Morgantown	<u>5.25</u>
	\$ 258.13

Distribution of Kenya Fund

Winifred Crosman	\$ 1100.00
Margaret Utterback	585.50

## BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1961-62

Contributions	\$ 285.00
FWCC	75.00
AFSC	25.00
FCNL	25.00
Young Frs	25.00
Olney	50.00
Wilmington C	50.00
Indian Comm	10.00
Great Lakes Conf	100.00
Delegates Expenses	300.00*
Operating Expense	<u>250.00*</u>
	\$ 935.00

\*Items include \$100.00 that should be earmarked for the Ad Hoc Committee

Of the 19 Lake Erie Meetings: Six can give \$100.00  
Thirteen can give \$30.00

EPISTLE FROM LAKE ERIE ASSOCIATION

Olney School  
Barnesville, Ohio  
August 27, 1961

To Friends everywhere:

As the Lake Erie Association concludes its 22nd annual session, we find a strong desire to enter into fellowship with the worldwide community of Friends and to respond to the many loving epistles we have received. We are therefore taking this step of sending out our first epistle and hope it will be the beginning of a new and deep experience of the meaning of Christian community for all of us.

We have been holding concurrent sessions with Ohio Yearly Meeting (Conservative). This fellowship has opened up for us new vistas of what we can become and we are grateful for the opportunity to share with them in worship and in discussion.

Our deepest exercise has been on the subject of the direction which the Lake Erie Association ought to take at this time. The many unaffiliated meetings which find an informal haven in the Association have come to feel the need of a more formal affiliation within the Society of Friends, in order that they may carry out their responsibilities as Friends more effectively. Since there are several Yearly Meetings close at hand representing different branches of Friends, there has also been a strong concern that whatever action we take, increases unity among Friends, rather than increases the tendency toward divisiveness. While there have been real differences of opinion as to what course of action we should take, our explorations have been conducted in a profoundly loving spirit. We could find no better testimony to the reality of the Divine Presence among us. We have concluded to continue exploration of the possibility of becoming a yearly meeting, while also continuing to explore possibilities of close association with the surrounding yearly meetings.

While our deliberations may seem to have centered unduly upon organizational matters at a time of grave international crisis, they have been undertaken with a strong sense of the urgency of building a sound Quaker structure which can liberate us to bear our testimony and do our work in the many places which call us.

As we prepare to go our separate ways, to face the often heartrending tasks of finding ways to reduce the manifold tensions and strife which surround us, we are strengthened by the knowledge of the worldwide spiritual community of which we are a part, a community which is stronger than all earthly principalities and powers.

In closing, we would like to share with you the words of George Fox which Ohio Friends have shared with us: "Mind the Light and dwell in it and it will keep you a-top of the world."

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The Committee's recommendations are intended to provide an orderly process of exploration, by member meetings of Lake Erie Association, of the questions raised by the Committee's



conclusions. We do not suggest that this Annual Meeting should decide, at present, on the outcome. Thus we recommend that if this report is approved,

- 1) The Ad Hoc Committee on the Function of the Lake Erie Association be either reappointed, or expanded, or replaced by some equivalent group to oversee the following explorations.
- 2) That copies of Philadelphia Yearly Meetings Faith and Practice be distributed and discussed as a possible pattern for a Lake Erie Yearly Meeting Discipline.
- 3) That Meetings interested in exploring the possibility of becoming United Monthly Meetings be provided with relevant materials, assistance and encouragement.
- 4) That communications be sent to each of the meetings in Lake Erie Association suggesting that they consider; discuss and report their reactions to the foregoing deliberations of this Committee, in terms of the religious needs, interests and aspirations of those groups.
- 6) That the Executive Committee of Lake Erie Association establish any committees which are needed and would be in accordance with the proposed structure of a Lake Erie Yearly Meeting if this became a reality.
- 7) That the Ad Hoc Committee (or equivalent) report the results of its communications to the meeting of Representative Committee of Lake Erie Association in Spring, 1962.
- 8) That the Ad Hoc Committee (or equivalent) prepare a report, based on its findings and the response of the Representative Committee, with conclusions for considering action at the next Annual Meeting of Lake Erie Association in the summer of 1962.
- 9) That meetings of Lake Erie Association be asked to appoint representatives or delegates to be present at the Lake Erie Association meeting in the summer of 1962, and that these delegates be prepared to participate in a discussion of whether Lake Erie Association should minute itself as a Yearly Meeting, and if so if it should apply for affiliation with Friends General Conference, along such lines as may be recommended at that time by the Ad Hoc Committee.

Actual extracts of epistles to accompany introductory paragraph given to clerks at time of presentation, Sunday, August 27, 1961.

Baltimore Yearly Meetings, Stony Run and Homewood:

"The needs of our troubled world and the sense of basic worldwide unity of our Society were brought more vividly into our cloistered surroundings by the welcome presence of Friends from England, East Africa, and Japan... We were made aware again of the infinite powers of the God of uncountable galaxies, and of the finiteness of man. We were reminded that the expression of the Christian message has to take into account the wide varieties of human backgrounds."

California Yearly Meeting at Whittier:

"Friends, let us not be discouraged by tensions, international misunderstandings, and manifestations of evil. Let us rather be encouraged to "Labor on while it is day."

Indiana Yearly Meeting at Earlham College:

"Though in the midst of this serene setting, we find ourselves confronted with matters which have brought grave concern among us. One of these being an aspect of our social outreach, namely the current activities of the American Friends Service Committee. After free and democratic sharing, we reaffirm our support of this humanitarian work. We were, however, gratified to learn the notional AFSC board is making a reexamination and re-evaluation of its total program. May these efforts ever be obedient to the Spirit and the teachings of Jesus Christ giving Him His rightful place in the world. In both the Meetings on Ministry and Counsel and the General Sessions we were cautioned to proceed with less haste and with greater care in our decisions."

North Carolina Yearly Meeting:

"North Carolina Yearly Meeting is made up of Friends of widely differing backgrounds and points of view. We are grateful that we are able to work together harmoniously, feeling a unity deeper than our differences."

North Carolina Yearly Meeting (Conservative at Woodland:

"As we prepare to bring to a close the sessions of this Meeting, we desire to send all Friends a message of love, of hope, and of understanding. We pray in humble gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the portion of His Spirit that has been our lot. We ask that we may be strengthened to the tasks that lie ahead and that we with you will so dedicate our lives to His will that in some small way we may have a part in the establishment of His kingdom in the hearts of all men."

New York Yearly Meeting at Silver Bay:

"Many calls to practical expression of our leadings have come to us: enlargement of our acquaintanceship to include those with whom we have the most differences; courage and faith in pursuing our own Friendly viewpoint... It is important that we look clearly at the cost, show ourselves willing to pay, and begin to act."

Wilmington Yearly Meeting, Wilmington College:

"From long deliberation, and after deep searching, we saw the corporate mind developing in our meetings for business. For this we are profoundly thankful. We renew our commitment to a continued deep concern for Friends' education. We rejoin in the anticipated coming of James Morgan Read as the thirteenth president of Wilmington College."

Southeastern Conference at St. Petersburg Florida:

"A Miami meeting has a large group of Cubans who have come from Cuba through the years. Miami 10th Ave. Meeting of Friends is conducted in both Spanish and English. Friends are not fleeing from Cuba at present.

As part of the world-wide community of Friends, we send our loving greetings, relying on the promise in Isaiah: "I, the Lord, will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee," 'Fear not. I will help thee'."

#### Epistles from abroad

Fritchley General Meeting of Friends, Fritchley England:

"George Fox saw that it was needful that he should have a sense of all conditions; how else could he speak to all conditions? And in this he 'saw the infinite love of God.' We too must share in

his travail and exercise if we would make of our meetings for worship places where Living Water is increasingly drawn.”

London Yearly Meeting, London England:

From the general epistle: "We also found some different expressions of our peace witness which to some were conflicting rather than complementary. But we were well reminded in the Swarthmore Lecture that it is not differences that divide, but the self-assertive spirit." From a special message to Lake Erie Association: "Through the sending again of our Yearly Meeting Epistle we recall the essential unity of all mankind, and of a special sense of oneness to be cherished by members of the Religious Society of Friends. Certainly to Friends there is an ever present challenge to make more real to all people the unity of mankind... It is with satisfaction that we note you will meet this year in the same place, and for part of your sessions at the same time, as Ohio Yearly Meeting. May your association together be blessed by God whose love is our strength.”

Ireland Yearly Meeting, Dublin:

"Christ demands of truly convinced Friends such behavior in worldly affairs that men will recognize the effects of our spiritual experience."

General Meeting for Australia, Canberra:

"After earnest and prayerful consideration we have decided that the stage has now been reached at which Australian friends, who have for many years constituted part of London Yearly Meeting, should take their place in the world family of Friends as Australia Yearly Meeting, and we hope to complete the change by 1964. Throughout our deliberations on this matter, we experienced a deep sense of unity as we sought to know the will of God. Like the disciples whom our Lord commanded to 'launch out into the deep', we believe that our faith will be richly rewarded."

Jamaica Yearly Meeting at Happy Grove School, Hector's River:

"With the passing of our beloved Friend Gladys Jones, we feel increasingly our individual responsibility for taking up and carrying forward the work that has been handed on to us. Here in this part of the West Indies, we are in the midst of rapid change and development. We continue to wrestle with problems of unemployment, poverty, ignorance; instability in home life. Perhaps the most inspiring feature of our meeting is the buoyancy of spirit with which we are rising to the challenge and trying to alleviate some of these conditions. There is a definite sense of Divine leadership which gives us confidence that the task is not beyond our strength."

New Zealand General Meeting, Wanguni

“We have been enriched during the past year ... by the return of Ethel Douglass from service with the Friends Service Council in Kenya,... and the visit of Paul Knight to Japan and Southeast Asia. We are challenged by the experiences and service of these Friends, and humbled by a sense of our own unawareness, and our tendency to shelter behind barriers which hide from our eyes the world's needs."

France Yearly Meeting, Paris:

"In essentials: UNITY; In non-essentials: LIBERTY; In all things: CHARITY.

Is not the essential the intimate consciousness of God's presence ... what is secondary are the differences of race, nationality and social positions, the outward forms or civilizations and religions... As trees plunge their roots deeply into the soil to draw up the sap, whilst their

branches spread towards the light of the day, in like manner our spiritual life should be rooted in and sustained by God in order to expand in love and work for our brothers.”

Netherlands Yearly Meeting, “Woudschoten”-Zeist

“In consideration of the peace testimony we felt united with our Friends all over the world. For most of us this peace-testimony is an integrated part of being a Quaker. The fact that up till now a small number of disciples passed on the message of Jesus to so many, encouraged us to give expression to our peace-testimony over the borders of our small group... In order to reach joint concentrated study, the need is felt to cooperate towards the possibility of establishment of a University-Chair for Peace-science.”

Denmark Yearly Meeting, Hannaschool, Copenhagen:

"... the largest Yearly Meeting we have had for a number of years, and among those present were not less than 12 visitors from other Yearly Meetings. Both through these Friends, through epistles and other greetings have we once again, in true thankfulness, felt strengthened in our World Fellowship of Friends.

In the sessions, our thoughts were often occupied with the attitude of mind which would enable us to co-operate with people from countries now taking their place among free nations.”

Germany Yearly Meeting at Bad Pyrmont:

"We would once more call the attention of our fellow men to the words which our 1950 Yearly Meeting addressed to all men of good will: 'Friends implore-not only statesmen but every individual as well-to avoid all words and deeds which may tend to increase distrust and rancour; they urge each person to dedicate himself anew to the task of understanding his fellow men, and of finding positive ways to construct a real peace. Friends are firmly convinced that a reconciliation is possible. They hope that these simple words, translated into many languages, may help to bring about a new spirit, so that human resources and energy, now constrained to serve the purposes of war, will be used for the wellbeing of all mankind.

Friends are aware of the fact that such a message can be powerful and effective only when those who issue it stand behind it with their own lives and prayers.'"

Switzerland Yearly Meeting:

“No more important responsibility and opportunity lies before our Society today and its individual members than to be sensitive to the "Day of the Lord's appointing" in the lives of all men and women wherever and whenever we may encounter it. If we are to serve our Heavenly Father effectively by translating His life and power, we must speak to people at the very root of their being, if need be at that moment when they may be transformed from desperation to the sure knowledge of spiritual reality. This is the insight which we feel concerned to share with you as our Yearly Meeting concludes - a Yearly Meeting which has been devoted for its greater part to consideration of education for the life of the spirit.”

Canadian Yearly Meeting, Newmarket, Ontario:

“While the union of our three Yearly Meetings into one was accomplished several years ago, we are increasingly reaping the benefits of this union and "unity in diversity" was a phrase on many tongues... Yet our differences are sacred and we are learning to see that they are God's differences, which must unite and not separate. Beautiful and peaceful as our surroundings were, we reminded ourselves, meeting by meeting, that the world is far from peaceful. The problems facing us are enormous and indeed humanly impossible. We must face them, nevertheless, with courage and faith, knowing that with God all things are possible. Our serenity cannot be cheap."

New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine

"We are gathered on the Bowdoin College campus at Brunswick, Maine to observe the three hundredth anniversary of the first General Meeting of Friends in New England, and to honor those whose lives before us laid the true base of our Society on these sometime inhospitable shores and turned, by patient loving-kindness, hate into respect and respect into true regard. We pray: O Lord, let our love reach out across the ages that separate us from our forebears; and the experiences that divide us from our children, across the miles that separate us from our Friends and the abysses of fear and ignorance that divide us from our enemies. Let it reach out with that confident touch that says, "We are One, Indivisible", for 'Have we not all one Father; did not one God make us all?' Malachi 2:10"

Peace Corps - Report by Ed Snyder of the F.C.N.L.

On 8-25-61 the United States Senate passed a bill establishing a permanent Peace Corps. The effort to cut twenty-five million from the proposed forty million allocation was lost. Considerable interest has been shown by other countries in an international Peace Corps. Ed Snyder filed a statement in behalf of the Friends Committee on National Legislation with the House Foreign Affairs Committee in support of the Peace Corps H.R. 7500 on August 18th.

A.F.S.C. Representatives were presented by Matt Thompson, Executive Secretary of the Dayton office of the A.F.S.C.

Art Tawell reported on the Corporation meeting which he attended as a Lake Erie Association member. The corporation consists of about 160 members nominated by Yearly Meetings and 60 members at large. It is the policy making group of the AFSC.

Marvin Van Wormer reported for the Midwest Regional Committee.

Elise Boulding reported on the international seminar held at Oakwood school which was a follow up of a similar seminar held in Russia last year.

Group Discussions held jointly with members of Ohio Yearly Meeting:

- Family Life led by Bob Morgan
- Religious Education led by Marion Stow
- Spiritual Life led by Elise Boulding
- Local Social Concerns led by Olcutt Sanders
- Friends Boarding School led by William Taber

Joint Discussion group on the relationships between Ohio Yearly Meeting and the Lake Erie Association, held on Sunday morning, proved to be an hour of deep communication and fellowship. Noting both the inexperience and relative youth of the Lake Erie Meetings, some of its members spoke with appreciation and longing of the values of stable traditions and customs. Noting that many Ohio Yearly Meeting members were Friends by birth, some of its members spoke with admiration and appreciation of the enthusiasm and conviction among convinced Friends in newer meetings. A growing interest in greater unity, not only among the groups present but among Friends generally, was apparent.

Public Meeting for Worship. Lake Erie Association joined with Ohio Yearly Meeting in its regular Meeting for Worship at 10:00 Sunday morning in the Meeting House; After a period of silence there were many speakers. Both in manner of speaking (or praying) and in thoughts expressed there was much diversity. A number of conservative Friends wore Quaker bonnets and plain dress. Messages ranged from an Iowa Yearly Meeting Friends' warning against lipstick and dancing, through earnest prayers (standing or kneeling) for salvation or that we might know God's will, to messages expressing appreciation for diversity in religious expression and approaches.

Report on Children's Project of Lake Erie Association and Ohio Yearly Meeting.

On Saturday afternoon, Grace Rawlins, Race Relations Secretary of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, demonstrated the Green Circle program for children (5-12 years). This was done with the children themselves. The following morning, by request, she demonstrated to adults representing various Meetings to show how materials might be used for promoting discussion of race issues.

The first through sixth grade group of children had, as a major project, discussing the Indians of the Peruvian Andes. They also brought school materials – notebooks, pencils, erasers, colored pencils, etc., to put in 12 Bandanna Bags for Andean children. They were sent to the American Friends Service Committee, to be forwarded to Peru. The value of these bags – all contributed – came to about \$36.00

Young Friends – On Saturday morning about ten Young Friends, most of them from Lake Erie Association, met to talk with Dave Fankhauser about his experiences as a Freedom Rider. He spent some time in jail in Jackson, Mississippi and later in the State Penitentiary. In the afternoon they were joined by more Young Friends from the Ohio Yearly Meeting for further discussion of Freedom Riding and to plan our part of the evening meeting.

Saturday Night Panel by Young Friends – A joint session of Ohio Yearly Meeting and the Lake Erie Association in the Meeting House, listened to Young Friend David Fankhauser tell of his experiences as a Freedom Rider in the South. There followed a series of dramatized vignettes on such topics as discrimination – jobs and housing for Negroes, attitudes toward C. O.'s, Nixon as a Quaker, and Can we trust the Russians? After acting out the situations, we turned to the audience for answers on how these challenges might be handled by the one who happens to be on the spot. It was a most challenging and thought-provoking hour as both young and old Friends expressed themselves.

Roy McCorkel, senior staff member of the A.F.S.C., in a stimulating address, challenged us all to our personal and group responsibilities in our relations with other peoples. Roy McCorkel has a vast fund of knowledge of world affairs from his own life experiences.

Folk Dancing. At the invitation of Young Friends from Ohio Yearly Meeting and the Lake Erie Association, about fifty persons gathered for recreation after the Saturday night meeting. Albert Livezy's fruit storage building provided ample floor space. Olcott Senders led American Square dances and European Folk Dances. A closing friendship circle emphasized the sense of Fellowship achieved in this social hour.

DIRECTORY OF ATTENDERS, ANNUAL MEETING 1961

[Mailing addresses have been left out]

Angell, Stephen L. - Scarsdale, New York  
 Angell, Richard Brad & Imogene, John, Paul, Jim, David - Delaware, Ohio  
 Ashley, Ogden - Cleveland, Ohio  
 Ball, James, Beth Susan - Granville, Ohio  
 Blackburn, William & Lorena - Columbus, Ohio  
 Bluckburn, Walton - Columbus, Ohio  
 Bliss, William & Isabel, Roger, Penny – Cleveland, Ohio  
 Blood, Robert & Mgt., Peter, Alan ,Larry, Jonathon – Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Blumberg, Marjorie, Judith, Martha, Jamie – Trevoise, Pa.  
 Boulding, Elise, Russell, Mark, Christine, William, Philip - Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Carr, Henry J. - Cleveland, Ohio  
 Cartledge, William E. – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Clark, Sheldon & Lucy, Bedford, Ohio  
 Clark, Jared S. - Bedford, Ohio  
 Cornell, Elliott & Lila, Laurel, David, Dean - Brecksville, Ohio  
 Crist, John & Varley - Granville, Ohio  
 Croninger, Charles - Cleveland, Ohio  
 Crosman, Cophine – Columbus, Ohio  
 Crosman, Hurford - Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Dewees, Norman & Sally, Mary Kay, Richard – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Dilts, Adda – Kalamazoo, Mich.  
 Drushell, Lois - Cleveland, Ohio  
 Duerr, Diane – Detroit, Mich.  
 Dupstadt, Gladys - Detroit, Mich.  
 Evans, Terry - Cleveland, Ohio  
 Ewald Victor & Esther, Columbus, Ohio  
 Fankhauser, David, Gordon - Cincinnati, Ohio  
 Gauntlet, David - c/o River Valley Farm, Hiram, Ohio  
 Hamm, Eldon & Mabel, Carolyn, Douglas, Lois, Bruce – Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Harris, Howard & Rosemary, David, Stephen, Heather, Holly, Timothy – Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Haight, O. L. – Littleton, West Virginia  
 Hepp, Maylon & Anne, Barbara - Granville, Ohio  
 Hole, Francis, Benjamin - Madison, Wisconsin  
 Holovacz, John - Donora, Pa.  
 Johnson, William & Mayo - River Valley Farm, Hiram, Ohio  
 Kerman, Ralph & Cynthia - Kalamazoo, Mich.  
 Mead, Willard & Gertrude, Walter – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Morgan, John & Emily, Marcia, Ricky, Tommy – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Musser, Elizabeth – Columbus, Ohio  
 Nichols, Herbert & Bernice, Janice, Bradford – Ann Arbor, Mich.  
 Oey, Tom & Bernice, Eric, Chris, John – Delaware, Ohio  
 Patterson, Dortha, Carl – Worthington, Ohio  
 Preis, William, Mike – Yellow Springs, Ohio  
 Radcliffe, Hay, Debbie – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Rawlins, Gladys – Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

Sanders, Olcutt & Phyllis, Lynn, Marta, Jay, Fred, Elizabeth – Delaware, Ohio  
 Shute, Florence – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Snyder, Ed – F.C.N.L., Washington, DC  
 Stow, Richard & Marian, Penny, Mary, Roger, Barbara - Worthington, Ohio  
 Taber, Joe - Cheswick, Pa.  
 Taubert, Ed & Alberta, Margaret, Max - Madison, Ohio  
 Tawell, Arthur – Cleveland, Ohio  
 Thompson, Matt - A.F.S.C., Dayton, Ohio  
 Van Worner, Marvin & Ruth, Joanna, David - Columbus, Ohio  
 Vasey, Virginia – Long Beach, Cal.  
 Weaver, John & Elsa – Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Wood, Kathleen – Cleveland, Ohio

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<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Meeting Place</u>	<u>Clerk</u>
Ann Arbor, Mich.	1416 Hill St.	Harford Crosman
Birmingham, Mich.		George Griscow
Cleveland, Ohio	19016 Magnolia Dr.	Lucy Clark
Columbus, Ohio	1954 Indianola	Edgar Shaudys, Dortha Patterson, Correspondent
Delaware, Ohio	Memorial Union Bldg.	Olcutt Sanders
Detroit, Mich.	Highland Park Y.W.C.A.	John Bartholomew
East Lansing, Mich.		Peter Stettenheim Joan Lind, Correspondent
Granville, Ohio	College Town House	James Ball Varley Crist, Correspondent
Grove City, Pa.	Faculty Lounge	Larry Gara, Bruce Pearson
Kalamazoo, Mich.	508 Denner St.	Cynthia Kerwan
Kent, Ohio	Wesley House	David Balstrow Judy Starbuck, Correspondent
Morgantown, W. Va.		Wilfred Baker
Oberlin, Ohio		Edwin Derby
Oxford, Ohio		Camilla Flintermann
Painesville, Ohio		Walter Rust
Pittsburgh, Pa.	1353 Shady Ave.	Sally Dewees Lee Paxson, Correspondent
Toledo, Ohio		Alice Nauts
Uniontown, Pa.		Robert Hustand
West Lafayette, Ind.		Merritt Webster
Wooster, Ohio		Stephen Simon
Yellow Springs, Ohio		Ruth Keeton Jane Morgan, Correspondent

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